HEADQUARTERS 475TH INFARTHY A.P.O. 218

10 December 1944

SUBJECT: Captain James Grisham.

TO : Commanding General, 5332d Brigade(Prov), APO 218.

- 1. Captain James Girsham, accompanying the Hq of the 475th Combat Team, was assigned on or about 15th February 1943 to the 5307th Composite Unit (Prov), from the Northern Kachin Levies, and has been since that date with that unit, or the 475th Infantry, which has taken ever from that unit.
- 2. A previous communication was forwarded from this Head-quarters on or about 1 november 1944 requesting a clarification of Captain Girsham's status with this unit and a promotion befitting his duties with this organization from Captain to Major in the Northern Kachin Levies. No reply has been received to date, and it is requested that follow-up correspondence be initiated if no reply is received prior to 15 December 1944.
- 3. It is desired that Captain Girsham be in no wise prejudiced by his service with this unit, inasmuch as he has been promised a promotion upon his return to the Northern Kashin Levies.
- 4. While no orders have been received assigning Captain Circham to the 475th Infantry none have been received changing his assignment from the 5307th Composite Unit (Prov), and it is presumed no interruption in his service is contemplated.
- 5. Captain Girsham's services with this organization have been and are now invaluable. His knowledge of Burma and its languages, his service with American troops against the Japanese in previous campaigns, and his overall experience would make his loss a heavy blow to this unit.

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