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Excerpts from the poster translated into English:

Order

About the introduction of the German criminal law and the criminal law provisions in the German occupied territories of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

By the authorization of the Supreme commander of the German Army we dictate the following:

§ 2

Travelling out of the German occupied territories of the Netherlands, Belgium or Luxembourg can only be allowed by the local Field or Region Commanders in charge.

§ 3

Every transport of unauthorised persons with war or civil prisoners, who fall under the supervision and care of the German Wehrmacht or civil servants, will be punished.

§ 4

Gatherings on streets or public squares, the planning, holding or participating in public meetings or manifestations, the distribution and printing of leaflets will be punished. Exceptions to this article may be allowed by the local commander in charge. Every act of hostility towards the occupying power will be punished.

§ 5

Whomever will stop working, with the intention of damaging the interest of the German occupation, or who will force other persons to strike or will try to prevent from working, will be punished.

§ 6

Whomever will publicize messages in newspapers or magazines, which could be harmful for the German Empire, or of which the publicizing is forbidden by the Military Government, will be punished.

§ 7

Whomever will listen to non-German radio-broadcastings, whether in public or communal, or who creates the opportunity to do this, will be punished. Exceptions are the non-German channels which are allowed by the German Military Government in a public notification.

§ 8

Whomever will distribute anti-German radio-messages or any form of anti-German messages will be punished.

The commander in charge of the Army group