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SECTION 25

REPORTING

Reporting Channels

- a. <u>UXBs not on Army Property</u>. Reports should be made by the quickest possible means direct to the nearest Police or Civil Defense authority.
 - b. <u>UXBs on Army Property</u>. Report are forwarded through the usual unit and G channels. At some point in the chain- the actual level will vary the UXBREP will be passed to the Engineer bomb disposal organization. In areas in which the military have not taken over control, the report will then be passed (in a different form) to the civil defense authorities with any request from military commanders (normally of the status of Garrison Commander or above) for priority of treatment.
- 2502. A revised procedure for reporting of unexploded bombs is being prepared by the Ministry of Home and will be issued later.

Method of Reporting

- 2503. a. <u>To the Civil Authorities</u>. Only the location of the incident the time it was discovered and if possible the address of the witness need be given.
 - b. <u>Through Military Channels</u>. The UXBREP described below will be used.

The UXBREP

2504. **Description**. UXBREP is in a form similar to the mortar shell/Bomb REP.

UXBREP

- A- From (Unit).
- B- Location of UXB- map reference and description.
- C- Time of falling or if not known.
- D- Time of discovery.

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- E- Buried or unburied.
- F- Description of whole or parts of missile and where found.
- G- Coloring and markings.
- H- Diameter of entry hole in inches (measured at the narrowest part).
- I- Extent of any safety precautions and evacuation already enforced.
- J- Important building, etc, nearby (give distances).
- K- Where witnesses and evidence can be located.
- L- Any bombs dropped in the same raid know to have been time bombs.
- M- Aircraft flying higher or low.
- N- Direction of flying of aircraft (compass bearing or related to conspicuous objects).
- O- Type and Nationality of aircraft.

2505. Notes on Filling It In

- a. **B**. <u>Location of UXB-</u> Sufficient description to ensure that the recce officer can find the incident unassisted.
 - C and D. <u>Time of falling or discovery</u>- Required for calculating the danger period if the bomb is fitted with a long delay fuse. When the time of falling is not known, the period must be calculated from the time of discovery.
 - **F.** <u>Description of whole or part of missile-</u> Describe the shape and material of any part found on the surface. It the report is written, a rough sketch may be useful.
 - **J**. <u>Distance from important buildings</u>- The priority for disposal of the missile will probably be based on this section of the report. Be accurate.
- b. Answer A to J in every case but do not hold up the report in order to obtain answers for **K** to **O**.

2506. Transmission

- a. Reports will be sent by the quickest means available.
- b. Each heading is given a capital letter for ease of signalling. The heading itself will not be transmitted.
- c. Heading which cannot be completed will be omitted.
- d. The report will be preceded by the code word UXBREP.

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- e. The message will always be sent in clear except in theatres of war when-
 - (1) The unit will be designated by its call sign or equivalent.
 - (2) Location (heading $\bf B$ and $\bf K$) and easily recognized features heading $\bf J$ will be given in code if necessary.

Note-**Speed is Vital**. The lives of the BD squad and other troops may depend on the promptness with which the report is rendered and passed on.

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