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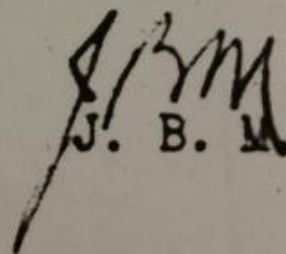
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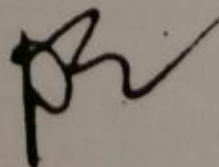
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Lt. Colonel LEB:⁷

Reference report covering air-lift for repatriation of Allied personnel at TAB A, the Chief of Staff suggested to the Deputy Chief of Staff, Air, that letters of commendation to the unit concerned be dispatched.

Letters prepared for the Supreme Commander's signature are attached.


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(CATOR)

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MEMORANDUM:

6 JUNE 1945

TO: Air Marshal C. R. Carr
Major General David M. Schlatter

1. The air lift of repatriated Allied personnel began on 3 April when aircraft of the IX Troop Carrier Command returned from Germany with 968 American and British ex-Prisoners of War.

2. From then on the movement of repatriates by air increased, to reach a peak load of 36,204 on 11 May.

3. Figures on repatriates flown out of Germany up to midnight 31 May are shown below. Repatriates who were evacuated as casualties are not included.

	<u>AMERICANS</u>	<u>BRITISH</u>	<u>FRENCH</u>	<u>+OTHERS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
In U.S. a/c	65,068	102,888	126,168	4,391	298,515
In RAF a/c	1,119	38,909	8,785	7,088	55,901
In PAF a/c	2	0	70	0	72
TOTAL	66,189	141,797	135,023	11,479	354,488

+ Includes 10,613 Belgians.

Additional figures on the flying of repatriates are given in succeeding pages.

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REPATRIATES FLOWN OUT OF GERMANY BY COMMANDS
(Up to Midnight, 31 May)

	<u>AMERICANS</u>	<u>BRITISH</u>	<u>FRENCH</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
By IX Troop Carrier Command.	54,936	93,691	90,364	1,376	240,367
By 314th Troop Carrier Group.	214	3,459	513	923	5,109
By 442nd Troop Carrier Group.	669	2,408	2,325	267	5,669
By 302nd Transport Wing.	1,164	485	3,301	18	4,968
By Eighth Air Force	8,085	2,845	29,665	1,807	42,402
TOTAL IN US A/C	65,068	102,888	126,168	4,391	298,515
By 46 Group, RAF	419	33,142	8,785	6,852	49,198
By 38 Group, RAF	0	294	0	2	296
By Bomber Command R.A.F.	700	5,473	0	234	6,407
TOTAL IN RAF A/C	1,119	38,909	8,785	7,088	55,901
TOTAL BY RAF	2	0	70	0	72
GRAND TOTAL OUT OF GERMANY	66,189	141,797	135,023	11,479	354,488

Figures shown for 314th and 442nd Troop Carrier Groups are from 20 May when these groups were transferred out of IX Troop Carrier Command.

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Some repatriates were flown twice, being lifted out of Germany to rear camps in one flight and then flown later to final destinations. This happened most often with the British who were usually shuttled from Germany to Rhine and Brussels, and then flown by different aircraft to the U.K. The total lift of repatriates by air, by Commands, up to midnight of 31 May, was:

	<u>AMERICANS</u>	<u>BRITISH</u>	<u>FRENCH</u>	<u>+OTHERS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
By IX Troop Carrier Command.	58,824	98,460	90,364	6,055	253,703
By 314th Troop Carrier Group	214	3,641	513	4,853	9,221
By 442nd Troop Carrier Group	669	2,408	2,325	267	5,669
By 302nd Transport Wing.	8,822	2,582	3,301	18	14,723
By Eighth Air Force	8,085	2,845	29,665	1,807	42,402
TOTAL IN U.S. A/C	76,614	109,936	126,168	13,000	325,718
By 46 Group, RAF	820	59,945	8,881	9,793	79,439
By 38 Group, RAF	0	9,427	0	2	9,429
By Bomber Command RAF.	700	73,528	0	234	74,462
TOTAL IN RAF A/C	1,520	142,900	8,881	10,029	163,330
TOTAL BY PAF	2	0	70	0	72
TOTAL LIFT OF REPATRIATES.	78,136	252,836	135,119	23,029	489,120

*Includes 11,550 Russians flown from France to Germany; 8,609 in U.S. a/c and 2,941 in RAF a/c.