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MILITARY ECONOMIC COUNCILS.
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1. It is proposed to establish Military Economic Councils to deal with all questions concerning :-

(a) Utilisation of the civil resources of the country for the furtherance of the war effort.

(b) The diversion of military resources to assist the civil administration.

2. It is expected that at a future date a Central Council will be formed, presumably in Rome, to regulate those matters which are of general application to the country as a whole. Immediately, it is only intended to start on a local basis. The proposal, for the present, is that Local Councils will be formed in the Prefecturas of TARANTO, BRINDISI and BARI, of which that at TARANTO will be set up first of all. Later, similar Councils will be set up in the other Prefecturas of APULIA which are occupied by the Allied Forces. At a later date still, a Central Committee to co-ordinate the work of the Local Councils will be set up for the whole of APULIA.

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The Council would appoint Committees to deal with various subjects, for example :-

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3. (Cont'd).

(a) Foodstuffs Committee.

Requisitions and purchases by Military Authorities; supplies ^{of} food ^{for} civil power.

(b) Buildings and Lands.

Allocation to Military, Naval and Civil Authorities.
Requisitioning.

(c) Transportation.

Allocation of the railways to Military and Civil purposes.
Pay of railway employees.

(d) Labour.

Hours of work and rates of pay for civil labour. Provision of rations. Allocation of labour to meet Civil, Naval and Military requirements.

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

30 September 1943

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

A conference was held at the Mission this morning between Mr. Innocenti, Colonel Monfort, the Mission AMGOT representative, Major Kant and myself. We discussed the question of procedure in establishing a simple and direct contact between the local Italian authorities and the Allied services in Brindisi. It was the consensus of this meeting that the most effective method of presenting Allied requirements would be through a single agency which should probably be Major Kant's office. Innocenti accepted the proposition from the Italian side and will designate a properly documented officer who will receive and act upon Allied requirements. Major Kant concurred in the arrangement in your name.

It is obviously desirable that the proposed procedure include the Royal Navy and Air Forces as well. I would suggest that you take up the matter with the proper officers as the resulting simplification and coordination of service requirements will be an obvious advantage to all.

I might mention in passing that the procedure outlined above will probably be put in effect throughout the rear areas behind the advancing forces. Colonel Monfort has discussed the matter with General Robertson who is in agreement.

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

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

30 September 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel Westrop.

It will be impossible to arrange a meeting with the personnel you mentioned at 0830 tomorrow. The Mission will contact Mr. Innocenti and the representative of the 51st Army Corps and will notify you when they can be assembled. I will designate your office as the place of meeting.

Let me make it clear that the Mission is not proposing any procedure to be followed by your headquarters. It has appeared however from reports of your officers that all is not going well and the Mission only desires to be of assistance in facilitating contacts with the Italian authorities.

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

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H.Q., 71 Sub Area.

30 September 1943.

Allied Military Mission,
For attention of Brig.Gen. M.D. Taylor. ✓

Your memo of 30 Sep 43.

My officers have experienced considerable difficulty in obtaining essential stores from the Italian Army in Brindisi.

Before finally accepting the procedure outlined I would like to have a meeting to discuss details.

Will you please arrange for Mr. Innocenti and Col. Monfort to attend a meeting at this H.Q. at 0830 hrs., tomorrow, 1st October.

J.H. Westhoff

Colonel,
Commander, 71 Sub Area.

Army

ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
AFM 512

1 October 1943

TO : Colonel Westrop.
Commanding General, 51st Corps.
His Excellency Mr. Innocenti.
Colonel Rossi.

SUBJECT: Proposed Conference.

1. It is proposed to hold a conference between the above named officers at the Albergo Internazionale at 1200 hours, 1 October 1943.

2. Topics to be discussed:

a. Procedure for submitting demands of the Allied Forces to Italian military and civil authorities.

b. The evacuation of Italian military installations from the Brindisi area.

For the Chief of Mission:

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

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Deputy President

24 November 1943

Dear Marshal Badoglio:-

Your Excellency recalls that in one of the earlier proclamations on financial matters, the King of Italy was also given the styles of Emperor of Ethiopia and King of Albania. This had a most unfortunate effect on the Allied Governments and it was the understanding of the Allied Military Mission that His Majesty had decided that these titles should not be used in future. In case all the members of the present Italian Government are not aware of this decision, I shall be grateful indeed if you will inform them and confirm to the Allied Control Commission that this is fully understood by all concerned.

With all warm regards I am,

Sincerely

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*20/11/43
Victor G. ...*

1069 DI PROT.



25 NOVEMBRE 1943

IL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

AL SIGNOR GENERALE JOYCE
CAPO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

CARO GENERALE,

FINORA FU USATO PER I DECRETI IL TITOLO
D'IMPERATORE DI ETIOPIA E DI RE D'ALBANIA PERCHÉ
OCCORREVA UN DECRETO A FIRMA DEI MINISTRI PER
LIMITARE L'INTESTAZIONE AL SOLO TITOLO RE D'ITALIA.

CIÒ FU FATTO IERI, E DA OGGI IN AVANTI I
DECRETI AVRANNO SOLO QUEST'ULTIMA INTESTAZIONE.

MOLTO CORDIALMENTE

Carlo Azeglio

*Numero File 1069
X 201- King Victor Emmanuel*

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TRANSLATION

THE CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT
No. 1127 of Prot.

27 November 1943

My dear General Joyce:

I refer to the point brought up by you this morning, in reference to the titles of Emperor of Ethiopia and King of Albania which appear on decrees of our Official Gazzette as titles of the King of Italy.

It does not seem to me, at this time when men gayly kill one another, that this matter is of primary importance.

But it is my strong desire that there should be no shadow of doubt that our conduct is completely above reproach.

General MacFarlane, during his stay here as head of the Military Mission, hinted at the bad impression the use of those titles by my King would have on the public opinion of the British and American Governments.

I answered that these titles had been publicly acknowledged by the British Government, and that it would be simpler to have the same government rescind that acknowledgment.

At any rate, I promised the general that as soon as the cabinet met I would present the matter for their cognizance and discussion. The well known difficulty of forming the cabinet ensued, but on the 24th inst., I presented this matter before the cabinet. Meanwhile I received your letter, also dated the 24th. A decree was issued, establishing that, from November 1 on, all decrees will bear only the title of King of Italy.

Therefore, from this moment forward the wishes of the Allied Governments will be met.

If any blame attaches to the delay it is due to the fact that a cabinet with a sufficient number of ministers could not be formed before.

This, dear general, is the complete explanation.

Very cordially,

BADOGLIO

29 November 1943

To His Excellency Marshal Badoglio -

Dear Marshal Badoglio:-

In the absence of General Joyce I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of 27 November regarding the uses of the titles of Emperor of Ethiopia and King of Albania by the King of Italy. I can assure Your Excellency that your position in the matter is perfectly understood.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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MEMBRI DELLA CASA REALE

Residenti in Brindisi

S.M. il RE VITTORIO EMANUELE III

Casa Militare: S.E. il General Puntoni
Ten.Col. Buzzaccarini

Casa Civile : Duca Acquarone Ministro della R.Casa

S.M. la REGINA ELENA

S.A.R. il PRINCIPE EREDITARIO UMBERTO

Casa Militare: S.E. Generale Gamerra
Magg. Cavall. Marchese Litta Modigliani
Magg. Aereon. Conte Campello
Colon. Cavall. Danesi

S.A.R. Ajmone Duca d'Aosta

Casa Militare: Ammiraglio Mariano
Cap. di Corv. Pighini

S.A.R. Ferdinando Duca di Genova

S.A.R. La Duchessa di Genova

Casa Militare: S.Ten. di Vascello Conte Ghislieri

MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL HOUSE

RESIDENT IN BRINDISI

His Majesty King Victor Emanuel III

Staff: H.E. General Puntoni
Lieutenant Colonel Buzzaccarini
Duke Acquarone Minister of Royal House

Her Majesty Queen Elena

H.R.H. Crownprince Umberto

Staff: H.E. General Gamerra
Major Marquis Litta-Modigliani (Cavallery)
Major Count Campello (Air Force)
L.Col. Danesi (Cavallery)

H.R.H. Ajmone Duke of Aosta (Admiral)

Staff: Admiral Mariano
Commander Pighini

H.R.H. Ferdinando Duke of Genova (Admiral)

H.R.H. Duchess of Genova

Staff: S. Lieutenant (Navy) Count Ghislieri

AMMIRAGLI IN CARICA NELLE ZONE LIBERATE

S.E. il Ministro della Marina Ammiraglio De Courten

S.C.S.M. della Marina Ammiraglio Brivonesi

Comandante in Capo del Dipartimento Marittimo del Jonio e Bassa Adriatico
(Non ancora in carica)

S.A.R. Il Duca d'Aosta (Ammiraglio)

Amm.	Fioravanzo	Com.te il Mar di Taranto
"	Brugnoli	Com.te Arsenale di Taranto
"	Rubartelli	Com.te.Mil.Mar.mo Brindisi
"	Rogadeo	Maristat Taranto
"	Casardi	Com.te Dipartimento Mar.mo di Taranto
"	Galati	Adisposizione del Com.te Dipartimento Mar. di Taranto
"	Panunzio	Com.te Milit.Mar.mo Bari
"	Calleri	Presidente del Tribunale Militare
"	Baroni	Direttore Generale Marina Mercantile
"	Biancheri	Com.te VIII Divisione Incrociatori
"	Nomis di Pollone	Com.te delle Siluranti

ADMIRALS IN CHARGE IN THE LIBERATED ZONE

H.E. The Minister Admiral de Courten

Deputy Chief of Staff: H.E. Admiral Brivonesi

Commander-in-Chief of the Navy Departement of Basso Adriatico and Jonio
H.R.H. The Duke of Aosta (Admiral)

Admiral	Fioravanzo	Base Commander At Taranto
"	Brugnoli	Ship-Yard Commander at Taranto
"	Rubartelli	Base Commander At Brindisi
"	Rogadeo	Maristat - Taranto (Staff Officer navy General Staff)
"	Casardi	Commander Department of Naples
"	Galati	At ^{the} disposal of Commander Department of Naples. Staff Officer.
"	Panunzio	Base Commander at Bari
"	Calleri	President of Military Courts
"	Baroni	General Director of Merchant Marine
"	Biancheri	Commander of the 8 th . cruisers
"	Nomis-di-Pollone	Commander of the small Craft.

COMANDO SUPREMO

Gen. d'Armata Ecc. AMBROSIO

Capo S.M. Generale

Gen. di Corpo d'Arm. ROSSI Francesco

S. Capo S.M.

Gen. ROSSI

Capo Reparto Operazioni

Ammiraglio Ecc. DE CURTEN

Ministro R.M.- Capo S.M.R.M.

Gen. Ecc. SANDALLI

Ministro R.A.- Capo S.M.R.A.

S T A T O M A G G I O R E R E G I O E S E R C I T O

Gen. d'Armata Ecc.	ROATTA Mario	Capo Stato Maggiore R.E.
Gen. Divisione	MARIOTTI Adamo	S. Capo Stato Maggiore R.E.
Gen. Brigata	ZANUSSI Giacomo	Gen. Addetto All'Ecc. il C.S.M.
Gen. Brigata	ALIBERTI Aliberto	Generale Intendente
Gen. Brigata	UTILI Umberto	Capo Ufficio Operazioni
Gen. Brigata	DI RAIMONDO Giovanni	Super Trasporti
Gen. Brigata	CAMERA Romeo	Commissariato per l'alimentazio- ne

COMANDO 7^a ARMATA

Gen. d'Armata Ecc. ARISIO

Comandante

COMANDO LI° CORPO D'ARMATA

Gen. di Corpo d'Armata Ecc. DE STEFANIS Giuseppe Comandante

COMANDO IX° CORPO D'ARMATA

Gen. di Corpo d'Armata Ecc. LERICI

Comandante

(Presumably from Italian Supreme Command) 680.2

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NOTA. 17

18 September 1943

In analogy with what has been arranged for the fleet, authority is requested for the flying of the National Flag on airports also, keeping unchanged the present instructions which regulate it's display.

The question is of capital importance in its bearing upon the morale and disciplinary cohesion of our air forces, a cohesion which is entirely in the interests of their collaboration with the Allied Forces.

In view of the need to give our Air Force Headquarters instructions on this point as soon as possible an early reply would be very welcome.

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Gen. Antonio
Yes - can be
mentioned

Permission
Granted

done

ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

14 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Robertson, Fortbase, Taranto.

1. Marshal Badoglio has urgently requested the Mission to take up with you the proposed eviction of the Carabinieri from their headquarters and barracks in Bari. He indicates that this is an important headquarters controlling all the Carabinieri in the vicinity and that the proposed move will disrupt their organization at a time when it is to the Italian and Allied interest to strengthen the forces of law and order.

2. At the same time I have been asked to mention that the Royal Carabinieri are most unhappy about the requirement to wear the white brassard marked C. P. They pride themselves upon being the traditional guardian of law and order in Italy and feel that they need no further identification.

3. I present these matters to you for such action as you deem fit. The first is rather urgent and I hope you can effect an amicable solution locally in Bari.

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

Copy to:

Commanding Officer,
86 Sub Area,
Bari.

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
AFU 512

29 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Dowler, Commanding No. 2 District,
Bari.

Several days ago I took up with General Robertson the matter of the wearing of the brassard C. P. by the Carabinieri as the latter had requested to be exempted from the requirement. General Robertson replied that the requirement was being lifted and I so informed the Italian High Command. General Ambrosio informed me this morning that this decision has not reached certain areas notably in Matera and Catanzaro where the Carabinieri are still required to wear the brassard. Would you be good enough to look into the matter at your leisure?

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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Reference your 640 of 28th October.

Clothing. Arrangements made for Red Cross to provide. Estimate of future requirements made and shipment to this theater in hand. Red Cross representative now with displaced persons Sub Commission.

Evacuation. After discussion of all concerned, policy agreed that personnel to remain in camps for present.

Chief and some officers displaced persons Sub Commission now with Headquarters Allied Military Government Palermo. Have cabled them and representative discuss problems with you earliest.

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This headquarters has authorized the establishment of international Red Cross Branch in Palermo. In addition to conventional functions connected with PW and their messages IRCC Branch will handle welfare and whereabouts inquiries for organization of branch IRCC appointed Mister Kuhne who is Geneva secretary specialized in messages. Kuhne will be despatched to Palermo on about 20 December.

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AND SEND DETAILS BY AIR PD REFERS NOTICE ACCOMPANYING LETTER OF ONE
TWO JANUARY FROM CAPTAIN SQUAIR ALLIED PRESS OFFICER PALERMO TO
ALLIED PRESS CENSOR CATANIA PD TO IBS FOR SEARS FOR ROGERS FOR
POLETTI RPTD FREEDOM FOR MGS FROM FATIMA REAR FROM STONE SIGNED
MACFARLANE PD WHAT IS UNDERSTANDING REGARDING PROPORTIONAL ALLOCATION
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COPY OF AFHQ LETTER ZERO EIGHT ZERO DASH ONE OF TWO ZERO JANUARY
TO INC ALONGS WHICH ALSO REFERS PD OBTAINING FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING
PARAGRAPH FOUR OF THAT LETTER IN RELATION COMMENCEMENT FOREIGN MAILE
PD PRESENT INFORMATION FROM AFHQ IS THAT MEANWHILE INC MESSAGES TO
BE HANDED OVER TO CCS INC PALERMO FOR TRANSMISSION TO AFHQ

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

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 512

14 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Ambrosio, Chief of the Supreme General Staff.

I am directed to inform Your Excellency that Headquarters 15th Army Group will require at least four days notice of the intended visit of Italian officers in the zone of the Armies. I request that this time factor be considered in connection with future plans for the movement of your representatives.

For the Chief of the Control Commission:

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

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680th Division, Administration of Headquarters

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TO: FOR HOME TO ALLIED MILITARY MISSION TO
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

General Basso commanding Italian troops in Campania notified that Marshal Badoglio had appointed Volpe as first president of Naples Court of Appeals. He would thus replace Libonati who as senior subordinate president was acting first president. A.M.G. not consulted in making the appointment. While there is no objection to Volpe personally, believe no appointments should be permitted without A.M.G. approval. Libonati has been doing good work under our direction and did not know of replacement until so notified by Volpe. Possibly Marshal Badoglio did not know Libonati is acting first president. Request you ask Badoglio withdraw Volpe appointment and make no other appointments until first considered by A.M.G. Volpe is first president in Sardinia where he is reported to be working satisfactorily. Suggest he be asked by Badoglio to return to his duties there.

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SUBJECT:- Responsibilities of the
Italian Command.

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HQ 15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

15AG/8653/2/BGS

23 Nov 43

Allied Commission of Control

Copy to:- M.M.I.A.
Adv Adm Ech AFHQ.

It is requested that you will inform the Italian Supreme Command that no proclamations of any kind, and no orders involving any policy, are to be issued by them North of the provinces of BARI, POTENZA and SALERNO, without the prior agreement of the Military Mission to the Italian Army. The latter will consult Anget where necessary.

/s/

Major General.
Chief of the General Staff.

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Subject:- Seizure of AMG, Petrol by 7th Italian Army at Cosenza.

To :- Allied Military Mission, Brindisi.
(thru AMG, 15 Army Group)

Ref : ECA/ / .

AMG, H.Q. REGION 2.

23 Nov 43.

1. By order C. G. 7th Army, dated 30 Oct 43, on November 10th, P.O.L. stock of AMG of Cosenza was impounded. Copy of the order is attached.
2. Matter was discussed with Lt. Gen. Mercalli, 31st Italian Army Corps on Nov 11th. He promised to get it adjusted with Lt. Col. Simonetti immediately.
3. On November 19th, nothing had been done except release of ten drums upon earnest representations by the Prefect.
4. No petrol available to AMG for movement of own vehicles or those transporting civilian food supply. Food situation extremely critical.
5. Request immediate action to return this P.O.L. supply to AMG unhampered control, and to halt all further interference with AMG operations.

/s/ G.H. McCaffrey

G.H. McCaffrey
Lt. Col. INF.

R.C.A.O., AMG, H.Q., REGION 2.

G.H.M.C. /G.A.S.

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COMANDO 7a ARMATA

No38 aut di prot.

P.M.107,11 30 ottobre 1943

Oggetto: Carburanti.-

Al Deposito Carburanti di

S.Marco Argentano

Nessun fusto di carburante potrà essere distolto dal Deposito senza l'autorizzazione della Intendenza 7a Armata.-

Il consegnatario del magazzino che contravvenisse a tale ordine verrà senz'altro denunciato al Tribunale Militare.

Il Generale Comandante la 7a Armata

f/to Arisio

P.S.C.

Ten.Col.s.S.M. Carlo Simonetti

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In reply refer to:
463.1

29 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: His Excellency, Marshal Messe,
Chief of the Supreme General Staff.

1. The attention of Your Excellency is invited to the attached documents indicating unwarranted interference on the part of the Commanding General, 7th Army with the gasoline stocks of Allied Military Government at Cosenza.

2. In order to assure against a recurrence of such incidents, it is requested that Italian Commanders be instructed to refrain from issuing such proclamations and orders without prior agreement with this Commission or the Military Mission to the Italian Army.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

cc: Hq. 15 Army Group
Brigadier Duchene

✓ 3 Incls.

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~~SECRET~~ REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR TWO WAR DEPARTMENT MOTION AND STILL PHOTOGRAPHERS
ATTACHED TO COMMISSION TO PHOTOGRAPH ITALIAN DETACHMENT WITH FIVE ARMY TO
COMPLETE SEQUENCES TAKEN ON MANEUVERS HERE PD TO FIVE ARMY FOR CLARK PD FROM
FATIMA FROM MESERVEY SIGNED JOYCE PD COMMISSION AND ITALIAN GOVERNMENT APPROVE

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, U. S. A.

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Two W. D. photographers may do pictures (1 corrupt group) summary. Provided films and captions are sent to AFHQ for clearance and release. Photographers should report on arrival here to Colonel Gillette Army Pictorial Service.

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In reply refer to:
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30 November 1943

Subject: Photographic Equipment and Supplies.

To: Chief Signal Officer, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. As the size and work of the Allied Control Commission increases it becomes increasingly important that immediate facilities for developing and printing still pictures be available to us. Our Signal Corps photographer, up to the present moment, has had to depend upon quite inadequate Italian facilities located many miles away.

2. It is requested therefore that the following equipment be dispatched as soon as possible:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>
1	Printer, contact, Rako, with bulbs, wiring, plugs.
1	Printer, projection, Omega, 4x5 negative carrier, with bulb, masking easel; with lens and condensers for 35mm negatives.
3	Trays, stainless steel or enameled, size 11x14 approx.
1	Safe light, Eastman Kodak, with OA filter and panchromatic green filter, with bulb (25 watt) and wiring.
5	Developer, D-72; cans, each to make 1 gallon solution.
5	Developer, DK-50; cans, each to make 1 gallon solution.
10	Acid Fixing Powder; cans, each to make 1 gallon solution.
2	Photographic paper, enlarging, semi-matte, gross, 8x10 size, double-weight, grade #2, Agfa-Ansco Brevira.

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- 2 Photographic paper, enlarging, semi-matte, gross, 8x10
size, double-weight, grade #3, Agfa-Ansco Brovira.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ELBERT W. STONE
Capt, USNR
Vice President of Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO #394

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13-December, 43

TO: Technical Supply Officer
60th Service Sqdn.
APO #528

The undersigned Allied control Commission requests that
1, (one) each plant, power electric, type CIB, 110 Volt
D.C. to be issued to official War Photographer, T/5
Paul F. Long, Signal Corps.

This power unit is needed immediately by the Photographic
Division of the Allied Control Commission for the operation
of photographic lighting equipment used in the making of
Official War Department motion pictures.

Ellery W. Stone
Capt. U.S.N.R.
Communications Section,
Allied Control Commission

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief Signal Officer
APO 512

14 January 1944

SUBJECT: Routing of Motion Picture Shipments

TO : Allied Control Commission, Italy
Attention: Captain EILERY STONE

1. Under date of 30 Dec 43, letter was sent to you from this headquarters requesting that all future shipments of motion picture film exposed by Signal Corps photographers under your jurisdiction be sent to FIFTH Army Headquarters for transmittal to the United States, and not to this headquarters.

2. This date, a shipment of motion picture film was received at this headquarters for transmittal to the United States from T/5 Paul Long, Signal Corps photographer attached to Allied Control Commission.

3. It is again requested that all Signal Corps photographers under your jurisdiction be advised as to the proper routing of motion picture shipments to the United States.

4. Shipments being sent to FIFTH Army should be addressed as follows:

Army Pictorial Service
Signal Section
FIFTH Army Headquarters

5. Request acknowledgement of receipt of this letter by indorsement hereon.

For the Chief Signal Officer:

/s/ William F. Ahbe
WILLIAM F. AHBE
1st Lt, Signal Corps
Acting OC, Photo Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, APO 394, 18 January 1944.

TO: Chief Signal Officer, AFHQ, APO 542.

1. Receipt of instructions in basic acknowledged.
2. Necessary orders have been issued.

For the Deputy President:

E. J. CHIOCCA
OWD, USA
Asst Adj Gen

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ARMY PICTORIAL SERVICE FROM FATIMA REAR SIGNED MACFARLANE PD

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ROBERT S. DOE
Major AGD

Secretary of the Commission

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

MGS-014.14-1

28 November 1943

SUBJECT: Responsibility for relief and rehabilitation of liberated areas.

TO : Acting Deputy ~~Chief~~ President, A.C.C.

1. Herewith for information are copies of the following:

- a. Letter from Maj. Gen. Hilldring to C-in-C, dated 12 Nov. 1943, above subject.
- b. Letter from Pres. Roosevelt to The Sec'y of War, dated 10 Nov. 1943.
- c. Letter from Pres. Roosevelt to the Sec'y of War, dated June 3, 1943, together with enclosure entitled "Plan for coordinating the economic activities of U.S. Civilian Agencies in liberated areas."

2. Please acknowledge on form below.

for *Charles J. Holmes* *LT Col (R42)*
J. C. HOLMES
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Chief, Military Government Section

3 Incls. as above.

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SUBJECT: Responsibility for relief and rehabilitation of liberated areas.

Return To:

Military Government Section, AFHQ, APO 512.

Received one copy of each of the above documents.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION
WASHINGTON 25

12 November 1943

SUBJECT: Responsibility for relief and rehabilitations
of liberated areas.

TO : Commander-in-Chief, Allied Forces
APO 512 c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

Attention Brig. General Julius C. Holmes

1. There is transmitted herewith for your information and guidance a copy of a letter dated 10 November 1943 from the President to the Secretary of War.

2. In the opinion of the War Department this letter revokes the President's letter of 3 June 1943 a copy of which has already been furnished to you.

(sgd) J. H. Hilldring.
J. H. HILLDRING,
Major General,
Chief, Civil Affairs Division.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 10, 1943

Dear Mr. Secretary:-

Although other agencies of the Government are preparing themselves for the work that must be done in connection with the relief and rehabilitation of liberated areas, it is quite apparent if prompt results are to be obtained the Army will have to assume the initial burden of shipping and distributing relief supplies. This will not only be the case in the event that active military operations are under way, but also in the event of a German collapse. I envisage that in the event of a German collapse, the need for the Army to undertake this work will be all the more apparent.

Therefore, I direct that you have the Army undertake the planning necessary to enable it to carry out this task to the end that it shall be prepared to perform this function, pending such time as civilian agencies must be prepared to carry out the longer range program of relief.

You may take this letter as my authority to you to call upon all other agencies of the Government for such plans and assistance as you may need. For all matters of policy that have to be determined in connection with this work, you will consult with the State Department for any political advice; and upon the Treasury for such economic and fiscal direction as you may need.

Very sincerely yours,

S/ Franklin D. Roosevelt

The Honorable,
The Secretary of War,
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 3, 1943.

My dear Cordell:

I am enclosing a plan for the coordination of the economic operations of United States civilian agencies in areas liberated from enemy control, which has been worked out by the Budget Bureau after extended discussion with the agencies concerned. While I am told that complete agreement was not reached on every detail, I believe this plan represents a positive approach to the problem and I urge you to move ahead rapidly in its application through the operation of the State Department and the proposed interdepartmental machinery.

Our civilian agencies must be adequately prepared to assist our military forces in performing those services and activities in which they are expert. We must harness together military and civilian efforts. Only thus can we achieve full mobilization for the prosecution of the war, and adequately meet the many problems developing in the wake of our armed forces.

It is impossible, of course, to outline in detail the exact nature of those problems. Certain general functional assignments have been made to the civilian agencies. However, I am amplifying those assignments here so that you may be fully aware of your responsibilities and those of other agencies. More detailed working arrangements should be evolved through the mechanisms provided for in the enclosed plan.

The Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations will be responsible for the relief and rehabilitation of victims of war in certain liberated areas to be designated by me. In such areas, subject to consultation and arrangements with our allies, Governor Lehman should distribute relief goods, and goods to facilitate the production of basic civilian necessities, whether they be given away, sold, or bartered. In these areas the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations should also provide technical advice and services with respect to relief and the production of civilian necessities, and should facilitate the restoration of agriculture, housing and transportation. In its work I want the Office of Foreign Relief to make full use of available personnel and facilities of other agencies. When any or all of this program is transferred to a United Nations organization, further adjustments may be necessary. In certain other areas it may prove desirable, in accordance with

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arrangements with our allies, to have civilian supplies furnished by lend-Lease.

In this way we can maintain the single civilian supply line to each liberated region, so essential in assuring consistency in policy and administration.

I understand that the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations may use a number of the services of the Office of Lend-Lease Administration. So long as Lend-Lease funds are used to finance the Relief and Rehabilitation program, allocations of goods by the allocating agencies should be made to Lend-Lease for the account of the Office of Foreign Relief. While Lend-Lease would thus act as the claimant, the presentation of requirements should be a joint undertaking. Should conditions demand shifts within Lend-Lease allocations which affect the Relief account, such changes should be made with the approval of the allocating agencies.

The Office of Lend-Lease Administration can assist the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations in preparing and screening requirements and, when feasible, should detail staff members to work with Governor Lehman's staff for this purpose to insure maximum speed and efficiency. While detailed working arrangements on other functions will need to be developed, the Office of Foreign Relief vis-a-vis Lend-Lease might assume generally a relationship similar to that now assumed by the British. It may be desirable, however, for the Lend-Lease Administration to send a few representatives to the field to participate in the preparation of requirements and the inspection of distribution.

The Board of Economics Warfare is responsible for foreign procurement, the development of strategic and critical materials, certain industrial development, gathering economic intelligence, and other prescribed economic warfare measures. The staff of the Board should be available for technical advice and other assistance to the several agencies.

The Treasury Department is responsible for fixing exchange rates and should assist on monetary, currency control and general fiscal matters. This important work must be geared in with the plans and activities of the other agencies.

Since you are and have been responsible for determining the policy of this Government in relation to international problems, I shall rely on you to unify our foreign economic activities to the end that coherent and consistent policies and programs result. The Department of State should provide the necessary coordination, here and in the field, of our economic operations with respect to liberated areas. The attached plan properly recognized this role of the State

Department, and is similar to what I had in mind when we discussed the problems arising from the invasion of North Africa as set forth in my letter to you referring to that discussion.

I want to emphasize the importance of selecting as Area Directors, men of administrative competence and vision--men adjustable to the complex conditions they will face. I believe that the various agencies concerned have on their staffs a number of persons of the type you will need.

The job in Washington will demand a large part of the time and energy of the Assistant Secretary you name to coordinate these activities. Because of the wide scope of the work involved, the Department should reexamine its internal organization and procedures in order that it may assume the positive leadership required.

I want the facilities of our civilian agencies operating in the international economic field utilized to the fullest extent. It is equally essential that the transition from military to civilian operations in liberated areas be consummated as speedily and efficiently as possible.

In view of the time required for preparing to meet economic problems in liberated areas and the possibility that the enemy may soon be driven from presently held territory, I urge you to take all necessary steps to fulfill your responsibilities with respect to the attached plan.

I am sending copies of this to the other interested agencies.

Sincerely yours,

The Honorable, The Secretary of State

Enclosure

PLAN FOR COORDINATING THE ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES OF U.S.
CIVILIAN AGENCIES IN LIBERATED AREAS

The plan herein outlined for coordinating in this country and abroad, the activities of U. S. civilian agencies relative to economic affairs in liberated areas is based on the following premises:

1. Premises

- a. There must be one central point in Washington for the coordination of interrelated activities of the several U.S. agencies operating abroad. Leadership in providing this coordination rests with the Department of State.
- b. There must likewise be in each liberated area a central point of leadership and coordination similar to that in Washington.
- c. The attainment of unity in policy and operations requires the participation of all agencies concerned through inter-departmental machinery which proves a setting for close and continuous working relationships.
- d. Such provision for coordination shall not remove the responsibility or authority of each agency for carrying out its own functions.
- e. A major objective of the inter-departmental machinery should be that of relating the economic plans and operations of U. S. civilian agencies for liberated areas to those of officials responsible for foreign political policies, and to those of the armed services and members of the United Nations.
- f. Excepted from the scope of this memorandum are the territories and possessions of the United States now occupied by the enemy forces, such as Guam and the Philippine Island.
- g. At all levels of interagency operations in Washington, the military and the political policy representatives of our government should work with the civilian operating agencies to afford proper guidance, to obviate excessive clearance, and to provide the information essential to effective planning and operations.

2. Interdepartmental Policy Committee

In order to develop a unified policy and to facilitate the coordination of agency activities, there is hereby established an interdepartmental Committee for Economic Policy in Liberated Areas (Policy Committee). The Chairman of this Committee shall be an assistant Secretary of State whose designation is provided for in Section 3 of this plan. In addition to the Chairman, the committee shall consist of the heads, or their deputies, of the following:

State Department (Political Policy)
Treasury Department
War Department
Navy Department
Board of Economic Warfare
Office of Lend-Lease Administration
Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations

This Committee will provide a means for bringing together responsible officials of the agencies to consider policies, programs, and other matters of concern to such a group. The Committee will give final resolution, subject to the decisions of the President, to overall policies and programs of interagency concern which have not been resolved in the Coordinating Committee (to be established).

3. Assistant Secretary for Foreign Economic Coordination

The Secretary of State shall designate an Assistant Secretary of State who shall coordinate our economic activities related to liberated areas and facilitate military-civilian cooperation.

In connection with these duties, he shall act as Chairman of the Policy Committee and of the Coordinating Committee to coordinate the activities of the interested agencies. To this end he shall provide a secretariat and necessary staff to serve the Policy Committee, the Coordinating Committee, and any sub-committees.

4. Coordinating and other subordinate Committees.

The Policy Committee shall establish as a working committee a Coordinating Committee composed of representatives of the same agencies as those in the former group.

Subject to appeal to the Policy Committee, the Coordinating Committee shall review and coordinate area plans, and take such steps as may be necessary to adjust policy and area operations to meet the changing needs of the military services and to comply with working arrangements set up with our allies.

Area Sub-committees, covering territories to be liberated as well as territories already liberated, may be set up, based on administrative areas determined in consultation with military officials. While the exact nature of their work cannot be definitely foreseen, it is expected that each area sub-committee will develop and coordinate interdepartmental policies and plans with respect to its area, collaborate with the prospective Area Director prior to liberation, and expedite his operations in Washington once the area is liberated. In performing these tasks, the area sub-committees may be utilized to review communications from the Area Director, and to maintain close working relationships with military groups concerned with civil affairs in the area and with similar committees and officials of our allies.

The Coordinating Committee may establish such sub-committees as it deems necessary (functional, ad hoc, etc.).

These various area and other sub-committees will serve under chairmen appointed by the Chairman of the Coordinating Committee in consultation with the members of the Committee.

In order to tie in recruitment and training programs, the Interdepartmental Committee for the Recruitment and Training of Personnel and its sub-committees shall be reconstituted as a Sub-Committee on Recruitment and Training under the Coordinating Committee. The membership of the Sub-Committee shall come from the same agencies represented on the Coordinating Committee and shall also include the representatives of the Civil Service Commission and the Office of War Information. This sub-committee will coordinate the recruitment and training activities of civilian agencies with regard to personnel for service in facilities by both military and civilian agencies.

Placing this committee under the Coordinating Committee will facilitate close relationship between training programs and area planning, thereby increasing mutual understanding and cooperation among staffs.

5. Area Directors

For each of the areas liberated, the Secretary of State shall appoint, with approval of the Policy Committee, an Area Director. These Directors will provide over-all direction and coordination to the economic activities of U. S. civilian agencies in their respective areas.

It is recognized that the emergency problems faced and the delay of detailed Washington clearances make it necessary to give Area Directors wide latitude in operations and ample authority to act

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"on the spot." It is likewise evident that the pattern for each area must be modified according to the military theatre arrangements and agreements with our allies.

In general, however, the following pattern shall obtain where a major part of economic operations are under U. S. agencies:

The Area Director will be subject to orders of the military commander of the area, and of the Assistant Secretary in accordance with policies established by the Policy or Coordinating Committees. In the field the Area Director will keep the political representative of the State Department advised of his activities and will be guided by him on matters of general political policy. That representative, however, shall intervene only when definite political policies are involved. Clearance "bottlenecks" in this respect shall be avoided throughout.

Within these limits, the Area Director shall have all the powers necessary to coordinate the field activities of the various U. S. civilian agencies concerned with the economic affairs of the area. In case of emergency, threatened breakdown of activities, or serious difficulties, these powers shall extend to directing specific operations and shifting functions and personnel, pending other arrangements in Washington to meet the situation.

The Area Director will act as the major channel of contact for the civilian economic agencies with the military and our allies in the field. He will likewise channel all communications of these agencies from the field to the Assistant Secretary in Washington for proper handling.

6. Communications and Clearance of Personnel

The Assistant Secretary shall facilitate the speedy dispatch of all communications between civilian agencies and their representatives in the field and prompt decision by the State Department on the clearance (including passports) of movements of agency personnel to and from liberated areas.

Where a delay of such communications or clearances is deemed desirable by the State Department, the relevant agency or its field representative shall be promptly notified and an effort made to settle any differences. Should an agency or its field representative thereafter insist on the delivery of a message under dispute, it will be delivered along with any companion message the State Department, the Area Director, or an agency representative may wish to send. 355

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SUBJECT: Ambulance.

H.Q. A.M.G.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

AMG/506/40.

28. Nov. 43.

TO: Military Mission,
BRINDISI.
✓ (Attention : Major Cherry,
U.S.M.C.)

1. The shortage of Ambulance Transport in the Campobasso Province has been represented by AMG 8 Army.
2. The numbers of sick and wounded who have to be moved from one hospital to another for special treatment or for other reasons is considerable and is increasing.
3. It is considered that at least two motor Ambulance Cars are absolutely essential if a reasonable standard of medical efficiency in the case of the civil population is to be reached and maintained.
4. Will you please take this matter up as an urgent one with the Italian Government and request that arrangements be made for the essential service to be made available immediately.

D. Gordon Cheyne

D. GORDON CHEYNE.
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

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Position regarding M.T. Drivers of MC's AND 15 Army Group now serious and likely to become grave. Considerable numbers Italian civilian wounded VASTO and CAMPOBASSO. Evacuation backwards essential. Urgent needs for competent NCOs experienced in administrative aspect. Colonel Cheyne, Director of Public Health, just returned from visiting 8th Army area presses for immediate posting of following personnel already requested vide our FA 443, Dec 10th. One MO 8th Army and replacement for SANDFORD, deceased, and one MO, 5th Army as well as completion of medical allotment, Region 4 vide our FA 445, Dec 10th. Transit pressure be brought on Italian Government and Italian Army for supply of 10 MOs and in addition to medical unit complete in personnel, equipment, and transport 100 beds to work forward area to receive treat(ment?) and evacuate civil wounded now cared for in LAMENTABLE conditions, likely further to deteriorate with onward advance of armies. Supplies for Italians frequently requested from Allied Military Mission, Brindisi, so far without result. Military co-operation excellent. DIME, 8th Army, notifies against continued civil commitments. Request you bring this to notice of DME/Surgeon, AFHQ.

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14 December 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: His Excellency, Marshal Kesse
Chief of the Supreme General Staff

The Allied Control Commission has been informed that the medical situation as regards the care of civilian wounded in the combat area is extremely serious. There are large numbers of wounded in the Vasto and Campobasso areas whose evacuation is considered essential. The Director of Public Health, Colonel Cheyne, reports that he considers it essential to attach certain Italian medical personnel to each of the Fifth and Eighth Armies to assist in caring for these wounded.

I am sure that Your Excellency will wish to take prompt measures in caring for these Italian wounded. As the Commission is not directly informed of the situation, I would recommend that you send a qualified officer to contact Colonel Cheyne at Headquarters 15th Army Group.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

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

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

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MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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1. Give all possible assistance to AMG 15 Army Group in respect of Italian personnel and equipment for medical treatment of civilian refugees in forward areas in accordance with cable request from FILPOT reference FA 1482 of 12 December.

2. Position with regard American and British public health officers contained in our cable 13263 of 13 December to FILPOT.

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TO WOUNDED ITALIAN CIVILIANS AND TO SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN ITALIAN
ORGANIZATION TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM PD TO FILFOT FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PD
THE ITALIAN HIGH COMMAND REQUESTS THAT GENERAL UTILI BE GIVEN PERMISSION TO
VISIT THE FORWARD AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING THE NECESSARY INFORMATION

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

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29 November 1943.

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MEMORANDUM TO : Chief, Military Government Section,
Allied Force Headquarters.

With reference to your memorandum of 26th November, requesting assignment of C-47 airplanes to General JOYCE. The C-47 aircraft which you stated as being under the control of Air Commodore FOSTER was made available for the use of the Allied Control Commission and not for any individual member thereof. It appears therefore, that the head of the commission actually has control of the aircraft and this point is being clarified with Air Commodore FOSTER.

W. B. SMITH,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of Staff.

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SIGNED JOYCE PAREN REQUEST YOUR GOOD OFFICES TO OBTAIN ASSIGNMENT

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Military Government Section

8 January 1944

Major General Kenyon A. Joyce,
Acting Deputy President,
Allied Control Commission.

Dear General:

I have been struggling hard on the question of the two cub planes which you requested in December. Your "follower-up" came while I was away. As soon as your first request was received I took it up with the Mediterranean Air Command and they said that they would give it proper consideration. I needled them on several occasions about it and on my return from a trip into the desert on the 7th I got after them again to be told complacently that they did not have the disposition of the cub aircraft which were in the hands of the ground forces. I immediately filed your request in writing to the Deputy Theater Commander on the advice of G-4.

I am awfully sorry that I was away when your telegram came about the appointment of a Chief of Staff. This had been held up here for reasons which you now know.

I am looking forward to seeing you when you come through.
With high personal esteem.

Sincerely yours,

Julian
J. C. HOLMES.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

AIR SECTION

DO/HMF/261

9th December 1943.

Dear

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Herewith the details of the area which Ridenour has asked for to provide a practice bombing range.

2. As you see from the photo. it is already equipped with a target: and I suppose I could argue that it is at my disposition to give to the 47th Wing as it is clearly an area in Italian Air Force occupation. However, to regularise things, will you give your approval for the use of this area as described in attached letter. I ~~am~~ ^{am} ~~asked~~ the place is frightfully malarial, if you are thinking of putting a refugee camp there!

3. I hear you have done the Air Crews out of their rest house in order to provide the Mission with a refuge from the bombs. Disgraceful!!

Yours

sincerely.
R. N. Doster.

Brigadier General Maxwell D. Taylor,
Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
Brindisi.

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Brigadier General Maxwell D. Taylor,
Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
Brindisi.

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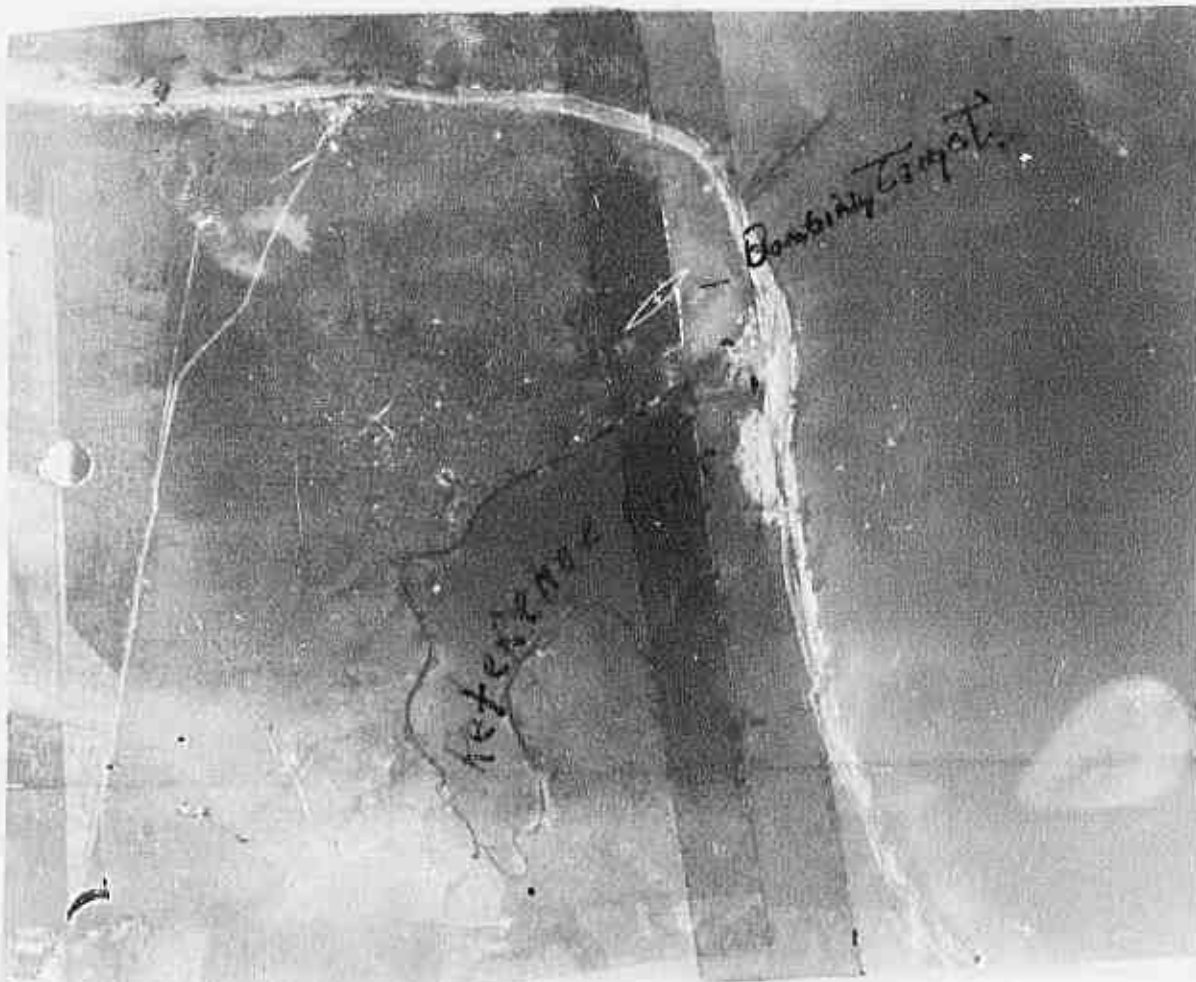
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HEADQUARTERS 47TH WING
APO, 520

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December 4, 1943.

SUBJECT: Request for Bombing Range.

TO : Air Commodore Foster.

1. 47th Bomb Wing requests clearance of land described, for practice bombing range.

2. The target, (see attached photo.) is located at 40 degrees 36 minutes and 18 degrees 3 minutes East. Clearance of land for two miles in all directions from the target would be sufficient.

3. This land has previously been used as a bombing range and the target is constructed of crushed rock. The site is ideal for high altitude bombing, since the nearby body of water serves as a reference point for bombardiers.

4. The 47th Wing, through its Service Group, will furnish a range guard detail and control all bombing by radio.

Signed:-

SAM GORRILY,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Acting A.S.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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26 December 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Brigadier General Taylor.

SUBJECT: Office and Quarters Accomodation at Rome required by Italian Government.

1. The undersigned arrived in Brindisi from Palermo on 12 December pursuant to a telegram from Brigadier Gueterbock of 9 December (R1079/9 PBS 2073) requiring despatch of an Officer of rank of Captain to ACC HQ to ascertain Italian Government accomodation requirements at Rome for the information of AMG HQ Naples in making advance bids to PBS.

2. At Brindisi the undersigned reported to Brigadier General Taylor 13 December, received verbal instructions from him as to the nature of material to be obtained, was placed in contact with Commander Lovatelli, Liaison Officer of Italian Government, and received a copy of pertinent excerpts from a letter of Brigadier Gueterbock to Brigadier General Taylor dated 12 December containing an itemized list of the information desired.

3. The undersigned has up to the present date conferred with Commander Lovatelli on more than five and with Doctor Montenari, Private Secretary of Marshal Badoglio, and Commendatore Innocenti, Chief of Cabinet of the Presidency of the Council, each on three occasions regarding the matter and has endeavored at every opportunity to impress on them its urgency, pointing out that it was to the advantage of the Italian Government itself to provide the required data at the earliest possible moment.

4. On 25 December there were received from Commendatore Innocenti statements as to the requirements of the Presidency of the Council, of the Ministry of Finance (including initial requirements of a Ministry of Foreign Trade and Exchange), of the Under-Secretariat of Posts, Telegraphs, and Radio Communications, of the Ministry of the Royal House, and of the Under-Secretariat of Merchant Marine. The Chief of Cabinet remarks in a covering letter that statements as to the requirements of other Ministries and Agencies will be forwarded as fast as they become available. Thus information regarding the needs of at least the following remain lacking

... Ministries

Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Navy, and Air Force, and Under-Secretariats of Interior, Justice, Education, Public Works, Industry and Commerce, Agriculture and Forests, Railroads and Transportation, War, and Popular Culture. The material in hand so far will require study and checking and will require to be supplemented in some instances.

5. A telegram No. 19/25 FBS 3266 dated 24 December was received 25 December from AME HQ requesting that the undersigned be instructed to "return" to Naples at the earliest opportunity bringing figures on Italian Government accommodation requirements. From the foregoing it will appear that no useful purpose would be served by proceeding to that HQ with the material so far received. It is suggested that a reply be made along the following lines:

"Due to tardiness and delay on part of Italian Government only a small portion of desired information has become available. Suggest Captain Scotten remain until majority of Government Agencies have indicated needs, remainder to be covered by estimate. Meanwhile shall endeavor to press Government for timely response."


J. E. SCOTTEN
Captain, M.I.

~~HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION~~

~~APO 394~~

*Translation
of letter from
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1488/Prot.

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1388
5 Jan
December 1943

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I am writing to answer your letter of 22 December on the subject of a request of the "Green Flames".

On this subject I may point out that we have various regional commands already organized, which have begun to function -to give details:

1. Under Command of Gen. Operti for Piedmont and Liguria
2. " " " Col. Battoni " Lombardia
3. " " " Gen. Nasci " Veneto
4. " " " Lt Col Di Lorenzo for Emilia and Tuscany
5. " " " Col. De Michelis for Latium (except Rome) and Abbruzzi.

It is therefore necessary that the new organization, "Fiamme Verdi" be inserted among those already organized so as to avoid duplication, interference, etc.

Can you give the F.V. the above information?

The right of granting rank and compensation would naturally be subject to revision of Hq.

Very Cordially

BADOGLIO

N. 1488 / PRO.



IL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

27 DICEMBRE 1943

AL SIG. GENERALE KENYON A. JOYCE
CAPO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI
CONTROLLO

S E D E

CARO GENERALE JOYCE

RISPONDO ALLA VOSTRA LETTERA DEL 22 DICEMBRE AVENTE PER OGGETTO UNA RICHIESTA DELLE FIAMME VERDI.

A QUESTO PROPOSITO OSSERVO CHE NOI ABBIAMO GIÀ ORGANIZZATI DIVERSI COMANDI REGIONALI CHE SONO ENTRATI IN FUNZIONE E PIÙ PRECISAMENTE:

1. COMANDANTE GENERALE OPERTI PER PIEMONTE E LIGURIA
2. " COLONNELLO BETTONI PER LA LOMBARDIA
3. " GENERALE NASCI PER IL VENETO
4. " TEN.COL. DI LORENZO PER EMILIA E TOSCANA
5. " COLONNELLO DE MICHELIS PER LAZIO (ESCLUSIVA ROMA) ED ABRUZZI.

E' PERCIÒ NECESSARIO CHE LA NUOVA ORGANIZZAZIONE FIAMME VERDI SI INSERISCA NELLE NOSTRE GIÀ ORGANIZZATE ALLO SCOPO DI EVITARE DUPLICATI, INTERFERENZE ETC. -

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POTETE VOI COMUNICARE QUANTO SOPRA ALLE FIAMME VERDI?

LA FACOLTÀ DI CONCEDERE GRADI E RICOMPENSE DOVREBBE NATURALMENTE ESSERE SOGGETTA ALLA REVISIONE DEL COMANDO SUPREMO

MOLTO CORDIALMENTE

P.S. SI INTENDE CHE LA REVISIONE DEL COMANDO SUPREMO DOVRÀ EFFETTUARSI IN SEGUITO, QUANDO IL TERRITORIO SARÀ STATO LIBERATO.

SARÀ OPPORTUNO CHE I CAPI DELLE FIAMME VERDI SI METTANO IN CONTATTO CON I RISPETTIVI COMANDI REGIONALI.-



SEGRETERIA PARTICOLARE DEL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

January 5th

Dear General

I am returning the
Marshall's letter to which has been
added a P.S. that clears up the ^{doubtful} ~~last~~ ^{last} ~~point~~
points. — The telegram for General
Armedini is approved.

Sincerely yours,

Frances Montanari

Dear General :

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Marshall's letter to which has been
added a P.S. that clears up the ^{doubtful} London
points. - The telegram for General

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Sincerely yours,

Franco Montanari

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IN RESPONSE TO DEMAND FROM AFHQ FOR INVESTIGATION CMA FOLLOWING MASS AIR RAID
CMA INTO CIVIL DEFENSE ORGANIZATIONS AT MAIN PORTS IN APULIA WE ARE OBTAINING
REPORTS FROM ITALIAN AUTHORITIES CONCERNED ON FUNCTIONING OF EXISTING SYSTEM PD
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Request for report on *civil air raid*
Defense Organization Bari
AUTHENTICATED:

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TO	:	FREEDOM		

Ref your 27117 dated 11 Jan 1944. Report will *follow*
~~be forwarded~~ soonest.

E. A. Marn
Lt. Col.

Copy for Lt. Marnfort

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There are available in (?) Italy and Sicily 100 British lorries to assist in the distribution of wheat and other civil supplies. These vehicles are now being specially selected through British service channels and the time of arrival (?) of the vehicles will be notified. It is desired that these vehicles be handed over to AGO/ARG control under the following provisions.

- a. They will be manned and operated by Italian personnel.
- b. Their usage is controlled by local AGO/ARG representatives in the field.
- c. The Italians shall be responsible for running repairs of these vehicles.
- d. ~~The Italians shall be responsible~~ They shall be affiliated to British units for other maintenance operations on them.
- e. They shall be subject to inspection by the unit B vehicles inspectorate or an equivalent system of inspection as directed by Flambo.
- f. Regular reports on their location and condition will be made as and when Flambo may direct.

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TRANSLATION

THE CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT

26 January 1944

File No. 292

To General Mason MacFarlane
Chief of Allied Control Commission
Brindisi

Dear General MacFarlane,

I wish to bring to your attention a very important problem which requires your intervention and help in approaching the competent authorities.

The situation of our motor transport material is really critical: as you well know, there is a lack, primarily, of direct production factories, all located in occupied territory. We lack replacement parts because our modest stores have been exhausted and also because of Allied Force requisitions. We lack tires, especially for automobiles. Finally, in the repair field, almost the whole of the military organization which existed in the past has passed into Allied hands, these last having also requisitioned the civilian shops of Fiat, C.M. and Alfa Romeo.

In order to partially alleviate the serious condition which is the result of the above, it would be indispensable that you concede the following:

- 1 - Authorization to extend our requisition of motor transport to all liberated territory.
- 2 - Permission to regain, always in all regions, all our motor vehicles now unlawfully possessed by civilians, even if these are serving Allied units.
- 3 - Restitution of our shops - 9th Motor Corps (Bari) - 10th Motor Corps (Naples) - 12th Motor Corps (Palermo).
- 4 - Unfreezing of some of the larger civilian repair shops (quota of 2-3 for each region), leaving them at our complete disposal.
- 5 - Permission to procure replacements, especially Fiat and Lancia, from supply firms located in the various zones.
- 6 - Permission to withdraw replacement parts and various supplies from our motor pools which existed in Sicily and in North Africa.
- 7 - A supply of rubber tires, by withdrawing them from motor pools or stores, as above; by authorizing purchases in Spain; and also by providing sizes in use by the Allies and adaptable to our transportation needs.

I thank you, dear General, for whatever action you may take in this matter.

Very cordially -

/s/ Badoglio

Sgt Sorisi - Transl.



26 GENNAIO 1944

IL CAPO DEL GOVERNO

Nº 492 DI PROT.

AL SIGNOR GENERALE MASON MAC FARLANE
CAPO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI
CONTROLLO

S E D E

CARO GENERALE MAC FARLANE,

DESIDERO INTRATTENERVI SU DI UN ARGOMENTO DI SOM-
MA IMPORTANZA E PER IL QUALE È NECESSARIO UN VOSTRO CORTE-
SE INTERVENTO PRESSO LE COMPETENTI AUTORITÀ.

LA SITUAZIONE DEL NOSTRO MATERIALE AUTOMOBILISTI-
CO SI FA VERAMENTE CRITICA: MANCANO, IN PRIMO LUOGO, COME
È NOTO, GLI STABILIMENTI DI PRODUZIONE DIRETTA, DISLOCATI
TUTTI IN TERRITORIO OCCUPATO - MANCANO LE PARTI DI RICAM-
BIO SIA PER L'ESAURIMENTO DELLE MODESTE SCORTE, SIA PER
LE REQUISIZIONI OPERATE DAI COMANDI ALLEATI - MANCANO LE
GOMME, SPECIALMENTE DELLE MISURE PER AUTOVETTURE - INFINE,
NEL SETTORE DELLE RIPARAZIONI, QUASI TUTTA L'ORGANIZZAZIO-
NE MILITARE PREESISTENTE È PASSATA AGLI ALLEATI, CHE HAN-
NO REQUISITO PURE LE OFFICINE CIVILI FIAT, O.M. E ALFA
ROMEO.

PER OVVIARE IN PARTE ALLE GRAVI CONSEGUENZE DERI-
VANTI DA TALE STATO DI COSE, SAREBBE INDISPENSABILE LA
CONCESSIONE DA PARTE VOSTRA DI QUANTO ELENCATO QUI DI SE-

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GUITO:

- 1°)- AUTORIZZAZIONE AD ESTENDERE NOSTRE REQUISIZIONI AUTO_ MEZZI A TUTTO IL TERRITORIO LIBERATO.
- 2°)- FACOLTÀ DI RICUPERARE, SEMPRE IN OGNI REGIONE, TUTTI NOSTRI AUTOVEICOLI, ORA IN POSSESSO ABUSIVO DEI CIVILI, ANCHE SE PRESTANO SERVIZIO PRESSO ELEMENTI ALLEATI.
- 3°)- RESTITUZIONE DELLE NOSTRE OFFICINE 9° AUTIERI (BARI) 10° AUTIERI (NAPOLI) - 12° AUTIERI (PALERMO).
- 4°)- SBLOCCO DI PARTE DELLE MAGGIORI OFFICINE CIVILI (ALI_ QUOTA DI 2-3 PER OGNI REGIONE) LASCIANDOLE A NOSTRA TOTALE DISPOSIZIONE.
- 5°)- FACOLTÀ DI ATTINGERE RICAMBI, SPECIE FIAT E LANCIA, DALLE DITTE DEPOSITARIE DISLOCATE NELLE VARIE ZONE.
- 6°)- FACOLTÀ DI RITIRARE RICAMBI E MATERIALI VARI AUTO DAI NOSTRI PARCHI E MAGAZZINI GIÀ IN SICILIA E IN A.S.
- 7°)- RIFORMIMENTO DEI PNEUMATICI SIA ATTINGENDO DAI PARCHI E MAGAZZINI COME SOPRA, SIA AUTORIZZANDO ACQUISTI IN SPAGNA, SIA PROVVEDENDO CON I TIPI DI COSTRUZIONE AN_ GLO-AMERICANA ADATTABILI AI NOSTRI AUTOMEZZI.-

VI RINGRAZIO, CARO GENERALE, PER QUANTO FARETE.
MOLTO CORDIALMENTE.

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In reply refer to:
250.3

5 February 1944

SUBJECT: Arrest of Colonel Acampora

TO : Colonel Sisley, Two District, Bari

1. The subject Italian officer who commands the Guardia di Finanza at Bari was arrested recently on the grounds, I am informed, of distributing Fascist literature. A protest was received from Col. Guido Jung, Under-Secretary for Finance, stating that if this officer were guilty of treasonable acts, the Italian Government would have either brought about his removal or caused his arrest.

2. In this connection, this Commission has just received an aide memoire, which is enclosed herewith. Because of the possibility that distribution of such material might unwittingly occur, as in this case, because all stocks have not been destroyed, new instructions are to be issued in this regard as set forth in the last paragraph on page two of the attached.

3. If no other charges have been brought against this officer, it would appear that the arrest was unnecessary and that he should be released. The Italian Government is prepared to reprimand him for failing to supervise the material included in the Christmas packages in question.

4. I should be grateful if you would advise me what action is taken.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief of Staff

1 Incl:
Aide Memoire with 2 Incls.

Remedy

Acampora

On or about December 20th, Col. Acampora gave instructions for the preparation of 320 Christmas packages, to be distributed as a gift amongst the components of the newly formed unit of the "Guardie di Finanza" in Rutigliano.

Also in view of the difficulty of finding on the market a sufficient number of small gifts to make up the necessary packages, it was decided to make use of the available small stock of stationery existing at the canteen: namely writing paper, Regimental P.C.s., and postage-free military P.C.s. For the same reason it was decided to throw in a small pamphlet of patriotic Hymns which had been printed last may for distribution on the occasion of the Anniversary of the Foundation of the Corps, falling July 5th.

The Packages were brought to Rutigliano for distribution, on the morning of December 25th.

On the same day, Colonel Acampora who happened to be at Rutigliano, having asked one of the soldiers to show him the contents of the package distributed to him, immediately noticed that the pamphlet, which he had not examined previously, contained also a number of fascist Hymns. He accordingly gave immediately instructions to the Commander of the Unit, Lt.Col. Murgia, that the pamphlet be withdrawn and the incriminated hymns cancelled.

This is confirmed in the enclosed statement by Col. Murgia, himself who has also pointed out, however, that in carrying out these orders, a number of packages may have been overlooked. (Enclosure n. 1)

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It is beyond all doubt that there was no intention on the part of Col. Acampora or his officers of distributing fascist propaganda. The inclusion of the pamphlet was purely due to an oversight, or rather to the fact of not having taken the precautionary measure of causing its previous careful examination.

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The same applies to the free-postage P.C., bearing an inscription signed "Mussolini". The fact also being that such inscriptions had become so common, that they were often than not passed unnoticed.

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It is believed that denunciation against Col. Acampora may have been made by revenue officer Michele Lattanzio. The latter is at present under arrest on the charge of continued theft.

(Enclosure n. 3)

Instructions are under way in order to call the attention of all Italian authorities on the immediate necessity of a thorough examination of all printed matter still existing in Italy in its dissemination, in order to eliminate all those remains of the past which might have a propaganda value in favour of the fascist regime.

W. H. H. H. H. H.

Dichiarazione

A richiesta dichiaro quanto segue:

Nella ricorrenza dell'ultimo S.Natale fu distribuito, a cura del comando della 11^a Legione R.Guardia di Finanza "Salentina" (Bari) un certo numero di pacchi donati ai militari del Btg. di formazione R.Guardia di Finanza di Rutigliano, da me comandato; pacchi portati col camioncino Balilla della Legione e consegnati sul posto a cura dell'aiutante maggiore in 1^a, presenti gli ufficiali del battaglione e lo stesso Signor Colonnello Acampora, recatosi in luogo per portare il suo saluto e conforto al battaglione composto, nella quasi totalità da militari di reparti mobilitati di O.M. e dal territorio non ancora liberato dal nemico tedesco.

Detti pacchi dono, da quanto ricordo, contenevano: carta e buste da lettera, qualche cartolina in franchigia e patriottica commemorativa del Corpo, dei fichi secchi, marmellata e non so se in tutti, un librettino raccolto di inni, patriottici e militari.

Ciò mi fu possibile constatare esaminando qualche pacco già in mano dei finanzieri che lo avevano ricevuto, presente il signor colonnello Acampora, il quale in ordine agli inni mi disse di provvedere poi a far cancellare tutti gli inni fascisti dal libretto stesso ed a ciò fu provveduto nei giorni successivi e, in ultimo, anche per quelli in possesso dei militari che erano ricoverati in ospedale o assenti per altro motivo.

Al riguardo, benché ai militari tutti fosse stato vietato di cantare qualsiasi inno fascista, richiesi ripetutamente agli ufficiali del battaglione di curare personalmente la detta cancellazione, anche della parola "duce", compresa nella "preghiera del finanziere e dell'avvenuta cancellazione ricevetti assicurazione, ricordo bene, mentre ero costretto a letto - su prescrizione medica - a causa di una caduta e ferita alla tibia, nei primi giorni del volgente gennaio, e ciò perché ci tenevo a che possibilmente non sfuggisse nessun libretto alla ordinata cancellazione.

Tanto per la verità.

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