

APPENDIX B

**STANAG NO 2044 (SOLOG 22), STANDARD PROCEDURES FOR
DEALING WITH PRISONERS OF WAR**

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TERMS OF AGREEMENT

OBJECT

1. The purpose of this agreement is to standardize for the Armed Forces of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization certain policies and procedures for the administration of prisoners of war.

MAS DATE OF PROMULGATION

2. 6th March 1957.

NATIONAL RATIFYING REFERENCES

3. a. Ratification without Reserve

Belgium:	G/Plan/4/3074 of 14 June 56
Canada:	HQS 8960-C 8(47) (DWD 2C) of 11 Jul 56
Denmark:	DFO/ARMY/MAS/56/260 of 6 Jul 56
France:	2080 EMFA/31 of 23 Jun 56
German Federal Republic:	
Greece:	
Italy:	SMD No 30[338] of 22 Jun 56
Luxembourg:	S/1069/56 of 28 Jun 56
Netherlands:	6551 BX of 2 Jul 56
Norway:	MAS/1518/56H of 2 Jul 56
Turkey:	MAS 271429 of 24 Dec 56
United Kingdom:	0189/279 (MT2) of 13 Jul 56

b. Ratification with Reserve

Portugal:	No 998/B Pr 1000.0308 of 13 Aug 56 The implementation by Portugal of this Agreement will be subject to the Ratification by Portugal of the Geneva Convention of 1949 relating to the Protection of the War Victims (Prisoners of War).
United States:	OPS OT DC3 of 4 Jan 57 The United States reserves the right to make this agreement applicable only to those elements of the United States Armed Forces which are assigned to NATO.

SUPPLEMENTS

4. Supplements to this agreement may be proposed at any time by any of the participants and will be processed in the same manner as the basic agreement.

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5. The provisions stated on the succeeding pages (pages 2 to 12) have been approved in accordance with terms stated above by the countries listed. *No departure will be made from this agreement by ratifying countries without prior consultation with the Military Agency for Standardization:*

E. M. F. GRUNDY,
Air Vice Marshal, RAF,
Chairman, MAS.

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DETAILS OF AGREEMENT

GENERAL

1. The Armed Forces of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization agree to adopt the following procedure for dealing with Prisoners of War.

2. Standard terminology necessary to this study is noted below.

SCOPE

3. The advantages and disadvantages of standardizing the various aspects of and procedures for the administration of prisoners of war, as required by the Geneva Convention of 12th August 1949 relative to the treatment of prisoners of war, have been considered.

EXISTING DIFFERENCES

4. Existing differences in policies and procedures followed by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Armed Forces are primarily matters of detail rather than of principle and do not detract from the implementation of the policies and procedures set forth herein.

PROCEDURE

5. (a) The attached form, appendix 'A', shall be used as the basic prisoner of war personnel record. This form will be completed in accordance with instructions on cover sheet to the Prisoner of War Personnel Record.
- (b) The terms and definitions contained in the Terminology Annex (appendix 'B'), shall be accepted for official usage by the Armed Forces. No further standardization of prisoner of war cage locations will be made.
- (c) The procedures set forth in appendix 'C' shall govern the handling of personal property, including money.
- (d) The disposition of allied currencies other than that of the detaining country shall be handled in accordance with procedures to be determined by the governments concerned when the need arises.
- (e) The standardized translation keys, to be used when prisoners are required to complete the Prisoner of War Personnel Record forms, shall be published as additional appendices to this agreement.
- (f) The standardization of financial accounts, pay and work records, and receipts for property and money shall not be effected unless the terms of the 1929 Geneva Convention are to be applied.
- (g) The standardization of procedures concerning the treatment, repatriation and utilization of labour of prisoners of war shall not be undertaken.
- (h) The standardization of rates of advances of pay and working pay of prisoners of war shall not be undertaken at this time.
- (i) The Armed Forces shall assign prisoner of war internment serial numbers commencing at "001" for the first 1000 prisoners of war, with prefix "B", "CDN", "DA", "FR" etc. as appropriate. Any additional prefixes or suffixes required shall be mutually agreed upon at the appropriate time.

INTERROGATION

6. Interrogation of prisoners of war is covered in STANAG No. 2033—"Interrogation of Prisoners of War (to include Interrogation Procedures, Forms and Reference Materials)".

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Appendix 'A' to STANAG No. 2044

PRISONER OF WAR PERSONNEL RECORD

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Parts I and III of the Prisoner of War Personnel Record Forms will each be prepared in duplicate, using the white copy as the original and the green as the duplicate. This will normally be done in one operation by the use of carbon paper.
2. A typewriter will be used whenever possible; failing this the form will be completed in BLOCK LETTERS by hand.
3. All parts of the Green copy will be forwarded to the Prisoner of War Information Bureau.
4. Parts I and II of the White copy will accompany the Prisoner of War throughout his internment, including handing over between Allied Powers.
5. Part III of the White copy will be held temporarily by the unit processing the prisoner. When all forms in this pad have been used, all 25 of the White Parts III will be sent to the Prisoner of War Information Bureau where they will serve as a check on the receipt of the Green copy.
6. If a prisoner refuses to give any items of information or is so badly incapacitated as to be unable to give any information, a notation to that effect will be made under "Remarks" on Part I of the form. All information which is available or which the prisoner is willing and able to give will be entered on the form.
7. The point in the chain of evacuation at which this form is completed is a matter of National Policy.

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TERMINOLOGY ANNEX

TERM	DEFINITION
Prisoner of War Collecting Point	A designated locality in a front line area where prisoners are assembled, pending local examination for information of immediate tactical value and subsequent evacuation.
Prisoner of War Camp	A camp of a semi-permanent nature established in the communication zone or zone of interior (home country) for the internment and complete administration of prisoners of war. It may be located on or independent of other military installations.
Prisoner of War Enclosure	A subdivision of a prisoner of War camp.
Prisoner of War Branch Camp	A subsidiary camp under the supervision and administration of the prisoner of war camp of which it is a branch.
Prisoner of War Processing Station	An installation established for the processing and temporary detention of prisoners of war pending assignment to camps.
Prisoner of War Compound	A subdivision of a prisoner of war enclosure.
Prisoner of War Personnel Record	A form for recording photograph, fingerprints and other pertinent personal data concerning the prisoner of war, including that required by the Geneva Convention of 1949.

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PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE HANDLING OF PROPERTY
AND MONEY OF PRISONERS OF WAR

1. No attempt will be made to standardize a list of those effects, of personal use, sums of money and articles of value to be impounded, confiscated or remain in the possession of the prisoners. Policies in these matters will be individually determined by the countries. Likewise, countries will independently determine policies with regard to the conversion of foreign currencies into their own currency. When laying down these policies, countries will ensure that the appropriate Articles of the Geneva Convention of 1949 are complied with.
2. In addition to issuing receipts to the prisoners for articles and sums of money which are impounded for reasons of security, such impounded articles and money will be listed in the appropriate space on the Prisoner of War Personnel Record. That record will be maintained up to date by the addition of items taken from the prisoners subsequent to the initial entry and by the deletion of items returned to the prisoners.
3. In the event of an international transfer of prisoners, their impounded articles and money which has not been converted into the currency of the detaining country will accompany them and will be clearly accounted for on the Prisoner of War Personnel Records which also accompany the prisoners. The appropriate representative of the receiving country will verify and sign for the articles and money received. Money taken from the prisoners in the currency of the detaining country and that which has been converted into the currency of that country at the request of the prisoners will not be the subject of transfer. Such money will be accounted for in the certificate required to be issued to the prisoners at the time of the transfer by the transferring country, showing the amounts standing to the credit of their accounts, and need not be the subject of concern to the country receiving the prisoners. It should be clearly indicated on the Prisoner of War Personnel Record that such money, although initially listed on the form as impounded money, is not included in the articles and money delivered to the receiving country.
4. Impounded articles and money, except money which has been converted into the currency of the detaining country and credited to the prisoner's account which for any reason do not accompany the prisoner at the time of an international transfer, will be sent to the Prisoner of War Information Bureau of the country receiving the prisoner.

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