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Signal Section - Plans Division

16 February 1945

SUBJECT: Agenda for Signal Conference on Furnishing of Signal Personnel and Equipment to the CIC Italian Frontier Control.

TIME : 1000A Hours, 19 February 1945.

PLACE : Room 140, Signal Plans, Palace, Caserta.

TO : See Distribution.

1. In order to accomplish the counter intelligence mission of controlling all traffic in and out of ITALY, the Counter Intelligence Corps Italian Frontier Control Detachment must be assured adequate communication as shown in para. 4 below.

2. It is anticipated that all communications will be completely or partially destroyed in the operational stage, auxiliary communications therefore become a necessity.

3. Meeting is to discuss what Signal Corps personnel and equipment should be earmarked for future allocation to the CIC Italian Frontier Control Detachment for utilization at such time as the tactical situation permits control of the frontier.

4. Facilities desired are:

a. Two radio nets are desired; one net to include Turin (NCS), Ventimiglia, and Clavieres for covering the Italo-French border, and the other net to include Milan (NCS), Aosta, Domodossalla, Como, Chiavenna, and Tirano. (Ventimiglia and Como would be the busiest points of entry from France and Switzerland into Italy).

b. The purpose of these two radio nets is to control from AFHQ, thru AFHQ common-user signal facilities to Turin and Milan, the movement of civilian traffic across the Italo-French and Italo-Swiss borders.

c. The requirements for the radio nets would be for approximately ten hours per day, from 0800 to 1800 hours.

d. The overall time the communication facilities would be required is a minimum of three months from the time organized enemy resistance ceases in Northern Italy.

e. The radio teams and equipment for use on the French frontier should be available at AFHQ on one week's notice. More notice could be given for those teams used on the Swiss border.

f. The highest normal classification of messages passing on these nets would be CONFIDENTIAL. This suggests possible use of Cipher Device, M-209A. One time pads possibly should be furnished in small quantities for the enciphering of occasional SECRET and TOP SECRET messages.

g. The official name of the organization to which signal teams should be attached is:

CIC Italo-Swiss (or Italo-French)
Frontier Control Detachment, AFHQ.

h. American personnel should be used.

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