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For Eisenhower from Somervell.

Signed Marshall.

In order to coordinate military supply and activities of the Lend Lease Administration and of the Board of Economic Warfare in connection with civilian supply for North Africa it is suggested that you adopt and put into effect without delay a system similar to that which has proved very satisfactory in connection with these matters in Australia. This arrangement contemplates that you would establish a suitable organization in your staff to coordinate these matters, determine needs, screen requisitions, assign cargoes for returning shipping with the advice of a Key representative from the Lend Lease Administration and one from the board of Economic Warfare. These matters will also have to be coordinated with the British but as the bulk of supplies for the civilian economy in North Africa will have to come from the U.S. it is believed that proper representation from U.S. agencies should work with you to advise your staff in these matters. It is believed that arrangements as indicated above will have to be worked out by you on the ground. Your views with respect to the above are requested at the earliest practicable date. If you concur in this general plan qualified. - service incomplete.

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