

and with transport until they are handed over to the Soviet or British authorities at places agreed upon between those authorities. The standards of such food, clothing, housing and medical attention shall, subject to the provisions of Article 8, be fixed on a basis for privates, non-commissioned officers and officers. The basis fixed for civilians shall as far as possible be the same as that fixed for privates.

The contracting parties will not demand compensation for these or other similar services which their authorities may supply respectively to liberated citizens or subjects of the other contracting party.

ARTICLE 4

Each of the contracting parties shall be at liberty to use in agreement with the other party such of its own means of transport as may be available for the repatriation of its citizens or subjects held by the other contracting party. Similarly each of the contracting parties shall be at liberty to use in agreement with the other party its own facilities for the delivery of supplies to its citizens or subjects held by the other contracting party.

ARTICLE 5

Soviet and British military authorities shall make such advances on behalf of their respective Governments to liberated citizens and subjects of the other contracting party as the competent Soviet and British authorities shall agree upon beforehand.

Advances made in currency of any enemy territory or in currency of their occupation authorities shall not be liable to compensation.

In the case of advances made in currency of liberated non-enemy territory, the Soviet and British Governments will effect, each for advances made to their citizens or subjects, necessary settlements with the Governments of the territory concerned, who will be informed of the amount of their currency paid out for this purpose.

ARTICLE 6

Ex-prisoners of war and civilians of each of the contracting parties may, until their repatriation, be employed in the management, maintenance and administration of the camps or billets in which they are situated. They may also be employed on a voluntary basis on other work in the vicinity of their camps in furtherance of the common war effort in accordance with agreements to be reached between the competent Soviet and British authorities. The question of payment and other conditions of labour shall be determined by agreement between these authorities. It is understood that liberated members of the respective forces will be employed in accordance with military standards and procedure and under the supervision of their own officers.

ARTICLE 7

The contracting parties shall, wherever necessary, use all practicable means to ensure the evacuation to the rear of these liberated citizens or subjects. They also undertake to use all practicable means to transport liberated citizens or subjects to places to be agreed upon where they can be handed over to the Soviet or British authorities respectively. The handing over of these liberated citizens or subjects shall in no way be delayed or impeded by the requirements of their temporary employment.