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REQUISITIONING
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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

4 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel Westrop, Commanding Officer, 71st Sub
Area, Brindisi.

The complaint attached has just been received from the Italian
High Command. I pass it along to you for such action as you deem
desirable.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Acting Chief of Staff

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TRANSLATION

3 October 1943

NOTE No. 53

TO: The Head of the Anglo-American Mission.

Some days ago all the premises of Base 9 at Brindisi were requisitioned with the exception of the officers' mess and kitchen.

On the evening of the 30th British officers appeared at the Base and requested the handing over to them of the above mentioned premises including the refrigerator and stoves.

Base 9 will transfer to LECCE, however, in view of the fact that the refrigerator and stoves are the private property of the officers, their return (or at least the return of the refrigerator) is requested.

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

9 October 1943

Major General Robertson,
Forthase, Taranto.

I attach herewith copies of cables exchanged between the Italian authorities and General Castellano, their representative in Algiers; also, a copy of a radio on the same subject I have sent forward to Allied Force Headquarters. Have you any knowledge of an order preventing the requisitioning of Italian stores?

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MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Chief of Mission

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Copy to:

Colonel Westrop

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October 27, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO THE CHIEF OF THE ANGLO AMERICAN MISSION

The S.M.R.E. has forwarded the enclosed note by the C.O. of the 7th Army General Arisio, concerning the requisitioning.

The S.M.R.E. begs the A.A. Mission to be kind enough to see wheter it would be possible to avoid or to limit the requisitioning of buildings which are necessary for the Public Administration so as not to hinder its functioning. It would equally desirable that also the requisitioning of private loggings be limited to cases of necessity so as to avoid ill feeling among the population.

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

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28 October, 1943.

MEMORANDUM TO: General Roatta, Chief of Staff.
Royal Italian Army.

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your document No. 123/AG. Prot. COGITTO; Alloggiamenti truppe anglo-americane, originating from Headquarters, Seventh Army.

The Allied Military Mission is aware of the acute situation in certain localities resulting from the requisitioning of public and private buildings. This is felt, however, to be the inevitable consequence of the building up of a large military force in an area comparatively poor in housing facilities.

The Mission is ready to investigate specific cases where the application of the requisitioning policy results in the taking of buildings particularly necessary to Italian enterprises. In such cases, however, the action of the Mission must necessarily be limited to inviting the attention of the Senior Allied Headquarters to the unfortunate effect of the requisitioning in question.

For the Chief of Mission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR,
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Chief of Staff.

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From: Major General A.A.B. Dowler C.B.

H. Q. No. 2 DISTRICT
C. M. F.

22 Nov 43

Dear General Taylor,

I understand that the attached letter which was sent to you on the 14th Nov has never reached you.

In the meantime, the matter being of considerable urgency, I have been obliged to issue this memorandum. A copy of the letter was at the same time sent to Lord Rennell of Rodd who has already agreed to its contents, and it is hoped that you will also agree. However, I would be glad of any comments which you would like to make upon it.

Yours sincerely
Maxwell D. Taylor

Brigadier General Maxwell D. Taylor,
U.S. Army, *Postal Commission*
~~Allied Military Mission,~~
A.P.O. 512.

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PERSONAL MEMORANDUM - No. 1

CC/H/1

SUBJECT:- Requisitioning of Accommodation

To:- Sub Area Comds

1. Cases occur from time to time when the Italian authorities resist demands for the requisitioning of buildings, and unless this situation is handled firmly from the outset it will get out of hand.
2. The policy to be adopted is a simple one. If you are satisfied that it is necessary to acquire accommodation or storage to meet the reasonable requirements of the Allied Forces, then requisition must be insisted upon. Any refusal or delay on the part of Italian authorities to comply with the requisition, which cannot be settled locally, will be reported at once to District HQ.
3. It is left to you to decide what is reasonable and what is not. It is not our custom to inflict unnecessary hardship on the civilian population of any country in which we are operating, nor would it be common sense to deprive the Italian Armed Forces of property which is clearly required by them to carry out the operational and labour duties which we require of them. In appropriate cases e.g. the taking over of a hospital or barracks, I would expect you to consult the local representative of A.M.G. or your Italian Liaison Officer, and in any case of disagreement you will have to refer to District HQ. I will at once consult the Allied Commission or Military Mission to the Italian Army as required and let you have a decision.
4. To sum up, once it is decided that Allied requirements are paramount, no resistance by any Italian authority will be tolerated nor will procrastination be permitted.

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C.M.F.

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Yours

Brigadier General Maxwell D. Taylor,
U.S. Army,
Allied Military Mission,
A.P.O. 512.

Handwritten: 015 ~~Confidential~~ ~~by war.~~
386.8 P. ~~Confidential~~ ~~by war.~~

Handwritten: 015

C O P Y

6 JAN 1944 1349

Subject: - DISCIPLINE - ALLIED TROOPS.

H.Q. 71 Sub Area.
Q/44/2.
27 Nov 43.

No. 2 District.

With reference to your A 207 dated 21 Nov 43.

1. It is confirmed that the theatres "Verdi" and "Impero" have been requisitioned for the Allied Forces. The former ("Verdi") is really the Opera House and has not been used for months if not years. It took a week to clean.
2. Therefore the public have only been deprived of the Cinema "Impero". There are still two other places of amusement available for the local inhabitants. (a) A Variety Theatre and Cinema holding 650. (b) A Cinema for 250.
The local authorities were requested to open the latter which has been closed for many months, and a weeks notice was given for the purpose when the "Impero" was requisitioned.
3. I realise that there might be some hardship inflicted on the local inhabitants and Forces if the "Impero" was taken over and only as a last resort was this carried out. There is no other suitable accommodation for an E.F.I. Canteen and even this "X" Cinema can only seat 350 instead of 600 which is what is required. I had an expert E.F.I. Committee down for the purpose of selecting a site and they worked in close co-operation with my staff and the Town Major. No other site could be found.
4. Before taking any action in the matter, I personally visited General Aliberti, Comando Militare di Brindisi who referred me to General Comanducci, Pressidio Militare, Brindisi, and the Mayor of Brindisi was fully consulted in advance of any action being taken. These responsible officials raised no objection whatsoever and in fact assured me most definitely that adequate facilities remained and I need not have any anxieties on the subject.
5. I appreciated the fact that some Italians would be disappointed at whatever requisitioning was undertaken and this is inevitable. The satisfaction now being given through the Cinema (Opera House) and E.F.I. Canteen to Allied Troops must fully justify the risk taken.
6. I would be grateful if this letter is shown to the District Commander in order that he may be fully informed in the matter.

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(Sgd) L.J. Woodhouse,
Colonel,
Commanding, 71 Sub Area.

Copy to: - British Military Mission to Italian Army.

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SUBJECT: Payment for Requisitioned Installations.

CRASO/56

Allied Control Commission.

1. It is understood that all matters concerning the payment for requisitioned or hired Italian Petroleum Installations, storage tanks and equipment, and kerbside pumps are being dealt with through your department.
2. In view of the fact that this H.Q. in its present capacity is interested in all petroleum matters that may arise, and in this particular instance to whom many questions are often referred, it would be appreciated if any useful data concerning the items outlined in para. 1, or a copy of any policy which may have been decided, could be forwarded for information.

(signed)
Captain & Adjutant,
C.R.A.S.C., 2 Petroleum Installations.

In the Field.
1 Dec 43.
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386.8 - Comm. dist. directly
+ 412.5 - Fuel Tanks

TRANSLATION

Admiral

The Chief of Government
No. 1213/Prot.

2 December 1943

To Major General Kenyon A. Joyce
Head of the Allied Control Commission

Dear General Joyce:

I have been informed that your Military Authorities are about to requisition the premises of Manifatture Cotoniere di Napoli, Poggio Basco, ordering the almost immediate clearance of all cotton thread machinery installations, fortunately not damaged by bombings.

This is a concern which hopes to resume its normal activities shortly, giving employment to about 3000 workers; you cannot but realize the serious damage which would be wrought upon our already sorely tried industrial structure if this requisition should take place.

I strongly beg of you to intervene so that in the event of absolute necessity only half the establishment be occupied, that part where no machinery is mounted; for the other half needed, other premises located in the vicinity could be requisitioned.

Very cordially,

BADOGLIO

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4 December 1943

To His Excellency Marshal Badoglio -

Dear Marshal Badoglio:-

With regard to the letter of Your Excellency of 2 December referring to the requisition of the Manifatture Cotoniere di Napoli, Poggio Basco, in Naples, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the matter is being referred to the responsible military authorities. As you know, the Naples area is not directly under the control of this Commission, but I am sure that the local Allied authorities will give serious consideration to your observations.

Most sincerely,

#1213 in #1 File

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3868 - Incoming. P-7. P-7 (1944)

N° 1218 / Prot.



4 DICEMBRE 1943

IL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

CARO GENERALE JOYCE,

LE AUTORITÀ MILITARI ALLEATE HANNO
PROCEDUTO ALLA REQUISIZIONE DI ALCUNI STA-
BILIMENTI VINICOLI IN BRINDISI, ATTUALMENTE
PIENI DI VINO DELLA NUOVA PRODUZIONE CHE NON
HA POTUTO ESSERE ANCORA IMMESSA AL CONSUMO.
ORA, NON È POSSIBILE PORTARE IL VINO ALTROVE
SIA PERCHÈ NON VI SONO LOCALI SUFFICIENTI
ED ATTREZZATI IN BRINDISI, SIA PERCHÈ IN
QUESTO PERIODO IL VINO È ANCORA IN FASE DI
FERMENTAZIONE, ED UNA EVENTUALE TRAVASATURA
PORTEREBBE CON QUASI CERTEZZA AL DANNEGGIAME-
TO IRRIMEDIABILE DEL PRODOTTO.

SAREBBE DESIDERABILE REVOCARE TALI
REQUISIZIONI, E, SE IMPOSSIBILE, NON ESTENDERLE
OLTRE, MA IN OGNI CASO QUELLO CHE VI RACCOMAN-
DO VIVAMENTE È DI EVITARE CHE LE ATTRZZATURE
INDUSTRIALI DI DETTI STABILIMENTI (MACCHINE,

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SR 386.F - Condiz. B. Blaz.

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MOTORI, PULEGGE, CINCHIE, BOTTONI, ECC.) SIANO
DANNEGGIATE, CONSIDERANDO CHE SI TRATTA DI
UNA INDUSTRIA LOCALE CHE COSTITUISCE, SI PUÒ
DIRE, L'UNICO CESPITE DI VITA DELL'INTERA
CITTADINANZA.

MOLTO CORDIALMENTE.

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SIGNOR GENERALE KENYON A. JOYCE
CAPO DELLA MISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
S E D E



TRANSLATION

THE CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT
No. 1218/Prot.

10/12/43
Answered verbally
to Marshal B.
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4 December 1943

Dear General Joyce:

The Allied Military Authorities have proceeded to requisition several wine establishments in Brindisi, which are at present full of newly made wine not yet ready for consumption.

Now, it is not possible to transfer this wine elsewhere, primarily because there is no other adequate place, with proper equipment, in Brindisi, and also because at this time the wine is yet in a state of fermentation and any necessary decanting to move it would almost certainly spoil it beyond remedy.

A voiding of the requisitions seems desirable; if this is impossible, they should be delayed. In any case, what I strongly recommend is that the industrial equipment of these firms (machines, motors, pulleys, belts, etc.) be not damaged, since they serve local industries which can be said to constitute the only means of employment of the city's population.

Very cordially,

BADOGLIO

General Kenyon A. Joyce
Head of the Allied Control Commission
Headquarters

Number # 1218

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8 DECEMBER, 1943.
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MEMORANDUM TO MAJOR GENERAL KENYON A. JOYCE.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Reference attached letter from MARSHAL BADOGLIO.

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+ 435 - Winco*
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 2. Requisitioning is always done through and in agreement with the Local Italian Military Command.
 3. In an important case, which is probably the one that has been appealed to the Marshal, it has been found possible to leave the "winery" undisturbed.
 4. All appartus, machines etc. are stored so that they are not damaged - again in co-operation with the Italian Military Authorities.
 5. The Area Commander says he can employ at the port any workers who lose their employment.

W. Montfort
NELSON W. MONTFORT.

LT. COL., A.U.S.

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386.8 - Cmdr J. B. Bly
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LT. COL., A.U.S.

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In reply
refer to: 386.8

4 December 1943

Subject: Requisitioning of Italian Transport

To: AFHQ Adv. Adm. Ech.

1. The Italian authorities have represented that, before load carrying vehicles are requisitioned by the Allied authorities, consideration should be given to the nature of the work they are performing.

2. The Allied Control Commission is anxious that the restoration of postal services throughout the country should be effected as soon as possible, and the requisitioning of vehicles necessary to assist these services would be a grave handicap to the public official administration.

3. It would be appreciated if you would give the matter your consideration and issue such instructions as may be necessary to ensure that essential services of this nature will not be interrupted.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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386.8 - Inquiry Pz. Property
(Answer)
X 451 - Vehicles

No. 785015



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General Decolittle Hq Squadron 15 USAAF requisitioned Caserma Presidario Bari 2 weeks ago. Italian unit occupying refuses move out possession essential for motor pool supply admin. medical and mess. Please take up with highest Italian military authority.

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1 - General Taylor (INFO)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Building Caserma Presidiaria has been requisitioned for 15th Air Force
Air Commodore Foster concurs of vital importance that Italian Air Force
troops now occupying building be evacuated immediately. Necessary you find
quarters for the Italian troops.

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1 - Gen. Taylor (info)

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TRANSLATION

SOCIETA' MONTICATINI - BAGNOLI BRANCH FACTORY

The factory, requisitioned by the American Force, ^{at present is} ~~actually~~ under control of a Major, who, wishing to clear the premises in a few days, acts without caring to safeguard the interests of the Company.

Among other things, wishing to move to Portici, a stock of approximately 60,000 quintals of Superfosfora Minerale, uses mechanical means which result in serious loss in the handling of said stock, which today is very valuable because of the scarcity of this product and its need at the present time.

The intervention of the AMGOT has not had any effect whatsoever, when it was so informed by the Directors of the Society.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

MDT/mar

12 December 1943

In reply
refer to : 386.8

SUBJECT : Safeguarding of "Societa Montecatini"

TO : AFHQ Advance Administrative Echelon, APO 512

1. The Italian Government has reported to the Allied Control Commission that the Bagnoli Branch Factory of the "Societa Montecatini" is being occupied by the Allied Forces in such a way as to cause needless damage. It is specifically alleged that the handling of fertilizer phosphate is carelessly done with a resulting serious loss of this valuable product.

2. This complaint is referred to your headquarters for your information

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

Maxwell D. Taylor
MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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M.	_____
N.	_____

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It is understood that this factory
is occupied by a U.S. Unit.

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by
for Dome

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1st Ind. ALH/ja
AFHQ ADVANCE ADMINISTRATIVE ECHELON, A.P.O. 400, U. S. Army, 24
December 1943.

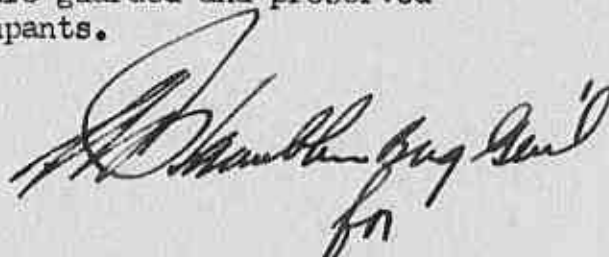
TO: Headquarters Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

1. The plant SOCIETA MONTICATINI at Bagnoli is occupied as an Ordnance Motor repair shop under Peninsular Base Section control. Due to demolition damage and lack of guards the plant and stock of fertilizer material were both exposed to serious depreciation and loss prior to occupancy as an Ordnance Shop. Since occupancy the plant has been under guard and all reasonable precautions taken to prevent loss.

2. Approximately 25% of the fertilizer which was on hand has been moved by Ordnance Section, Peninsular Base Section to other locations as requested by local A.M.G. authorities. The remainder, is being moved to covered storage within the plant area which was selected and approved by the plant manager.

3. That part of the plant which contains the important machinery for producing fertilizer has not been disturbed and is accessible for any desired work of rehabilitation.

4. The above information which was furnished this Headquarters by Ordnance Section, Peninsular Base Section indicates that the fertilizer materials and the plant itself are being safe guarded and preserved rather than depreciated by the present occupants.



Major-General.
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer.

2nd Ind. LWS/el
Headquarters Allied Control Commission, APO 512, 26 Dec 43.

To: AFHQ Advance Administrative Echelon, APO 400

Please send forward the basic communication.

For the Commanding Officer:

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L. W. STEARNS,
Captain, AGD,
Actg Asst Adj Gen.

COPY

17 DEC 1943

CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICE
THE HEAD OF THE STATE

No. 2848/AC

EDUCATIONAL PREMISES

Note for the Supreme Command

The reopening of the schools, which was arranged for the 11th October has met with insuperable difficulties in view of the almost total requisitioning of educational premises by the Armed Forces. It may be said that this state of affairs has rendered it impossible in many centres to recommence lessons, with results which can be imagined and which must be obviated at once.

The gravity of the situation is shown by the following figures (especially in the provinces of Bari, Brindisi and Taranto)

1	Province of Bari	Existing schools rooms	3005 requisitioned	2880
2	" of Brindisi		662	598
3	" of Lecce		1586	650
4	" of Taranto		1014	993

Whilst we hope to interest the Allied Military Mission in the grave question, we beg to point out to you the urgent necessity for the derquisitioning of part of the occupied establishments, in order that the schools, perhaps with some changes of time table and the more rational use of the premises rendered available, may be able to resume their vital functions.

The Educational authorities are at your disposal to indicate the minimum requirement of classrooms in each locality and in each building, according to whether the Armed Forces decide to free whole buildings, which can be used in turn by different institutions.

We would finally point out the necessity, indicated by the Prefetti, of the restoring the material and furniture, which were taken away, in order that the availability of the classrooms should not be rendered useless through lack of indispensable materials, and in order that the property of each establishment may be restored in full.

A reply stating what steps are being taken, will be appreciated.

Signature not legible.

DEC 13 1943

SUBJECT: Educational Premises requisitioned by the Anglo-American Authorities

HQ, No. 2 District, C.M.F.
Ext. 13272.
1468/5 Q

9 Dec 43

Allied Control Commission.

1. The attached letter No. 2848/AC from the Civil Affairs Office for the Supreme Command, on release of educational premises from requisition, has been forwarded to this HQ by Col VALLONE, Italian Liaison Officer attached to HQ No 2 District.

2. It is realized that a number of schools are at present occupied by troops of the Allied Forces and that this must inevitably create a problem for the Italian Educational Authorities. They should, however, be aware of the difficulties which are being met in finding accommodation for British, US and Italian Forces, and will appreciate that it is impossible at the present juncture to release any accommodation which has been already requisitioned.

3. The necessity for re-opening the schools at the earliest possible moment is continually borne in mind, and they can be assured that as soon as operational necessity permits, and the accommodation situation improves, schools will be early on the list of buildings to be released from requisition.

T.O.O.

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Copy to: Col VALLONE.

C. J. Johnston
Major General,
A.C.C. No 2 District.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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17 DEC 1943 47

In reply
refer to: 386.8

16 December 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: His Excellency, Dr. Innocente
Civil Affairs Office
Prefettura, Brindisi

Your letter reference 2848/AC regarding educational premises
has been referred to this office for attention by Colonel Vallone.

The necessity for re-opening the schools at the earliest possible moment is continually borne in mind, and I am directed to assure you that as soon as the situation permits, the question of releasing school accommodations from requisitioning will receive sympathetic consideration.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

386.8 - Conting. Blk 42
X 201 - Dr. Innocente

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U R G E N T.

SUBJECT:- Sanatorium at OSTUNI

Headquarters,
71 Sub Area.

9/39
9 Dec '43

GENERAL TAYLOR,
Allied Control Commission.

I am sorry to have to write to you again on this subject but the position is that the Admiral here has issued instructions to remove all furnishings and equipment as shown by a copy of his orders attached.

The Admiral states that he is acting under the orders of the Admiral, Taranto in this matter.

The fact that this building is urgently required for operational purposes has already been stressed to the Italians and the removal of the equipment will seriously delay our being able to use it.

I will be grateful if you will bring pressure to bear to ensure that this building is handed over complete with furnishings and equipment.

Copy to:- 2 District.

Col.,
Commanding 71 Sub Area.

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MARIDIST OSTUNI.

MARIDISTO 6372 = Comunico seguente fono di Marina Sede affinche sia disposto in quanto in esso comunicato alt 24.003 Procurete che ultimazione sgombero personale et materiale da Ostuni sia anticipato di qualche giorno urgente procedere requisizione preventivo alt Nello sgombero dei materiali tenete presente di asportare caldaie di cucina et lampadine elettriche lasciando intatto l'impianto elettrico et gruppo elettrogeno per i quali vengono impattite istruzioni at dipendenti commessi requisizione alt.

P.C.C.

Sdg. F to RUBARTELLI.

TRANSLATION.
NAVAL DETACHMENT - OSTUNI.

386.8- *Commanding Blows*

356.8- *Comand. Bldg*

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Off. ad. Rome

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Col.,
Commanding 71 Sub Area.

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MARIDIST OSTUNI.

MARIDISTO 6372 = Comunico seguente fono di Marina Sede affinché sia disposto in quanto in esso comunicato alt 24003 Procurate che ultimazione sgombero personale et materiale da Ostuni sia anticipato di qualche giorno urgente procedere requisizione preventivo alt Nello sgombero dei materiali tenete presente di asportare caldai di cucina et lampadine elettriche lasciando intatto l'impianto elettrico et gruppo elettrogeno per i quali vengono impattite istruzioni at dipendenti commessi requisizione alt.

Sdg. F to RUBARTELLI.

P.C.C.

TRANSLATION.
NAVAL DETACHMENT - OSTUNI.

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MARIDISTO 6379 - I transmit the following message from Navy House in order that you give instructions (stop) 24003 endeavour to anticipate the evacuation personnel and material from OSTUNI within several days. It is urgent to proceed to the requisition of the Sanatorium (stop) Taking away materials remembering to take away the kitchen boilers and the electric bulbs leaving intact the electrical plant and the dynamos (gruppo lettegreno) for which instructions will be given to the personnel concerned with the requisition (stop).

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AG
SUBJECT: Requisitioned Post Offices

16 DEC 1943 51

attach
HQ, No. 2 District, CMC
Ext. 12903
1027/6 Q

15 Dec 43

Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission.

Reference your O.40 dated 24 Nov 43 para 2 (a)

1. A thorough investigation has been made into the possibility of releasing the Main Hall of the Central Post Office in the Lungomare TARANTO, and the Post Office buildings in the Railway Station, TARANTO.

2. (a) Main Building of Central Post Office.

At present it is quite impracticable, in view of the large amount of postal traffic being dealt with by the APO in this building, to release the hall of the Central Post Office.

Every endeavour will be made, however, to find alternative accommodation for this APO. If suitable alternative accommodation is found, this hall will be derequisitioned.

(b) Post Office Building in the Railway Station

This building is now available for taking over by the Italians.

3. Information received from RM Sub Area reveals that access to mail, documents, etc., is already possible in the Central Post Office, TARANTO, and this Post Office is, in fact, being used in part by the Italians.

G.O.C. 0810
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Philip May
Major General, 9679
G.O.C. No. 2 District.

TRANSLATION

SPECIAL SECRETARIAT OF THE
CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT

No. 1363 of Prot.

15 December 1943

NOTE FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

The premises of the Giuseppe Favia fu Nicola Company of Bari were taken over by 103rd Sub-Area. In addition, a requisition was made of 87,500 sheets of special paper for printing ration cards, stationery supplies, and other items necessary to military administration.

For the above no inventory was made by Allied authorities.

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In pointing out that such an act interferes with the printing of 2,940,500 ration cards to be distributed for the current four month period, we beg the Headquarters of the Allied Control Commission to interest themselves in the release of the premises and the return of appropriated materials.

Action on this matter is urgent.

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X 701 - Favia, Giuseppe

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NR. 1363 al prot



SEGRETERIA PARTICOLARE DEL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

15 dicembre 1943

APPUNTO PER LA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

Lo stabilimento della Ditta Giuseppe Favia fu Nicola di Bari é stato occupato per conto del 103 Sub-Aerea. Oltre a ciò sono stati requisiti 87500 fogli di carta speciale per la stampa delle carte annonarie, materiale di cancelleria, ed altro di proprietà dell'amministrazione militare.

Di quanto sopra le autorità alleate non hanno redatto inventario alcuno.

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Nel far presente che tale provvedimento impedisce la stampa di 2.940.500 tessere annonarie in distribuzione del quadrimestre in corso, si prega il Comando della Commissione Alleata di controllo di voler intervenire per la derequisizione dello stabilimento e la riconsegna del materiale asportato.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

ews/mdp

29 December 1943

In reply
refer to: AG 386.8
CE/6/4

Subject: Requisition of Premises of Ditta Giuseppe Favia, via Bittritto,
34, Bari.

To: Under-Secretary of State for Railroads and Highway.

1. This is in reference to your letter Prot N. 151/0.1/3/Seagr.
P.M. 151 December 5, 1943, relative to the above subject.

2. This matter was taken up with Reg. No. 2 District but we were
unable to obtain a release of the Giuseppe Favia firm in Bari.

3. As a result, we have sent a message to the P.W.B. officials in
Naples asking their help in obtaining the release of this firm. We have
pointed out the urgent need of the Italian Government for use of the
Favia printing facilities.

4. We will inform you relative to the final decision in this
matter.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Communications Section

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x 101 - Favia, Giuseppe*

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17 December 1943

General Taylor:

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Message received 1550 hours from Colonel Rowe, 15 Army Group speaking for General Robertson:

General Robertson wrote to you recently and asked if you could get 60 lorries from the Italians for a purpose which you would recall. Could you please let Colonel Rowe know if you have any news yet; if not, he will have to explore other possibilities. Colonel Rowe added that for your information, General Robertson will return tomorrow.

Colonel Rowe's telephone number is Filpot Extension 80 or 82.

A. J. Collins

A. J. COLLINS
Captain, RE
Asst Secy of Com

WRC

This matter is in the hands of the Italian Govt. and a reply is awaited.

Col Rowe advised. 1755 hrs. 18 Dec.

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x 101 - Robertson
x 101 - Col. Rowe

19 DEC 1943

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In reply refer to:
386.8

19 December 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Headquarters, No. 2 District, Bari

The attached communication has been received by the Allied Control Commission from the Italian Government. It is transmitted for your information.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

1 Incl:
Translation of Ltr fr Col
Valenzano, M-1385, 18 Dec 43

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Subject:- Requisition of School Buildings

Allied Control Commission

Copy to:- HQ No 2 District
Ministero della Guerra(less translation)

Military Mission to
Italian Army
AC/12
20 Dec 43

1. A translation of Italian Ministry of War letter 131/C dated 16 Dec 43 is forwarded for your consideration.
2. It would be appreciated if school buildings vacated by the Italian Army and re opened as schools, could remain exempt from further requisition.

EJC/cc

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From:- Ministero della Guerra

DEC 1943
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No 131/C di prot
16 Dec 43

To :- M M I A

SMRE in order to permit the opening of as many schools as possible, has instructed Italian HQ's stationed in controoled territory, to comply with requests from the education authorities for the de requisitioning of buildings, as far as they can, and do their best to overcome subsequent difficulties of billeting.

Obviously if the buildings left free in this way by our troops, are requisitioned by Allied tps the whole purpose of the Italian authorities will be defeated.

We would therefore be grateful to MMIA if it would get Allied HQ to issue an order establishing the principle that school buildings are exempt from requisitioning.

(Sgd) General ALIBERTI

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9 JAN 1944

COPY

SUBJECT:- Administration of Essential Factories.

AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon
CMF

62/2/Q.

22 Dec 43

To:- Allied Control Commission

1. As you are aware, under the terms of the Armistice with the Italian Government, that Government is pledged to make available to the Armed Forces, such local resources and services as are required.
2. These instructions were contained in AFHQ signal 8860 dated 10 Nov 43. As however, there was no efficient and central Italian Government established at that time, it was not possible to adopt the above procedure for obtaining the various materials which were available in the country, and which were urgently required for the furtherance of the campaign.
3. In consequence, requisitioning procedure had to be adopted, and in a number of cases factories have been requisitioned in order that they should be able to continue in production. Where factories have been requisitioned, their operation has been controlled by the interested service at this HQ, and it has been necessary for the service concerned to undertake full administrative responsibility.
4. This operation of factories by the military has worked very satisfactorily. It adds however, a burden to the Armies which is not normally anticipated and which is certainly not envisaged in the terms of the Armistice. Further expansion of the Armies and extension of the area under Allied control will make it more difficult, and it is considered essential that the necessary machinery should be set up by the Italian Government as soon as possible, in order that responsibility for administration of essential factories be removed from the military.
5. It would be appreciated if you consider this question, and advise this HQ as to what steps are being taken by the Italian Government to fulfill their obligations under the Armistice.

(Signature illegible) Lt. Col.
for

Major General
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

JAF /AEM

9 JAN 1944

MDT/hjp

In reply refer to:
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9 January 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: Lord Stansgate

Would you kindly discuss the attached letter with General Robertson and recommend to the Deputy President what action should be taken by the Allied Control Commission?

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

1 Incl:
Cy of Ltr, AFHQ Adv Adm Ech
No. 62/2/4, 22 Dec 43

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SUBJECT:-- REQUISITIONED BUILDINGS - IMPERO CINEMA

Allied Control Commission.

ALY attached references.

Headquarters
71 Sub Area.

2/69

5 Jan '44

18 JAN 1944/1349

1. In reply to your letter M. 0011/MP dated 29 Nov '43 enclosing a complaint from the proprietors of this Cinema and in continuation of my 2/69 of 6 Dec '43 I have caused detailed enquiries to be made into the allegations and I am satisfied that the facts are as detailed below.

(a) The date of requisition was 23 Oct '43 and not as stated; Engineer work commenced on 1 Nov '43.

(b) All the chairs were carefully removed, and the metal fittings holding them are now in store and a careful record is kept. A large number are being usefully used in the Canteen and elsewhere for the benefit of the Army. An Inventory was taken at the handover as shown at App "A" attached.

(c) When the Cinema was taken over the projectors were not examined because the projector box was locked. The key of the projector box is in possession of one of my officers. It was subsequently opened in order that necessary electrical repairs could be effected in the main hall. One projector, together with the light hood of the other, was transferred in November to the Opera House, to improve that Cinema, on my authority. A smaller projector from the Opera House was placed in the Impero.

(d) An Inventory of stores removed from the store at the rear of the Cinema was taken when it was cleared upon my authority, because of the grave danger of fire. It was so full of paper and other rubbish. The owners were duly warned. Copies of notice of clearance and inventory are enclosed at App "B".

2. The alternative accommodation suggested by the Company proved to be quite unsatisfactory in every instance, and compares unfavourably with the property now functioning so successfully as the Garrison Institute.

3. I do not say that these suggested premises (if still available at any time) may not prove suitable for requisitioning for a similar purpose but by their locality etc. they cannot take the place of the existing asset. They may yet prove to be useful for similar purpose and additional to my present facilities.

4. The Cinema was providing amusement for a maximum of 2000 persons a day and the Canteen is catering for a far greater number and is open for a longer period.

5. I do not consider that it is in the interests of the service that the

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large number are being taken for the benefit of the Army. An Inventory was taken at the handover as shown at App "4" attached.

- (c) When the Cinema was taken over the projectors were not examined because the projector box was locked. The key of the projector box is in possession of one of my officers. It was subsequently opened in order that necessary electrical repairs could be effected in the main hall. One projector, together with the light hood of the other, was transferred in November to the Opera House, to improve that Cinema, on my authority. A smaller projector from the Opera House was placed in the Impero.
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2. The alternative accommodation suggested by the Company proved to be quite unsatisfactory in every instance, and compares unfavorably with the property now functioning so successfully as the Garrison Institute.
3. I do not say that these suggested premises (if still available at any time) may not prove suitable for requisitioning for a similar purpose but by their locality etc. they cannot take the place of the existing asset. They may yet prove to be useful for similar purpose and additional to my present facilities.
4. The Cinema was providing amusement for a minimum of 2000 persons a day and the Ganteen is catering for a far greater number and is open for a longer period.
5. I do not consider that it is in the interests of the service that the IMPERO CINEMA should be de-requisitioned, nor do I feel that the British Army has been at fault in its dealings with the Company.

Handwritten signature

Col.,
Commanding 71 Sub Area.

Copy to:- 2 District.
Hirings & Claims.

*Ps. Detailed - City & my 2/4/2 of 27 Nov 1943
addressed to 2 District. This gives certain details
concerning the requisitioning of the building. The enclosed
completes the whole story.*

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COPI)
SUBJECT: - CINEMA THEATRE - CHAIRS

APP 'A' 1349
8 JAN 1944
No. 31 R.E. Works Section.
Tel No. 1171 Ref No. 31/257
11 Dec '43

67 C.R.E. Works.

In reply to your 67/519 of 10 Dec '43.

1. Counting on original inventory	995
2. Chairs in use in Cinema	201
3. Chairs in use in the Forces Church	130
4. Loaned by EPI to 558 W.T. Coy. RASC	30
5. Loaned by EPI to 259 P. Corps.	204
6. Chairs stored in Bulk Issue Store B.F.I.	452
7. Chairs in use in Paradise Camp EPI Store	3
8. Chairs in use in BCD Warehouse office	4
TOTAL	<u>1024</u>

The discrepancy is due to the removal of chairs from a store at rear of Cinema, these chairs were not counted but went into bulk Issue Store EPI with main body of chairs from Cinema.

DAB/ASH

3dg D.A. Bulbeck Lieut. R.E.
for Major R.E.
D.C.R.E., No. 31 R.E. Works Section.

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APP 'B'

SUBJECT: - N.A.A.F.I. - IMPERO CINEMA - BRINDISI 6 JAN 1944 1349

No. 31 R.E. Works Section.
C.M.E.
Ref No. 31/250
12 Nov '43

GRASSI CARLO,
SOCIETY CHIEF,
BRINDISI.

Dear Sir,

Please note that the store at the rear of the Cinema
Impero is to be cleared.
An Inventory of all items removed will be taken and
forwarded to you on demand.
Anything you wish to remove must be taken away
immediately.

Yours Truly,

(Sdg) D.A. Bulbeck Lieut. R.E.
for Major. R.E.
D.C.R.E. No. 31 R.E Works Section.

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APP 'B'

8 JAN 1944 1344

MATERIALS REMOVED FROM REAR STORE ROOM, IMPERO CINEMA

1. Approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ M.C. Scrap Timber, some worm eaten (removed to R.E.Yard)
2. 2 M.S. Zinc (Used in construction of Canteen cooking facilities).
3. 1 Step Ladder (E.F.I.)
4. 1 straight ladder 3 m. (E.F.I.)
5. 2 M.C. Cardboard film adverts. (removed to D.C.R.E. Yard)
6. 2 M.C. Other waste paper (burned)
7. 2 M.S. asbestos (used to repair existing doors)
8. 1 M.C. Scrap metal (removed to C.R.E. stores).
9. 25 Cinema seats (removed and set in main hall).
10. 2 Cartons carbon electrodes (Both cartons handed into 67 C.R.E. Stores for safe custody - no signature obtained. 1 carton containing total contents of the two handed in, returned and now held in D.C.R.E. 31 R.E. Works Section Yard).
11. U/m items handed to E & H Dept. H.Q. 67 C.R.E.:-

(a)	Electric Fan Motors : approx. 1/16 H.P.	4 No.
(b)	Coils wound U.S.	2 No.
(c)	Shades, electric	6 No.
(d)	Assorted fittings U.S.	1 Box.
12. A number of Cinema Chairs removed from store to MAFI/EFI Bulk Issue Store before inventory could be taken.

Sdg.D.A. Bulbeck.Lieut.R.E.

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JAN 081246A

Requisition Collegro Argentee for use as central hospital. Further details follow.

DISTRIBUTION:

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- 1 - Diary
- 1 - Col Kirkwood - INFO

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TRANSLATION

THE CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT
FILE NO. 184

17 January 1944

TO GENERAL MASON MAC FARLANE
CHIEF OF ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
BRINDISI

Dear General MacFarlane,

71 Sub Area Command of Brindisi has intentions of requisitioning the entire building of the Casa di Reclusione (House of Reclusion) of Lecce.

This building contains much fixed machinery, mounted on reinforced concrete bases; they each weigh several quintals and are used for industrial shops, under endowment to the Institute (carpenter shops - smithies - shoe-making shops - tailoring - laundry). These shops are working on many current orders to furnish thousands of chairs, tables and benches for the Ministry of the Navy; "r" nails for the Ministry of War, and this should be of interest also to Allied Headquarters; mountain boots and aviator boots for the Ministries of War and of the Air; clothing for numerous military commands. The laundry, besides, services all Armed Forces of Lecce and environs.

It does not seem advisable, in view of the above, to occupy the entire building, because it is impossible to establish elsewhere the industrial machinery of which some, like that for making shoes, are the only units now in existence in liberated territory able to fill orders in the least amount of time. The Ministry of Justice proposed, in the beginning, the giving up of the building, except for the carpentry shed, the smithy, the laundry and annexed store-room and some premises on the ground floor which are indispensable to the continuance of work and services. Afterwards, the Ministry of Justice proposed the entire building of the Carceri Giudiziarie (Judiciary Prison) of Lecce as a substitute.

This establishment has a capacity of 800 places, compared with the maximum capacity of 220 places at the Casa Penale, and it could be used for the Military Prison about to be set up, for which the requisitioning of the Casa Penale is requested.

The first proposal was not acceptable to Allied Headquarters because the reduced space of the Casa Penale was insufficient for its needs, the second proposal, instead, was accepted by the Allied Control Commission, which handled the matter.

Recently the Commission declared that it would take no interest in the matter, because it had received from the Military Command precise dispositions in the requisitioning of the Casa Penale, the proposal for cession of the entire premises of the Carceri Giudiziarie of Lecce not having found acceptance, and it turned over the matter to the Higher Command of Bari (Second District).

The Second District remitted the question for competence to the 71 Sub Area Command of Brindisi.

This last states it is following an order of AFHQ at Algiers.

In consideration of the difficulties which inject themselves in the proceedings for requisitioning and of the obvious damages which the State would suffer, in reference to the situation and to the considerations stated above, I beg of you, dear General, to explain to the Higher Command the existing state of affairs, with the understanding that the proposals already presented go no further, and that the Casa di Reclusione may be considered as of now at the disposal of the authorities which intend to proceed to requisition it, excluding, however, those above mentioned premises which house fixed or indispensable machinery for governmental production or orders.

Very cordially.-

/s/ Badoglio

*Sgt Polownick's
File Copy*

21 January 1944

To His Excellency Marshal Badoglio -

Dear Marshal Badoglio:-

Your letter of 17 January on the subject of requisitioning the Casa di Reclusioni at Lecce has been received and the matter is being investigated. We shall advise you further in this regard.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief of Staff

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23 January 1944

To His Excellency Marshal Badoglio -

Dear Marshal Badoglio:-

Supplementing my letter of 21 January and with reference to your letter of 17 January on the subject of requisitioning Casa di Reclusioni at Lecce, instructions have been issued to the local military authorities to withhold further steps at this time. It appears probable that no further action will be taken in this connection.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief of Staff

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TRANSLATION

THE CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT

24 January 1944

File No. 273

To General Mason MacFarlane
Chief of Allied Control Commission
Brindisi

Dear General MacFarlane,

British units have occupied the premises of the Bari Experimental Agricultural Station, damaging the buildings, and still more seriously, the soil, by putting up a wireless transmitting station.

The devastation of various parcels of ground and the occupation of the larger part of the premises, especially the library (of which the directors of the Station are in constant need), compel almost total suspension of the activities of this Institute, which flourished handsomely in the past.

In view of the above, I beg you, dear general, in the common interest--since the bettering of the agricultural situation is also an important factor in the cooperation proposed between us--to study the question of moving out the British unit which occupies the Station at present (section of COY, Signal Corps) and substitute it with an Allied office, possibly of an agricultural or economic character, with which we will be glad to cooperate by putting at their disposal all our experience and technical equipment of the Institute.

If such substitution cannot be made, at least the library and the director's office could be returned. Such a step would not inconvenience the occupying unit, because only a few men sleep in the two rooms at the present time, and they could easily find place elsewhere in the building.

Please accept my thanks for whatever you may be able to do in this matter.

Very cordially,

/s/ Badoglio

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Sgt Sorici - Transl.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(BRINDISI DETACHMENT)

KCW/hd

In reply refer to:
PW&M/53

31 January 1944

Subject: Requisitioning of Offices of Genio Civile - Bari

To: Lt Col Orpwood, AMG Liaison Officer, No. 2 District

The attached letter from the Minister of Public Works
speaks for itself. I have no reason to suppose that the position
is other than as stated.

K. C. WILSON
Major, R.A.

1 Encl.

386.8 - Hamilton

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Aide-memoire for: General Mason Mac Farlane.

Besides the instances reported in the aide-memoire of the Prefetto of Foggia, of which I sent you copy, I have received from various civil and military authorities news of arbitrary requisitions of lodgings and private houses often made by subordinate officers or without sufficient warning.

In order to prevent unfavorable reactions on the part of the population and to attain a still closer and more cordial collaboration, it would be indispensable that the requisitions be carried out in agreement with the local civil ^{authorities} (prefetti and podestà) or military (presidii militari) authorities according to the case.

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SEGRETERIA PARTICOLARE DEL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

MEMO TO GENERAL MAXWELL TAYLOR

Signora Anna Viterbo would be grateful if her house (Piazza Eroi del Mare, 13 BARI) could be exempted from requisition, as she would otherwise be left without any lodging, her other house having already been requisitioned.

Gen. Taylor has already been kind enough to look into the matter and has had the order for requisition postponed to the end of November. Would it be possible to have it definitely suspended ?

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

30 September 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Admiral Peters.

I talked with Innocenti early this morning regarding your apartment and told him that a satisfactory arrangement must be made for you within twenty-four hours. I indicated that the apartment of the Bank of Italy must be turned over to you unless you accepted some substitute, and our complete right of requisition was not to be challenged.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.

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Passes, etc.

ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

8 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Robertson, Fortbase, Taranto.

Marshal Badoglio is taking up residence in Oria and has requested that the house which he is occupying be protected from requisitioning. While recognizing that this matter is beyond my authority, I gave Marshal the document attached hereto. I request that you confirm this action and give whatever protection is necessary to the Marshal's residence.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Chief of Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

8 October 1943

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The house of Mr. Raffaele Pasanisi, via Roma, No. 51,
Oria, should not be subject to requisitioning as it is being
occupied as a residence by the Head of the Italian Government,
Marshal Badoglio.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Acting Chief of Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

12 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General Richardson, Chief of Staff, 15th Army Group.

Subject: Protection of Royal Villa in Naples from requisition.

The Prince of Piedmont has requested the Mission to obtain protection from requisition for the Villa "Maria Pia" (formerly called "Roseberry"), Calata Punta Posillipo No. 26. Because of destruction by bombing of the Palazzo Reale this is the only residence at the disposition of the Prince in the Naples area. I transmit this request for the consideration of General Alexander and would ask you to kindly inform me of the action taken.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Acting Chief of Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

16 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Commanding Officer, 86th Sub Area, Bari.

The bearer, Captain Iannuzzi is a brother to Colonel Iannuzzi, Secretary to General Ambrosio, Chief of the Supreme General Staff. The latter has just had a telephone call indicating that Allied soldiers have entered his house at No. 158 Via Abate Ginna. I would appreciate any assistance you can give this officer in investigating this alleged action.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Chief of Mission

201-Capt. Iannuzzi

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

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17 October 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Officer Commanding, 71st Sub Area.
Officer Commanding, 86th Sub Area.

It is requested that if possible a villa be requisitioned for the use of the bearer, Major R. J. C. Cave. Such a villa is necessary in the conduct of important business of this Mission.

For the Chief of Mission:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

20 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General Robertson, Fortbase.

Attached herewith is a complaint received from the Italian High Command regarding the requisitioning of the "Oriente" hotel in Bari. I pass it to you for your information.

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Chief of Mission

1 Incl.

Ltr fr Comando Supremo

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Subject: Protection of Royal Villa in Naples from requisition.

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24 Oct 43.

Brigadier General Maxwell D. Taylor,
Allied Military Mission,
Brindisi.

1. Reference your memorandum dated 12th October, 43.
2. A report has now been received from H.Q. AMGOT, 5th Army and Region III that this Villa was occupied on 18th October by the Prince of Piedmont and that the only possible conflict to his claim upon the Villa will be that of the Commander-in-Chief, AFHQ, whose representatives have indicated to us that this Villa should be reserved for his use.

R. L.
S.S.O.
Colonel,
for Major-General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

AMGOT,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.
RJPT/EN.

Copy to: C.G.S. 15 Army Group.

386.2 - Billington
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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

28 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: His Excellency, Marshal Badoglio.

I have received your letter of the 26th of October and wish to assure your Excellency that the orders in force in the Allied Armies on the subject of requisitioning lodgings and private houses are very strict and that if they are properly followed by all concerned there should be no fear of incidents or of difficulties other than the inevitable inconvenience which must quite naturally from time to time accrue. I have again drawn the attention of the Commanders-in-Chief concerned to the fact that instances appear to be still occurring in which subordinate Allied officers appear to be acting arbitrarily and without sufficient liaison with the local authorities.

I trust that instances of the nature to which you refer will be less in evidence in the future.

F. H. MASON MACARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief of Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
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30 October 1943

TO: Headquarters, 71st Sub Area.

I should be glad if you would prepare requisition forms for the following properties required by the Allied Mission. The date of occupancy to be left blank as it is not known when they will actually be required. The name of the property (where not shown) will be filled by the officer serving the requisition.

1. Santa Cesarea (16 miles south of Otranto.)

- a) Patozzo Hotel
- b) "Pensia"
- c) Large new Block of Flats.

All above are practically empty.

- a) They are required with "Hotel Service" as far as possible.

2. Lecce

- a) Albergo di Riscoglimento (60 - 70 officers)
- b) Consergio (offices)
- c) Garage
- d) Other Ranks (50)

* NOTES.

- 1) 2 (a) with "Hotel Service".
- 2) Major Simcock (Prefects office Lecce) as earmarked above.

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C. R. P. *Ch*
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A.F.H.Q.
P.W.B. BARI.

2nd November, 1943

To: The Town Major
Requisitioning Office,
103 Sub-Area, 2nd District.

Copy to: Allied Military
Mission, Brindisi.

From: Lt-Col. I.S. Munro,
P.W.B.

SUBJECT: Living Premises of the Family LATERZA

1. I am informed that there is a possibility of the apartment at No. 19 Piazza Eroi del Mare, 4th floor, being requisitioned.

2. This apartment is occupied by Giuseppe and Franco LATERZA, together with their families consisting of eight persons, including three women and three children. This family has already been evacuated at short notice on a requisitioning order from their villa in Via 28 Ottobre, Cancellotto, No. 5, a fortnight ago.

3. The requisitioning of their villa constituted a political handicap to Allied interests as it had been earmarked as a meeting place for Count Sforza, Benedetto Croce and other political figures identified with present Governmental developments. These difficulties, however, were overcome when the LATERZA family managed to get a footing in their present flat at Piazza Eroi del Mare 19.

4. Over and above the political affinities of the LATERZA family and over and above the fact that the family has long been identified with constructive anti-Fascism, they are the managing proprietors of a printing and publishing establishment which has been requisitioned lock, stock and barrel for the work of the 15th Army and of P.W.B. Within this printing scheme the LATERZA brothers are included as supervising directors, as the printing work involved means that the machinery is running practically 24 hours a day. It is obvious that they must live within the town of Bari.

5. In view of the above circumstances I would urge that the LATERZA family be left undisturbed in order to carry out their duties on behalf of army and Government printing obligations.

6. I would accordingly ask you to revise any requisitioning decision which may have been made and to alter any order which may have been given in that respect. I.S. Munro, Lt Col.

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28.8-10-43 - Circa. P.W.B. Prop. (Bari).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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AG 370.5-159 HDC-ACM

3 November 1943

SUBJECT: Accommodations.

TO : Chiefs of All General and Special Staff Sections.

Instances have recently occurred where officers have made demands on FLAMBO for the reservation of villas for use by individuals and branches of this headquarters. This practice will be discontinued. All demands for accommodations for elements of this headquarters will be made on the Headquarters Commandant, this headquarters.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

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[Signature]
T. J. DAVIS,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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7 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: His Excellency, Marshal Badoglio

I have the honor to acknowledge Your Excellency's note of 6 November 1943 relating to the intensification of requisitioning of billets in Bari.

The Allied Military Mission is well aware of the difficulties created by the need for requisitioning property for military use. The Mission has and will continue to point out to the Allied High Command the desirability of executing requisitioning with a minimum discomfort to the Italian population.

For the Chief of Mission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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386.2 - BILLETING
601 - ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

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Mr.

Further to our warning order regarding move of Region 5. (To Fatima repeated
large signed Eisenhower cite FMCS). Colonel Findlay on return here after
 visiting your Headquarters reports excellent accommodation at Santa Caesarea,
 adequate to hold Regional Headquarters. Request you requisition this accommo-
 dation forthwith in anticipation arrival Region 5, and report completion of
 arrangements.

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 Santa Caesarea - 100.15
 Requisition of 81490.
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Warning Order.

Intend move Region 5 to Santa Cesarea, Province of Lecce, southeast. (TO
15TH ARMY GROUP FOR AMB REPT 8TH ARMY FOR AMB. FATIMA. AND PARCO SIGNED EISENHOWER
CITE ORDER) Move will take place in three phases:

Phase 1. Party A (Advance Party): Composition 29 officers, 10 EM/OR's, no
vehicles.

Phase 2. Party B (Main Body): Majority personnel, with proportion stores
and vehicles.

Phase 3. Party C (Rear Party): Remainder personnel, with remainder stores
and vehicles.

Party A will arrive Phillipeville 16 November for embarkation to Taranto.
Further details will follow, including separate message to Fatima regarding
accommodation required at Santa Cesarea.

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HEADQUARTERS
SERVICE CENTER #62
APO 528

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21 November, 1943.

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SUBJECT: Real Estate.

TO : Commanding Officers, Units Listed in Distribution.

1. Before any property is occupied by an organization serviced by this Headquarters the Real Estate Officer of this headquarters is to be notified.
2. Forms and drawings will be made as directed by the Real Estate Officer before occupancy of building. The completion of these forms is the responsibility of the unit commander.
3. After occupancy of building, responsibility for the safeguarding of the property rests with the organization concerned. Unit commanders will be held responsible for any damage resulting from occupancy.
4. Modifications of property will not be made until formal communication addressed to this headquarters, stating requirements, has been approved.
5. Before vacating property, key to building will be turned over to Real Estate Officer, and Form 3, completed by unit commander, will be filed through this headquarters. Failure to file forms and return all keys will not relieve the unit commander of full responsibility although his organization may leave the area under this headquarters jurisdiction.

By order of Lt. Colonel HILLS:

Frank L. Inmacelli
FRANK L. INMACELLI,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Request clear understanding that no repeat no requisition in Salerno
Area can be regarded as fixal unless approved by G. O. C. in C. 2 District or
Commander 94 Sub Area as his representative.

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PERSONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 1

HQ No. 2 District, CMF.

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23 Nov 43.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Accommodation

To: Brigadier G.V. Palmer, Comd, 6 Base Sub Area
 Brigadier J.G. Brunner-Randall, Comd, 57 Area
 Colonel L.J. Woodhouse, O.B.E., M.C., Comd, 71 Sub Area
 Colonel R. Mould Graham, M.C., T.D., Comd, 94 Sub Area
 Colonel A.W.B. Becher, M.C., Comd, 103 Sub Area
 Colonel J.Y. Galwell, M.V.O., Comd 151 Sub Area
 Colonel E.J. Woodington, R.M., Comd, RM Sub Area

1. Cases occur from time to time when the Italian authorities resist demands for the requisitioning of buildings, and unless this situation is handled firmly from the outset it will get out of hand.
2. The policy to be adopted is a simple one. If you are satisfied that it is necessary to acquire accommodation or storage to meet the reasonable requirements of the Allied Forces, then requisition must be insisted upon. Any refusal or delay on the part of Italian authorities to comply with the requisition, which cannot be settled locally, will be reported at once to District HQ.
3. It is left to you to decide what is reasonable and what is not. It is not our custom to inflict unnecessary hardship on the civilian population of any country in which we are operating, nor would it be common sense to deprive the Italian Armed Forces of property which is clearly required by them to carry out the operational and labour duties which we require of them. In appropriate cases e.g. the taking over of a hospital or barracks, I would expect you to consult the local representative of A.M.G. or your Italian Liaison Officer, and in any case of disagreement you will have to refer to District HQ. I will at once consult the Allied Commission or Military Mission to the Italian Army or A.M.G. 15 Army Group as required and let you have a decision.
4. To sum up, once it is decided that Allied requirements are paramount, no resistance by any Italian authority will be tolerated nor will procrastination be permitted.

680.3 - Accommodation

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Colonel L.J. Woodhouse, O.B.E., M.C., Comd, 71 Sub Area
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W.B. Dwyer

Major-General,
Commander, No. 2 District.

T.O.O. 16.25

Copies to: HQ, A.M.G., 15 Army Group
Allied Control Commission
Military Mission to the Italian Army
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680.3-Recommendations

386.2. Billeting

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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1200 Hours
29 November 1945

SUBJECT: Billeting of A. G. O. Personnel.

TO : Capt. Boccino.

1. At this time the men in the Adjutant General's Section are quartered as follows:

Ciano School	12
Hotel Miramare	8

The remainder are at the Hotel International.

2. There are no men of this section quartered anywhere in Brindisi except as shown above.

ROGER B. DERBY
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Adjutant General

386.2. Billeting

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SUBJECT - Accommodati in BARI. *File*

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~~12 Air Force Service Command (Adv).~~
~~AFO 528.~~

Reference your request of 27 Nov 43
for the requisitioning of 85 Via Cirielli.

It is regretted that these premises
have been allotted to the Allied Commission
Control for the Italian Ministry of
Agriculture.

H. P. Brown - Johnson

HPCJ/JH
2 Dec 43.

Lt-Col.
AI & QMR.
6 Base Sub-Area.

Copy to:- Allied Commission Control.
Town Major.



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383.6 - Commanding Post Bity (Buildings)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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4 December 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: All concerned.

Quarters have been requisitioned at Santa Caesarea for the use of personnel of this Commission. A motor convoy will leave Brindisi this evening about 1800. Captain Dooley, Assistant Headquarters Commandant, must be informed by 1700 of the names of officers going tonight.

For the present, baggage will be limited to over-night kits. Bedding is available on the premises.

Dinner and breakfast will be eaten at Santa Caesarea. The return convoy tomorrow morning should arrive Brindisi about 0900.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

Robert E. Doe
ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.C.D.
Secretary of Commission

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MEMO TO GEN TAYLOR

H.E. DE COURTEN received a letter from H.E. ADMIRAL BARONI, Undersecretary for Merchant Marine, informing him that his own flat in Naples will be requisitioned from the American Authorities.

In this flat ^{live} ~~are~~ his wife, daughter and his old mother-in-law.

We beg you to be so kind if it is possible to take up the matter.

The adress of Admiral Baroni's house in Naples is via Carlo Poerio 90.

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GOOD OFFICES OF THIS COMMISSION HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO PREVENT REQUISITIONING
OF FLAT OF ADMIRAL BARKNI CMA UNDERSECRETARY FOR MERCHANT MARINE PD PARCEL TO
FLAMBO FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PAREN ADDRESS IS VIA CARLO FOERIO NINE ZERO
PD WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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FLAMBO FOR GENERAL TAYLOR REPEAT AMO REGION
THREE NAPLES CARE OF COLONEL RICHARDS

PLEASE INSURE THAT SUITABLE VILLAS ARE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE KING CMA MARSHAL
BADOGLIO AND A LIMITED NUMBER OF THEIR OTHER HIGHEST RANKING PEOPLE PD PAREN TO
FLAMBO FOR GENERAL TAYLOR REPEAT AMO REGION THREE NAPLES CARE OF COLONEL
RICHARDS FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PAREN I HAVE REPORT WHICH MAY BE UNFOUNDED
THAT A NUMBER OF VILLAS IN SALENO AREA NOW OCCUPIED BY NATIONALITIES OTHER
THAN BRITISH CMA AMERICAN AND ITALIAN PD TRUST SITUATION CAN BE SATISFACTORILY
CLARIFIED

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ROBERT E. LOE
Major, AGC
Secretary of Commission

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THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT REQUESTS DELAY IN EVICTING FAMILIES FROM INCIS BUILDINGS
BARI NOW ORDERED TO VACATE WITHIN TWENTY FOUR HOURS PD PAREN TO DISTRO FROM FATIMA
SIGNED JOYCE PAREN PREFECT OF BARI HAS REPORTED THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND
QUARTERS FOR THESE FAMILIES IN THE TIME ALLOTTED PD YOUR CONSIDERATION IS RE-
QUESTED

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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18 December 1943

To His Excellency Marshal Badoglio -

Dear Marshal Badoglio:-

With reference to your note of 15 December regarding the evacuation of the Incis Building in Bari, I have been informed that the Allied Authorities have agreed to forego requisitioning of the premises provided the Prefect of Bari can produce alternative accommodations. The reported 24-hour time limit was not imposed. I trust that a satisfactory adjustment is being worked out locally.

Most sincerely,

346.8 - Sunday. Blago

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Your 1468/15 to DISTWO repeated this headquarters. Owing representations Italian authorities Bari, this headquarters agreed forgo requisition DEUS building, provided prefect produced alternative accommodations. This now being sought. 24-hour time limit was NOT imposed.

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SPECIAL SECRETARIAT OF THE
CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT
No. 1385 of Prot.

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18 December 1943

To General Maxwell D. Taylor
Chief of Staff
Allied Control Commission

General:

H. E. Marshal Badoglio requests me to inform you of the text of the following telegram, with a strong plea to supply your humane efforts toward preventing the clearing of the building which would put many families into the street with disastrous consequences:

"FROM BARI

17 DECEMBER 1943

"IMPLORE YOU INTERCEDE WITH ANGLO-AMERICAN ALLIED COMMAND REVOCATION REQUISITIONING ORDER CLEARING OUT WITHIN 24 HOURS BUILDING XXIV MAGGIO STREET NO. 73 - CONSISTING 12 COOPERATIVELY OWNED APARTMENTS - MANY FAMILIES SOME PROFESSIONAL OFFICES WITHOUT OTHER MEANS OF INCOME - SOME WITH OTHER PROPERTY DESTROYED RECENT BOMBINGS - MANY LODGING ALLIED OFFICERS READY AT GREAT SACRIFICE TO FIND ROOM FOR MORE RATHER THAN FACE COMPLETE RUIN FOR ALL - BY SATURDAY."

382.8 - Bldg

SPECIAL SECRETARY TO THE
CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT
(Lt. Col. G. Valenzano)

(Sgd) Valenzano

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FATIMA REPTED PBS FOR HQ AMB NAPLES FOR GURTERBOOK
FLASBO 94 BASE SUB AREA AMB SALETTO

Following detailed REVELAT carried for King and household. Flasbo and
Sub Area have no objection.

Villas Ruffolo de Sancoo and Compagnia Palazzo Confalone & rooms in
Villa Frawie school and garage. Requisitioning party should report Moss-Vernon
Salerno before taking action.

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LIEUTENANT COLONEL REGIS WILL ARRIVE SHORTLY SALERNO TO PRESENT REQUIREMENTS
OF ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR OFFICE SPACE AND LIVING QUARTERS PD TO PBS FOR AMI
FOR GUTTENBROCK REFD FREEDOM FOR MCS FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PD NEW SUBJECT
PD AGO HERE WILL HAVE TO SYNCHRONIZE MOVEMENT TO SALERNO WITH HEADS OF
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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FATIMA DONKEY FOR CAVE

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For your information Headquarters Commandant Freedom has granted for assignment to 02 advanced intelligence under your direction of Villa Carradori via Possillipo Naples. Take necessary action to occupy earliest.

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In reply refer to:
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30 December 1943 .

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MEMORANDUM TO: Brigadier Gueterbock, Allied Control Commission,
Naples.

1. The attached note from Squadron Leader Johnstone is self explanatory.
2. It is requested that if possible, the accommodations which Squadron Leader Johnstone has enumerated be requisitioned for the use of his section.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.C.C.
Secretary of Commission

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Note 26/12/43 from S/Ldr. Johnstone

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8 JAN 1944

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PREC : ROUTINE

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FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED CINC CITE FHCIV

REC'D : JAN 081346A

TO : FATMA

Notify Lieutenant Colonel Regis that two small villas are needed for Yugoslav and Greek representatives on Advisory Council for Italy.

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FARGO FOR GUTENBOCK

PARAPHRASE OF FREEDOM'S MESSAGE FOLLOWS PD TO FARGO FOR GUTENBOCK FROM FATIMA
SIGNED JOYCE PD GREEK AND YUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVES ON ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR
ITALY REQUIRE TWO SMALL VILLAGES PD NOTIFY LIEUTENANT COLONEL REGIS

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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Headquarters
74 Sub Area
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29 Dec '43

SUBJECT: ACCOMMODATION

L'Ammiraglio Di Divisione,
Comando Militare Marittimo,
BRINDISI

1. The accommodation situation in BRINDISI area is so acute that very strong measures indeed are now required to make further accommodation available; this will necessitate moving out all Naval and Military personnel not operationally required or engaged in essential work.
2. Within the next two or three days 1,000 British and 2,500 Italian Military personnel will commence arriving in Brindisi for work in the Docks etc. and there is, to my knowledge, no adequate accommodation available yet to house these essential personnel. British Army tents are all required in forward areas and are not available, except as are already loaned to Italian Units.
3. I have requested General Commanducci to make a review of all existing accommodation, and to make every possible effort to house more men in his existing accommodation. It is obvious however that even the most stringent measures will not produce accommodation for more than 1,000 men.
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[Signature]
 Commanding 71 Sub Area Col., Area 3821

Copy to:- A.C.C. & 2 District and M.M.I.

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In reply refer to:
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6 January 1944

SUBJECT: Billets for Labor Units in Brindisi

TO : Brigadier Duesenne, Military Mission to the Italian Army

Will you be good enough to furnish me a basis for a reply to Marshal
Messe for the attached document?

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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SIGNOR GENERALE PRESIDENTE DELLA
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

Ufficio Operazioni

10031 /OP.

Manovalanza a Brindisi.-

1°) - Con l'afflusso di nuovi reparti del R.Esercito a Brindisi, si ha fin d'ora la possibilità di inviare al lavoro di manovalanza giornalmente oltre 4.000 militari.

Altro personale dovrebbe affluire, secondo quanto disposto per aderire integralmente alla richiesta di codesta Commissione, e precisamente:

- 1200 soldati
- 700 marinai.-

2°) - Si incontra però al riguardo una gravissima difficoltà, relativa agli alloggiamenti. La situazione si è infatti aggravata dalle requisizioni ordinate negli ultimi giorni dalla parte anglo-americana.

Sono stati infatti ceduti:

- a) - un magazzino sito presso la Montecatini, della superficie di m² 1750; capacità, 600 uomini (su paglia a terra);
- b) - le Scuole femminili di piazza Angeli: capacità, 1000 uomini (c.s.);
- c) - il fabbricato INCIS di via Cavour: capacità, 500 uomini (c.s.)

L'uso di tali locali era ed è indispensabile, data la ormai completa saturazione di Brindisi e la impossibilità di trovare nuovi alloggiamenti.

Si risulta che lo stesso Comandante della 71^a Subarea, che ha preso contatto col Comando Militare Marittimo di Brindisi, si è convinto che non vi sono in questa città ulteriori possibilità di alloggiamento.-

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3°) - Il problema non è solo relativo al personale che dovrebbe ancora affluire, ma anche al personale già in posto ed a quello giunto in questi ultimi giorni.

Ho già segnalato con f° 3940 del 20 dicembre u.s. le difficili condizioni di vita, in genere, del personale addetto alla manovalanza.

Per i due ultimi battaglioni giunti a Brindisi, ad es., date le requisizioni di cui al comma 2°, si sono dovuti utilizzare dei magazzini per vino, con copertura insufficiente e sprovvisti di qualsiasi servizio igienico: ciò per non lasciare completamente allo scoperto gli uomini in questi giorni di pioggia.-

4°) - E' da tenere presente che se non si prenderanno provvedimenti radicali circa la sistemazione degli alloggiamenti, il numero dei militari impiegabili di cui al comma 1° scenderà certamente, poiché aumenterà il numero degli ammalati.

Non insisto poi sulle conseguenze morali di una tale situazione, perché sono facilmente immaginabili.-

5°) - Mentre ho appreso con soddisfazione che la parte anglo-americana sta venendo incontro ad alcune necessità della manovalanza (es. aumento della razione di carne), devo far presente che per Brindisi, data la situazione degli alloggiamenti, è necessario che:

- e si provveda alla desquisizione dei locali di cui al comma 2°, per sistemarvi i reparti recentemente giunti e quelli che devono giungere;
- o vengano fornite baracche o tende (meglio baracche), di cui la parte italiana non ha la disponibilità;
- o si diminuisca il numero dei lavoratori da impiegare in manovalanza.-



Prego codesta Commissione di volermi far conoscere quali sono le sue decisioni al riguardo, tenendo specialmente presente la critica situazione in cui si trova il personale di recente giunto a Brindisi per prestarvi servizio di manovalanza.-

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FROM COMANDO SUPREMO
Operation Office

TO GENERAL CHIEF OF
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

No. 10031/OP

2 January 1944

SUBJECT: Labourers in Brindisi

1. - The arrival of more Army Units in Brindisi enables us from now to send to work daily, over 4,000 troops for labour.

More personnel should have been brought up to meet all requests of ACC, viz /:

- 1,200 soldiers - 5000
- 700 sailors. 1000

2. - But we are being confronted with the very serious difficulty of finding billeting. The billeting situation has become more serious as a consequence of requisitioning ordered by the Anglo-Americans in these last days.

In fact, the following buildings have been requisitioned:

- a) - a store-house next to the Montecatini building, with a surface of 1750 sq. mts, capacity 600 men (on straw)
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The use of such buildings was and is indispensable, in view of the now complete saturation and impossibility of finding new lodgings.

I understand that the Commander of 71st Sub-AREA himself, who has contacted the Navy Command of Brindisi, has been satisfied that there are ^{NO} further possibilities of billeting in this town.

3. - The problem concerns not only the personnel which ought to be brought up, but also the personnel already on hand, and those who have arrived in the last few days in

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Brindisi.

I have already pointed out with Note No. 3940 of 20 December last, the difficult living conditions among the labourers in general.

As a consequence of requisitioning mentioned in para 2), wine cellars with insufficient cover and without any sanitation have had to be used for the two Battalions just arrived to Brindisi, in order not to leave these men completely without shelter in these rainy days.

4. - It is to be remembered that, unless radical measures are taken on the billeting problem, the number of employable labourers cited in para 1) will certainly decrease, since the number of sick will increase.

I do not dwell on the moral consequences of such a situation, as they may be easily imagined.

5. - While I learned with satisfaction that the Anglo-American Authorities are meeting some of the labourers' needs (as the meat ration, for example) I must point out that for Brindisi, in view of the billeting situation, it is necessary to

- either provide for the de-requisitioning of places mentioned in para 2) in order to place in them the troops recently arrived and those still to come,
- or to provide cabins or tents (better cabins) of which the Italian Authorities have none available,
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Will ACC please let me know its decision in this matter, keeping always in mind the critical situation of labourers recently arrived in Brindisi.

THE CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF
(Marshal Messe)

UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO

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SUBJECT: Billets for () House Units in REIDISI.

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Military Mission to
Italian Army.

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12 Jan 44.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Cop: to : 71 Sub Area.

Reference your 386.8.6 of 6 Jan 44.

I suggest the following points as sufficient reply to Marshal MESSE'S letter of 2 Jan returned herewith.

(1) As Allied Operation requirements forbid the present release of buildings recently requisitioned, H. 71 Sub Area have made and are making every effort towards remedying the accommodation shortage. Measures in hand include the construction of billets in the Railway Arches on the San Vito Road, the loan of additional British Army huts, the provision of materials to repair existing huts and assistance in collecting and re-erecting huts found to be available elsewhere in 51 Corps Area. These measures will ensure adequate accommodation for the additional military labour which is due to come to REIDISI.

(2) We do not understand that accommodation for the 700 additional Naval personnel presents no problem. A fortnight ago, Admiral RUBINELLI was ordered by the Commando Supremo to make available to the Italian Army the vacant huts in the SACCA Compound. This order was set aside on the excuse that the huts were needed to house 700 sailors expected any day from TARANTO. These men have still not arrived, and Naval labour is still over 300 men short of the figure of 1000 which it should have maintained all along. Admiral RUBINELLI's combination of inaction and obstruction have largely contributed to the crisis which other men are trying to solve, and I consider that his latest 'dog-in-the-manger' demonstration calls for the sternest handling.

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In reply refer to:
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12 January 1944

MAIN/POW FOR: His Excellency Marshal Messe
Chief of the Supreme General Staff

This is in reply to your letter (No. 10031/OP) dated 2 January 1944. According to our understanding, as Allied Operation requirements forbid the present release of buildings recently requisitioned, Headquarters 71st Sub Area have made and are making every effort towards remedying the accommodation shortage. Measures in hand include the construction of walled-in billets, including sanitary facilities and kitchen, in the Railway Arches on the San Vito Road, the loan of additional British Army tents, the provision of materials to repair existing huts and assistance in collecting and re-erecting huts found to be available elsewhere in 51 Corps Area. These measures should ensure adequate accommodation for the additional military labour which is due to come to Brindisi.

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In view of the foregoing, it would appear that the billeting situation, critical as it is, is nevertheless adequate for the required number of dock laborers.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MURPHY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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19 January 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Captain Crenner

For your information the Palazzo Hotel at Santa Cesarea was formally requisitioned by this Headquarters through Headquarters 71 Sub Area on 31 October 1943 and the requisition form is held here.

Officers from this Headquarters will neither be billeted in the hotel nor relieved from billets therein without written authority from this Headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General MACFARLANE:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of Commission

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