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Subject is your Q-11642, 19 November. In accordance with ltr SHAEF to Army Group Commanders, subject "Directive for Military Government of Germany Prior to defeat or Surrender", 9 November 1944, only Military Government courts will try such offenders if military government has been established in Germany and the proclamations, laws and ordinances of Annex 1 to said ltr have been issued (see Article 2, Ordinance Number 2).

Military Commissions appointed under the authority of message this Hq E 45664, 29 Aug and E 45694, 13 Aug to Twelfth Army Group may try offenses against our forces committed in an area in Germany prior to occupation and establishment of Military Government over such area and prior to issuance of said proclamations, laws and ordinances applicable to all persons in such occupied area - this without regard to nationality or where apprehended.

Date set for and charge upon which trial is to be had should be transmitted to Dutch Military Representative at your hq.

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