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FROM : BERNE FROM BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE
TO : TROOPERS FOR DPW M 19, SHAEP MAIN PWX G-1
DIVISION (RELAYED TO SHAEP FWD)
REF NO : MAS 0/807, 26 APRIL 1945

Swiss Legation in GERMANY report by telephone that representative of German Government now in South GERMANY has made following communication:

"All transfers of prisoners of war have ceased. Prisoners of war are collected as far as possible in large Stalags. Reich government has requested IRCC to send representatives to large Stalags and also request Swiss legation as representative of protecting power to delegate agents to these camps.

"On approach of enemy, camp guards will withdraw and only commandant and administrative personnel will remain in camps which should under control of IRCC and representative of protecting power be handed over in good order to new authorities.

"Representative of German Government hopes that delegates of IRCC and protecting power will endeavour to ensure that German personnel remaining in camps will not be treated as prisoners of war."

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In making this communication, Swiss Government add that they have sent immediate instructions to Minister FEIDSCHER, head of the special division of their legation in GERMANY, to take necessary steps to send Swiss representatives to all principal prisoner of war camps still under control of German authorities.

ACTION : G-1
INFORMATION : SGS
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TO : HQS TWENTY FIRST ARMY GROUP MAIN
FROM : SHAEF FORWARD, SIGNED SCAEF CITE: SHGAP
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Large Allied PW camp OFLAG X C and thousands of PW reported in HAMBURG/LUBECK area. Request information as to numbers by nationalities when overrun.

ORIGINATOR : G-1 AUTHENTICATION: E F STRAUB, Colonel
INFORMATION : SGS
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