- 5. You are authorised, in conjunction with the Naval and Air Commanders, to plan and carry out any combined operation which you jointly consider necessary for the achievement of your object.
- 6. A list of the Allied forces which are already operating in Central Norway is given in Annexure 1.

You are already familiar with the roles of these forces.

7. A list of reinforcements which have not yet been despatched from the U.K. but which are at your disposal, is attached.* In addition, His Majesty's Government are prepared to withdraw from France the remainder of the 5th Division, should you require it.

8. You will act in co-operation with, but not under the command of, the Commander-in-

Chief, Norwegian forces.

Should the Norwegian Commander-in-Chief wish to evacuate any part of the Norwegian forces in conjunction with your force, you should include their evacuation in your plan. You are at liberty, however, to insist that a condition of such evacuation should be that the Norwegian Commander-in-Chief should place any force to be withdrawn under your command.

- 9. Should you become a casualty or otherwise be prevented from exercising command of your force, command will pass to the next senior British Officer, who will exercise command and, in the event of a French General Officer being with the force, assume the acting rank of Lieutenant-General until another British Officer can be appointed.
- 10. In order to ensure secrecy, you will restrict knowledge of your object to those officers who must know it for the proper execution of your plan.

(Sd.) J. G. DILL, General, for S. of S.

War Office, 27th April, 1940.,

ANNEXURE 1.

DETAIL OF THE ALLIED FORCES WHICH ARE ALREADY OPERATING IN OR EN ROUTE TO CENTRAL NORWAY.

MAURICE.—Commander Lt.-Gen. Carton de Wiart.

Unit Remarks Force Headquarters ... Due to arrive 27/28. Adv. H.Q. arrived.

H.Q. 146 Inf. Bde.—Brig. Arrived.

Phillips. 4th Lincolns ... Arrived. 1/4th K.O.Y.L.I. ... Arrived. Hallams Arrived.

Artillery.

193 A.A. Battery (of 82 A.A. Due 29th. Regt. 3.7").

(vehicles sail 27th).

166 Lt. A.A. Battery Due 27th (personnel arrived).

(vehicles of 166 Lt. A.A. Sail 27th. Due about Bty.). ist May.

Engineers.

H.Q. R.E. 61 Division Not yet started. Section 55 Field Coy. Arrived.

Medical.

158 Field Ambulance Due about 1st May. (16 motor ambulances).

147 Field Ambulance Due from Narvik for 146 Inf. Bde.

French Contingent.

5th Demi Brigade Chasseurs Arrived.

Alpins (Three Battalions). 1013th and 1014th Light Arrived.

A.A. Batteries. (12 guns). One Section Engineers ... Arrived.

SICKLE.—Commander Maj.-Gen. Paget.

Arrived. Force Headquarters ... Arrived H.Q. 15 Inf. Bde. ... Arrived. I Green Howards ... Arrived. 1 K.O.Y.L.I. Arrived. 1 Y. & L. 15 Inf. Bde. Anti-Tk. Coy. Arrived. ... Arrived. H.Q. 148 Inf. Bde.

Arrived. Reduced to a 1/5 Leicesters composite battalion.

... Arrived. Reduced to a 8 Foresters composite battalion.

Artillery.

51 Field Regt. Less 1 Bty. Due to arrive 28/29. 71 Field Regiment H.Q. 56 Lt. A.A. Regiment

... Not yet embarked. Ready to embark 6th May.

167 Light A.A. Battery

Ready to embark 6th May. Arrival complete 25/26.

168 Light A.A. Battery 260 A.A. Battery (3") 82 A.A. Regiment (less Ready to embark 28th. r Bty.).

... Arrived.

One Bty., 58 Anti-Tk. Rept. Due to arrive 27/28

Engineers.

55 Field Coy. (less I section) Arrived.

Medical.

146 Field Ambulance Arrived. 189 Field Ambulance ... Due 28/29. Drivers of 189 Field Amb. Due 28/29.

L. of C. Troops.

687 Artizan Works Coy. Not yet started. R.E.

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ADDENDUM No. I TO INSTRUCTIONS FOR Lt. General H. R. S. Massy, D.S.O., M.C. .

- I. Certain independent companies are being formed, and will come under your orders. It is the intention that they should operate in the area between exclusive Mosjoen and inclusive Bodö.
- 2. In addition, arrangements should be made to withdraw part of the French detachment in Maurice Force along the road and railway to Mosjoen.
- 3. The role of the above detachments will be:—

(a) To prevent the enemy seizing key positions with parachute troops.

(b) To delay the enemy's advance by land by every means, particularly demolitions.

4. These detachments should be self-contained for as long as possible. You should make arrangements for their subsequent maintenance by sea.

APPENDIX C.

INSTRUCTION TO MAJOR-GENERAL CARTON DE WIART COMMANDING FORCES SCHEDULED FOR "MAURICE" OPERATION.

 His Majesty's Government and the Government of the French Republic have decided to land an expedition in Central Norway with the object of

(a) Providing encouragement for the Norwegian Government.

- (b) Forming a rallying point for the Norwegian Government and armed forces.
- (c) Securing a base for any subsequent operations in Scandinavia.

^{*} This appendix was not received.