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TRAPANI (Sicily)

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REF/4009/LR
October 12, 1943.

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TO : Chief Staff Officer, HQ. AMGOT, Palermo.

ATTENTION: Major Mc Dougal, Adj., (U. S. Contingent).

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VIA STABILE

18 agosto 1943

HEADQUARTERS
267/HQ

Illustre Sig. Maggiore,

AMGOT

quali editori del giornale "Sicilia Liberata"
desideriamo poter presentare a Lord Rennel i
nostri ossequi e fargli omaggio della collezione.
ne.

Ci permettiamo darVi preghiera di voler far=

ci ottenere udienza. Ci è grato presentarVi,
illustre Sig. Maggiore, i nostri ossequi.

Avv. GIROLAMO ARDIZZONE

Avv. SEBASTIANO LO VERDE

*Girolamo Ardizzone
e altri avv.*

B. I. d. N. H. S. 65
by R. M. M. 4277
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15 ARMY GROUP.

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18 August 43.

I got your letter of the 29th June fairly quickly considering that it had to come on to me in Sicily. It was brought out by an officer from the War Office. Your comments on the past are to me both interesting and kind. In the course of recent developments I have more than ever regretted that we had to part company. I wish it had been you who had taken over this enterprise instead of myself.

As that has not been possible it only remains for me to be glad to show my gratitude for all that I learnt from you, without which I should never have been able to carry on neither in Nairobi or still less here.

The administrative situation here is quite interesting, we are using the Carabinieri as the mainstay of public order, but they have not been improved by 20 years of fascism and I look like being faced with a reoudescence of the Mafia. They have tradition; and I have nothing else.

The administration is beginning to take shape under a vast Anglo/American set up, the differences of military procedure and even office procedure in filing has not add to my gaiety. But to use a term with which we are both familiar I can say that the island is under administration as a whole; there has been practically no breach of law and order, and no one as yet starved. Homicide and theft are on the upgrade and the first aftermath of liberation is giving away in the population to grouching that more has not been done more quickly.

I hope to get to London for a few days because the view so far as I am concerned is extremely black. I should like to retire to some nice colony like Fiji, but they do not seem inclined to let me: that is why things are black.

His Excellency Sir Philip Mitchell, K.C.M.G.,
Government House,
Fiji.

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C.S.O. 100
P. till Oct 80.
Sir Eric Speed is under ^{Sgt Major}
H. Permanent Finance at W.O.)
My dear Rennell,

HEADQUARTERS
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20 AUG 1943
1878 AMB P.M. for
13th August, 1943.

I have just received your letter of 28th July and am asking Eric Speed to bring this note of acknowledgment with him. I envy him his opportunity of seeing all you are doing on the spot, and I shall take good care to pick his brains when he returns. I have given him some notes of points which I have asked him in particular to discuss with you, and I shall very much welcome your personal advice on them.

French keeps me in touch with your news in so far as it reaches him and it all sounds as though you are doing what we expected you to do, namely making a job of it.

All good luck to you.

Yours sincerely,

J. S. Sommerville.

Bu when Dec 40 get back
J.S.

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Major-General The Lord Rennell of Rodd, C.B.



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Dear Francois,

I feel I must send you the enclosed cutting from the 'Times' which I think may amuse you !

We were all most interested to see of your new appointment which was, so far as I was concerned, not entirely unexpected, and I hope you are keeping well.

If you can find time to drop me a line, I shall be very glad to hear from you, but it looks as if you will be pretty fully occupied for a bit.

Yours ever,

Julian

The Rt. Hon. Lord RENNELL of RODD C.B.

P/A n/r/s

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"THE TIMES"

30.7.1943

TO SICILY

Exchange, Trinacria, which the tyrant
trod,
The Roman *fusces* for a milder Rodd.

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