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6617th ENGINEER MINE CLEARANCE COMPANY (Prov.)  
APO 464, U. S. Army

1 May 1944

SUBJECT: Security.

TO : Commanding Officer, Allied Control Commission,  
Salerno, Italy

1. Referring to the Unit Dance scheduled for  
4 May 1944 in your building.

2. Have detailed five (5) NCO's to work in  
liaison with your MP's for proper control of personnel  
attending this dance.

3. Have given clear instructions as to the  
necessity of proper discipline within building.

4. Appreciate consideration being shown this  
unit.

*Charles L. Davis*  
CHARLES L. DAVIS,  
Capt., Inf.,  
Commanding

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NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY  
APO 534

JC/wp  
*By*

AG 000.7/307 A-0

4 March 1944

SUBJECT: SECURITY.

TO : All Commanders.

1. All personnel, both civilian and military, will be informed that they must refrain from discussion of or speculation relative to, in public or private, of military plans or operations, either current or future, without proper military authority. They must not discuss or speculate on information concerning secret weapons, secret equipment, troop or ship movements, either by publication or private, before announcement is made by proper authority. Nothing will be passed, discussed, or published in relation to international conferences, regarding the above subjects, without the authorization from the President's executive office.

2. The provisions of this directive will be accomplished without delay.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

*H. W. Roberts*  
H. W. ROBERTS,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General.

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19 December 1943

Subject: Accommodation for the Italian Government.

To: 34 Base sub-ran.  
 G. Palermo Province.

1. The Archbishop has agreed to hand over the semi-  
 nary to the Italian Government provided alternative  
 accommodation in the building can be found.

For the purpose of reconciling alternative accom-  
 modation, the Archbishop will provide list of suggested build-  
 ings of a religious nature. Recommendation due party from the  
 Government will report to the place of justice on 19 Dec  
 to examine the buildings.

2. Problems of accommodation will be considered by  
 Col. Henderson at Col. von Verner. If suitable alternative  
 accommodation can be found near enough to the U. S. G.  
 (place of justice) the Italian Government will requisition  
 the building and all operations will be at its disposal  
 directly for their operation.

3. On the other hand, if suitable alternative accom-  
 modation can not be found, the Italian Government will requi-  
 sition the building. In this event, . . . and  
 will immediately

(4) request special travel facilities for the  
 students of present in residence to return to  
 their homes

1. The rebellion has agreed to hand over the level necessary to the Italian Government provided alternative accommodation in the immediate area can be found.

For the purpose of recommending alternative accommodation, the rebellion will provide list of suggested buildings of a religious nature. Recommendation party from the Government will report to the Italian Government on 19 1950 to examine the buildings.

2. Problems of communications will be considered by Vol. Henderson and Lt Col. John Vernon. If suitable alternative accommodation can be found, the Italian Government will require the Italian Government will provide accommodation for the buildings and any other buildings will be put in line immediately for their occupation.

3. In the other hand, if suitable alternative accommodation can not be found, the Italian Government will require the Italian Government will provide accommodation for the buildings and any other buildings will be put in line immediately.

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(a) arrange suitable travel facilities for the students at present in residence to return to their homes.

(b) when the provincial bishops understand that the primary is being closed and no more students are to be sent there. This warning is to be conveyed directly to the Italian Government or other authorities.

5. The rebellion will provide the following:

(a) the number of persons first, second, third, fourth and the location of their homes.

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(b) the provincial bishops concerned.

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BRIG. E. GUETERBOCK  
Chief of Staff

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✓ Lt Col. Ross Vernon  
Col. Henderson  
Col. Witch, Transportation Sub-Commission,  
ACC, c/o av. adm. Ech. HQ.

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ACCOMMODATION REPORT  
SALERNO AREA

By Brig. Gaeterbock and Col. Henderson

6 Dec 1943.

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SALERNO

1. Justice Building (Palazzo Giustizia)

Constructed 1938 and is the best building in the town. Damaged by three direct hits.

Ground floor. Eleven good rooms, giving accommodations for mens' mess, cook house, stoves, sergeants mess, transport work shop, Hq Comdt's Office, information office. This does not count rooms fitted and used for records.

Mezzanine floor. 29 good rooms (5 more will be completed in December).

First floor. 14 good rooms ready, 10 more by 15 Dec. The 5 courtrooms and court offices are not included.

Second floor. 24 good rooms ready, 8 more by 15 Dec.

Third floor. 22 rooms available, not counting record rooms. These rooms are best suited to troops accommodation.

It is suggested that this building be used for:

- (a) A.C.C. offices. At least 60 to 70 offices can be counted on plus an expansion during Dec. to about 90.
- (b) MM/OR accommodation. Space for 250 available.
- (c) Cooking and mess room. Space available.
- (d) MT workshop. Space and access for small workshop.
- (e) Conference room. One of the courtrooms.
- (f) Civil use. It will possible, without affecting the above, to permit civil access to record rooms and to courtrooms and the use of a private staircase.

2. New Municipio. The total number of offices is about 60. Several of these are very small. It is fully occupied.

It is suggested that this building should not be used for A.C.C. Evacuation of the whole building would have a serious affect on civil administration and the building is not as suitable as the Palace of Justice.

3. Palazzo Edelizio. This is in two sections, east and west.  
East section. 18 flats. Fully occupied by civil families.  
West section. 14 flats. Three flats occupied by military personnel, one used as civil office, one by civil family.

It is suggested that these flats are best suited to officers' billets.

- E Evacuation of the west section is not difficult, of the east section would be a hardship. The total number of officers per flat is 4 for each in the east section (total 72) and 5 for each in the west section (total 70).  
Restaurants. There are two restaurants, each capable of feeding about 50 officers.

4. Fascist Youth Building. (Marry house): This is divisible into two sections, north and south. The souther section is essential to operations and unlikely to be available. The norther section is best suited to officers accommodation and messing, with good rooms and washing facilities, and suitable messes and ante-rooms. It will require furniture. It will accommodate 50 officers and mess 100-150. It is at present sparsely occupied by RM personnel, and may not be readily available.



5. G.I.L. Building. (Ex. 1st store): Best suited for mess, messing and recreational rooms. It will mess 200-250 EM, it could mess 60 officers. Cooking equipment will be required. This building is available.
6. O.C.A. Building. Similar to GIL but not available.
7. 31 Via Roma (APO building) 5 floors of apartments. Suitable for 100 EM accommodation and messing, involves displacement of 100 civilians.
8. 21 Via Roma. (Claims and hiring building) 4 floors of apartments, suitable for 100 EM accommodations and messing, involves displacement of 20 civilians and a few military.
9. 7 Via Roma. (DAPM offices) 4 floors of apartments, suitable for 100 EM accommodations and messing, involves displacement of 15 civilians and 80 military personnel.
10. Hotel Diana. In use and necessary for transit officers. It can take at least 20 additional to normal average numbers, and it is suggested that this figure be reserved for A.C.C. transit officers.
11. Aquila d'Orto. 3 floors of apartments. It could be made into 30 offices; involves displacing 50 civilians.
12. Papal Seminary. Inspected by Italian officers, who state that if the Win. of War is accommodated elsewhere (Officers School Messes suggested) and accommodations found in SALERNO for about 20 officers and elsewhere for H.W. and the Marshal, the Ital. Govt. can fit in.

CAVA

1. Hotel Impero. Can accommodate about 40 officers. At present about half is used by AMG but they could move. Furniture is rather scanty but adequate.
2. Hotel Vittoria. Can accommodate about 60 officers. At present practically empty. Fully furnished, beds and linen, comfortable and modern.
3. Hospital. Empty. Suitable for troops accommodations only. Contains about 400 beds and mattresses.
4. Schools. N.G.
5. Monastery. N.G.
6. Apartment Bldgs: There are four blocks of apartments flats, two blocks total buildings, make fair offices or officer's billets. All are very full and mean large displacement of refugees. (The Palazzo Guppola, Paolilla Vincenza, Convitto Marconi are included.)
7. Villa Guppola: Next door to Palazzo Guppola - 10 rooms in two flats, very well furnished as living rooms. Occupied by owner of flats; suitable for one or two sections of Advisory Council.
8. Convitto Marconi: 4 Apartments each 6 rooms; two occupied by civilians two by Italian railway engineers. The latter two could be made readily available for twelve officers.
9. Municipality. N.G.
10. Villa Rende: Approximately 30 rooms in three floors, each self contained. Excellent condition, fully furnished for living. Top floor occupied by two chalet adjacent, total five rooms on two floors.  
  
Villa Maria: 9 rooms and good bathroom. Occupied by tenants (only 2). The above two villas are in the town of Cava. Suited for branches of the Advisory Council, giving 5 or 6 separate but adjacent quarters. Alternatively they could be turned into an officers mess and billets for about 40 officers.
11. Villa Accini: About one mile from Cava; attractive but old fashioned and damaged, about 6 habitable rooms. Electric lights, not working. Caretaker resident.
12. Villa Golgano: N.G.
13. Villa Cinque: 1/2 m. from the town of Cava; old fashioned and crowded with civilians; About 20 rooms, one bath room; not recommended.
14. Villa Ricciardi: Inspected by Italians and considered suitable for Marshal B.
15. Villa Ferrar group: There is a group of four villas near the Ricciardi. (Ferrara, Paradis, Scaramella,?) not inspected in detail. They appear suitable and fairly empty, but are very inaccessible until road bridge is repaired. This is in hand.

SUMMARY:

A. The following is recommended:

Italian Government

In Papal Seminary Salerno, with the Min. of War in the Officers' school in Nocera.

H.Q. in the Villa Grucilla, Vietri.

P.M. in Villa Ricciardi, Cava.

20 officers in SALERNO in Pal. Edelizia (west section) 4 flats.

A.C.C.

Offices in Palace of Justice, SALERNO.

Troops in Pal of Justice, SALERNO.

50 officers in Hotel Vittoria, Cava for accommodation and messing.

50 officers in Fascist Youth Bldg. (Bldg. Navy house) northern sec.

30 officers in Pal. Edelizia (west section) 7 flats.

Messing for 30 officers in Navy house.

Alternatively, clear the Pal. Edelizia west section completely (10 flats - 50 officers) and as much of east section as necessary to house up to 80-100 officers, and mess in the restaurants in Pal. Edelizia. (The Sub/Comar. is not in favor of giving up Navy house.)

Area

Advisory Council. Villas Rende and Maria, and Villas Ferraro, Paridis, Scaramella as required. Also possible to get villas in and on the road to Bavello.

The advantages of the above plan are that for ACC offices it gives the best building in the town and one that will have an expanding capacity. For officers messing it uses the best hotel in vicinity for senior officers, and it causes the minimum of displacement in an area packed with refugees. The advisory Council is near but not on top of the A.C.C. The Government offices are within walking distance (1000 yards) of the A.C.C. offices.

The disadvantages are, that transportation is necessary from Cava to SALERNO for about 40-50 officers, daily. On the other hand, if this is not faced, officers' accommodation in SALERNO will be difficult and inefficient. A minor disadvantage is that, to enable civil courts to function and to permit access to records in the Palace of Justice, some roping-off of a section of the building will be necessary.

B. If the Papal Seminary is not used, but it is still desired to move the Government to SALERNO, it will be possible but most difficult to do so. 489

In this case it is recommended that the A.C.C. establish at Cava, and the Italian Government at SALERNO. The Italian Government offices would be in the Palace of Justice; the officers (80) in the Palace Edelizia (30) seniors in 14 flats of west section, 50 in 9 flats of east section) and the balance of 200-300 in billets.



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The A.C.C. would be accommodated in Cava; offices in t apartment build-  
ings (Pal. Guppola, Villa Guppola, and the Vincenza buildings as neces-  
sary, giving 80-100 offices) officers quarters in the Hotel Impero (20)  
Hotel Vittoria (60) Villa Rende (40) Villa Maria (20), total 140. This  
will involve displacement of about 200 civilians. Troops in the Hospital.

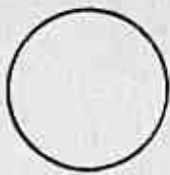
The disadvantages of this plan would be that the offices of the Govern-  
ment and the A.C.C. are 5 miles apart; both in SALERNO for the Govern-  
ment and in Cava for the A.C.C. there. There will have to be large dis-  
placement of civilians; office furniture will have to be found at Cava,  
mens' accommodation will be indifferent.



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