

CONFIDENTIAL 12 Oct 1944

To: General Donovan

Copies of the attached
have been sent to NSA, Field
Photographic, and SI. Dr. Langner
has been asked to forward his
comments to you.

TO → *H. W. ...*
J. W. ...
1st Lt. JACD

Hand for Langner
CONFIDENTIAL *comments*

Office of the Secretariat

(9139)

OGS DETACHMENT (RELIEF)
APO 413
U.S. ARMY

CONFIDENTIAL

4 October 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brigadier General William J. Donovan
FROM: J. R. Forgan, Colonel, OSG *JRF*
SUBJECT: Attached Cable

The joint aerial photographic project which is being planned by the Field Photographic Branch and the Map Division of R&A requires additional personnel for assignment to aerial teams.

The Map Division suggests that the most highly qualified member of this organization, Lt. (jg) James A. Barnes, be assigned to this work. Lt. Barnes is at present working with SI at Bari where the work in which he is engaged is of little consequence to the Map Division. Because of his training and his general familiarity with the type of operation envisaged, we request that you send the attached cable to Colonel Glavin requesting the transfer of Barnes to the ETO for this work. There is no person available in the ETO for this assignment.

Attachment

**OUTGOING CABLE
ORIGINAL**

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Serial

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(Attach all Drafts and Notes)

TO: GLAVIN
FROM: 109

4 October 1944

COPY TO LANGER AND ROBINSON

1. Joint Field Photographic Branch Map Division R&A aerial photographic mission, ETO, requires professional expert.
2. Map personnel not available in ETO. Will you therefore detach JAMES A BARNES, LT. (JC) USNR, R&A, WASHINGTON, at present with SI METO from your organization to report to R&A LONDON as soon as possible.

WJD

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D C

29 May 1944

TO: Lieutenant H.R. Kellogg
FROM: Alton Q. Childs *ALC*
SUBJECT: Reproduction of French Microfilms

I should like to express to you the appreciation of the Reporting Board for the excellent work you have done and are doing for us on the special reproduction of the French microfilm.

There has been no instance in which the developed film has not been returned within 24 hours. The quality of the reproduction is very good and we fully appreciate the difficulties under which you work and the obscurity of some of the originals.

You, of course, realize the extreme urgency of the subject matter of the film at the present stage of the war. The skill and speed with which you have processed the films contribute greatly to their value and, therefore, to the ultimate success of the Agency's operations.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

*11712
J. C. Marshall
Approved for Release
by NSA on 05-08-2014
 pursuant to E.O. 13526*

24 September 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lt. (jg) R. Thrus
Assistant Executive Officer

FROM: Office of General Counsel

SUBJECT: Captured Japanese Equipment

*John C. Marshall
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1. Reference is made to the memorandum dated 17 September 1945 from Capt. Charles P. Frank to the Director in which he requests that certain captured Japanese equipment be delivered to Company M 33rd Division, a National Guard Unit located in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, for the use of the unit in training.
2. The Act of 4 June 1920, (41 Stat. 804, 10 U.S.C.A. 1551) provides

"All public property taken from the enemy is the property of the United States and shall be secured for the service of the United States".
3. Because of such statute, this captured Japanese equipment is not the property of the Office of Strategic Services and subject to disposition by the Director, but is subject to the provisions of the Surplus Property Act of 1944. If surplus to the needs of this agency, its disposition must be governed by the Regulations of the Surplus Property Board.
4. It is provided by Regulation #1 of the Surplus Property Board that the proper disposal agency for small arms is the Department of Commerce. If this National Guard Unit wishes to obtain captured equipment for its training, the proper procedure would be for the State of Wisconsin to file with the Department of Commerce a statement of its needs as provided in Regulation #2, Surplus Property Board.
5. This agency may not directly transfer this captured enemy equipment in the manner requested.

John C. Marshall
JOHN C. MARSHALL
1st Lieutenant, JAGD
Office of General Counsel

24 September 1948

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lt. (jg) H. Thoren
Assistant Executive Officer

FROM: Office of General Counsel

SUBJECT: Captured Japanese Equipment

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JOHN C. BARRISON
1st Lieutenant, JAGC
Office of General Counsel

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

10 September 1946

TO : Brig. Gen. Wm. J. Donovan
Administration Building

FROM : Capt. C. P. Frank
Property Control Officer
Field Photographic Branch
1620 South Agriculture Building

SUBJECT: Captured Japanese equipment

1. Now that the war has terminated it is felt that certain captured enemy equipment will have to be disposed of in some manner or another. There are several pieces of Japanese equipment in the Archives office of the Administration Building that no apparent disposition is forthcoming.

2. It is therefore requested that this equipment, which consists of two machine guns, one extra barrel for machine gun and two knee mortars be assigned to us for delivery to Company M of the 12nd Division, National Guard unit, located in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, for their use to familiarize members of that unit with Japanese weapons. Company M is an Infantry unit. Their future training in weapons of this kind will be of great value.

3. The above request is for items of equipment known to be in the Archives office in the Administration Building. If there is available any other enemy equipment, such as rifles, bayonets or pistols, that are basic Infantry weapons that can be included with the above-mentioned items, it would be greatly appreciated.

Charles P. Frank
Charles P. Frank, Capt., USA

R.T. To
→ Act Prof
Please include in
(copy) Forward - I will
him you will

17,547
Field Photo
Federal Bureau
of Investigation

14 September 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief, Field Photographic Branch
FROM: Executive Office

Will you please turn over to Mr. Bradford of the Federal Power Commission, who is carrying this memorandum to you, the film mentioned in the attached copy of letter of September 13, 1945 from the chairman of that Commission to the Director.

For the Director:

Robert Egan
Acting Executive Officer

Attachment

170007

14 September 1945

Mr. Basil Manly, Chairman
Federal Power Commission
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Manly:

I am happy to grant the request you
made in your letter of 13 September 1945. I
have asked that this film be turned over to your
representative.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

September 13, 1945

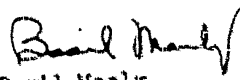
Director of Strategic Services

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in urgent need of three rolls of Kodochrome Type "A" - 16 mm. color film due to an emergency. These films will be returned as soon as the release of this type film can be obtained through Government channels.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



Basil Manly
Chairman

17 Aug 48
Special Agent
in Charge
18 July 1948
1st Lt. Robert L. ...
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**Lt. E. R. Kellogg, Acting Chief
Field Photographic Branch
Executive Office**

Film Producers Survey

1. We have thought it advisable to make one or two minor changes and deletions in the statement prepared by you for the National Film Board of Canada. The revised statement is attached herewith.

2. If the attached statement does not meet with your approval, will you please telephone me.

**E. J. Putzell, Jr.
Lieut.(jg), USNR
Executive Officer**

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM

Handwritten notes and stamps:
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TO: Lt. E. J. Putzell
Executive Officer
126 Administration Building

10 July 1948

FROM: Acting Chief, Field Photographic Branch

SUBJECT: Film Producers Survey

1. The National Film Board of Canada is preparing a short catalogue on all agencies that are in any way concerned with motion pictures. I believe we should give them something along the lines covered in Enclosure 1 because:

- a. It doesn't jeopardize security.
- b. Unless we give them some information on the set up, they will guess at it and probably miss it a mile.
- c. Nothing said here is unknown anyway.

2. If this meets with your approval, will you please initial a copy for our files.

E. R. Kellogg

E. R. KELLOGG
Lieut., USNR
Acting Chief
Field Photographic Branch

Encl. 1-Film Activities of OSS

*please call me if this isn't
clear Ray.*

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File # 1047
4-25
of 10
9 May 1948
2-20-48

Lt. John W. English

Executive Office

Picture on OGB Activities For Public Release

The Director has requested that you submit a plan for the proposed film as suggested in your memorandum to him of 7 May 1948.

HJP

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To: Lt. JOHN ENGLISH

Please submit a plan
for proposed film as sug-
gested above.

WJD

Director's Office

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM

Handwritten notes:
1. ...
2. ...
3. ...

TO: Director, Administration Building
FROM: Executive Officer, Field Photographic Branch
SUBJECT: Picture on OSS Activities for Public Release

7 May 1945

Several months ago Lt. E. R. Kellogg, Acting Branch Chief, discussed the advisability of preparing a script for a picture of overall OSS activities which might someday be released as a report on what the Agency has accomplished.

It is obvious, of course, that many activities cannot and never will be made public, but it is possible that certain of our activities can be told. The Public knows that supplies have been dropped in to Resistance Groups for example, but does not know the credit that should be given to OSS.

Inevitably, after the War, personnel released from the Agency will talk of what has been done. A picture of this nature will set the pattern of what can or cannot be told.

Do you wish a script prepared on the above subject?

John W. English
JOHN W. ENGLISH
Lieut., USNR
Executive Officer
Field Photographic Branch

Handwritten:
to English
Please submit a
plan for preparation
film as suggested
above.
11-11-45 to English
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4/19/45

To: Mr. Sulloway

Mr. Chaston wishes you to write a letter for his signature to the effect that due to the shortage of manpower and military needs, we are unable to take on this work.

M. A. R.

Director's Office

OSS Form 3054
(3308)

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS, Administration Building 17 April 1945
FROM: Acting Chief, Field Photographs Branch
SUBJECT: Request from United States Civil Service Commission

Enclosure 1 is a request for the making of some shorts for the United States Civil Service Commission. It is possible for us to do this work without serious interference with our program.

It is hoped that it will not be necessary for the Branch to do this work. If it is your desire that we should fulfill the request, it is recommended that only a sample trailer or two should be made and we should avoid committing ourselves to a substantial manufacture of this type of short. It is further recommended that our work should be done on a film reimbursable basis due to shortage of critical film.

JOHN W. ENGLISH
Lieut., USNR
By direction.

Encl. 1-Letter dated 5 April 1945

*To Mr. Pease
+ a copy
for Comptroller
+ recommendations
realizing that
our present problem
is always before us
in the same manner
the relationship to
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UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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NO FOREIGN DISSEMINATION

April 9, 1945

Director
Office of Strategic Services
25th & E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The United States Civil Service Commission is responsible for the recruitment of thousands of persons for the Federal service. The War Department, the Navy Department, the War Relocation Administration and other war agencies in Washington are in constant need of additional employees and every feasible device is being utilized to obtain them.

One of the Commission's regional offices, with headquarters in Boston and with supervision over the New England area, has requested that you have prepared two or three, movie trailers be prepared in Washington of a typical government. In addition, the trailers used in moving picture houses in the New England area has contacted a number of theaters in Maine, Massachusetts and has obtained agreements to loan trailers if they were made available.

It has been suggested that we contact the Office of Strategic Services to see if their cooperation could be obtained in the production of these trailers.

It is contemplated that they would be short--one minute or one minute and a half--and would show girls from various parts of New England who have come to Washington and who have carried on successfully in war work, particularly in such agencies as the War Relocation Administration, the Navy Department and similar war offices which have such a serious need for additional personnel. It would be planned that these would be shown at the area from which these workers had come to Washington. Because of the serious continuing need, this project is of real importance to the war program. What is contemplated initially is a preparation not to exceed two or three of these trailers on a trial basis after which the results would be observed.

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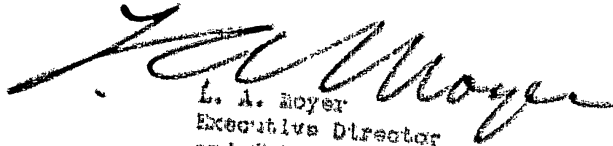
It would be contemplated that all of the details would be worked out carefully in advance in order to conserve the time of representatives in your office to the greatest possible degree.

The Civil Service Commission wishes to make a formal request of the Office of Strategic Services for its cooperation in this project and bases its request upon the continuing need for personnel of important war agencies and the belief that the project would be of great importance in furthering the war program.

Communications on the subject may be addressed to the Civil Service Commission's Information Division.

By direction of the Commission:

Very truly yours,


L. A. Moyer
Executive Director
and Chief Examiner

4, 6, 8, 9

(see sheet 4)

16 April 1949

Mr. Hugh D. Butler, Director
Division of Economics and Statistics
United States Maritime Commission
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Butler:

Your letter of 9 April to General Donovan has been referred to me in his absence. I have asked that the Maritime Commission be placed on the distribution list for a complete set of the photographs of the ports of Europe which are being produced by ONS. Although at this moment we are awaiting the negatives of the coverage so far obtained, we hope to begin dissemination at an early date. The photographs will be accompanied by annotative and descriptive material.

I was happy to hear from you.

Sincerely,

G. Edward Buxton
Acting Director

HUBBARD WIFE

OSS Form 4001

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4 OF 5 photostats

To	Name	Initials
	O. C. Doering, Jr.	
	C. A. Rane	
	J. B. Donovan	
	D. E. Lee	
	G. S. Platt	
	P. F. Pugliese	
✓	E. J. Putzell, Jr.	
	A. W. Sulloway	
	R. Thrun	
	Ellen	

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Ned: You wanted to send
 this on to Hyde
 suggest additional photostats
 for contact and connection
 file. etc.

AT

UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

April 9, 1945

Brigadier General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General -

When Captain Conway, Associate Deputy Administrator of War Shipping Administration, was in Paris recently, he came across a cabinet of 10" X 12" photographs on European ports. Ed. English of the Photographic Unit located in the South Agriculture Building allowed us to borrow, on April 6, a complete set of photographs on the port of Antwerp.

These photographs, in the opinion of Captain Conway and myself, rank among the best and clearest port photographs available. They would be most valuable to this Agency in making operating studies and post-war plans.

We would appreciate your placing this Agency on the distribution list for one complete set of photographs on any port of Europe.

Your cooperation in this matter would be sincerely appreciated.

With very good wish to you and
Col. Buxton Cordially yours,

Hugh D. Butler
Hugh D. Butler
Director

Division of Economics and Statistics

Mr. Hugh D. Butler
Director
Division of Economics and Statistics
United States Maritime Commission
Temporary Y Building
19th and B Streets, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

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Field Photo

17 April 1945

General A. A. Vandegrift
Commandant of the Marine Corps
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Vandegrift:

I have for reply your memorandum of 6 April 1945 to the Director of Strategic Services (your reference 2065-10; AD-467-sig) requesting the use of OSS motion picture laboratory facilities for the rush processing of combat motion picture film. I have instructed the Field Photographic Branch to make these facilities available to the Marine Corps.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Cheaton
Acting Director

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APR 6 - 1945

From
To

434558

Commandant of the Marine Corps,
The Director, Office of Strategic Services,
Attention: Chief of the Field Photographic
Branch, 20th and 'E' Street, N.W., Washington,
D. C.

Subject:

Use of Motion Picture Laboratory Facilities.

1. It is requested that the motion picture laboratory facilities of the Office of Strategic Services be made available to the Marine Corps for an indefinite period. These facilities are needed for the rush processing of combat motion picture film.
2. If this request is approved, the Marine Corps will furnish two (2) enlisted men who will handle Marine Corps film in the laboratory during certain stages of its printing and processing. These men will be cleared to handle SECRET material.
3. The Marine Corps will furnish raw film stock for such laboratory work as required.

A. A. VANDEGRIFT

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Encl. 1

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS, Administration Building 17 April 1945
FROM: Acting Chief, Field Photographic Branch
SUBJECT: Request by Marine Corps for Laboratory Assistance

Enclosure 1 is a request for use of motion picture Laboratory facilities by the Marine Corps.

Enclosure 2 is a draft of a reply prepared for the signature of the Acting Director.

This request was informally submitted to the Director in memorandum of 2 April 1945, same subject, and was approved by the Director initialing the original memorandum which was returned to this office 4 April 1945.

John W. English

JOHN W. ENGLISH
Lieut., USNR
By direction.

Encl. 1-Request dated 6 April 1945
2-Draft of Reply to MC

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Head of Mission
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29 March 1945

Brigadier General J.C. Holmes
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Julius:

I have asked the Field Photo-
graphic Branch to give you the help you
request in your letter of 14 March.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

c. W. Supt. h.

ADDRESS OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

March 14, 1945.

Handwritten notes:
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March 14, 1945
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My dear General Donovan:

The Department would appreciate the Field Photographic Unit laboratory of your office preparing a 35 mm. fine grain duplicate negative of certain footage which will be designated by one of the officers of the Department. The scenes desired will be indicated by Mr. Herbert Edwards, an officer of the Department, who has discussed this matter with Lieutenant John English, and the material will be prepared when it is delivered to the laboratory.

The Department has received an allotment of 35 mm. raw stock from the War Production Board and authorizes the Field Photographic Unit laboratory to use an amount not to exceed 1000 feet from this allocation (WPS authorization no. 12499).

It is estimated that this work will not exceed 1000 feet which it is understood will cost approximately six cents per foot. Your office will be reimbursed for an amount not to exceed \$60.00 upon submission of Standard Form 1060, from the appropriation "1950105.001 Contingent Expenses, Department of State, 1945" Allotment 10.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

For the Secretary of State

Signature of J. C. Holmes
J. C. Holmes
Assistant Secretary

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
25 and E Street,
Washington, D.C.



OSS EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Date

TO	NAME	INITIALS
	EXECUTIVE OFFICER	
	Mr. K. Eason	
	Mr. van D. Cleveland	
	Mr. W. Hagan	
	J. J. Montyan	
	W. J. Pughall, Jr.	
	R. Thron	
	Edward G. Wilson	
	John D. Wilson	
	CHIEF, SECRETARIAT	
	GENERAL COUNSEL	
	Secretariat Files	
	Director's Files	
	O. G. C. Files	

OSS Form 4153

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**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS, Administration Building
FROM: Acting Chief, Field Photographic Branch
SUBJECT: Request for OSS Films for MIS Training Group

5 March 1945

Enclosure 1. is a request for films reviewed by this Branch, via S&T, to be used in training CIC personnel at Camp Ritchie, Maryland.

These films bear various OSS classifications and it is necessary to obtain a determination of policy as to whether any or all of these productions are to be released to proper MIS personnel.

Attention is invited to the fact that Col. Thomas and Col. Applegate, former OSS officers, are in charge of various phases of intelligence training at Camp Ritchie.

It is the recommendation of both S&T and this Branch that favorable consideration should be given to as much of this request as is consistent with security regulations.

Guy Y. Thayer, Jr.
GUY Y. THAYER, JR.
Chief W/Photo., USNR
By Direction

Encl. - Request for Films

cc - Major P. L. Gore

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HW:GAG:76

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22 February 1946

SUBJECT: Films

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, War Department, Washington
25, D. C. Attention: Training Group MIS

1. Request the following 16mm films be procured from Office of Strategic Services, Schools and Training Branch, 2324 F Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. Attention: Major K. F. Muller:

- PO #14 Inside Tibet
 - PO #19 Undercover - Axis Agents
 - PO #20 Fighting Knife
 - PO #23A Derailment
 - PO #25 Rifle Report
 - PO #30 Body Search *
 - PO #38 Snail Limpet
 - PO #40A Track Demolitions
 - PO #45 Unarmed
 - PO #55 House Search *
 - PO #75 Shooting to Live
 - PO #77 Living Off the Land
 - PO #78 OSS - Weapons

 - R&A #303 Aerial Mines
 - R&A #332 Railroad Sabotage
 - R&A #333 Fire Sabotage
 - R&A #339 The Hull
 - R&A #341 Mine Sabotage
 - R&A #464 Abrasives
 - R&A #489 Underwater Operations
 - PD #565 Lambertson Unit

 - Unit #23B Preview of Assam
 - Unit #23C Camera Report

 - PO #83-2 Physical Geography of Japan
 - PO #83-3 Natural Resources of Japan
- Meet the Enemy - German

2. It is further requested that a letter designating when the film will be ready and authority for an officer to pick them up be sent to the Commandant, Camp Ritchie, Maryland, Attention: Major C. A. Langer, Chief, School Services and Supply.

For the Commandant:

J. R. ZIMMERMAN
Lt. Col., Infantry
Adjutant

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
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SUBJECT: Proposed African Photo Project.

TO : Lt. M. H. Kellum, U.S.A.F.
Chief, Field Photo Branch
Washington, D. C.

1. This has reference to your cable #775 from Geneva, dated 28 March 1945. In it you stated that necessary plans could be provided by personnel coming from Geneva, also that you or Report would come here to work out details before sending personnel.
2. First, it should be understood that the proposed project to do in North Africa and Middle East what Field Photo did in Europe, must be sold to the Commanding General OMI in order to obtain the necessary American authorization of cooperation. Needless to say, we should not expect to get either of these from the British or other foreign authorities. If the project is initiated before this approval is given, it will be a piecemeal pattern, their concurrence in, or even knowledge of, the project should not be a prerequisite to its success.
3. The job of selling to be done here will have to overcome the tentative objections already raised by OMI that OMI would be duplicating what has been done already by OMI and Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army.
4. The work done by the latter two agencies certainly does not appear to me to warrant a serious cry of duplication. Nevertheless, it is believed that a serious job of selling may have to be done and that it is highly advisable that such be attempted only by a Field Photo Branch man thoroughly qualified to put the matter over.
5. Thus, to revert to the last sentence in my para 1 above, this is written to make sure that it is clear to you or Report that there is a selling job to be done before details are worked out.
6. In closing, I urge that this project, if it has the approval of the Director, not be so long delayed that its chances

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of accomplishment are too largely nullified by the restoration of this part of the world to a completely passive state.

Sincerely yours,

HARRY S. ALDRICH,
Colonel, G.I.C.,
Strategic Services Office, NSAS.

cc: The Director, Strategic Services.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677TH REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (PROVISIONAL)
APO 312, U.S. ARMY

*File under
1st Lt. 2700*

9 January 1945

FROM : Chief, Field Photographic Branch, MEDTC
TO : Director, Office of Strategic Services
SUBJECT: Film Reports of OSS Activities in MEDTC

1. This Branch has forwarded to Washington some sixteen shipments of exposed film on the activities of this organization in action in the field. These film reports were taken by men of this Branch at great risk to themselves in order to show some of the operations carried out by this Regiment.
2. After a period of six months from the first shipment of film to our laboratory in Washington we have not received a negative report on the film after development, nor have we received any completed film on these activities in this Theater.
3. In October a cable was received that the film on the Rumanian Air Rescue Mission would be forwarded soon, and so far it has not been received.
4. It is felt that these reports are invaluable to the Staff of this Regiment for use in this Theater and for our personnel stationed here. It is therefore requested that some action be taken whereby these film reports will be processed, edited and the completed picture returned as soon as possible. It is our opinion that no attempt is being made to edit these reports.

file

H. J. Forbes
H. J. FORBES
Lt. (jg) USNR
Chief, Field Photographic
Branch, MEDTC

A cable was sent on this. It should be followed up with F.P.

USS Form 4891

Date _____

TO: Col Denney

Mr. Cheston would like
to have your opinion on
Col Richards' recommendation

AWS.

Office of the Executive Officer

(30149)

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

RESTRICTED

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Charles S. Cheston
Acting Director

Secret & Top Secret
Copy Recd
DATE: 25 January, 1946

FROM : Colonel Atherton Richards

SUBJECT: Attached Memorandum of 15 January, 1946, of the
Acting Chief, Field Photographic Branch, on
"Report of Captain Cyr, SO."

1. In accordance with your written request to take action upon the above-noted subject, the writer, in company with Mr. Van Buren of Security and Lt. Col. Waller B. Booth, Jr., (recently returned from Field action in France) viewed the film report and sound tract provided by Captain Cyr.
2. It is our joint opinion that the film should be rated as "Top Secret." In addition to such rating, there are many other reasons, in our opinion, which prompt its non-disclosure to the general personnel of OSS.
3. Your decision on the foregoing recommendation will be appreciated.

Atherton Richards
Atherton Richards
Colonel, AUS

Attachment

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To: Col Richards

Make you look into
this possibility you
will want to talk
to Van Duren, ^{please tell her} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~take~~
action you deem proper
~~to take~~ + advise

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