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TO : [illegible] Donovan

SUBJECT: [illegible] of [illegible] your dresser

1. [illegible]

2. I [illegible]

Frank O. Rifield

[illegible]

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TO: [illegible]

FROM: [illegible]

1. General Donovan's [illegible] the attached [illegible].

2. [illegible] Donovan after [illegible] which [illegible] latter [illegible] Donovan [illegible] function of your [illegible] Director [illegible] Training Directorate.

3. As suggested in [illegible] note dated 15 July [illegible] that [illegible] done, General Donovan will [illegible] with you on his return [illegible] shortly.

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Paraphrase

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Serial NYH 185
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NYH 185.

July 22, 1943.

SOSOP

To: CANFIELD

From: DONOVAN

Re: Your 182.

Will you please send the following message to ZZ:

A. Am disappointed in [illegible] reply. I would like to open again the question of arrival in LONDON.

B. My reason for requesting BROWNER is my anxiety to set up in WASHINGTON immediately a department to handle the following:

1. Analysis and collation of all intelligence from all the available sources regarding operational countries needed for introduction and operation of agents and the preparation of cover stories.

2. Direction of the documentation department already in WASHINGTON.

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3. Direction of production of camouflage for all supplies to the field.

4. Collection of foreign clothing and [illegible] from all available sources.

I deem BROOKER invaluable for this, since he has the necessary knowledge of the personnel and working of OSS and other American agencies. He also has the required experience and complete understanding.

It is only a loan of BROOKER that I am asking, for the time necessary to set up this organization, say three or four months, and I consider the granting of this request of the greatest importance.

Paraphrase: Wilson

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April 9, 1943.

Commanding Officer
Headquarters and
Headquarters Detachment,
Office of Strategic Services.

1. Please make the necessary arrangements for the transfer of Lt. Leo J. Grady from Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D.C., to Office of Strategic Services, 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

2. Lt. Grady will report for duty in New York on Monday, April 12, 1943.

William J. Donovan
Director.

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March 8, 1943

MEMORANDUM

FROM: William J. Donovan

TO: Lt. Leibfield
Message Center

I hereby authorize Lt. Leo J. Brady to sign for cables for me.

W.J.D.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 10, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: General Donovan

From: Ellery C. Huntington, Jr.

Subject: SO Operations - European Theatre - London

1. With respect to Colonel Bruce's cable #07171 I see no objection to having Brewer and Van der Stricht come back here if this is what Dave desires.

2. Van der Stricht can be helpful in determining whether or not certain of the groups which have been recruited for work in Western Europe can be used from London - one of the stipulations of all individuals concerned being that they work under American direction.

3. With respect to Brewer (and with reference to Jimmy's comments) he would be of little or no use in any administrative job. He has no background of business experience and is frank to recognize his own limitations. He was sent to London to work under the direction of an SO Chief and has filled the job he has been holding with great reluctance as indicated by his many letters to me on the subject. He is not the most diplomatic person in the world, but will do as conscientiously as possible (and much too literally) any job which is assigned him. His place is in the field under adequate direction and not at Headquarters doing administrative work for which he has not the capacity. He could be used on operational work but will need some

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training which he has forgone thus far in order to "fill the gap" as senior SO representative in London.

4. The transportation situation being what it is I favor telling London to send back only one Officer.

E. C. H., Jr.

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May 31, 1947

Mr. Philip C. Brown
War Trade Staff
Board of Economic Warfare
Room 2324, Temporary T
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Brown:

I am very [illegible] for your letter of May 22nd. I quite [illegible] your [illegible] position; I have [illegible] just as [illegible] than [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

I appreciate your [illegible] matter to my attention.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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May 22, 1943

Col. William Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On May 20, there came to my office a Mr. Collins who identified himself as an investigator for the Office of Strategic Services. He proceeded to ask questions about a person whom I presume your organization is considering employing.

Mr. Collins' questions were most unfair, and I write to protest that such a man as he should be employed by the United States Government in such a capacity. He asked, for examples, if the person in question had any "liberal" tendencies. He asked if the husband of the woman in question is a member of government union. Likewise other questions were all of a kind that only a prejudiced and politically immature person would think relevant to determining whether another person were subversive or in any way disloyal.

I should have supposed that your organization would be equally interested in establishing the fact that a person whom it is considering hiring is not reactionary to the point of having Nazi or Fascist sympathies -- especially since the person in question recently came from Germany. But there was not a single question designed to establish this fact, so that I finally volunteered my opinion on this point.

The man's ignorance was amusingly instanced by his almost-whispered query, "What do you know about the American Economic Association?" He seemed not a little disappointed when I explained that the Association has no political significance and is certainly "respectable".

Mr. Collins' questions were overheard by a colleague of mine with whom I share an office and who also was alternately shocked and amused by his questions.

Yours truly,

Philip S. Brown

Philip S. Brown
War Trade Staff
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO GENERAL DONOVAN DATE 27 AUGUST 1942

FROM: WILLIAM A. KIMBEL

SUBJECT

Pursuant to your inquiry concerning Breed and his group, I give you the following:

The original order which we received from SO, signed by Lt. Downey, Area Operations Officer, and Stoddard Hancock, Administrative Officer, requests travel by sea. We initiated action through JCS with OPD accordingly.

On August 25th we received a revised request to have Breed shifted from sea to air. We obtained a No. 2 air priority for Breed through Navy which he can use as soon as JCS and OPD clear him for departure. Incidentally when Breed was shifted from Army transport to air, it became necessary to obtain a passport for him which requires several days for issuance.

I am now discussing with Colonel Gridley the possibility of having this group of 26 men shifted to air, and Gridley shows every readiness to help, but even he cannot break down certain essential Army procedures such as the following:

The Theater Commander (Eisenhower) directed by cable that Breed was to travel by "ocean transportation". OPD follows these instructions. In addition air transportation is still so jammed that it is probable that even if air transportation for 26 men could be obtained, they would be delayed indefinitely.

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I shall continue to utilize every influence through Bridley and directly at OPD.

W. A. K.

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May 30, 1943

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Vice Admiral F. J. Horne
Vice Chief of Naval Operations
Room 2064, Navy Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Admiral Horne:

We have been called upon by the Supreme Commander in North Africa to supply penetration groups and operational groups largely Italian. This we have been endeavoring to do.

We have been given access to a number of Italian Anti-Fascists who have been interned by the Department of Justice. From what we have been able to learn, they would be of great value to us in the Mediterranean area.

Lieutenant Commander Alfred Bredd, USNR, now with the Office of Naval Intelligence, by reason of his background, experience and capabilities, is peculiarly well fitted to assist us in this work both in the Theater and in this country. We had hoped to obtain his release to us but this has not been denied. In view of the urgency of our problem and of the great assistance that Commander Bredd could render, I wonder if it is too much to ask that even if he cannot be assigned to us that he be loaned to us on a temporary basis for the next two or three months. If this were done I think it would be of great aid to the whole situation in North Africa.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 29, 1943

TO: General William J. Donovan

FROM: R. Davis Halliwell

SUBJECT: Lt. Commander Edward Breed, USNR

I attach herewith a rough draft of the letter you suggested I put together for either Admiral Harold C. Train or Admiral F. J. Horn as you see fit, in relation to Commander Breed and the Italian potentials in the custody of the Department of Justice.

R. Davis Halliwell
Lt. Commander, USNR
Chief, SO

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C

"D R A F T"

May 29, 1943

Dear Admiral X:

On or about May 11th, through the usual channels, I asked for the transfer to this office of Edward Breed, Lt. Commander, USNR.

It is our desire to utilize this officer in supervising the organization, dispatch, and utilization of a number of Italian anti-Fascists who are now in Montana under the supervision of the Department of Justice, and whose violent anti-Fascism has both possibilities and probabilities of being immensely valuable in the Mediterranean Area.

The Strategic Services Officer in this theatre is being pressed by General Eisenhower's staff to accomplish within the Italian Peninsula assignments of great importance.

The utilization of this group appears to us to be most desirable and the success of their use greatly dependent upon the type and capabilities of the officer detailed to assume their direction.

Commander Breed, by reason of his background, experience, and capabilities, is one of the few officers in either the Navy or Army who appear to us ideally fitted to take this matter under his supervision.

It is hoped, therefore, that you can arrange to release this officer to us on a permanent basis, or on such temporary basis as will provide for his utilization during the development and operational stages of the group referred to above.

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Your consideration of my request for the transfer of Lt. Commander Breed will be appreciated.

William J. Donovan
Director

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[illegible] Director of Intelligence [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

1. [illegible] that the subject who is now temporarily [illegible] [illegible]

2. [illegible] [illegible] has been approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO:

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The Honorable
Wayne C. Taylor
Under Secretary of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2[illegible]

I want you to know that [illegible] appreciate very much the cooperation of the Department of Commerce and the personal attention which you have given to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan
Director

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Brin, Leonard H.
Passport

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1943

Dear General Donovan:

This is in reply to your letter of May 24, regarding an assignment for Mr. Leonard Brin.

I instructed the Director of the Census to handle this matter in accordance with your wishes. He now informs me that Mr. Brin was appointed on May 27 as a Census Bureau agent and that application will be made at once to the State Department for a passport in Mr. Brin's name.

The Department of Commerce is glad to be of service to your office in this case.

Sincerely yours,

Wayne C. Taylor

Wayne C. Taylor
Under Secretary of Commerce

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

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE May 8, 1943

TO: General William J. Donovan

FROM: Arthur J. Goldberg A.J.G.

SUBJECT Labor Desk Representative to Spain

Pursuant to our conversation yesterday it is of vital importance that we have someone representing this desk in Spain. We have in our employ now a person who is ideally suited for this assignment, Mr. Leonard Brin who is now in New Orleans.

At my request, Mr. Carl Rogers of my staff has conducted negotiations with the Department of Commerce regarding our sending Mr. Brin to Spain. This they have agreed to but it is necessary that a letter be directed from you to the Under-Secretary of Commerce. I am attaching a draft of a proposed letter which, if it meets with your approval, I would appreciate your signing.

If this letter does go forward it should be directed to the personal attention of Mr. Malcolm Kerlin, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of Commerce.

Attachment

Approve

Wm J. Donovan

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The Honorable Wayne Taylor
Under-Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Reference is made to discussions held between Mr. Malcolm Kerlin, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of Commerce, and Mr. Carl Rogers, representing this agency, relative to the detailing of some person attached to this agency to the Department of Commerce with an assignment to Spain.

There is in the employ of this agency a Mr. Leonard Brin who from 1924 to 1927 was employed by the Department of Commerce with foreign assignments to several Latin American countries. Mr. Brin could fulfill an assignment of particular importance to this agency in Spain.

We can make the necessary arrangements to carry Mr. Brin's salary and expenses so that there would be no cost to the Department of Commerce.

I would appreciate any assistance the Department of Commerce can give in this matter.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan
Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Colonel William J. Donovan

DATE: March 8, 1943

FROM: H. C. Barton, Jr. HCB

SUBJECT:

We called Oscar Stonorov, who is Burlingham's boss, and found that Burlingham though a good diligent draftsman is something less than the gifted young architect indicated in your letter from Ben Cohen. We are getting in touch with him in any case, and if mutually agreeable, will use him in the capacity for which he seems qualified.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 3, 1943

PERSONAL

Dear Bill:

Felix has passed on to me the enclosed letter from Robert Burlingham, a grandson of that grand old sage, C. C. Burlingham. I understand Robert is a very gifted young architect and if you have use for a man with architectural training, you should grab hold of him.

It has been too long since I have seen you. If you are free some day for lunch, won't you join me?

With warm regards,

Yours,

Ben V. Cohen

Hon. William J. Donovan, Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
25th & E Streets, N. W.,
Administration Building,
Washington, D. C.

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RFD 2 Phoenixville, Pa. Feb. 20, 1943.

Dear Felix,

Again I turn to you for help. Do you know someone in the office of Strategic Services to whom you could write about me. They seem to be looking for men with broad backgrounds and have a department which apparently can use architectural training. I should very much like to know whether I could be of use to them, and if so whether they would give me an interview. There is little to do in the office of Stonorov and Kahn where I have been working since I graduated, and I see no prospect of new work here or in any other architectural office.

It is hard to find out much about the OSS. since their work is so secret, but I understand that they have one of the most interesting and congenial offices in Washington.

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These ups and downs with Aunt Nancy must be terribly upsetting to Grandfather. He was so very hopeful the last time I heard from him, and now she seems worse again.

With kind regards to you and Marion,

Bob

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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February 23, 1943

Memorandum to Colonel Donovan

From: Lt. Commander R. Davis Halliwell

Subject: [illegible]-3

1. With reference to the above project which has been returned with your approval, one of the two men slated to go, Lieutenant Brogger, has received another assignment. The name of his eventual replacement will be communicated to your office as soon as he has been selected.

2. The other man's name is Hans S. Erichsen. He is being handled by the Navy which has cleared all arrangements concerning his departure. The latter is scheduled to take place in about a week's time, by air.

3. In view of para. 2, clearance with Operations is in this case not required.

R. Davis Halliwell
Lt. Commander, USNR
Deputy Chief - SO

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February 15, 1943

From: The Director of Strategic Services

To: The Chief of Naval Personnel

Subject: Arlos J. Brady

1. Mr. Arlos J. Brady informs me that he intends to apply for a commission in the Naval Reserve.

2. Mr. Brady is employed in this office. He is hereby released for service with the armed forces.

3. If it is found that Mr. Brady possesses the qualifications established by the Navy Department, it is requested that he be commissioned and assigned to the Office of Strategic Services for duty.

4. The services of this individual as an officer are urgently desired because of the nature of the work he performs. This work will involve secret and confidential matters which make it most desirable that he be a commissioned officer.

William J. Donovan
Director

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March 20, 1943

The Honorable
G. Howland Shaw
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Shaw:

Reference is made to my letter of February 9, 1943, relative to financial arrangements to be made in connection with the dispatch of Mr. Henry Brodie to our London Office as a representative of the Research and Analysis Branch. Due to the delay in Mr. Brodie's departure from the United States it is desired that changes be made with regard to the original plans.

Instead of $100 per month it is desired to pay Mr. Brodie only $60 per month of his salary through the facilities of the American Embassy in London. This arrangement should be made effective April 1, 1943, instead of March 1, 1943. Mr. Brodie will also be entitled to a living and quarters allowance in the amount of $2,[illegible] per annum effective upon his date of arrival in London, England.

It would be appreciated if the Department will take the necessary action to inform the Embassy officials in London relative to those changes in order that Mr. Brodie may be properly reimbursed for his salary and living and quarters allowance as set forth above.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

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cc: Colonel Donovan ✓
Mr. Pimbel
Fiscal Office
Mr. Barnes
Personnel Office
Mr. Brodie
Dr. Langer
Mr. Howe

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February 25, 1943

The Honorable
G. Howland Shaw
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Shaw:

Please refer to my letter of February 9, 1943, regarding financial arrangements to be made with respect to the dispatch of Mr. Henry Brodie to the London Office as a representative of the Research and Analysis Branch of the Office of Strategic Services.

The amount of the quarters and living allowance to be paid to Mr. Brodie effective on the date of arrival in London, England will be $2,016.00 per annum, or $168.00 per month.

Your assistance in forwarding this additional information to the officials of the American Embassy in London, England will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

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cc: Colonel Donovan
Mr. Kimbel
Fiscal Office
Mr. Opsata
Mr. Brodie
Dr. Langer
Mr. Howe
Mr. Barnes

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Brodie, Henry
Col. Inf.
Washington, D.C.

February 20, 1943

Colonel Clay T. Maddocks
Room 3 E 788 Pentagon Building
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Colonel Maddocks:

We desire to send Henry Brodie to London by steamer at the earliest possible date. He is one of the group being sent there to complete target studies for the 8th Air Force.

We are not making for him passage for this man, but would like to send him on surface vessel to help in our London office.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 19, 1943

Colonel Ray T. Maddocks,
Room 3 E 788,
War Department,
Pentagon Building,
Arlington, Va.

Dear Colonel Maddocks:

We desire to send Henry Brodie to London by steamer at the earliest possible date. He is all ready to go, and has his innoculations, passport and other necessary papers.

Mr. Brodie has important work to do for us in connection with our Research and Analysis Branch and Psychological Warfare activities. One of the countries in which Psychological Warfare operations are authorized for OSS is England.

We are not asking for air passage for this man, but would like to send him by surface vessel to help in our London office.

Sincerely,

He is one of the group who put the
to complete target studies for the U.S. Air Force -

William J. Donovan
Director.

Passage by steamer -

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February 9, 1943

The Honorable
G. Howland Shaw
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Shaw:

The Office of Strategic Services is dispatching Mr. Henry Brodie to the London office as a representative of the Research and Analysis Branch in the very near future.

Effective March 1, $100.00 per month of Mr. Brodie's salary of $3800.00 per annum, plus the appropriate living and quarters allowances, are to be paid to him through our London office. It is understood, of course, that the payment of living allowance will begin on date of arrival, whereas, the payment of salary indicated will begin effective March 1. All necessary deductions and adjustments for retirement, bonds, and overtime will be made by the Washington office in computing the amount of salary to be forwarded to Mr. Brodie's Power of Attorney in this country.

The per diem in lieu of subsistence has been authorized in the case of Mr. Brodie in the following amounts:

$6.00 per day while traveling within the continental limits of the United States,

$7.00 per day while traveling outside the continental limits, and

$3.00 per day while traveling on board ship where the cost of meals is included in the cost of passage.

A copy of the travel order with respect to Mr. Brodie's transfer to London will be submitted to our London office at a later date.

It will be appreciated if the Department will make such arrangements as may be necessary with the officials of the American Embassy at London, England, with respect to payments to be made to Mr. Brodie. Vouchers covering claims for his per diem allowance and travel expenses may be honored by the officials of the American Embassy when signed by our authorized certifying officer in London. The Office of Strategic Services will reimburse the Department of State for all payments made on behalf of Mr. Brodie in accordance with existing procedure.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

cc: Colonel Donovan
Mr. Kimbel
Fiscal Office
Mr. Barnes
Mr. Opsata
Mr. Brodie
Dr. Langer
Mr. Howe

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May 1, 1943

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SUBJECT: Request for Transportation and Orders

TO: The Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division, War Department General Staff, Room 3 E 800, Arlington, Virginia

THROUGH: Brigadier General John R. Deane

1. It is requested that transportation to London be provided by sea passage approximately May 5th, for the OSS personnel listed below:

Major Joseph J. Brooks, AUS
ASN 0513437

2. We are advised by cable dated April 24, 1943 (CX-IN-15007, April 26, 1943) to the War Department, that the Theater Commander has approved the dispatch of the foregoing personnel.

3. Attached for transmittal to the Adjutant General is a memorandum requesting issuance of appropriate orders.

William J. Donovan
Director

Attachment

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30852 1: Orders March 2, 194[illegible]

From: Chief, Combined Projects Section, OPD, Room 3578C, Pentagon Building.

To: [illegible] Supreme Allied Commander, War Department, Washington, D. C.

1. Lieutenant Colonel, Orders attached the following named officer to proceed from Washington, D. C. to London, England, reporting on arrival to the Director, Office of Strategic Services, for temporary duty:

[illegible] Major [illegible] Crooks, 0-13437, AUS

2. Travel by commercial [illegible] transport should be authorized. Transportation is being arranged by this Office; therefore it is requested that officer proceed to [illegible] as soon as possible as the Director, Office of Strategic Services [illegible].

3. Prior to departure from the [illegible], officer should [illegible] and field [illegible], [illegible] clothing, [illegible] pistol, [illegible] rifle, [illegible] pistol; [illegible] knives, [illegible] knife, [illegible] magazines, [illegible] (Mk II) [illegible] rounds of [illegible], [illegible].

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Colonel Donovan:

Major Brooks would like a few words with you re his Service Pilot Rating.

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Colonel said he would be glad to see Major Brooks.

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February 24, 1943

Subject: Service Pilot Rating
J. [illegible] Brooks, Major, AUS - 0513487

To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces
through Colonel William J. Donovan,
Director, Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

1. Request is made that Major J. [illegible] Brooks now assigned to The Office of Strategic Services, Washington be given the opportunity to obtain a Service Pilot Rating, Army Air Forces.

2. Major Brooks holds a Commercial license now in force. Flying experience, fifteen years privately. Ferry the flying for Royal Canadian Air Force (Aug. - Nov. 1942) Air Observers School, twin engine Avro Anson. To qualify for above, passed physical, navigation instrument [illegible], and flight tests.

3. Major Brooks will have an assignment overseas which necessitates a close cooperation with our Air Forces and those of Allied Nations. It is essential to the successful pursuit of the war effort that such Service Pilot rating be obtained.

4. It is agreeable that he be assigned temporarily to the Army Air Forces and reassigned to the Office of Strategic Services upon completion of his Service Pilot's rating.

J. [illegible] Brooks
Major, AUS

1st Indorsement

[illegible], Office of Strategic Services, February 24, 1943. To: [illegible] General, Army Air Forces.

[illegible] recommended,

William J. Donovan
Director

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February 14, 1943

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Hon. Norman H. Davis, Director
American Red Cross
Washington, D. C.

My dear Norman:

Under a recent Directive we have been assigned certain important duties in regard to the military program for psychological warfare.

It is very difficult to find men with knowledge and experience in this kind of work. Our inquiries lead us to believe that Mr. Stewart Brown, of your organization, in an unusual degree has these necessary qualifications. I realize that he may be of such value to you that you would be reluctant to release him unless the work in our field would be of great necessity. I shall be glad to tell you privately and confidentially the particular nature of the work we wish ~~him to~~ do, and I know you will then understand how essential a man of his training is to us.

I regret making this call upon you, but I know how earnestly you are fighting this war and for that reason am confident of your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Colonel Donovan

DATE: February [illegible]

FROM: Frederick Dechsner

SUBJECT:

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As I told you, I have approached Mr. Stewart Brown, Publicity Director of the Red Cross, with a view to his coming to OSS.

Mr. Brown is very much interested, and I think will come to us if we can get a release from Norman Davis.

The procedure suggested is that you write Mr. Davis a letter saying that we have some work to do here for which we find Mr. Brown to be particularly, if not uniquely, fitted. We quite understand the importance of the work that Mr. Brown is doing for the Red Cross, but wonder whether, as an emergency, his duties there might not be discharged by another person.

As you suggested when we spoke of the matter this morning, it might be well to tell Mr. Davis that we are prepared to tell him, in a private conference,

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what the work is that we want Mr. [illegible] to handle.

Stewart (who is also vouched for fully by John Whitaker and Willie Dewell) is presently tied up on the Red Cross $125,000,000 drive. He indicates that if the whole matter can be arranged, he will be available to us sometime toward the end of March.

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MR. BOULTON MARCH 17 1943

WILLIAM A. KIMBAL

GEORGE BUTCHER

Confirming my verbal report, I am advised that passport for above subject originally refused by the State Department has now been issued and delivered to a representative of his company.

W. A. K.

cc: Colonel Donovan

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February 16, 1943

Colonel H. T. Klein
Executive Vice President and General Counsel
The Lewis Company
105 East 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Larry:

[illegible] very kindly loaned Mr. [illegible]
[illegible] for an indefinite period in order that he might carry
[illegible] special work for us in connection with [illegible].
[illegible] be an [illegible] for the [illegible] and
[illegible], Honorary, [illegible] your [illegible].

I wish to express my and appreciation to you and
the Lewis Company for permitting us to utilize Mr. Pitcher's
[illegible] services for a long period.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

Boulton

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Signed stamped by
M. A. Butcher

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THE TEXAS COMPANY
135 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK

HARRY T. KLEIN

New York, November 19th, 1942

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

My dear Bill:

Your letter of November 7th regarding Mr. George B. Butcher arrived at my office yesterday.

I have discussed the subject-matter with our Vice President in charge of the Export Department. While I am sure you recognize that the demands which have been made upon The Texas Company by the various government departments for personnel have been very heavy, we believe that Mr. Butcher, because of his experience and his knowledge of West Africa, can be of more service to the country during the present emergency as a member of your organization than by continuing to work for us.

Under the circumstances we are agreeable to releasing him during the emergency. I have discussed your letter with Mr. Butcher and he informs me that he is willing to join your organization. He says that he will be able to report for duty at Washington on Friday, November 27th, and that you may expect him then, unless we receive advice from you to the contrary before that time.

Kind regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Harry T. Klein

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November 7, 1942

Colonel H. T. Klein
Executive Vice-President and General Counsel
The Texas Company
135 East 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Harry:

One of the men in the Export Department of your firm, Mr. George D. Butcher, has spent considerable time in Dakar and other parts of French West Africa, and from time to time he has been able to furnish us information on that area which has been of value.

We have a pressing need for men who possess an intimate knowledge of West Africa, and I would like to ask if your company could see its way clear to releasing Mr. Butcher for the duration of the war so that he might join this organization. I understand that he is quite willing to come with us, provided the management of your firm is agreeable to releasing him.

We would like to have him come to Washington in about ten days or two weeks. However, if that interval is not sufficient, his coming here might be postponed until such date as his work with your company will permit.

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May I assure you that if your firm can spare the services of Mr. Butcher, it will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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SECTION
ROOM 5[illegible]

February 15, 1943

Mr. James E. Murphy
Office of Strategic Services
South Building
25 and E Streets, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

Enclosed are two copies of reports compiled for this office by Carpel L. Broger -- one on non-ferrous metals of Spain and Portugal, and one on non-ferrous metals of Norway.

I think you would enjoy having these and I hope that they will prove to be of value.

Sincerely yours,

STANLEY T. HARRIS
Lieut. Colonel, G.S.C.
Executive Officer

Enclosures

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WAR DEPARTMENT
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE
ROOM 546 - - 74 NEW MONTGOMERY STREET
TELEPHONE GARFIELD 6197

December , 1944

Mr. James Murphy
Office of Strategic Services
South Building
26th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

I am enclosing another report prepared for this office by Mr. Margol L. Breier, which I think you people will be interested in.

Sincerely yours,

CARROLL T. [illegible]
Lieut. Colonel, F. A.
Executive Officer

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November 13, 1942

Mr. James Murphy
Office of Strategic Services
South Building
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

Attached hereto is copy of M.I. Report No. 888 covering study by Mr. Carpel L. Breger on nickel deposits on the Island of Celebes, Netherlands East Indies, District of Malila near Masamba."

Cordially yours,

CARROLL T. HARRIS
Lieut. Colonel, C. E.
Executive Officer

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Report No. 888.

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CHIEF

November 11, 1942

Mr. James R. Murphy
Office of Strategic Services
South Building
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

Inclosed herewith is report from Mr. Carpel L. Breger on "Bintan Island Bauxite Mines and Installations, Backbone of Japanese Aluminum Production; and New Asahan River, East Sumatra, Hydro-electric Plant." I hope you people will be interested in it.

May I call your particular attention to paragraph six on page three which suggests that if research has not already been done on these German interests in Billiton, it might well be advisable to look into this point which Mr. Breger has brought out.

Sincerely yours,

CARROLL T. HARRIS
Lieut. Colonel, C. E.
Executive Officer

Incl-
M.I. Report No. 879.

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November 11, 1942

Mr. James R. Murphy
Office of Strategic Services
South Building
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

I am inclosing a copy of our M.I. Report No. 877, the results of a research job done for us by Mr. Breger on the subject of "Fluorspar."

We believe the contents of this report are highly important.

Sincerely yours,

CARROLL T. HARRIS
Lieut. Colonel, C. E.
Executive Officer

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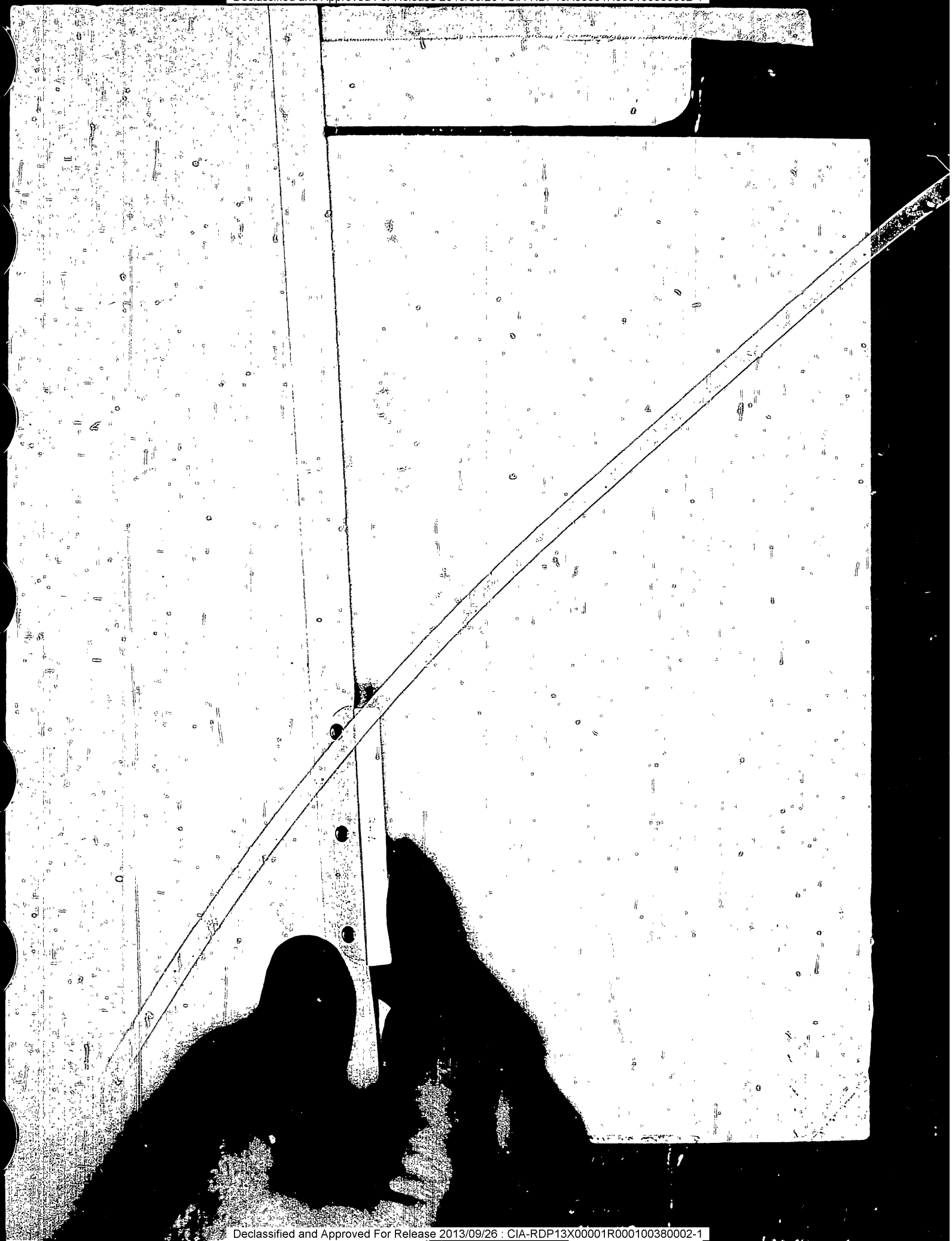

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6 September 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. James R. Murphy
Chief, X-2 Branch
FROM: Executive Office

SUBJECT: Payment of Transportation of Wife and Household Effects of Mr. D. Chadwick Braggiotti

This is to inform you that in accordance with your Memorandum of 31 August 1945 to him, the Director has approved payment by X-2 Branch of all expenses incident to the transportation of Mrs. D. Chadwick Braggiotti and her household effects to the State Department post of Mr. Braggiotti in Warsaw, Poland.

E. J. Putzell, Jr.
Executive Officer

CC: Special Funds

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

31 August 1945

TO : The Director

FROM : James R. Murphy
Chief, X-2 Branch

SUBJECT: Payment of Transportation of Life and Household Effectives of Mr. D. Chadwick Bragiotti

It is requested that you approve payment by this Branch of all expenses incident to the transportation of Mr. Bragiotti and her household effects to Mr. Bragiotti's post in Warsaw, Poland.

Mr. Bragiotti is an attache to the American Embassy, Warsaw and, as State Department Officers of his rank are allowed 5,720 lbs. of personal luggage, it is requested that up to this amount be authorized as chargeable to the agency.

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Branch, Room

27 August 1945

ADDRESSED TO: Military Motor Pool

FROM: The Director

Effective immediately you will honor requests for transportation from my secretary, Miss Joan Brancher, at all hours of the day or night any day during the week.

Frequently it is necessary for me to have either or both of my secretaries working late at night on Sundays and holidays, and it will be necessary for the Military Motor Pool to transport them to their homes during such periods.

William J. Donovan

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Brancher, Joan

27 August 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Military Motor Pool

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[illegible] April 1974

[illegible] TO [illegible]

[illegible]

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to [illegible] information incident in your military orders, [illegible] report to the [illegible] Officer, [illegible] Operations. You are, therefore, to [illegible] instructions of the [illegible] Officer [illegible].

William J. Lonsdale
Director, DCS

[illegible]

[illegible]

Lt. Col. Kenneth B. [illegible]
[illegible], DCS

J. W. Scribner
Deputy Director, DCS

Lt. Commander Andrew G. Corey, USNR
[illegible] Operations Officer

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: General Magruder

DATE: 22 May 1944

FROM: Mrs. O'Donnell

SUBJECT:

Mr. Walter Adams of the British Political Warfare Mission sent the enclosed booklets to General Donovan. They have been acknowledged and it was suggested that they might be of use to y u. Will you please send them back to me that I may show them to the General on his return.

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16 May 1944

Mr. Walter Adams
British Political Warfare Mission
British Embassy
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Adams:

General Donovan is out of the country and therefore I am acknowledging your letter of 12 May 1944 enclosing copies of "Who's Who in Nazi Germany" and the "French Who's Who".

Thank you very much for this material which will be of considerable interest and assistance to us.

Sincerely yours,

G. Edward Buxton
Acting Director

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REFER TO.

Telephone: HOBART 1340.

BRITISH POLITICAL WARFARE MISSION
BRITISH EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Walter Adams

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICIAL DISPATCH

DATE OCTOBER 4, 1944

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DIRECTOR [illegible], [illegible], [illegible]-2
BIGTLOBETO, SI, [illegible]

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#234. John Haskell in Paris. Relay Bari for Chanin and Jaber: INTERDICT: Smoky and 109. London to Washington # 6784.

For releasing 1st Lt. Robert D. Brewster, O-1047898 for temporary duty liaison with Russians in Balkans until required by Dulles group for Russian liaison in Berlin. Cable London TCA air priority.

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14 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT D. [illegible], 01047898

SUBJECT: Orders

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed in accordance with your military orders to London, England, and to such other places as may be necessary in the performance of your duty.

2. Authority is hereby granted to carry such secret and confidential documents, special equipment, etc., as may be necessary to the proper performance of your mission. These documents may be shown to those persons to whom you have been authorized to show them, but must remain in your possession at all times until they are delivered to their addressees, if any.

William J. Donovan
Director

Boston Howland, Security Officer

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European Theater Officer

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To: ~~General~~ MR TRENBATH

Shouldn't we give the Veterans an answer?

JRLS

Believe Miss Brancher has spoken to you about this. — RJohnson

Director's Office

OSS Form 3054 (3308)

14 Sept

To: General

Subj: Presentation of Medal to Earl Brennan by Regular Veterans Association.

The Association wants you to set date for presentation, preferably at dinner and before 1 October.

At presentation, they also wish to give you life membership in association. Pres. Truman accepted similar membership last week.

Director's Office JRLS

OSS Form 3054 (3308)

12 Sept

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OSS Form 4151

Date Sept 12

General Donovan

The Regular Veterans' Assn. wishes to present you with a life membership in the assn. The occasion to be the dinner at which Earl Brennan is to be presented with the assn medal for his work in Italy.

For your info, Mr Floyd Mill. Cmdr states that President Truman accepted a similar membership last week.

Office of the Executive Officer

O.S. Trimbath

OSS Form 4151

Date

To.

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The later the better!

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to be presented at the
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REGULAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

WASHINGTON D.C.

September 1, 1953

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2 April 1944

Dear Earl -

I do not want to leave without expressing my appreciation of the fine work which you have done for this organization and of the splendid results which that work has achieved.

Recent developments will necessitate certain modifications in the organization of this work abroad, which I would like to discuss with you when I return. However, I want to let you know now that I am certain that the job could not have been accomplished without your energy, initiative, and unswerving devotion to this task.

Sincerely,

Mr. Earl Brennan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

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31 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO [illegible]

SUBJECT: [illegible]

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the destination indicated in your military orders, where you will report to the Chief, Office of Strategic Services, for that Theatre of Operations. You are, thereafter, to act under the instructions of the Chief, Office of Strategic Services for such Theatre.

William J. Donovan
Director, OSS

APPROVED:

William B. Lewis, III
Lt. Colonel, FA
Chief, SO

APPROVED:

J. A. Scribner,
Deputy Director, SSO

Major Carl O. Hoffman
FE Theatre Officer

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21 March 1944

The Honorable
Raymond E. Baldwin, Governor
State of Connecticut
Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Governor Baldwin:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter of 11 March 1944, we communicated with Mr. Arnold Brener, with a view to giving consideration to your suggestion of finding a position for him in this organization.

We appreciate very much your bringing this man to our attention, and we will carefully inquire into his qualifications.

Sincerely yours

William J. Donovan
Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO Brigadier General William J. Donovan DATE: 18 March 1944

FROM. Lt. Colonel Donald M. Gregory
ActingChief, Personnel Procurement Branch

SUBJECT Letter from Governor Raymond Baldwin of Connecticut with respect to Mr. Arnold Brewer

1. Attached is copy of letter written to Mr. Brewer together with the original letter of Governor Baldwin which it is assumed you desire to answer. If the above assumption is erroneous, we would appreciate your instructions.

2. As soon as Mr. Brewer's application form is received, it will be reviewed against pending or prospective personnel demands.

DONALD M. GREGORY,
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Brigadier General William J. Donovan 18 March 1944

Lt. Colonel Donald M. Gregory
Acting Chief, Personnel Procurement Branch
Letter from Governor Raymond Baldwin of Connecticut with respect to Mr. Arnold Brewer

1. Attached is copy of letter written to Mr. Brewer together with the original letter of Governor Baldwin which it is assumed you desire to answer. If the above assumption is erroneous, we would appreciate your instructions.

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18 March 1944

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Pomfret, Connecticut

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Incls:
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cc: Gen. Donovan

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RAYMOND E. BALDWIN
GOVERNOR

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20 January 1944

MEMORANDUM TO MR. [illegible]

Subject: Orders

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to [illegible], where you will report to the Strategic Services Officer in the North African Theater of Operations. You are, therefore, to act under the instructions of the Strategic Services Officer for the [illegible] Theater.

2. [illegible] is hereby [illegible] to carry with secret and confidential documents as may be necessary to the proper performance of [illegible] duties. [illegible] to these persons to whom [illegible] have been authorized to show them, but must remain in your possession at all times until [illegible] to their [illegible], if any.

[illegible] Edward Buxton
Acting Director

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SUBJECT: Request for Transportation

TO: The Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division, War Department General Staff, Room 3 E 800, Pentagon Building, Arlington, Virginia.

THROUGH: Brigadier General John R. Deane

1. It is requested that transportation to Europe be provided by first available air passage, for the OSS personnel listed below:

Mr. Joseph Louis Breslova

2. We are advised that by cable dated April 22 1943 (CM-IN-13401) to the War Department, the Theater Commander has approved the dispatch of the foregoing personnel.

William J. Donovan,
Director

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[illegible] MARCH 4, 1943

[illegible]

JAMES L. [illegible]

Confirming my verbal advice to you concerning the above subject, I am in receipt of the following communication from the Department of State:

"March 6, 1943

"MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KIMBAL

Special Assistant to the Director, OSS

"Confirming our recent telephone conversation, the Department of State is agreeable to the proposal made in your memorandum of February 28, 1943, concerning the appointment of Mr. James L. Breslove as a clerk at the American Legation in Tangier. A second clerk for the same post may be provided by the OSS if it so desires.

"I am informed by the Division of Foreign Service Personnel that Mr. Breslove has already filed his application for appointment. You may send a second candidate at any time convenient to you.

"It is understood that all expenses incident to the appointment of the clerks are to be charged to the [illegible] which the OSS has established with the Department of State."

If you prefer to present the name of a second candidate for position of clerk, please advise me.

[illegible] K.

cc: Colonel Donovan
Colonel Buxton
Mr. Cocordrion

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Bresslove, James L. 10.612
Algiers, N.A.

February 20, 1943

Col. Ray T. Maddocks,
3 E 788,
Pentagon Building,
Arlington, Va.

Dear Colonel Maddocks:

It is requested that permission be granted for Mr. James L. Bresslove to be sent to North Africa.

He is a much needed man asked for by Colonel Lady to help on communications in connection with the North African project. We think he can go by Clipper to Tangiers.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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7 July 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, WDGS

SUBJECT: Discharge of John L. Brown (enl.)

ENCL : OSS Memorandum to Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, WDGS, dated 2 July 1945, subject: Discharge under Par 3b, AR 615-365

The enclosed memorandum from the Assistant Director O.S.S. is forwarded for consideration and appropriate action.

For the Secretary, Joint Chiefs of Staff:

GORDON DORRANCE
Lt. Col., G.S.C.

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OSS FORM 4001a

Date 25 June 45

To: Mrs. O'Donnell

For your files.

Peter F. Pugliese
PETER F. PUGLIESE
Captain, AUS

Office of the Secretariat

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[illegible] Brown, John D. 1st Ind.

[illegible]

[illegible], A.A.C., Washington 25, D. C., 13 [illegible]

TO: Security Officer, Headquarters [illegible] Headquarters Detachment, Office of Strategic Services, Washington [illegible], D. C.

1. The request contained in para [illegible], basic communication is not favorably considered.

2. Sergeant Brown should be afforded an opportunity to submit [illegible] for his discharge due to his importance to National Health, Safety or Interest [illegible] provisions of [illegible] 18 December [illegible], [illegible] paragraph.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

[illegible]
Assistant General

[illegible] John D. Brown

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

201 Brown, John L. (Enl) 24 May 1945

SUBJECT: Transfer to Enlisted Reserve Corps

THROUGH: Secretary, U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, WDGS

1. It is requested that Sergeant John L. Brown, ASN 42047554, be transferred to the Enlisted Reserve Corps while engaged on the special assignment for this Agency as set forth below. Upon completion of this mission Sergeant Brown will be available for recall to active duty in his present grade; his consent to this is evidenced by his signed acknowledgment inclosed herewith.

2. Subject enlisted man is assigned to the Office of Strategic Services and occupies a position with the Morale Operations Branch of this organization. Upon being transferred to the Enlisted Reserve Corps he will be assigned overseas in Western Europe. His duties will include: the collection and analysis of anti-American propaganda; the study of and submission of periodic reports on the economic, political, and military conditions in that area; and the identification of sources and media of enemy propaganda. In addition it will be his duty to test public opinion and reaction to such propaganda and to recommend counter measures.

3. To effectively perform the above duties it is essential that Sergeant Brown have the utmost freedom of action and that he carry on his duties as a resident of the particular country in which he is to be stationed. This freedom of action and effectiveness of operation can only be achieved by his being in civilian status. Authorization to wear civilian clothes in the performance of the above assignment would be inadequate for his military status would be disclosed by his identification papers and travel orders.

4. Sergeant Brown's education and training ideally qualify him for his proposed assignment. He is 31 years of age, having been born on 29 April 1914 at Ilion, New York. He holds the following degrees: AB, Hamilton College, New York; Doctorat de l'Universite from the University of Paris; and Ph.D., Catholic University. As an instructor and language specialist he is unusually qualified for the study of cultural and psychological conditions in the area to which he will be assigned. He speaks fluent French, Spanish, and Portuguese; he has translated a book from the Portuguese. He has a wide acquaintance among Catholic and diplomatic circles in both Spain and Portugal. Before entering the Army, Sergeant Brown served as Assistant Chief, Foreign Language Section, Overseas Branch, of OWI. At

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OWI he acquired a first-hand knowledge of propaganda methods and techniques. Since joining the Office of Strategic Services in January 1944, Sergeant Brown has served overseas with PWD field teams in France.

5. For the foregoing considerations favorable consideration of the request contained in paragraph 1 is recommended.

Charles S. Cheston
Assistant Director

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Sgnd Statmt of Sgt. Brown

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17 May 1955
Athens

SUBJECT: Release from active duty and transfer to Enlisted Men's Reserve Corps

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq & Hq Detachment, OSS

I am fully cognizant of the reasons for which my transfer to the Enlisted Men's Reserve Corps is being sought by the Office of Strategic Services.

I agree to accept such a transfer with full realization that upon completion of the mission for which transfer will be effected, I may revert to active duty status as an enlisted man in the grade occupied at the time of transfer.

John L. Brown

JOHN L. BROWN
Sergeant, ASN 42017554

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19 June 1945

Captain Charles C. Brown III
Detachment 202
APO 627

Dear Captain Brown:

I just got back from a trip to ETO and read your interestin suggestion of 24 May for a "combat aide" with field experience and an understanding of the problems of the men in the theaters who are doing a job on the spot.

As you know, I try to visit as many of our groups in the field as possible. In addition, many of those on my immediate staff have had experience of the type you suggest and I am attempting to supplement them with Army and Navy assistants. But I do not feel free to recruit these assistants from men who are now doing a good job in an active theater, as is true in your case.

I remember very well talking with your group when you came back from ETO and I was glad you brought up the matter of jump pay at that time so that I could correct the inequity.

Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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June 16, 1945

To: General William J. Donovan

From: G. Edward Buxton

Subject: Attached letter - Jump Pay

Colonel Bigelow investigated the question of jump pay yesterday afternoon and the facts are as follows:

Your promise made to the men at the dinner was kept and the men were given jump pay while in the United States in accordance with your instructions although the form of their orders did not technically entitle them to this compensation.

Ned says that when the Jedburgh (SO) were sent to China they were informed that jump pay would depend upon the facts in the theater. If they were given [illegible] requiring jumping they would receive jump pay. If theater duty did not require parachute work they would not receive this pay.

Ned feels there could not have been any reasonable misunderstanding of these facts because everyone was very much awake to the issue here and the matter was a subject of great discussion by everyone. Therefore, our officers in Washington were especially anxious there should be no further misunderstanding.

Brown has an SO team behind the lines. I do not believe they have done any jumping because a recent cable stated that the first Chinese who have jumped are a group of Chinese Commandos and not an SO team. I do not see how anything can be done, therefore, except to repeat this statement in a note to Brown.

If you wish Colonel Bigelow to write him to that effect Ned will, I am sure, be glad to take care of it.

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109 TO HEPPNER.

PLEASE GET WORD TO CHARLES E. BROWN 11 AND TELL HIM I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH HIS MESSAGE AND HOPE TO SEE HIM WHEN I GET TO YOUR AREA.

TOD: 1845 15 JUNE 45

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May 24, 1945.

Dear General Donovan,

By the time you receive this, I will have been in the field for a considerable period, as leader of an SO operation (team name LION). I had hoped to be present when you arrived here, but of course my mission comes first, and I am only too glad of the opportunity to get to work again. The interval between the Jedburgh mission in France and this one has seemed pretty long. As I have a team of two other officers, one radio man, one field photo man, one interpreter, 50 Chinese, plus an MO unit of seven men, under my command, I should be able to turn in a good job, and we certainly have the makings of a real organization behind the lines.

I have written Col. Buxton several times, but have not received any reply. This is not unusual, as the mail is so uncertain here, but I would appreciate it a great deal if, upon your return to Washington, you would give him my best.

I think he has mentioned to you the idea I have had for a long time about a "combat aide" for you. You may recall that, upon the return of our group

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from Europe; and when you were lost at the first banquet for us in Washington, I mentioned to Col. Buxton the matter of our losing jump pay. At the end of your speech after dinner, you assured us we would continue to draw the pay. I feel strongly that I could bring to your attention many matters of this kind, which I, as a field man with service in both theatres, feel notice, but which the ordinary staff man in Washington would not. If you knew how very well received and appreciated was your speech to us, then I think you would agree with me. There are many points which I would like to present to you even now.

I hope you will not consider the above forward on my part. I write this only because I feel so very strongly that the field personnel, as opposed to the staff and planning personnel, should be represented in the higher echelons, close to you.

Would you be kind enough to give my uncle, Arthur Krock, my very best upon your return.

Very respectfully and sincerely yours,

Charles E. Brown III

Capt., Cavalry.

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23 May 1945

Blue copy

Mr. Robert M. Nathan
Deputy Director
Office of War Mobilization and
Reconversion
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Nathan:

I have your letter of May 22nd and on behalf of the Office of Strategic Services will be glad to release Sgt. Alvin Brown for the important responsibilities which you wish to place upon him.

Colonel Rosenbaum will explain to you the procedure which seems to us most appropriate for accomplishing your purpose.

Meanwhile, I have approved Colonel Rosenbaum's proposal that he shall assign Sgt. Brown to temporary duty in your office.

Very sincerely yours,

C. Edward Buxton

GEB FS

Acting Director

letter from Mr. Nathan delivered by hand to Col. Buxton from Col. Rosenbaum

letter in reply delivered to Mr. Nathan by hand by Col. Rosenbaum

Taken by Sgt Brown on instructions of Col Buxton to headquarters for attachment for overseas FS

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26 April 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Ensign Weir M. Brown, USNR

Both Colonel Coughlin and the R&A Branch have recently brought to my attention the respected and useful position which you have made for yourself as a representative of OSS in the A-2 of the 20th Bomber Command.

Your work there has been a contribution not only to OSS but to the war generally and I want you to know that I am aware of it.

I hope that when plans materialize for moving the 20th Bomber Command we shall be able to make arrangements for you to continue to provide the 20th Air Force with the kind of assistance in organizing intelligence for use in planning air operations which you, and through you, OSS, are particularly qualified to contribute to their program.

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Office Memorandum — UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Lt. Edward G. Ellson

DATE: 23 April 1945

FROM : Secretariat

SUBJECT:

You will recall the letter from Col. Coughlin which suggested that a letter of commendation be sent to Weir Brown, either from the General or Mr. Langer.

Attached is a draft of such a letter prepared by Mr. Langer. Would you revise it or otherwise handle it as you see best.

J. W. Auchincloss
1st Lt., TAGD

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Lt. Auchincloss

DATE: 20 April 1945

FROM : William L. Langer

SUBJECT:

In accordance with your request of 24 March we send herewith proposed draft of a memorandum from General Donovan to Weir Brown.

We regret the delay in forwarding this to you and hope it will serve your purpose.

William L. Langer
William L. Langer
Chief, Research and
Analysis Branch

Attachment

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The Minister of Marine

B. 5668 Rome, 7 May 1945

Dear General:

I was very glad to receive your letter of 3 April in which you have advised me of the appreciation deserved at the Office of Strategic Services by Commander Gastone Pardo.

I shall express with great pleasure to the person concerned my satisfaction for work done by him for units of O.S.S.

In advising you of this I take pleasure in returning the good wishes which you so kindly addressed to me and to my General Staff. With best wishes,

Affectionately yours,

William J. Donovan
Major General, U.S. Army

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Il Ministro della Marina

B. 5668

Roma, lì 7 maggio 1945

Caro Generale,

mi è stata particolarmente gradita la lettera in data 3 aprile u.s. con cui Ella mi ha comunicato l'apprezzamento che l'opera del Comandante Gustone Parlo ha riscosso presso l'Ufficio del Servizio Strategico.

Con molto piacere esprimerò all'interessato il mio compiacimento per il lavoro da lui svolto alle dipendenze dell'O.S.S.-

Nel comunicare ciò, mi è grato aver l'occasione di ricambiarLe gli auguri che gentilmente Ella ha indirizzato a me ed al mio Stato Maggiore.

Con i più cordiali saluti.

Aff.mo

William J. Donovan
Major General, U.S. Army

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3 April 1945

His Excellency
Luigi Gasparotto
Minister of Aeronautics
Italian Royal Air Force
Rome, Italy

Excellency:

On behalf of the Office of Strategic Services, I wish to express my appreciation and gratitude to the Italian Government and to the Royal Air Force for making available to us the services of Colonel Nerio Brunetti, Royal Italian Air Force, during the period 6 November 1944 to 21 February 1945.

During his assignment with us Colonel Brunetti contributed material, based on his experience and knowledge, which has proved valuable not only to this organization but to other agencies of the United States Government as well.

With my very good wishes to you and your staff, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

William J. Donovan
Major General, U.S. Army

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3 April 1945

His Excellency
Raffaele de Courten
Minister of The Italian Royal Navy
Rome, Italy

Excellency:

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It gives me great pleasure to commend Commander Pardo to you for his excellent cooperation and untiring efforts in his work as an expert consultant.

With my very good wishes to you and your staff, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

William J. Donovan
Major General, U.S. Army

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

General

TO : Lt. Putzell

DATE. 3 April 1945

FROM : Major T. S. Cutting

SUBJECT: Transmittal of letters

With reference to our previous conversations concerning Colonel Mario Brunetti and Commander Gastone Pardo, I am attaching hereto a draft of a letter to the Minister of the Italian Royal Navy and one to the Minister of Aeronautics, respectively, for whatever action you may deem advisable.

I have checked with the various branches and agencies with respect to the work of these two consultants, and feel that their work justifies the forwarding of the attached letters to the ministers concerned as a token of our appreciation.

T.S.C.

Attachments: 1. Letter to the Minister of the Italian Royal Navy
2. Letter to the Minister of Aeronautics

Letters to be returned to E. Brennan for delivery by Secretariat

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Brunetti, Nerio
Pardo, Gastone

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12 February 1945

Colonel W. L. Rehm
Chief, Special Funds Branch
Director

Contracts of Nerio Brunetti and Gastone Pardo

1. Brunetti and Pardo are employees of OSS under contracts dated 3 November 1944. The compensation thereunder is, in each case, $2,000.00. The term of the subject contracts is for 90 days plus travelling time from Rome, Italy to the United States and return.

2. The ninety-day period expired 6 February 1945. Since Brunetti and Pardo are to perform certain additional duties for this Office, it is necessary to amend the subject contracts to provide for a further period of twenty days with additional compensation of $450.00.

3. It is requested that Special Funds Branch make said additional payments after the necessary papers have been prepared by the Office of General Counsel to effect the proposals in Paragraph 2.

William J. Donovan
Director

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SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

between

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

and

COLONEL MARIO BRUNETTI

THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT made this ____ day of February, 1945, between the Government of the United States as represented by the Office of Strategic Services (hereinafter called "the Employer"), and COLONEL MARIO BRUNETTI, (hereinafter called "the Employee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties have entered into a contract dated 5 November 1944 (hereinafter called "said agreement"), which requires the Employee to perform certain duties as therein specified; and

WHEREAS, the said parties desire the Employee to continue the performance of such duties for a further period;

NOW, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 of said agreement is hereby amended by deleting "ninety (90)" and inserting "one hundred ten (110)", in place thereof.

2. Paragraph 4 of said agreement is hereby amended by deleting "two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) as compensation for the duration of this contract, one thousand dollars ($1,000.00)" and inserting in place thereof "two thousand four hundred fifty dollars ($2450.00) as compensation for the duration of this contract, one thousand four hundred fifty dollars ($1450.00)".

3. Except as amended hereby, the provisions of said agreement shall remain in full force and effect without change.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hand and seal this ____ day of _____, 1945.

_____ (L.S.)
Mario Brunetti
Colonel, Italian Air Force

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

By _____

_____
Contracting Officer
Office of Strategic Services

WITNESSES:

_____ _____
Name Address

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16,141
Trieste, Italy
Rome, Italy

Mr. Carl Bronman
Lt. Putzell

31 January 1945

The Acting Director has approved the recommendation that the two Italian consultants named in your memorandum of 13 January 1945 to the Secretariat be returned to Italy upon termination of their contracts on 6 February 1945.

In view of the necessary procedure involved in returning these men to Italy, you are requested to proceed without delay in making necessary arrangements.

L. J. Putzell, Jr.
Lt. (J.G.) USNR
Assistant Executive
Officer

cc: Miss Feldman
Lt. Wilson
Major Lee
Mrs. O'Donnell

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30 Jan.

Mr. CHESTON

I concur in Lee's recommendation although I do not know the reason for the General's original direction.

O.C.D., Jr.

WHS [illegible]

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FROM: Earl Trolman

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

Accession No. .....

Date Rec'd. SA.....

To	Room No.	Date Rec'd.	Date Fwd'd.	Officer's Initials	Comments
1. Divisional Deputy SI Far East Division	1013	JAN 15		BK.	1 to 1a: Do you want either or both of these men?
2. 1a	1013		JAN 23 1945		1a to 2 and 3 We have held this
3. The Secretariat	Plan.		JAN 24 1945		until we could get a final decision out of R.A, for itself and for
4.					JTY, as to whether they will need these men for a longer period. Mr.
5.					Martin of RoA has just replied that they will not. It is therefore recommended
6.					that these men be re-turned to Italy upon the expiration of their contract
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					

Each comment should be numbered to correspond with number in *To* column.
A line should be drawn across sheet under each comment.
Officer Designations should be used in *To* column.
Each Officer should initial (check mark insufficient) before further routing.
Action desired or action taken should be indicated in *Comments* column.
Routing sheet should always be returned to Registry.
For Officer Designations see separate sheet.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: 13 January, 1945

TO : The Secretariat
THRU: Chief, SI
FROM : Earl Brennan, Chief, Italian Section, SI

SUBJECT: Status of Italian Consultants

As you will recall, General Donovan directed by cable to Mr. Scamporino, our Chief Deputy overseas, to send to the United States two Italian officers as consultants. These two officers, Col. Nerio Brunetti and Comdr. Gastone Pardo, arrived in the United States on 7 November 1944 and have been placed under the Italian Section, SI, for the handling of administrative details.

The contracts of Col. Nerio Brunetti and Comdr. Gastone Pardo expire as of the close of business on 6 February 1945. The time is now approaching for instructions from the Secretariat as to whether arrangements should be made for their continuance here in the United States or for their return to Italy.

E. B.

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