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TO : CONFIDENTIAL  
:R. F. Martin, Medical Officer in Charge

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DATE: November 21, 1944

FROM :Howard L. Adams, Acting Chief, Administrative Services Division

SUBJECT:Possible repatriation to Germany and Austria of internees about December 1, 1944

For your consideration, there is quoted below a portion of a letter received from the Central Office, dated November 16, 1944, which concerns medical certificates to be furnished internees who are chronically ill, and who will need special consideration in the event of repatriation:

"The Department of State will notify this office promptly of the names of internees cleared by the various security agencies for repatriation. Upon receipt of notice from this office of such clearance of any internees under your jurisdiction who are chronically ill, please cause forms to be completed in duplicate, using the enclosure as a model, for each mentally or physically ill repatriate. A supply of this form for your use should be mimeographed at your station.

This medical certificate should indicate what is necessary in the way of special diet, special medication and methods of restraint, if any; the necessity for isolation, if required, and whether the person being repatriated is ambulant or bedridden, as well as all other information that is of value in the care and treatment of the repatriate en route and abroad.

The original of this medical certificate should be delivered with the repatriate (but not in the possession of the repatriate) to the State Department representative and a copy forwarded direct to this office by airmail. Please notify this office by telegraph or radio of any repatriates (a) who are bedridden or (b) who require restraint, specifying the method of restraint required, such as strait jacket or restraining sheet, etc. or (c) those requiring isolation."

Furthermore, there is also attached hereto a list of medical cases submitted to the Central Office with our letter of November 11, 1944, who might require special consideration on the repatriation voyage. It is requested that you determine which of these individuals will require one of the medical certificates, a copy of which you will find attached.

In the event of a repatriation, you will note in the last paragraph quoted above, that this office is to notify the Central Office by telegraph or radio of any repatriates who will require restraining measures or isolation. This information is being furnished you at this time in order that you may be in position to give your prompt recommendations. Copies of the medical certificate will be mimeographed immediately after definite orders for repatriation have been received.

*Howard L. Adams*