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TO THE PEOPLE OF

In keeping with the friendship of the United States for your country and you, proclaimed by The President of the United States shared by her Allies

The forces of the United States supported by Allied forces have landed in . We come among you as friends, not as enemies or conquerors. You are asked to receive us as friends. Our purpose is not conquest but to free your country from its oppressors, restore your authority and protect your country and its people in the enjoyment of an orderly government of its choice. When conditions permit and the necessity for our presence shall have ceased our troops will be withdrawn.

(e.g. French) laws and regulations will remain in force except in so far as they are inconsistent with a state of war and military necessities, or with the safety of the forces of the United States and supporting Allied forces. The officers and employees of your Government and its administrative districts are urged to continue their duties as usual and to cooperate with the forces of the United States and supporting Allied forces in expelling the enemy from your country, in restoring its authority and in the maintenance of internal order. You are urged to continue your several occupations, to keep open your churches and schools, and to follow as far as possible the usual habits and customs of your lives and the business of your community. It is to your interest as well as your patriotic duty to cooperate with these forces. You will be required to observe such orders and regulations as your governing authorities or I, as Commanding General of these forces, and my subordinates, may issue in order to assure the safety and tranquillity of your country and yourselves.

Your assistance to these forces in the accomplishments of their mission will reflect credit upon you and benefit your great country.

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