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Description: This is a letter from The British Chief of Staff to General Eisenhower saying that the Supreme Commander's view must prevail.

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CHIEF OF STAFF TO SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER

The Chiefs of Staff this morning considered the Supreme Commander's letter of the 27th July on the subject of re-opening leave for Service personnel in the United Kingdom.

2. While the Chiefs of Staff are anxious that normal leave should be resumed with the least possible delay, they feel that the view of the Supreme Commander must prevail in this matter, and they therefore defer to his wishes in not recommending the re-opening of normal leave on the 1st August.

3. Steps are being taken for a question to be asked in the House of Commons which should offset any statements in the Press implying that normal leave is about to be resumed.

4. The Chiefs of Staff would be grateful if the Supreme Commander would keep this matter under constant review so that no time shall be lost in restoring leave facilities when the operational necessity for curtailment of leave no longer exists.



L. C. H. Jones

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