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FOLIO	DATE	REF.	TO/FROM
1	20 Nov 39	V. 3863	Attachment to 2
2	9 Aug 43	-	From: F. H. R. Phillips.
3	27 Sep 43	241/HQ	To: Maj Pine.
4	5 Oct 43	Calt Prov/10	From: SCAO Caltanissetta
5	7 Oct	396/HQ	To: "
6-8	4 Oct	AL/26/53	From Major Pine
9	15 -	181	From SCAO Messina
10	1		To ACSO
11	19 Oct	396/HQ.	To M.G.S. AF.F.H.Q.
12	19 ..	396/HQ	To Giovanni Palermo

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Request for *no trace* Unit

Giovanni Palmori,
Corso Calatafimi 57,
Palermo.

AMGOT/396/HQ

19 October 3

no trace
Your letter of 30 Sept. 43 has been received and the enclosures have been carefully read.

The Allies are appreciative of the Service which you have performed on their behalf as stated in the enclosures.

However, in spite of the apparent merits of your case and in spite of your very natural desire to rejoin your family in England, these headquarters regret that it is impossible to grant your request at this time. The paramount necessities of the war effort require that all civilian movements be kept at the irreducible minimum.

L. M. V. D. J. Capt.
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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File 11
396/HQ
Mrs. Louisa Vassallo

Military Government Section, AFHQ

October 19, 5

1. Copies of correspondence relating to Mrs. Louisa Vassallo are enclosed.

2. These Headquarters will appreciate your taking the matter up with the British Minister's Office in Algiers.

Charles R. Spoford
CHARLES R. SPOFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer 33

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Re 9. What is the price pt?
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A. M. G. O. T.

PROVINCE OF MESSINA

This Ref.: 181

Your Ref.:

Messina, 15 October

1943

Enclosures:

SUBJECT: - Return of Person to Malta

To :- C.S.O. - AMGOT HQ.



1. We have a request of Signorina Loreta Cassar, a native of Malta for return to Malta for health reasons.

2. Is this possible?

Stephen B. Story
STEPHEN B. STORY
Lt. Col. - CMP
SCAO - Messina

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Subject: Mrs. Louisa Vassallo.

Headquarters,
A.M.G.O.T.,
PALERMO.

AM/26/53.
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4. Oct. 43.

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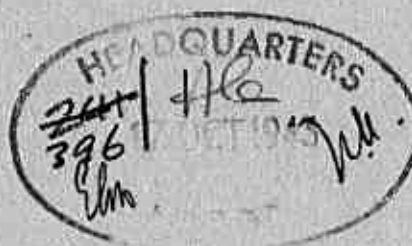
Reference your D/O letter AMGOT/241/HQ
dated 27.Sep regarding the above-named.

The C.C.A.O. considers that the best
way of dealing with her case is to put it before
M.G.S. and request that they take it up with the
British Minister's Office, Algiers.

Copies of the correspondence returned
herewith.

Forward AMGOT HQ.
BARI.
DP/JG.

[Signature]
Major,
M.A. to C.C.A.O.



COPY

MoVite & Price Ltd.

Oak Tree House,
72, Coleshill Rd.
Ward End.
Birmingham.

9th August 1943.

General Sir Harold Alexander,
Deputy Commander-in-Chief Allied Forces,
Military Governor of Sicily,
SICILY.

Sir,

My mother-in-law, Mrs. Louisa Vassallo nee Harvey, British born, Italian by marriage, has been in Sicily since June 1941, living with her late husband's relatives "The Vassallos" in Francofonte (Pro. of Syracuse) and my wife and I wonder if you could be kind enough to see your way to allow her to be sent home to us in Birmingham.

Mr. Giovanni Vassallo Calamaj, my wife's father, was a non-fascist Sicilian, native of Francofonte and who had lived in London for many years. Before his death in Paris, May 1941, both he and Mrs. Vassallo expressed the desire to come and live with us. Unfortunately the Home Office could not see their way to grant a permit to Mr. Vassallo but you will see from the attached letter there will be no difficulty about Mrs. Vassallo's entry into this Country.

Please excuse the liberty I have taken in writing to you personally but anything you could do for us in this matter would be so deeply appreciated.

With compliments,
I remain,

Yours respectfully,
T & S/F.A.R. PHILLIPS.
Midland Sales Manager.

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HOME OFFICE

WHITEHALL

S.W.L.

20th November 1939.

Dear Salt,

Thank you for your letter enclosing some correspondence from Mr. F. A. R. Phillips who writes from the Birmingham Depot of MoVitie & Price Ltd., Flaxley Road, Stechford, Birmingham, 9, on the question of his parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vassallo, being allowed to come to England to stay with him for the duration of the war. I gather that Mrs. Vassallo was British born, so there will, of course, be no difficulty about here, but that she is unwilling to come without her husband. I will look into the case and write again.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) C.S.M. Peake.

E. W. Salt Esq., M.P.

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Return of U.S. Citizen to United States
S.C.A.C. Galtanissetta

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AGCT/396/HQ

7 October 1943

1. This H.Q. regrets that at the moment it cannot acquiesce to your request for the return of Miss Italia Matera to the U.S.
2. It is suggested that at some later date the request be resubmitted.

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer

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Calt Prov/10

A.M.G.O.T.

PROVINCE OF CALTANISSETTA

SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICE

SUBJECT: Return of Civilian Employee

TO : AMGOT Headquarters, Palermo.

1. Working in our office is an American Citizen who wishes to return to the United States. The facts are as follows:

Name - Italia Matera
 Birth - New York City, 1921
 Parents Name - Alfonso(father); Sofia(mother)
 Passport No. - 433868

2. This girl arrived in Italy February, 1939 for the purpose of study, but was unable to return because of the war. Her parents reside in Brooklyn, New York.

3. It is requested that this matter be taken up with the American Consulate (if any) and the girl, who has done fine work for us, be given the opportunity of returning home.

Caltanissetta
 Sept. 1943
 5 Oct.



W. R. Irish

W.R. IRISH,

Lt. Col.,

Senior Civil Affairs Officer,
 Province of Caltanissetta

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AMGOT/241/HQ

27th September 3

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I attach copy of correspondence regarding the repatriation to England of a Mrs. Louisa Vascallo.

I feel a decision can only come from a high level, as also the question of her transport to England if it is decided she can be allowed to go.

So will you please submit to C.C.A.O.

Major D. Pirie,
Coldstream Guards,
Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
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WILLESLEY 2236-9 & 2661-2.
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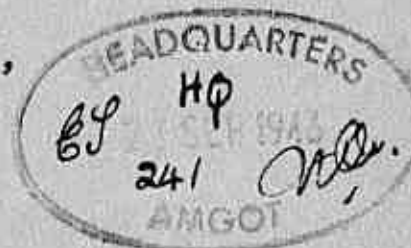
M^c Vitie & Price Ltd.
BISCUIT & CAKE MANUFACTURERS.

LONDON, N.W.10.

Please reply to: — **DEPÔT, FLAXLEY RD. STECHFORD, BIRMINGHAM.9.**

Oak Tree House
72, Coleshill Rd. Ward End,
Birmingham 9th. August 1943.

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F.A.R. Phillips
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Midland Sales Manager.

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S.W.1.

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Yours sincerely
Herbert Drake

E. W. Salt, Esq., M.P.

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