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ROUTING SLIP.

O.C.A.O.
D.C.C.A.O.
C.S.O.
A.C.S.O.
Lt. Col. Clough *6*
Major Smith
Major McDougall
Major Percy
Captain Talbot
Captain Farrar
Captain Sherwood
Captain Graham
Lieut. Van Heukelom
Lieut. Krupa
P.R.O.
Adviser F.A. & M.
Education Officer.

REMARKS.

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30/1/43
Date

[Signature]
Registry.

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U.S. Flag.

U.S. Quartermaster Officer,
U.S. Island Base Section.

Post
30th September

Will you please issue to the ASOT Supply Officer
(Lieut. J. A. Davis) 200 U.S. Steam Flags.

These flags are required for display outside the
offices of Civil Affairs Officers in towns both here and on
the mainland. 1384

CHARLES E. SHAWFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: American Supply Officer.

AIR LETTER

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Restoration of Civil Telephone
Service to Civilian Use.

AMGOT/10027/TCU

Chief Signal Officer, 15th Army Group

27 Sept. 3

1. Attached is a copy of letter dated 23 Sept. 1943 from IBS authorizing AMGOT to take over certain specified communication facilities in Seventh Army territory and release them for civilian operation and use under AMGOT supervision.

2. We are prepared to indorse the letter and accept the conditions set forth in paragraph 3.

3. It is requested that this transfer of responsibility and procedure specified in the letter from IBS be approved by Chief Signal Officer, 15th Army Group.

4. It is further requested that G-2 be advised of these arrangements.

For Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

JED
JED/tbw

Incl: (1)

CHM

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

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C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS
ISLAND BASE SECTION
APO HC. 550

AC 311.3 (HSSO-4)

23 September 1943.

SUBJECT: Commercial and State Communications Facilities.

TO : Chief Civil Affairs Officer, AMCCF. Attention: Signal Officer.

1. In continuation of agreements reached in conference held on 20 September 1943, by officers named below, it is proposed that the Island Base Section shall release to AMCCF control of certain Commercial and State communications facilities in Sicily, subject to conditions enumerated hereinafter. Officers attending conference:

Lt. Col. W. A. Toppins, Sig. O., Signal Officer, IBS
Lt. Col. J. R. Mathews, Sig. O., Exec. O., Signal Section, IBS
Capt. J. R. Davis, Sig. O., Signal Officer, AMCCF

2. The following facilities are released for complete operations and maintenance, effective at midnight, 30 September 1943.

a. All local commercial telephone exchanges, including distribution facilities within each local exchange area in the American portion of the Island, except such facilities in the towns of Palermo, Licata, and Porto Empedocle.

b. All Commercial and State telegraph terminal facilities, excluding interurban wire lines.

c. All commercial and State radio stations, except Radio Palermo and Solinto Jamming Station.

d. Release to AMCCF of facilities described above is subject to the following conditions:

1. That all such facilities or any portion thereof shall be returned to control of the Island Base Section upon demand, if considerations of military use or security or other exigencies shall render such recapture necessary or desirable.

2. That, in the event of such recapture by Island Base Section, or if service should be rendered over Commercial or State facilities under the plan outlined hereinafter, to Island Base Section or any other military organization, AMCCF shall permit or be responsible for the taking of such security measures regarding equipment and operations as may be prescribed by the Island Base Section.

3. That communications services, including the rental of subscriber lines, toll telephone service, telegraph, cable, and radio message service, and other services, shall be made

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c. That communications services, including the rental of subscriber lines, toll telephone service, telegraph, cable, and radio message service, and other services, shall be made available, with priority rights, to the Island Base Section, in return for payments by the Island Base Section of such monthly rental charges, telephone toll charges, telegraph, cable, and radio message charges, or other charges as may be agreed upon as fair and just, by the Island Base Section and AMCCF. The intent of this provision is that AMCCF shall undertake to insure that all the above conditions are met by the Commercial or State operating organizations when and if the facilities described above shall be returned to them for operation.

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4. It is understood that AMSCOT intends to retain the above described communications facilities to the former Communist State operating organizations, for operation and maintenance, with a view to restoring normal civilian communications conditions on the Island as soon as practical.

5. Until further notice, Seventh Army retains control of the following facilities:

a. Local telephone exchange facilities, including local distribution plant, in the towns of Palermo, Licata, and Porto Empedocle.

b. All aerial, buried, and submarine cable, and all open wire facilities, both telephone and telegraph, except local exchange plant described in paragraph 2c above.

c. Radio Palermo and Solunto Jamming Station.

6. When and if all or any portion of the facilities described in paragraph 5 above shall be released to IHS by Seventh Army, turnover of such facilities to AMSCOT shall be the subject of a supplementary agreement.

7. It is requested that agreement with the conditions of release described above, be indicated in reply by informant hereon to Commanding Officer, Island Base Section.

/s/ Robert Seams
ROBERT SEAMS,
Colonel, Ordn. Dept.,
Commanding.

1. All aerial, buried, and submarine cable, and all open wire facilities, both telephone and telegraph, except local exchange plant described in paragraph 2a above.

2. Radio Palermo and Solinto Jamming Station.

6. When and if all or any portion of the facilities described in paragraph 3 above shall be released to IIS by Seventh Army, turnover of such facilities to AIAOF shall be the subject of a supplementary agreement.

7. It is requested that agreement with the conditions of release described above, be indicated in reply by memorandum hereon to Consulting Officer, Island Base Section.

1a/ Robert Soars
JOSEPH SEARS,
Colonel, Ord. Dept.,
Commanding.

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ASST/2026/1

27 September 1943

SUBJECT: Civil Mail Services.

TO : B.G.S.(I) HQ. 15 Army Group, C.M.F.

1. Referring to paras. 2(b) & (c) of your letter AS/1433/G(Ib) of Sept. 6th.
2. An intercommunication service between towns in Sicily for postcards and unsealed letters was commenced on Sept. 17th and is in process of being extended. Letters to and from Prisoners of War are also being accepted and delivered. Notification regarding censorship of all such mail has been duly issued.
3. Attached is a copy of a communication received at this Headquarters from R.M.A. Tripolitania regarding the provision of a civil mail service between that territory and Sicily. Particulars in relation to the goodwill aspect, ASST is in favor of affording such an intercommunication service at an early date, and we should be glad to have your views in relation to the Security Censorship standpoint.
4. Your views would also be welcomed on the question of restoring ordinary letter mail services between Sicily and-
 - (a) Southern Italy
 - (b) U.S.A. and U.K. and their Dependencies.Whilst it is recognised that the actual time for restoring these further services has not yet arrived, it would be of assistance to have preliminary observations.
5. Also attached is a copy of a communication sent to the International Red Cross Bureau in Cairo. May it please be confirmed that there is no objection from a Security and Censorship point of view, to allowing the messages from Geneva - when they reach Cairo in due course via the usual roundabout route - to be conveyed to Palermo and handed over to the Red Cross authorities here.

✓
O. M. SPYFFORD,
Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer,
ASST.HQ.

Copy to: Capt. G. G. Simpson, C.C.C. Palermo.

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SUBJECT: Post Communication with Sicily.

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Headquarters,
British Military Administration,
TRIPOLITANIA
BW/E/33/A/6
16 Sept. 43.

Headquarters,
A.M.G.O.T.,
SICILY C.M.A.

1. The civilian population of this territory have at present no means of communicating with their friends and relatives in Sicily nor have they been able to do so since January of this year with the exception of the Red Cross message, now, of course, no longer possible.

2. I am therefore directed to forward for any comments you may wish to make the following scheme submitted by the Controller of Postal Services, Tripolitania, pending the institution of normal services between the two countries.

3. TRIPOLI to SICILY
- (a) Letters to be accepted at normal foreign rates of postage i.e. 5d. per .20 grammes.
 - (b) All correspondence to be placed in a sealed package and addressed direct to you.
 - (c) All correspondence to be examined by civil censorship authorities.
 - (d) Package to be transferred to A.P.O. for transit and on arrival handed over to Headquarters A.M.G.O.T.
 - (e) Headquarters A.M.G.O.T. to arrange distribution to C.A.C.s to be held by them for collection by the addressees.

4. SICILY to TRIPOLI
- (a) C.A.C.s to accept correspondence unpaid for addressees in Tripolitania and pass to Headquarters, A.M.G.O.T.
 - (b) Headquarters, A.M.G.O.T. to enclose letters in a sealed package addressed to Controller, Civil Posts Department, B.M.A. Tripolitania, and pass to A.P.O. for transit.
 - (c) Controller to pass to Chief Civil Censor.
 - (d) Delivery to addressees on payment of fee of 5d.

5. It is understood that this scheme has already been discussed with your Controller of Civil Posts, who is in agreement with it. To date approx. 630 letters have been received in this territory by means of the machinery outlined in para. 4 above.

(By Air Courier Via Algiers)

AMCOT/2001/T

28 September 1943

SUBJECT: I.R.C. Messages for Sicily.

TO : The International Red Cross Bureau,
16 Avenue de la Reine Nadi,
Cairo.

} Via U.S.S.

Reference your letter H.L.A./C of August 20th.

It is recommended that I.R.C. Geneva be advised that all Red Cross messages and enquiries on hand respecting Sicily be forwarded to you. We will advise you shortly of the arrangements for handing over such items for their conveyance to Palermo and delivery to the Red Cross here.

A service is now available for the transmission of Prisoners of War letters to and from Sicily; but as yet there is no service for sending ~~any~~ other class of letters in to or out of the Island.

✓
C. M. STOFFED,
Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer,
AMCOT H.

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SUBJECT: Paper required by Fire Brigade

AMCOT/1003/PS

AMCOT/H.Q. SICILY.

29 September 1943.

TO : Civil Supply Division.

Ref. this Division's letter 1003/PS
dated 20 Sep 43.

The need for the paper requested in
our above mentioned letter is now becoming
urgent.

Will you therefore please give this
matter your immediate attention.

G.H.L. Mason

G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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AMGOT/1003/PS
Visit of Col. Young to 58CORPO
VIGILI DEL FUOCO, PALERMO
Col. A.E. YOUNG,
School of Military Government,
c/o A.F.H.Q.

29 September B

A copy of the report of the Comandante of the Palermo
Fire Service to Colonel Dolles, Commissioner of Public Safety,
AMGOT, is enclosed for your information please.

[Signature]
C.H.L. MASCH,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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GUARNIERI Sebastiano.

AMGOT/1178/PS

Major Searle.

29 September, 3

It has been reported to us that a man by the name of GUARNIERI Sebastiano, has been arrested today by an Officer, in front of 14-16 Via Napoli, for reasons unknown to us. The party interested in this case is Colonel Nichol of I.E.S. who says that he knows this man. We know nothing of this affair and would appreciate very much if you could throw some light on it. According to the story told us by a friend of the arrested individual, it was a case of misunderstanding on both the part of the arresting officer and the arrested man.

Will you please check up on this matter and let me know the circumstances.

LESTER L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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SUBJECT: Licorice for use of Fire Service.

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AMCOT/1003/PS

AMCOT H.Q., SICILY.

29 September 1943.

TO : Civil Supplies Division.

Major-General Lord Rennell asked for a supply of licorice to be obtained from TURKEY for the use of the Fire Brigade at PALERMO for foam making.

The Brigade is now out of foam and it would be appreciated if delivering of the licorice would be expedited.



G.H.L. MACKAY,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Float
VIGILIE LUIGI VISALII.

AMGOT/1167/P8

Son/Yar. DICKIE.

29 September, 3

For your information I enclose a copy of a letter from the
Comandante of the Fire Service, PALERMO, in which he states that
he is prepared to agree to the wishes of the Military Court -
retain the above named man in the Fire Brigade conditionally.



G. H. L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Pensions.

AMOT/2009/P.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Palermo Province.

29 Sep. 3.

1. The writer of the attached letter states that pension payments due his Mother (to which he claims the right by inheritance, his Mother having died) are held up by Ufficio Provinciale del Tesoro by a recent order of AMOT.
2. The pensioner in question is stated to have been a postal employee.
3. I suggest you ask the Ufficio Provinciale del Tesoro, Palermo, for the facts.
4. I do not think that payment of the pensions of Postal employees is now prohibited.

R. B. MURPHY

R.B. MURPHY.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Sheet

Reopening of Small Banks.
Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Catania Province.

AMCOT/2043/P.

29 Sep.

3.

Reference your letter dated 24th September, 43.

1. . The Cassa Operaia "G. Venosa", Acireale, will have available for its use its credit balances with other Banks when the complete removal of restrictions on deposit withdrawals becomes effective, as we expect, on or about 6th October, under a General Order now in preparation.

2. If additional funds are required, application may be made to A.M.F.A., supported by figures.

R. B. M. H. P. C.
R. B. M. H. P. C.
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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"Tolleranza"

NY 2037/9.

Lieut-Colonel French,
S.C.A.O.
Syracuse Province.

29 Sep. 3.

In reply to your paragraphs (a) (b) and (c) of letter dated 24th September, we note that in certain communes you consider it advisable to extend "Tolleranza" beyond 50%. We appreciate the circumstances that give rise to your recommendation and acquiesce in your decision to make certain further concessions. However, we are anxious to emphasize that such "Tolleranza" is only a postponement, a fact, of course, which you fully appreciate.

Our procedure has been, when further concessions are necessary, to simply make arrears payable on the bi-monthly due date, rather than on arbitrary dates. Of course, we know that you will adopt such measures which in your opinion will draw maximum tax revenue.


B.D. NASH.
Major,
Deputy Chief Revenue Officer.

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FLORAT

REF. NO. 2510/F
29 TH SEPTEMBER 1943

MAJOR KNIGHT C.F.I.

SUBJECT: SOCIAL INSURANCE FINANCES.

I attach two statements relating to Social Insurance Finances.

- (A) The various Institutions in the Province of Palermo.
- (B) Istituto Previdenza Sociale for all Provinces in Sicily.

As regards (A) we have yet to receive the detailed figures for Cassa Mutua Malattia per i Lavaoratori del Industria, but the recommendation of Major Witte shown in the margin, is based on his investigations from the viewpoint of Social Welfare;

With regard to (B) information is still required from Caltanissetta and Siracusa.

There appears, however sufficient data now available to consider the question of the Institutes in Palermo Province resuming their activities at any time upon decided by you.

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J. B. W.

Major R.A./S.O.

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ISTITUTO DI PREVIDENZA SOCIALE

All Provinces of Sicily

	Cash required to Aug. 31, 43		Total	Cash required for Sept.	
	Benefits	Administration		Benefits	Administration
Palermo	19.511.580,25	152.300,70	19.664.880,95	3.540.583,10	781,70
Enna	1.200.000,00	Nil	1.200.000,00	370.000,00	75,00
Messina	Included in Sept.	Included in Sept.	Included in Sept.	771.712,14	438,34
Caltanissetta					
Mazara del Vallo	10.267.024,60	21.650,00	10.288.674,60	6.710.500,00	125,10
Catania	Included in Sept.	Included in Sept.	Included in Sept.	2.344.000,00	240,00
Trapani	2.805.300,00	133.600,00	2.938.900,00	443.500,00	136,00
Syracuse					
Ragusa	1.088.287,49	Nil	1.088.287,49	2.200.000,00	Nil
Total	34.272.592,34	307.550,70	35.180.143,04	17.330.295,14	1.000,00

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CA' PROVIDIUA SOCIALE

All Provinces of Sicily.

Cash required for September		Total	Cash on hand	Note
Benefits	Administration			
2.540.583,49	781.762,70	4.322.346,19	1.000.000,00	
870.000,00	75.000,00	945.000,00	205.425,00	1.075.900,00 has been advanced by ingot.
771.712,11	438.945,60	1.210.657,71	7.225,75	
5.710.500,00	129.173,03	12.128.373,75		
2.844.000,00	240.000,00	3.084.000,00		
443.500,00	136.000,00	579.500,00		
2.200.000,00	Nil	2.200.000,00	1.081.267,55	
7.300.295,71	1.000.867,33	24.463.876,79	2.993.578,30	Total does not include Calabrisotto and Siracusa.

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PROVINCIA DI PARMA

Institute	Cash required to Aug. 31/43		Total	Cash required September	
	Benefits	Administration		Benefits	Administration
Istituto di Previdenza Sociale.	19.511.980,25	152.300,70	19.664.280,95	3.540.581,00	781.762
Istituto Assicurazioni Infortuni. (I.F.A.I.L.)	NIL	NIL	NIL	245.000,00	142.300
Ente di Previdenza ed assistenza per i Dipendenti Statali.	29.013,50	64.843,50	93.857,00	58.164,40	43.937
Cassa Mutua Infortuni Agricoli.	83.220,00	48.379,40	131.599,40	200.000,00	32.482
Cassa Nazionale Sol. per gli Add. al Commercio.	1.250.000,00	111.524,40	1.361.524,40	750.000,00	99.024
Ist. per l'assist. di malattie ai lavoratori Industriali.					
Total.....	20.874.214,15	377.048,40	21.251.262,56	4.833.747,40	1.059.514

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A DI PAERMO

	Cash required September		Total	Cash on hand	Amount approved by: ANGOT.	Note
	Benefits	Administration				
0,35	3.340.581,00	781.762,70	4.322.343,70	1.000.000,00		
	245.000,00	142.300,00	387.300,00	176.147,00		Various collections expected to cover differences.
1,80	58.164,40	43.537,55	105.969,75	Nil		
0,40	200.000,00	32.489,95	232.489,95	610.743,27		Now inc. with I.A.I. Included Agrigento, Trapani and Caltanissetta. Inc. Palermo, Trapani, Agrigento Caltanissetta.
0,40	750.000,00	55.024,40	805.024,40	Nil		For C.M. per 1 Lev. dell'Industria Major with recon. - adv. for August, Sept., Oct., of 2.361.600,00.
						For Mut. Prov. Melazzo Agriculture Major with recon. 667.127,75.
0,35	4.833.747,40	1.055.514,60	6.027.129,80	1.586.895,27		1st. Assoc. Credito and Assicurazioni 535.569,00=

SUBJECT: Discipline

ANGOT/ 10125 /FOU
ANGOT HQ SICILY
29 Sept. 1943

TO : Camp Commandant

3604132 Pvt. Dowker, F.

1. Ref. Camp Orders 27 Sept. Herewith details of a.m.
deficiencies:

Holdalls.....1
Mess Tins.....1
Straps, Pack-Right....1
Nets, Sandfly.....1

2. (Note: Pvt. Dowker's quarters are highly infested with
sandfly against which his mosquito net is valueless)

2. Rifle:

Butt No. 6955
Rifle No.

RST/edb

R. S. Trevelyan
R.S. Trevelyan
Capt. Royal Signals
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SUBJECT: Instructions to Comandanti of CORPI VIGILI DEL FUOCO.

AMGOT/1003/PS

AMGOT H.Q., SICILY.

29 September, 1943.

TO : S.C.A.P.Os. (Through S.C.A.O.) All Provinces.

The enclosed instructions or letter to the Comandante of your Fire Brigade from the Senior Italian Fire Officer is **1365** passed to you for disposal please.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

Transmission of Correspondence.

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AMCOT/219/HQ.

H.G.S. - A.F.H.Q.

29 Sep.

1. May arrangements be made, please, for the onward transmission of the attached letter to Lord Bridport, through official channels?

JS
CHARLES H. SEOFFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to file 308/HQ.

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Proclamation - legal tender Allied currency.
Chief Legal Officer,
AMCOT H.Q.

AMCOT/2002/P.

30 Sep. 3.

Attached is a copy of the text of a Proclamation issued in Apulia area (Taranto, Brindisi) proclaiming the legal tender of Allied currency and their exchange values. This was brought by Lt-Col. Gunston yesterday. He also brought the enclosed text of the Italian Royal Decree of 8th July, 1938, which empowers the King to issue the attached Proclamation.

I do not think we are called on to take any action, but I thought you should have it for your files, and for any comment you wish to make.

R.B. METAPACE.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF OCCUPIED TERRITORY

RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH REGARD TO LABOUR OFFICES.

ISSUED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ORDER NO. 8.

THE REGIONAL LABOUR OFFICE FOR SICILY.

1. The Regional Labour Office for Sicily shall be established in the City and Province of Palermo or at such other city or town as the Chief Civil Affairs Officer may direct.

2. The Regional Labour Office for Sicily shall be in the charge of a civilian director to be known as the Director of Labour for the Region of Sicily to be appointed by the Chief Civil Affairs Officer or an officer duly empowered by him in that behalf. His staff shall be composed of civilian clerical staff, labour economists, labour investigators and such other selected personnel as he may require and the Chief Civil Affairs Officer may approve.

3. The powers, duties and functions of the Regional Labour Office for Sicily will be as follows:-

- (a) To co-ordinate the functions and activities of ¹⁹⁶² various Provincial Labour Offices.
- (b) To act in an advisory capacity to Provincial Labour Offices.
- (c) To compile statistical information on employment, child labour, wages and labour relations (including disputes, mediation, conciliation and arbitration) in the Island of Sicily, such statistical information to be based upon information supplied by the Provincial Labour Offices and checked and compared with all other available information.
- (d) To report monthly to the Chief Civil Affairs Officer on the labour situation generally in the Island of Sicily.
- (e) To publish quarterly in the form of a report to the Chief Civil Affairs Officer a summary of and deductions from the statistical information so compiled and to

2. The Regional Labour Office for Sicily shall be in the charge of a civilian director to be known as the Director of Labour for the Region of Sicily to be appointed by the Chief Civil Affairs Officer or an officer duly empowered by him in that behalf. His staff shall be composed of civilian clerical staff, labour economists, labour investigators and such other selected personnel as he may require and the Chief Civil Affairs Officer may approve.

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- (d) To report monthly to the Chief Civil Affairs Officer on the labour situation generally in the Island of Sicily.
- (e) To publish quarterly in the form of a report to the Chief Civil Affairs Officer a summary of and deductions from the statistical information so compiled and to make such report available for inspection by and publication to the public.
- (f) To act as or to appoint conciliators, mediators or arbitrators in any labour dispute referred to it by any Provincial Labour Office or by the Chief Civil Affairs Officer, but so always that any conciliation, mediation, arbitration or other decision given in any such dispute shall be submitted for approval by the C.C.A.O. Any decision which appears adversely to affect the interests of the Allied Forces in the territory, or which is in conflict with any policy affecting the public interest in the territory may at the discretion of the C.C.A.O. be reviewed or reopened by him for further evidence and consideration.

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- (g) To consider forthwith the most practicable and expeditious method of re-establishing and assuring freedom of labour organisation and representation throughout the Island of Sicily.
- (h) To deal with such other matters relevant to labour and labour relations in the Island of Sicily as the Chief Civil Affairs Officer may refer to it.

PROVINCIAL LABOUR OFFICES

4. The Provincial Labour Office for each province will be established in the capital city or town of the province or in such other city or town as the Senior Civil Affairs Officer may direct.

5. Each Provincial Labour Office will be in the charge of a civilian director to be known as the Director of Labour to be appointed by the Prefetto and approved by the Senior Civil Affairs Officer of the Province. His staff shall consist of clerical employees and such labour economists and investigators as he may require.

6. The powers duties and functions of a Provincial Labour Office will be as follows:-

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- (b) To establish central employment offices as and where necessary and there to
 - (i) Register all unemployed labour by craft and skill;
 - (ii) Furnish labour (on application) to the Allied Forces;
 - (iii) Furnish labour (on application) to civilian employers.
- (c) To act as or to appoint conciliators, mediators or arbitrators in labour disputes but so always than any conciliation, mediation, arbitration or other decision given in any such dispute shall be submitted for

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(c) To act as or to appoint conciliators, mediators or arbitrators in labour disputes but so always than any conciliation, mediation, arbitration or other decision given in any such dispute shall be submitted for approval by the Chief Civil Affairs Officer through the Senior Civil Affairs Officer. Any decision which appears adversely to affect the interests of the Allied Forces in the territory, or which is in conflict with any policy affecting the public interest in the territory may at the discretion of the C.C.A.O., be reviewed or reopened by him for further evidence and consideration.

(d) To report monthly to the Prefetto and the Senior Civil Affairs Officer of the province on its work in the past month and on the labour situation generally in the province.

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- (e) To institute forthwith a study of wages in the province.
- (f) To establish such sub-offices and to appoint such representatives as efficient administration may require.
- (g) To deal with such other matters relevant to provincial labour and labour relations as the Prefetto or the Senior Civil Affairs Officer may refer to it.

RECORDS AND FILES OF DISSOLVED INSTITUTIONS

7. The records and files of the Institutions dissolved by Article I of General Order No. 8 shall be delivered to the Director of Labour for the Region of Sicily or as he shall direct.

ASSETS OF DISSOLVED INSTITUTIONS.

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 - (i) The physical condition of the property and
 - (ii) Its disposition, i.e. whether occupied by the Armed Forces, AMGOT, Italian Government Officials, or leased to third parties etc.

Upon receipt of the above information the Controller of Property will take formal control of such property.

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- (c) No monies of the said Institutions shall be applied without the specific direction of the Chief Finance Officer for any purpose of the Regional or Provincial

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23 September, 1943

For the Director
Major General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

Float

AMCOT/78/HD
AMCOT HQ SIGLY
29 September 1943

SUBJECT: Establishments

TO: Director of Public Health

Reference your 3041/PH dated 24/9/43.

The establishment of this H.Q. is at present under revision. At the present time the British W.S. is deficient of 25 clerks and therefore it is not possible to provide additional clerks for Regions at the moment.

Every consideration will be given to your request immediately reinforcements arrive.

ALY

Staff Captain,

7 float

SUBJECT: Ambulance Cars.

AMGOT/3003/IH

AMGOT HQ SICILY

TO : All S.A.P.H.O.'s.
(through S.C.A.O.'s)

29 Sept. 1943.

Please inform This Office by return, of the number of ambulance cars in running order in your province.

[Signature]
D. GORDON CHEYNE
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

DISTRIBUTION

Agrigento	2
Caltanissetta	2
Catania	2
Enna	2
Palermo	2
Ragusa	2
Siracusa	2
Trapani	2
Messina	2
Float	1
File	1
Spares	6

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Payment of Asphalt by AMOT on behalf of
U.S. Air Corps.
Finance Officer,
through S.C.A.O. Ragusa Province.

AMOT/2088/P.

30 Sep. 3.

1. Reference last para. your letter 18th September, 43,
addressed to Chief Accountant, on above subject.
2. You are authorized to finance the further order
mentioned.

RAM
R.E. HARMON,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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205/HQ

Registration Form for Refugees
Brigadier General Julius C. Holmes
MGB, AFHQ

29 Sept. 3

1. Attached for information are several sets of forms which the Public Welfare Section of this HQ have developed for registration of refugees. As you know arrangements are under way for refugee camps to take care of those from the more seriously bombed areas who have not otherwise been cared for.

CS
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

Encls.

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Requisitioning of Printing Paper

236/HQ

S.C.A.O. - Palermo

29 Sept. 3

1. The attached memorandum indicates the status of printing supplies which were "frozen" on orders of this HQ. These steps were taken in order to avoid disipation of these stocks which could not probably have been replaced.

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

Encl.

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Printing Paper

FILE No.

TO: Chief of Staff, AMGOT.

AMGOT HQ., SICILY

27 September 1943

1. Please advise Lt Col POLZETTI that all paper was frozen by AMGOT Hq because of the acute paper shortage in Sicily. This paper is used for the printing of Proclamations, Ration Cards, the AMGOT "Bible", daily Orders, Gazettes and other forms needed by the various departments, which puts a heavy onus on the existing supply.

2. Most of this paper had to be found by devious means. In many cases quantities of this paper was transported out of town, either because of the fact that there was the danger of it being damaged through Allied bombings, prior to our occupation, or for the purpose of trying to evade declaring such stocks to our Authorities.

3. Having tracked down many of these deposits, in and out of town, it was decided that the best solution would be to freeze these stocks by requisitioning them. This would save a great deal of money, since we would not be charged for the paper, but only for any printing done for our account.

4. Any other agency of AMGOT having need for this paper needs only advise us of the type and quantity of paper for their specific purpose and we will unfreeze said quantities. In such a way an accurate check can be kept, and any use may be prevented. 356

5. If this system of control has in any way inconvenienced the operation of Lt Col POLZETTI's office, we will be very glad to remedy the situation if only he will make known his needs, and in that manner whatever paper we have under our control will be at his disposal.

MICHAEL R. PANELLI
1st Lt, GAC
Printing Office

SUBJECT: Electric Supply, Monreale

ANGOT/10052/TCU
ANGOT HQ SICILY
29 Sept. 1943

TO: S.C.A.O., Palermo

1. On 24 Sept. 1943, orders were issued to officials of the Societa Generale Elettrica della Sicilia, Palermo, by the Engineer, I.B.S., that the customary supply of electricity (1 1/2 hours nightly domestic lighting in a number of towns including Monreale) would be forthwith terminated. Accordingly the officials of S.G.E.S. instructed the effected employees by telephone. This action was taken by I.B.S. as a necessary measure in protecting important military and essential civilian loads in the west half of the Island.

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3. You are directed to inform Sig. DiDio at once, that a repetition of this occurrence will result in his trial before an Allied Military Court.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

FDP/edb

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

24 Sept. 1945

TO: S.G.A.O., Palermo

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

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Closure of Prisons.
S.C.A.O. Messina.

AMCOT/1096/PS

30. Sept. 3.

I attach suggested plan for closing a number of small prisons within the Province of Messina.

Should you have any comments to make they would be appreciated before the plan is brought into execution.

LESLIE L. BOLLES.
Colonel, Inf. 1354
Commissioner of Public
Safety.

MAPING OF PRISONS - PROVINCE OF MESSINA.

Many prisons within the province could be closed but unfortunately this cannot take place until transport improves. Many roads at the moment are impassable.

PATTI is a Central Prison and is ideally placed, but has been badly damaged and can only be restored at considerable expense. It would seem that having regard to the existing facilities this expense would not be justified and I, therefore, include it among those to be closed.

<u>Prisons to remain.</u>	<u>Capacity.</u>	<u>Present Population.</u>
MESSINA Centrale.	130 Mixed.	Nil
MISTRETTA "	120 Mixed.	39
MILAZZO "	250 Males.	14
" "	15 Females.	4
* NASO Mandamentale.	22 Mixed.	Nil
* FRANCOVILLA "	12	Nil
BARCELLONA Asylum.	500	423

<u>Prisons to Close.</u>	<u>Prisoners Transferred.</u>	<u>Distance by Road.</u>	<u>Capacity.</u>	<u>Population.</u>
ROMETTA	MESSINA	10 miles	30	Nil
ALI	"	15 miles	20	Nil
S. AGATA	MISTRETTA	30 miles	18	17
PATTI	MILAZZO	20 miles	10	3
NOVARO	"	20 miles	9	Nil
BARCELLONA	"	10 miles	20	3
RACOLIA	NASO	15 miles	15	10
TORTORICI	"	10 miles	18	11

* The two prisons marked with Asterisk could be left because of their general cleanliness, state of repair and, especially in the case of FRANCOVILLA, distance from another suitable prison.

Float

Closure of Prisons.
S.C.A.O. Catania.

AMROT/1096/PS

30. Sept. 3

I attach suggested plan for closing a number of small prisons within the Province of Catania.

Should you have any comments to make they would be appreciated before the plan is brought into execution.

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LESMUEL L. BOLLES.
Colonel, Inf.
Commissioner of Public
Safety.

CLOSURE OF PRISONS - PROVINCE OF CATANIA

There are seven small Mandamentale Prisons within a thirty mile half circle from Catania. None of these prisons are of much use and could well be closed. This unfortunately cannot take place until the roads have again become usable.

This would leave :

	<u>Capacity.</u>	<u>Present Population.</u>
CATANIA Centrale.	500	100
MINEO "	50	27
CALTAGIRONE Centrale.	120	56
* VIZZINI Mandamentale.	20	2

<u>Prisons to close.</u>	<u>Prisoners Transferred.</u>	<u>Distance by Road.</u>	<u>CAPACITY.</u>	<u>POPULATION.</u>
LINGUAGLOSSA.	CATANIA	35 miles	12	7
RANDAZZO	"	40 "	20	5
BRONTE	"	25 "	20	13
ADRANO	"	20 "	20	11
SELPASSO	"	15 "	16	6
PATRIGNO	"	10 "	20	5
TRECASTANIA	"	10 "	30	2
MILITELLO	MINEO	15 "	20	1
RAMACCA	"	10 "	14	8

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* The prison marked * VIZZINI, could be left because of its general cleanliness etc., and distance from some suitable alternative.

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Arms Taken From Carabinieri By Allied Troops.

AMCOT/1050/PS

Commanding General,
Seventh Army.

29 September 3

The attached copy of a report by the Civil Affairs Officer, Province of Agrigento, complaining of the action of a party of U.S. troops, is forwarded for such action as may be considered necessary.

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

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Enclosures : as stated.

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. AMGE/1076/PS

Attendance of Prisoners.

S.C.A.P.O. Palermo.
Messina.
Caltanissetta.
Agrigento.
Rosa.
Through S.C.A.Os.

30 Sept. 3.

Prisoners as detailed on attached are required in Palermo during October to appear at the CORTE DI ASSISE DI PALERMO.

Arrangements are in hand for collecting the prisoners and also any others awaiting transport to Palermo. The date of collection has not yet been settled, and there may not be time in which you can be notified. It would, therefore, be appreciated if the prisoners can be held in readiness together with documents and clothing etc. to hand over on arrival of transport and escorts, possibly during week ending 9.Oct.

If Provinces are able to send in the prisoners direct, such assistance would be appreciated.

EMANUEL L. BOLLER.
Colonel, Inf.
Commissioner of Public
Safety.

Copies to: C.I.O.
Chief Director for Sicily.

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LIST OF PRISONERS REQUIRED AT PRISON TO ATTEND
COURT OF ASSISE DI PALERMO IN OCTOBER 1943.

1. PALERMO.

	<u>Location.</u>
Bono Salvatore di Salvato	Central Prison.
Maratore Antonini di Ciro	CAPALDI.
Caciola Calogero fu Giuseppe	
Masumerra Gaetano fu Salvatore	PETRALIA.
Rotino Francesco fu Francesco Paolo	
Tennaro Gaetano fi. Benedetto	RISACQUINO
Rotino Antonino fu Francesco Paolo	
Guercio Francesco fu Francesco	CARINI
Bologna Gerardo di Enrico	Central Prison.
(ex I. Navigara)	
Muccio Salvatore di Eugenio	CORLEONE
Arcolico Giovanni di Francesco Paolo	COLLABRANO

2. CATANZARUZZA.

Settana Francesco di Filippo	Central Prison
Orsico Rosina	
Barra Andrea	} Sentenced
Bennaterra Gaetano	} to Death.
	" "

3. AGRIGENTO.

Prestigiacomo Vincenzo fu Salvatore	Agrigento.
Prestigiacomo Federico fu Salvatore.	"
Ferrante Andrea fu Gaetano	"
Trapani Francesco fu Salvatore	"
Citaristi Giovanni di Biagio	"
Gracoli Salvatore di Giulio	"
Cina Filippo di Giuseppe	"
Citaristi Vito di Francesco Paolo	"

4. MESSINA.

Abbate Salvatore di Antonino	MESSINA.
Mineo Salvatore fu Salvatore	"
Fasone Francesco di Francesco	"

5. MESSINA.

Lauria Vincenza di Nunzio	MESSINA.
Cammareri Chiara fu Giuseppe	"
Lococo Rosalia di Leonardo	"

American Transport Officer.
British Transport Officer.

1. With effect from 1730 hrs. on 1 October 43, the night duty truck, which has so far been found each night by the British Transport Officer, will be detailed by American and British Transport Officers respectively during the first and second halves of each month on the following roster:-

American Transport Officer - from 1730 hrs. on the 1st day of each month to 0600 " " 16th " "
British Transport Officer - from 1730 hrs. on the 16th day of each month to 0600 " " 1st " " the succeeding month.

2. When they are responsible for providing the duty truck Transport Officers will arrange to have the telephone in their garage manned and will detail a truck (Jeep or 1U) with driver to stand by in the garage between 1730 hrs. and 0600 hrs. daily.

3. This truck will turn out only on the orders of the Duty Officer at this H.Q., who will telephone for it to the appropriate garage:

American Garage - Telephone 16732
British Garage - Telephone 13131

4. When called out the driver will report at once with his truck to the main entrance at this H.Q. where the Duty Clerk will hand him a written requisition signed by the Duty Officer in the following form:-

"To Duty Driver:

You will proceed to _____ hrs. for the purpose of reporting there at _____ hrs. On completion of this journey you will return to your garage and report your return by telephone to the Duty Officer (Telephone 15689-90)

Date _____

Signed _____
Duty Officer, AEF H.Q.

5. Transport officers will instruct each driver that he will return with his truck while it is outside AEF H.Q. as there is no night military guard there.

6. The Transport Dispatch Office will close at 1730 hrs. daily. After that time no "pool" vehicle, other than the duty truck will leave the American or British Garage except in case of emergency and then only on orders given personally by the Duty Officer or the Transport Officer concerned.

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British Transport Officer - from 0800 hrs. on the 15th day of each month to 0800 " " " let " " the succeeding month.

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Date _____

Signed _____
Duty Officer, AMOT H.Q.

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5. Transport officers will instruct each driver that he will remain with his truck while it is outside AMOT H.Q. as there is no night military guard there.

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Wm
CHARLES H. STOWARD,
COLONEL, R.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to Staff Capt. " " who will please notify Duty Officers of these instructions.
Transport Dispatch Office.

BY EAST AIR.

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Traffic Accident Forms.

AMCOT/228/YO.

Officer Commanding
13 Adv. Stationary Depot,
Catania. (through SCAO Catania.)

30 Sep. 3.

1. It appears that special Traffic Accident Forms (AF A3681 (ENG-IT)) should be used in this theatre, although no instructions as to their use can be traced at this H.Q.
2. Will you therefore please:-
 - (a) Supply urgently to this H.Q. (through SCAO Catania) 1,000 copies of this army form;
 - (b) State, if possible, what instructions have been issued for their use; and
 - (c) In particular whether they are to be carried on American as well as British vehicles.

W. M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to SCAO - Catania, who will please have this letter delivered and forward the Army Forms as quickly as possible to this H.Q.

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7-1001
Abandoned Property - Albergo dei Templi.

6028/CP.

Assistant Controller of Property
through SGAO Agrigento Province.

30 Sept 3.

The Inventory forwarded with your Declaration of Custody A-9 is of a very summary nature, and you are requested to arrange for a detailed inventory of all the contents of the Albergo dei Templi, to be prepared in duplicate as soon as practicable. One copy should be forwarded to this office in due course.

Lieut-Colonel
Controller of Property 345

Float

ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY
AMFA

Ref: AMFA/BA/5.

Palermo
29th Sept. 43.

Subject : Bank Account "AMFA" - Exchange Service Store.

To : Banco di Sicilia, Palermo.

1. The above account is being closed.

2. An account is being opened to be designated "AMFA - Army Exchange Service, I.S.S." against which you will please honor checks drawn by Major B.T. Strawn alone. You will also honor checks against this account by authorized officers of AMFA whose signatures you now hold.

OK
Lt. Col. AUS.
AMFA.

Ja
Lt. Comdr. U.S.N.R.
AMFA.

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Baroa del Sud Loan applications.

AMCZ/2087/P.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.C. Syracuse Province.

30 Sep. 3.

1. The credit applications submitted do not require the approval of the G.F.I. if such advances are made against "new deposits".
2. If advances not made against "new deposits", A.M.F.A. must supply required funds for such loans under new credit agreement.
3. General Order now in preparation to lift all Banking restrictions on or about 6th October, which will enable banks to pay deposits unrestricted and also collect loans in full by abrogation of debt moratorium in same General Order also, "Assegni" and "Vaglie" will be paid.
4. Therefore, it would seem that the Bank in question could await publication of General Order about 6th October, and then make its credit allowances without prior approval required of this office.
5. It is contemplated that AMFA funds already committed to the Banks will meet their needs for withdrawals unrestricted, payment of "Assegni", "Vaglie", and credit requirements for customer loans.

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J.R. KNIGHT.
Major.
Controller of Financial Institutions.

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Credito Agraria of Banca di Sicilia.

AMSCOT/2087/P.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Agrigento Province.

30 Sep. 3.

43. Reference your letter AG/F/1000.15 dated 28th Sep.

1. Banks may make agrarian loans out of its own funds representing collections subsequent to moratorium and also to extent of 50% of new deposits, if any.

2. General Order now in preparation lifting all restrictions on Bank operations on or about 6th October. Also, moratorium on all debts irrespective of amounts is to be abrogated. Also, payment of "Assegni", and "Vaglie" by bank of issue will be included.

3. Therefore, on or about 6th October, all Banks will be restored to their normal operating basis which will answer above problem also.

4. It is contemplated that the Banks will not require more funds from A.M.F.A. for this purpose over and above the amounts already committed to the Banks by A.M.F.A. and new deposits will substantially exceed withdrawals and the payment of Assegni, Vaglie, etc. In fact, we expect much of this latter paper to be converted into Bank deposits.

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J.R. KNIGHT.
Major.
Controller of Financial Institutions

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Subject: Provincial & Communal Budgets.

AM-OT/2036/F.

AM-OT II. O. SICILY.

29 Sep. 43.

To: S.C.A.Os.
F.Os.
R.Os.

The normal period at which the Provincial and Communal Budgets (Bilancio di Previsione) are prepared is September or October of each year. These budgets are drawn up in the Commune by the Sindaco and his advisors, and in the Province by the Prefect and the Giunta. Commune budgets become the subject of discussion and adjustment by the Provincial Prefetto.

It is most urgent that you request each C.A.O. in your Province to instruct Communes to prepare their Bilancias at once, in the customary fashion. Similar instructions should be given to Provincial officials, for the Provincial Bilancio.

When these budgets are submitted for approval to the Prefetto, they should be accompanied with brief comment by the C.A.O., but preparation of the budget should be the responsibility of the Italian officials. At the Provincial level the F.O. and R.O. will examine and approve with advice of the Prefetto.

Prompt execution of this instruction is most important in order to institute effective control of funds being advanced throughout the occupied territory, and will also forcibly draw the attention of Italian officials to the need for enforcing the tax laws.

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R.B. MENAPACE,
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

C.S.O.

Did you see this before now?

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Flaet
SUBJECT: Posting Clerks

TO: Director of Public Health

Reference your 3006/HQ dated 12/9/43.

Pte. Grainger has reported to Caltanissetta for duty as requested.

Al. Harris
Staff Captain

Flaet
M T/341/HQ
AMCOT HQ SICILY
29 September 1943

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Closing of Prisons.

S.C.A.O. Trapani.

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AMOT/1096/P8

29 September 3

In continuation of this office letter AMOT/1096/P8 dated 12 September, 1945, authority is given for closing of prisons at PACHANA and MAZARA del VALLO, ~~and~~ for prisoners with sentences of over 30 days to be transferred to CASTELVERNANO, and for closing prison at BRICE, prisoners from there to be sent to CASTELVERNANO.

These 3 prisons will be maintained only as local "lock-up" prisons for unrried prisoners and for detention of prisoners serving a sentence of 30 days and under.

[Signature]
IMMUEL L. BOLLES
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of
Public Safety.

Copy to :

Chief Director

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SUBJECT : Closing of Prisons.

Hoat

ASDOT/1096/PS

ASDOT H.Q. SICILY

29 September, 1943.

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TO : S.C.A.P.O.
Province of Palermo (through S.C.A.O.)

Reference this H.Q. letter ASDOT/1096/PS dated 14 September, 1943 and S.C.A.O. reply CP/CPH/rx dated 16 September, 1943.

1. Authority is given for the under-mentioned prisons to be closed at an early date.

BOSSONINO
MISURINA
MISTRINO
GEMMI
CAVATONE
BEMOQUINO
PITRE

To close to Central Prison, Palermo.

USINA
MONTICCHIONE
CULANNO
CISAPU
CACCIO
ALTA

To close to Prison at TESSINI ^EDEGLI.

2. The Chief Director will arrange details for closing direct with Palermo, but it will take some time to carry out the moves owing to transportation.

3. The prisons to be closed will each have a warden left in charge to care for the prisoners, and act as warden when occasions arise.

4. These prisons can still be used for confinement of untried prisoners in the locality and convicted prisoners sentenced to a term of imprisonment of 30 days and under.

5. When communications open up, complete closing of the places can then be more fully carried out.

[Signature]
LEONARD L. BULLOCK
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of
Public Safety.

Copy to Chief Director, who is authorized to arrange for removal of prisoners direct with prisons concerned.

ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY
AMFA

Palermo
30 Sept. 43.

Subject: Shortage in Deposit L. 20,000
To : Banco di Sicilia.

1337

1. In the ten deposits made to the account of "AMFA-Army Exchange service, I.B.S.", on September 29 there was a shortage of L. 20,000. AMFA has counted its cash and finds it in balance.

2. It is believed that the error is one of accounting among these ten deposits by the cashier of the Banco di Sicilia because he was at first unable to give receipts for much larger amounts. If so, it should be revealed in his general cash balance for the day.

3. If your cashier should be "over" in the amount of L. 20,000, this sum belongs to AMFA.

4. Please inform AMFA of final accounting.

AN
Major, OMP
Acting Cashier AMFA.

1335

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

Pass-Books.

Bank of Sicily,
Palermo.

Gentlemen,

Two passbooks have been handed us for accounts to Banco di Sicilia, Agencio di Bagheria, No. 901 in the name of Segretario Amministrativo del foocio, and No. 909 in the name **1836** Nucleo Universitario Fascista. Please see that these two accounts are blocked, and advise me of your action.

Very truly yours,

J.R. KNIGHT.

Major.

Controller of Financial Institutions.

Noal

AMGOT/243/F.

30 Sep. 3.

Assignment of Airplane & Pilot.

7601 2354
AMCOT/308/HQ.

M.G.S. - A.F.H.Q.
thru G.O.C. in C. - 15 Army Group.

29 Sep. 3.

1. Request that an airplane, approximately five places, with pilot be assigned to this H.Q.
2. An airbase with facilities is available.
3. Forward zones administered by this H.Q. are quite active and progressively further forward while rear areas continue to require administration. Any communication by land or sea is extremely slow and difficult. Lack of rapid means of communication seriously hampers effective control. This H.Q. now controls three regions of considerable area, with a fourth now being organized. This in addition to those officers with tactical units. Continuous expansion is required as tactical units advance. Effective control without communications is impossible.
4. It is urgently requested that an airplane and pilot be assigned immediately.

For the Commanding General.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. STOFFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

1335

FAST AIR

Shipment of Sulphur

Major George Monk, Supply Officer
Through: S.C.A.O. Catania

AMCOT/5013/ES

30 Sept.

1331

1. The schooner ALMA is due to arrive at Catania Oct. 1 or Oct. 2 to take on a load of sulphur for Tunisia. T/4 Anthony Visco will be on board and will contact your office upon arrival.
2. You are directed to see that the sulphur now loaded at three warehouses in Catania is loaded on board up to its capacity of approximately 175 tons.
3. Inclosed is a communication to the Catania Manager of the Consorzio Per I Magazzini Generali della Sicilia from the General Manager here giving instructions for moving sulphur. Will you provide such help with transportation as is needed to get the ship loaded.
4. It is understood that this sulphur does not now belong to the Ente Solfi Siciliani which directs the work of the Consorzio Per I Magazzini Generali della Sicilia. Will you therefore arrange for the turning over of the sulphur to the Consorzio and we will pay the Ente here. They will, in turn, reimburse the Ente the amounts due them after deducting hauling and other expenses.
5. The shipment should be consigned to the North African Economic Board, Tunisia. We have advised the consignee through AMCOT who originally requested shipment.

WLB/jkl

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

FAST AIR

Hand
BY FAST AIR.

Broadcasts from Sicily.

AMGOT/19/HQ

M.C.S.,
A.F.H.Q.

30. Sept. 3.

Reference your Cable No. 9735 of 26. Sept. 43.

1. Palermo radio has already started regular broadcasts to Italy, including talks to Italian Provinces in the provincial dialects.
2. Beginning Thursday, October 7th, there will be a weekly talk called "NUOVA ITALIA" given by prominent Sicilians on the lines suggested in the cable under reference.

1333

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

Copy to: AMGOT LIAISON,
15 Army Group.

Enemy State and Fascist Properties,
Agrigento

6045/CP.

Assistant Controller of Property
through SOAO Agrigento Province

30 Sept 3.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letters ref 1003/EG/Ag and 1004/EG/Ag both dated 26 Sept 43. My letters, to which they are in reply, are returned herewith for your files.
2. With reference to the Property Serial No. A 6, as to which you say there is some question as to the actual ownership, you will no doubt bear in mind that if it is found to belong to the Province, it should not be retained in custody.
3. It is noted that the movables are being valued, and that the valuations will be forwarded to this office in due course.

1332

uM
Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

MOST SECRET

AMGOT 2061/F
30 SEPTEMBER, 1943.

1331

CAPTAIN L. FRAMTON
REGION NUMBER 2

SUBJECT: PRIVATE INSURANCE COMPANIES

(1) The following is an extract from letter from the High Command/

"Events since the invasion have served as further indications of the importance to the intelligence service of examining insurance records carefully. Italian Insurance Agencies preserve much fuller records of the construction, measurement, and extent of insured properties than American Companies do. It is, therefore, suggested that whenever possible the Agencies here listed should be searched by competent personnel immediately on occupation of the towns in which they are located".

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Major
Controller of Financial Institutions.

Wrongly addressed
with reply

Final
REF. 2502 / F

AMGOT HEADQUARTERS

Palermo 30 September 1943

Subject: Social Insurance.

To Finance Officer (Through S.C.A.O.)

CATANIA, SIRACUSA, TRAPANI, AGRIGENTO,
CAITANISSETTA, and TRAPANI.

1° In S.A.I. N°5 dated 25 August, paragraph 6, certain information was requested relating to the general financial position of each Social Insurance Institute, to be forwarded to Amgot Headquarters for the information of the C.F.I.

2° To facilitate matters a letter was also sent to the various Institutions setting out the information required to expedite an early resumption of their activities.

3° Capt. Frampton of the Insurance Section in his recent tour of the Provinces explained to all concerned the type of information required.

4° We are still without the requisite information from certain Provinces including that administered by you and this is holding up the arrangements for the resumption of Social Insurance activities which play an important part in the lives and welfare of the people.

5° In order to assist you a form has been devised setting out simply the particulars required from each Social Insurance Institution concerned.

6° Will you therefore be good enough to pass these forms to the Institutions in your Province with an instruction that they are to be completed immediately returned to you for onward transmission to these Headquarters.

R. M. M. M. M.

Lt. Col.

Deputy Chief Financial Officer

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R. H. M. S. P.
Lt. Col.

Deputy Chief Financial Officer

Italian Naval Officer.

Vice Admiral
HALFA

ARLOR/319/121

30th September 3

1. An enquiry has been received from a prominent Sicilian who is cooperating with A.M.C. regarding the whereabouts of his son Ensign ARRIGO.
2. This Ensign was a Cadet at the Leghorn Naval College and received his commission at about the time of the signing of the Allied-Italian Armistice.
3. Information is requested as to whether ~~Ensign~~ Ensign ARRIGO sailed with the Italian fleet for Allied Ports or whether he was retained at Leghorn.
4. It is suggested that the Royal Naval Authorities at Malta will be able to contact an Italian authority who would have nominal rolls of Italian Naval Officers who sailed to Allied ports.
5. Any information you can give will be very much appreciated.

CHARLES L. HOPKINS
Colonel, C.B.E.
Chief Staff Officer.

1329

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

Annual Beast Fair.

S.C.A.O.
Galtanissetta Province.

30th September

3

Your Galt Prov/Police of 27th September is not understood.

The message referred to in your postscript was received on 23rd September and the undersigned informed Major Giles by telephone the next day that the fair could proceed and that the Carabinieri H.Q. would send extra police for the occasion.

[Signature]
R. M. J. MARTIN,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety.

1328

Hoat

AMGOT/1156/PB

Inspection of PALERMO Fire Brigade.

Comandante BIGI,
Corpo Vigili del Fuoco,
PALERMO.

29 September 3

I have read with interest your memorandum of 28 September reporting the visit of Colonel A.E. YOUNG to the Headquarters of the Corpo under your Command, and am glad to learn that Colonel YOUNG, like myself, was pleased with everything he saw.

LEWIS L. BOLLER,
Colonel, Infantry,
(Commissioner of Public Safety
(Capo Reparto della Pubblica Sicurezza)

1327

7401

Reports from Region II.

G.O.C.-in-C.,
15 Army Group.

AMGOT/91/HQ

30. Sept. 3.

1. In continuation of AMGOT/91/HQ of 24. Sept. 43, copies of two further reports are forwarded for information. Additional copies are enclosed for forwarding to MGS., A.F.H.Q., if so desired.
2. In the absence of the G.C.A.O. from H.Q., Gp. Capt. Benson's instructions that officers will not be stationed in cities which are in the sole possession of organized Italian Units have been confirmed.

CS

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

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Confiscation Order Dated 29 Sept.

266/HQ

S.C.A.O., Palermo

30 Sept.

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1. The order dated 29 September 1943 which was issued without consultation with this HQ raises, I am advised, several legal questions. Also, there may be policy questions involved for submission to AFHQ.

2. Until these questions can be considered and determined by this and higher HQs you are directed that no action under the order be taken.

By order of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

1325

Copy to: Controller Property

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

Float

Entertainment Allowances - AMGOT Officers.

AMGOT/2064/P.

Brigadier R.A. Hamlyn, O.B.E.,
Chief Finance Division,
Arminston C.C.
A.F.H.Q.

30 Sep. 3.

Dear Brigadier Hamlyn,

In writing you on 28th September, 43, in response to the questions raised in your letter of 22nd September, I quoted from a recent memo by the C.C.A.O. but I neglected to add that the C.C.A.O. does not approve of granting Entertainment allowances to S.C.A.Os and C.A.Os.

When we can supply the answer to the other points in your letter, we shall be very pleased to do so.

R.B. Menapack
R.B. MENAPACK.
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

1324

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Application for Employment.

AMGOT/263/HQ

Miss Fedele Oliva,
c/o Signor Aiello,
Via Costantino Nigra 7,
PALESTRO.

30th September 8

With reference to your letter dated 24th September,
to AMGOT, it will be appreciated if you will call at my office,
Room 26, AMGOT Headquarters, 8, Via Bari, for an interview.

Please show this note at AMGOT entrance.

L. E. ZERVADACHI,
Captain,
For Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

1323

Flout

Italian Red Cross.

AMCOT/3011/10/PH

S.A.P.H.O., Agrigento
(through S.C.A.O.)

29 Sept. 3

Reference your 1020/H/AG dated 20 Sept., it is noted that the re-opening of a Red Cross Hospital at Agrigento is not considered necessary.

Apparently there was, however, a Red Cross Hospital previously in Agrigento. Could this Office please be informed of the disposal of that hospital's stores and equipment?

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

GMP/ja

BY AIR MAIL.

Floral

Vaccines.

AMCOT/3015/PL.

B.A.P.H.O. - Syracuse.

29 Sep. 3.

1. On Monday 4 October you are being sent by air to Cassibile:-
1 case Typhoid Vaccine - 600 x 50 ccs.
1 case Typhus Vaccine - 500 x 20 ccs.
2. Half of each consignment should be given to Ragusa and half to Syracuse.
3. Please arrange to meet the consignment and have it conveyed to cold storage.

D. Gordon Christie

D. GORDON CHRISTIE,
Colonel,
Director of Public Health.

Copy to Officer i/c Medical Store, Caltanissetta. Cost to be debited to each province.

1322

Short

Bank Employees Salaries.

AMCOT/2027/F.

Finance Officer,
through S.C.A.O. Catania Province.

30 Sep. 3.

Reference your letter dated 23 Sep. 43.

1. Documents submitted to you by Banks on question of increased salaries presents a matter of policy by this office.
2. This office feels strongly that such questions are matters of internal operations, and expenses which should be decided by the Bank Managers themselves.
3. Therefore, AMCOT is not taking a position in the matter, but leaving it to the Banks as an operating problem.

R. B. MENAPACE
R. B. MENAPACE,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

1321

Request for Railway Passes.
Public Safety Division.

AMGOT/5061/ES

29 Sept. 3.

1. Attached is a list of ^{four} ~~three~~ names of civilian employees of Ente Zolfi Siciliani, an organization working under the supervision of this Division, giving information as required in "procedure for Securing Railway Permits".
2. It is requested that passes be issued these employees.

JTB
JTB/tbw

83
JOHN T. ZELLARS,
Colonel, Infantry,
Acting Director Economics
and Supply Division.

float

1320

Stolen and Damaged Transport

Major Pearey (Attn: Lt. Zimmerman)

Fleet 217/89

20 Sept. 3

1. General Motherry has again asked what steps have been taken in regard to the jeep assigned to Col. Irish of Caltanissetta Province which was stolen some weeks ago.

2. Also, what has been done about the jeep assigned to Col. Story which was demolished in a recent accident. May I have a report forthwith.

C. S. O.

1319

Heat AMC/276/HQ.

Sale of U.S. Property.

C.C.A.O. Tropic.

30. Sept. 3.

1. You are directed to refund the monies collected from the following listed civilians in the sale of motor trucks by your Captain Philip C. Lewis :

a. Pizarra Alfonso	L. 30,000
b. Guzmanita Tabarbo	30,000
c. Uballi (Mississippi)	30,000
d. Dr. Lato Caroleme	20,000
e. Dr. Lato Caroleme	20,000
f. Calandirino Leonardo	20,000
g. Rana Bernando	20,000

2. The above listed sales were unauthorized and the trucks must be recovered and sales price refunded to the purchasers.

3. Trucks a, b, and c above, are now in possession of this headquarters. Whereabouts of the others are unknown.

By Command of Chief Civil Affairs Officer :

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Colonel, C.A.O.
Chief Staff Officer.

1318

FLAT
AMGOT/4034/L
AMGOT HQ. - SICILY.

29 Sep. 43.

SUBJECT: Records in Summary Court Cases.

To : All Legal Officers (through S.C.A.O.).

1. Summary Court Dockets have been distributed to each Provincial Legal Officer for use of the Summary Courts in his Province.

2. These dockets have been prepared with a view to lessen the amount of paper work required. Some general directions will systematize and make more uniform the use of these records.

3. It is contemplated that notes will be kept by the Summary Court Judge in all cases. Where there appears to be a possibility of an appeal or a sufficient reason for the submission of the complete record to this headquarters, such record will be prepared on Form 8 and submitted. In all other cases, the notes will be filed and the record of the case will appear on the Summary Court loose leaf pages. If it becomes necessary for any reason, a form #8 can be called for at a later date. Some of the categories of cases where a form #8 report is desired are as follows:

- (a) When a sentence of 90 days imprisonment or more, or a fine of 4000 Lire or more is imposed.
- (b) When the case involves new or complicated questions of law, without regard to the extent of the penalty imposed.
- (c) Where unusual leniency or severity in the sentence is deemed necessary.
- (d) Where there is an indication that an application for review may be filed.
- (e) Where the Summary Court Judge feels that, for any reason, the full record should be submitted to this headquarters.

4. There is no necessity of preparing a full record in categories of cases where the cases themselves are of minor nature and otherwise do not come within the provisions of paragraph 3, above, such as violations of the curfew law, blackout regulations and similar offences.

5. It is believed that the violations, of the price fixing regulations, food control program, thefts and possession of Allied Military property, interfering with telephone and telegraph lines, including the theft of wire, riots and public disturbances, attacks on Allied soldiers, sabotage or war crimes are sufficiently serious, in general, to warrant a substantial sentence or fine and should therefore have a full record submitted.

6. A form of an application for review is inclosed, printed copies of which will be available for distribution within a few days.

7. It is desired, that this form be used in all applications for review, and be submitted to the Senior Legal Officer of each Province for the addition of any fact or comment desired. Such application will be forwarded promptly to this office with all necessary records for an adequate review. This record will however, it is

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8. Records of convictions for misdemeanors and crimes, as far as practicable, should be obtained from the Carabinieri or other local sources and submitted with each case where a review is contemplated.

9. A substantial compliance with this directive by all concerned will render more efficient the work of this Legal Division.

By order of Chief Legal Officer:

W. R. Jordan
W. R. Jordan,
Lt. Col., CAC.,
Chief Judicial Officer.

Copy to File AMGOT/4026/L

Sept 29th

ROUTING SLIP.

~~C.C.A.O.~~
~~D.C.C.A.O.~~
C.S.O. *See*
A.C.S.O. *18*
Lt. Col. Clough *6*
~~Major Smith~~
~~Major McDougall~~ *WHL 30/9*
Major Pearcey *WHL 30/9*
Captain Talbot *WHL 30/9*
Captain Farrar *WHL 30/9*
~~Captain Sherwood~~
~~Captain Graham~~
Lieut. Van Heukelen
~~Lieut. Kuiper~~
~~P.R.O.~~
Advisor F.A. & M.
Education Officer.

REMARKS.

29/9/3.
Date

[Signature]
Registry.

1316

Bread and Pasta Rations

AMEOT/5024/AG

S.C.A.O. Agrigento

28 Sept. 3

1. With reference to your communication 1030/A/AG of 22nd Sept., the question raised was dealt with in a memorandum of 7 Aug. which stated that there was no objection to the substitution of pasta for bread, provided the pasta ration did not exceed 560 grammes per week and the total daily ration of bread and pasta did not exceed 340 grammes.

2. In making any adjustment account should be taken of the fact that the weight of bread is about 20% greater than the weight of flour used to produce it, and, consequently, any increase in pasta rations will be correspondingly less than the amount of the bread ration which it replaces.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

JC/jfl

J. CHAYTON
Major
Director Agricultural
Division

1315

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

Medical Supplies - Prisons.

S.A.P.H.O., Agrigento
(through S.C.P.O.)

Illegale
AMCOT/3002/PH

28 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prison:

Central Agrigento

Average No. of Prisoners--400

Gordon Chene

GORDON CHENE

Colonel

Director of Public Health.

CEP/ja

1314

7 float

Subject: Civilian Interviews and Functions of C.P.

6062/CP.

To : All S.C.A.Os and Heads of Divisions.

AMGOT HQ SICILY

28 September 43.

There would appear to be considerable misunderstanding as to the precise functions of the Controller of Property, and your attention is directed to Proclamation No. 6, in which such functions are clearly defined.

It should be particularly noted that the Controller of Property is not concerned with the following matters :-

Requisitioning.
Billeting, whether of Army or Civilian personnel.
Damage to properties belonging to local inhabitants.
Compensation for War Damage.
Claims and Hirings.

The above matters have in many cases been referred to the C.P or his assistants, with a consequent loss of time.

DISTRIBUTION

S.C.A.Os Agrigento.	1	File 266 & 6001	2
Caltanissetta	1	Float	1
Catania	1	Divisions	12
Enna	1	Staff Capt "A"	1
Palermo	1	Information Office	1
Ragusa	1	Lieut. Guarino. A.A.	1
Syracuse	1	Spares	15
Trapani	1	AMGOT 5th Army Region	3 (10)
Messina	1	AMGOT 8th Army Region	2 (10)
		M.G.S., A.F.H.Q.,	(12)

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Col., G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

1313

Float

To: Lieut. G. S., F.O., Agrigento.
Subject: Application for Credit Line from
Cassa Rurale ed Artigiana "S. Francesco",
Canicatti.

Enclosed is a letter dated 26/8/43 which reached me only on 23/9/43. We regret that after consultation with the S.A.B.O. we cannot favourably consider the application of the above institution for a Credit line of Lire 383,918,.35. From a banker's point of view this does not appear to be a good loan, but it may be that this Cassa Rurale will be able to borrow what they need from one or other of the larger banks in your province by putting up acceptable collateral.

Will you kindly return the enclosed letter to the CAO Canicatti with the request that he explain verbally to the applicant our position in the matter, and that he pass on our suggestion regarding the possibility of obtaining the Credit from a Sicilian bank against collateral. 1312

AMFA 28 Sept. 43.

(Over)
O. V. CLAIBORNE
Lt-Col.
Acting Vice Chief of AMFA. PTO

Float

To: LIONEL PARENTE, Captain
F.O. Caltanissetta.
Subject: Loan Agreement and figures of Cassa Rurale ed Artigiana
"S. Giuseppe", Compefranco.

Referring to your letter of 24/9/43. We regret to inform you that after consultation with the S.A.B.O. we cannot favourably consider the application of the above institution for a Credit line of L. 500,000. From a banker's point of view this does not appear to be a good loan, but it may be that this Cassa Rurale will be able to borrow what they need from one or other of the larger banks in your province by putting up acceptable collateral. We are returning the Credit Agreement herewith and would appreciate your handing it back to the Bank of Sicily, Caltanissetta explaining verbally to them our position in the matter.

AMFA 28 Sept. 43.

CL
O.V. CLAIBORNE 1311
Lt-Col.
Acting Vice Chief of AMFA.

PTO

Since writing this letter I have had a talk with the C.F.I.
It is felt that these small cases should appeal to their
usual source of credit, i.e., Bank of Sicily or Banco di Napoli,
or other native banks other than Bank of Italy. If they cannot
obtain anything even on a secured basis, they may be willing to
grant them a special loan under conditions to be determined. The
point is that we don't want these small banks to be forced out of
business if we can avoid it.
I have also had a talk with the C.F.I. regarding the
situation of the above institution for
a credit line of \$1,000,000. From a banker's point of view this
does not appear to be a good loan, but it may be that this loan
will be able to provide what they need from one or other of
the larger banks in your province by putting up acceptable collateral.
We are retaining the credit agreement however and would
appreciate your handling it back to the Bank of Sicily, Calabrese
explaining briefly to them our position in the matter.

1311
G.V. ALBRORE
13-5-61
Acting Vice Consul of USA

ANKA 28 Sept. 61

AMCOT HQ.
Postal Section

Float
AMCOT/2067F

28 September 1943

SUBJECT: Salaries of Post Officials.

TO : The Revenue Officer AMCOT, Trapani.

Re your inquiry of September 26 regarding repayment of employees who are engaged on a day to day basis. It has come under notice that certain such employees have actually been on the Post Office staff for twenty to thirty years and, as indicated in para. 3 of the reference to S.C.A.O.s No.2001/F of September 7th, all employees who are "engaged on a more or less permanent footing" should continue to be paid. Only any employed in a temporary stop-gap capacity should be excluded.

S. H. HEND
Major
Postal Section

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7007
AFMOT H.Q. SIGNATURE

20 Sep. 43.

122007/208/V.

Dear Brigadier Haulyn,

I am replying to your letter of 22nd September, addressed to Colonel Crafty-Smith, as he is absent on a trip, and will not return for a week or so.

On the question of Entertainment, I quote the following extract from a recent memo by the G.C.A.A.C.

"The Directive of the Combined Chiefs of Staff laid down that the administration of this Island was to be beneficent, and that the Allied troops had come as liberators. From this it would be difficult, even if it were practicable, to suggest that no social contacts should exist between AFMOT Officers and the local population. Indeed, I do not think that such a measure would be either reasonable or desirable, inasmuch as the administration is to be, as far as possible, indirect, and Italians who are capable and competent are to be used in conducting the administration, under the general guidance of my Officers. It is therefore necessary that they shall have contacts which will enable them to judge the quality of Italians whom they meet and their possible utility in the administration.

I say, however, of the opinion that contacts of a purely social nature are neither becoming nor desirable. I should be particularly apprehensive of difficulties arising from the entertainment of AFMOT Officers by Italians and, as you know, I have warned all Officers of the dangers of this in the courses which were held at Chiese. In any event, social activities such as appear to be suggested exist and are inappropriate in time of war in occupied territory.

My general conclusion is that social contacts with Italians should be left to those persons and occasions from which a useful result may be expected from the point of view of the administration, and that they should not be encouraged or indulged in merely as a form of amusement".

No directive has as yet been laid down on this subject, but there has been considerable discussion and we are awaiting copies of orders from PORTSMOUTH on some points involved. As soon as a definite policy has been established we shall communicate it to you.

Your letter will in any case be referred to Colonel Crafty-Smith upon his return.

Yours,

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Yours,

Brigadier R.A. Harlyn, C.B.E.,
Chief Finance Division,
Armistice C.C.
Tinned Quon,
A.P.M.C.

Here spoken Col Harlyn of above

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Tobacco Seed for Export

AMT/5039/ES

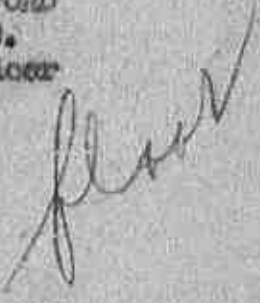
AMH: (Attention MES, Capt. Todd)

28 Sept.

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1. Reference your cable 25 Sept. 43, No. 9208.
2. There apparently is no Solento tobacco seed or exogovina Gigante available for export from Sicily. These products are normally imported into Sicily and there are at present no stocks in Palermo. The Tobacco Monopoly is investigating this subject for us and should they discover any seed, you will be informed immediately.

HCH/jfz


CHARLES H. SPOFFORD
Colonel, C. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer


1308

BY FIRST AIR.

Flax.

A.M. Lire requirements.

M.C.S.
A.P.H.S.

ABD/2062/P.

25 Sep. 3.

Reference your 2499 dated 25th Sep 43. The position of A.M.P.A. is as follows:-

(Figures in Millions of Lire)

Cash in A.M.P.A. Palermo.	1,346
Balances in current account Bank of Sicily, Palermo.	86
Balances in current account in 3 other Provincial Branches Bank of Sicily.	676

Estimated needs to end October.

British Army.
American Army.
A.M.S. needs in Sicily.

1307

1,000
500
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The only other foreseeable requirements for Sicily, redemption of Yellow Seal Dollars and B.M.A. Notes when these are called in.

Region 2 is requesting about 600 million for unrestricted opening of banks outside of Apulia. Col. Grafton-Smith is now in Region 2, and is expected to return in about a week.

For your information we attach two copies of A.M.P.A. Balance Sheet at close of business 27.9.43. Please pass one on to Lt-Col. Bernstein.

[Signature]
A.D. MEYER.
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

Reference your 9479 dated 25th Sep 43. The position of
A.M.F.A. is as follows:-

(Figures in Millions of lire)

Cash in A.M.F.A. Palermo.	1,346
Balances in current account Bank of Sicily, Palermo.	86
Balances in current account in 9 other Provincial branches Bank of Sicily.	676

Notified needs to end October:

1307

British Army.
American Army.
A.M.G. needs in Sicily.

1,000
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Copy to A.M.F.A.

[Signature]
S.E. MONTAGNA
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

Medical Supplies - Prisons.

5607/3002/PH

S.A.P.H.O., Trapani
(through S.C.A.O.)

23 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

<u>Prison</u>	<u>Average No. of Prisoners.</u>
Central Trapani	50
Central Arice	100

Guarizella begi 1306

D. GORDON GEMME
Colonel
Director of Public Health

GMF/ja

Medical Supplies - Prisons

S.A.F.H.O., Syracuse.
(through S.O. .O.)

Hand

AMCH/3002/31

28 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Stores be held at the following prisons:

Prisons
Central New
Central Syracuse

Average No. of Prisoners.
500
300

G. W. Frizell

G. W. Frizell
Colonel

Director of Public Health. 1305

EMF/ja

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Float

Co-operation with
Civil Material Practitioner
S.A.P.H.O., Syracuse
(Through S.C.A.O.)

AMGOT/3005/PH

28 Sept. 3

Attached copy of letter from DIMS No. 1 District, passed
to you for action please.

D. Gordon Chester

D. GORDON CHESTER
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

1304

Shoes for carabinieri

AMEOT/5026/ES

Public Safety Division
(Attention: Major B. J. Hefford)

28 Sept. 3

1. There are only limited supplies of shoes available for civilians. These are, however, sufficient to meet the demands of the carabinieri and Guardia Finanza, but black market operators are holding them off the market. If the civilian police will locate stocks of leather or shoes, the Civilian Supply Division will assist in getting them into the hands of the police.

2. The Army is not releasing captured Italian shoes to civilians and therefore this source of supply is closed.

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JOHN T. ZILLARS
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director Economics
and Supply Division

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Medical Supplies - Prisons.

S.A.P.H.O., RAGUSO
(through S.O.A.O.,

Plot
MMT/502/71
23 Sept.

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The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be sent at the following prisons:

Prisons
Central Prison
Central Prison

Average No. of Prisoners.

100
200

Guarigelle

f D. GORDON CHILDS
Colonel
Director of Public Health

1302

GMF/ja

Floral

Medical Supplies - Prisons,
S.A.P.H.O., Palermo.
(through S.A.T.S.)

ASST/SCD/CM

Sept. 28 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

Prison
Central - Palermo
Female - "
Reformatory Minerva
Central Tormini Inzerici

Average No. of Prisoners.

1000
400
200
500

1301

Guido M. Inzerici
Colonel
Director of Public Health

CMH/ja

Medical Supplies - Prisons.
S.A.S.H. (S. Messing)
(through S.C.A.S.)

REC-3002/11

28 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

Prisons
Central Messing
Central Thompson
Central Matretha

Average No. of Prisoners.
300
230
200

for *Guantanamo Bay*
D. CONNOR CHASE
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

GLP/ja

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Medical Supplies - Prisons.

S.A.P.H.C., Messina
(through S.C.A.C.)

AMROS/3002/PM

26 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

Prisons
Central Messina
Central Thaurina
Central Mistratto

Average No. of Prisoners.

300
250
250

for *Guarigione* *Major*
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

CLH/3a

Medical Supplies - Prisons

ANDOT/3002/PI

S.A.F.H.O., Catania
(through S.C.A.O.)

28 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

<u>Prison</u>	<u>Average No. of Prisoners</u>
Central Catania	300
Central Caltagirone	100
Central Asinole	100

Guarigella Maggi

F.D. GORDON CHATRE

Colonel

Director of Public Health

1300

GM/ja

Medical Supplies - Prisons

S.A.P.H.O., Enna
(through S.O.A.O.)

AMCOT/3002/18

28 Sept. 3

The Commissioner of Public Safety has requested that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

Prisons
Central Enna
Central Nicosia

Average No. of Prisoners.
300
100

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D. GORDON CHICHE
Colonel

Director of Public Health

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GMF/ja

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Medical supplies - Prison
S.A.P.M.C. (Cantonment)
(through S.C.I.A.)

Shook
23 Sept. 5

The Commissioner of Public Safety has reported that Medical Supplies be held at the following prisons:

Prisons
Central Cantonment
Infirmary S. Castle

Average No. of Discoveries
300
100

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S. C. C. C. C. C.
O. Local
Director of Public Health

GDP/ja

Progress Report.

H-1
ARJOT/3670/HK

O/c Medical Store,
Caltanissetta.

Sept. 23 3

Reference your 13/2/43 dated 20 Sept., enclosing progress re-
port.

Para. 5. - While payment of your employees is made by the prov-
ince, it is understood that the cost is debited to the Central Government.
Will you please confirm that this is correct?

Para. 8. - Copies of lists of contents of medicines supplied to
various provinces should be forwarded to this HQ.

D. Gordon Centre 1297

D. GORDON CENTRE
Colonel
Director of Public Health

GME/ja

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Medical Supplies.

O I/c C.M.S., Cantonment.

28 Sept. 3

S.A.S.M.O. Trepuri reports shortage of x-ray films and clinical thermometers. If any are available kindly forward. It is suggested that they could be conveyed by courier service.

Guajala Muri
for
D. GORDON GIBBON
Colonel
Director of Public Health

GMV/ja

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Local Rank & Charge Pay.

O i/c Medical Store, Caltanissetta.

File
AMCOT/3006/IR

28 Sept. 3

Reference your Miso/43 dated 15 Sept.
If you can afford this Office the authority, i.e. Pay warrant, Army order
A.C.I. and for granting local rank and charge pay, your request will re-
ceive favorable consideration.

[Signature]
D. GORDON CHRYMS

Colonel

Director of Public Health.

1295

GMF/ja

ANGOT/5083/AG

Supply Information Return.

Supply Officer,
Thru S.C.A.O., Agrigento Province.

28 Sept. 3

1. Reference the above Return submitted 24 Sept. 43.

Will you please confirm that the following figures are correct:

- a. Producers (including their families) retaining 250 kg. - - - - - 94,485
- b. Landlords (including their families) retaining 175 kg. - - - - - 165,315

2. The question is raised as other Provinces show a ratio of Producers to Landlords of approximately 5 to 1.

GFP/tbm

J. CHAYTON,
Major,
Director, Agricultural
Division.

1294

Heat

Petitions.

AMCOT/1022/PS

S.C.A.P.O. SIRACUSE.
(Through S.C.A.O.).

29 September, 3

The attached petitions for early liberation of BELLINO
PARLO and BELLINO GIUSEPPE have been received here and are
forwarded to you in order that they may be considered and
submitted for consideration should recommendation for early
release be suggested.

W *AKOT*
LEAHY, L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

1293

Plot

Corpo Vigili del Fuoco
Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Catania Province.

NDOT/2018/Y.

29 Sep.

3.

Reference your letter of 21st September, 43.

The funds for the payments of Corpo Vigili del Fuoco, which is a state organisation, should be advanced to the Royal State Treasurer, as it is best for State payrolls to the fullest extent possible to be paid through the State Treasurer.

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R. H. H.
R. H. H. H. H. H.
Lieut-Colonel.,

Plot
Payment of Civilian Labour.

ANOT/2072/F.

S.C.A.C.
Syracuse Province.

29 Sep. 3.

Reference your letter P03/155 dated 25th September, 43, regarding the payment of wages to civilian employees in your Mess. This whole question of what expenses ANOT Officers may or may not pay has not been settled as yet. There are a number of points on which we are awaiting orders from higher levels.

I regret that we shall have to put off answering your question until the policy can be laid down.

Ran
R.B. MURPHY.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Flat

Bank of Italy, Treasury Department.

AMKCE/2018/P.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.C. Catania Province.

29 Sep 3.

With reference to your letter of 21st September, 43,
I think this must be the same matter about which you telephoned
me. It is quite in order for the Treasury Department of the Bank
of Italy to pay sums to the Prefecture out of its lire holdings.

R. B. M.
R. B. MERAPAGE,
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Anti Sindacali.

Finance Officer
through S.G.A.O. Syracuse Province.

29 Sep

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Reference your letter of 25th September, 43, the
payment of the salaries of employees of confederations degli
Industriali and similar organisations for July and August, (which
presumably covers the time up to their extinction) is authorised.

R.D.M.
R.D. MCHADDER,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

1289

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Restoration of Civil Communication Services.

TO: Chief Signal Officer.

No. 1 District, Catania (FORTBASE)

FILE No. AMGOT/10027/TCU

AMGOT HQ., SICILY

28 Sept. 1943

1. All of the civil telephone exchanges in the Provinces of Messina, Catania, Siracusa, Ragusa and Enna except the exchange in the town of Augusta have been released for civilian management, operation and maintenance in accordance with our directive to Ing. Tagliavia dated 22 September, 1943, a copy of which has been forwarded to you.

2. Ing. Tagliavia of Catania, as Director of S.E.T., has informed me that his Company has no wiping solder or stearine to use in repairing cables which have been damaged.

3. Should these cables be exposed to rain before being repaired the results will be very bad for civil communication services and any military organization which may be using S.E.T. facilities.

4. We have placed an order on AFHQ for this type of material but have not yet received any shipment. 1288

5. If possible, could your Royal Signals Q Organization furnish the S.E.T. through Ing. Tagliavia with approximately 200 kilograms of wiping solder and 50 kilograms of stearine to meet their immediate need for this repair material.

6. It is recommended that the S.E.T. be properly charged with the cost of furnishing such material as you are able to supply them.

7. We would like to be advised of any action you may take on this matter.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

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For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

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JED/tbw

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

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Production of Sera, Vaccines, Etc.
Captain Peobles, Civil Supply Division.

AMCOT/3015/HI

29 Sept. 3

Further to this Office AMCOT/3015/HI dated 21 Sept, it has now been discovered that the Sagone firm cannot produce biological preparations from its own resources and expects raw materials to be imported for its use.

As this is at present impossible, it is felt that the firm cannot be of much service to the Allied Government and that the supply of electricity recommended in the above mentioned letter is no longer required.

D. Gordon Chittenden 1287

D. GORDON CHITTENDEN
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

GMF/ja

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SUBJECT:-

Offer of Services for Bomb Disposal.

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AMGOT/1000/PS

AMUOT H.Q. SICILY

23th September 1943

TO:-

Superintendent of Civil Police.

The attached application received by the S.C.A.O., Caltanissetta Province, from one Maira Giuseppe offering his services in connection with the disposal of unexploded bombs etc., is forwarded in case General Samino may wish to make use of this applicant's services.

[Signature]

Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety.

Flout

Transport of Vaccines.

ANGOT/3015/11

Transport Officer.

29 Sept. 3

The Provinces of Sincoue and Regua have asked for supplies of Typhoid and Typhus Vaccines. As these materials have to be kept in a refrigerator, rapid transport is essential.

It is requested therefore that space be reserved in a plane going to Cassibile on Monday 4 October. The approximate weight is 350 lbs.

[Signature]

D. GORDON CHISHOLM
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

GMF/ja

ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY
A M F A

Float

Ref: AMFA/POL/6

Palermo
29 Sept 1943

Subject: Loan to Customer Banca del Popolo, Trapani.

To : Banca del Popolo, Trapani.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of 27 Sept. 43, concerning loan of L. 1,000,000 to the firm of Ludovico Foraci of Mazara del Vallo.

2. The Controller of Financial Institutions has no objections to this loan therefore if you will execute and forward in duplicate a Credit agreement for that amount AMFA will make funds available to you through the branch of the Banco di Sicilia at Trapani.

gm
GEORGE MORWOOD
Major, CMP
Acting Cashier AMFA.

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Released Prisoners of War - Reporting AMGOT/10004/TCU
by those employed by State Railway.

Director, Public Safety Division.

27 Sept. 3

1. The State Railway now has at least ten employees who are released prisoners of war who must present themselves every two weeks to CAO's in their home communes for purposes of checking.

2. This is an inconvenience to the rail system as it means that these men must be relieved from their normal duties and substitutes provided periodically.

3. It is requested that if possible all rail employees in this category working out of Palermo yards be permitted to present themselves for checking to the U.S. officer in charge of the Central Railway Station, Palermo.

GRM/tbw

[Signature]
L. D. DENMORE,
Lt. Col., S.C.,
Director of Transportation,
Communications & Utilities
Division.

1285

Flood

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Palermo Province

CP/MEH/nr

24 September 1943.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Major R.D. Hildebrand, Civil Affairs Officer, Marsala,
Trapani Province.

THRU : Chief Staff Officer- AMGOT HEADQUARTERS

1. Permit # 934 for truck #/9500-PA, referred to in your letter of September 12, 1943, was issued by this office, upon presentation of a written demand which was certified by Signore Titti, Head of the Sezione Provinciale dell'Alimentazione.

2. Since this permit was issued by us and the truck was used to bring needed products to Palermo, the truck should be re-turned at once.

1287

CHARLES POLETTI
Lt. Colonel

Senior Civil Affairs Officer

Ist. Ind.

Headquarters, AMGOT, Sicily 28 Sept., 1943.

TO : Major R.D. Hildebrand, Civil Affairs Officer, Marsala

Noted.

L.D. DENSMORE

Lt. Col. S.C.

Chief, Transportation,
Communications, and Utilities
Division.

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Lt. Colonel

Senior Civil Affairs Officer

Ist. Ind.

Headquarters, AMGOT, Sicily 28 Sept., 1943.

TO : Major R.D. Hildebrand, Civil Affairs Officer, Marsala

Noted.

L.D. DENSMORE

Lt. Col. S.C.

Chief, Transportation,
Communications, and Utilities
Division.

Float

Medical Supplies.

S.S.S.D.S. Trepani
(through B.C.A.D.)

AMCT/302/PH

23 Sept. 3

Reference your letter to this Office dated 13 Sept. C i/c O.M.S., Caltanissetta has been asked to forward by courier, xray plates and thermometers, if available.

The Supply Officer, AMCT HJ has been asked to supply you with 200 sterilizing tablets. In future you should apply to him direct, stating the quantity required.

It is presumed that you have received a quantity of alcohol in your brick from Caltanissetta.

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D. GARDON GARDON
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

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GMP/ja

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Malaria

REC-3005/31

S.A.P.H.O., Tientsin Province
(through S.C.P.O.)

28 Sept. 3

Your letter on the above subject dated 22 September is acknowledged. The information is being passed to the appropriate authority.

D. Gordon Greiner

D. GORDON GREINER
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

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Water Sterilizing Tablets
The Supply Officer, AMSTW HQ.

Flu *AMSTW/302/PH*

28 Sept. 3

Please send to the Medical Officer, Trapani Province, 200
sterilizing tablets for officer's personal water bottles.

G. GORDON WELSH
J. GORDON WELSH
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

GMP/ja

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Medical Supplies - Prisons.

Hand
A1001/3002/PA

Commissioner of Public Safety.

29 Sept. 3

Reference your A1001/1031/PA dated 15 Sept. Provincial Medical Officers have been requested to provide medical supplies at the prisons enumerated in your letter.

GP/ja

for *Gordon Greene*
D. GORDON GREENE
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

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Proclamations.

AMCOT/4022/3/L

Col. Huse, S.C.A.O., 5th Army.

28th Sept. 3

Pursuant to urgent message¹⁶⁶⁶ of 26th Sept. 43, the following air shipments have been arranged today addressed "Col. Huse, S.C.A.O. 5th Army". :-

1st Priority: 6 Mail bags containing 40 bundles, each consisting of 25 copies each of Proclamations Nos. 4, 5, 8, 11, 12 and 13 and General Orders Nos. 1 and 2; a total of 1000 copies of each number.

You are authorized to post all these immediately.

2nd Priority: 5 Mail bags containing 34 bundles, each consisting of 30 copies each of Proclamations Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Notice and Warning; a total of 1020 copies of each.

Wm. G. CHARLIE.
Lt. Col. (AUS)
Chief Legal Officer.

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SUBJECT : Senior Staffs - Prisons.

AMCOT/1049/PS

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY

27 September, 1943

TO : S.C.A.P.O.'s, all Provinces
(through S.C.A.O.'s)

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Copy to: Chief Director,
Prisons of Sicily (Dr. Colombo).

For EMUEL L. BOLLES
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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AMCOT 8th Army Reg. II

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For the Director

LEWEL L. BOLLES
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

Copy to: Chief Director,
Prisons of Sicily (Dr. Calumbo).

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AMGOT Liaison
M.G.S., A.F.H.Q.
File
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2 copies each

N.B. Text in Italian on reverse

Soggetto: Personale Superiore delle Prigioni.

AMCOT/1049/PS
AMCOT H.Q., SICILY.
27 September, 1943.

Alle : S.C.A.P.O.'s di tutte le Province.
(Per mezzo delle S.C.A.O.'s)

1. E' stato deciso come cosa essenziale l'assegnazione di un Direttore Provinciale per ogni Provincia, ed e' stato proposto di fare queste assegnazioni direttamente da questo Quartiere Generale. Tuttavia, prima di prendere le decisioni finali sulla selezione dei Direttori, io sono di opinione che voi dovreste essere informato. Quindi io metto nella Appendice A la migliore selezione fatta fino a questa data. Le vostre osservazioni e le vostre raccomandazioni saranno apprezzate.

2. Gli incarichi di questi Direttori saranno, di fare per mezzo vostro, tutti gli affari della direzione del carcere, e nello stesso tempo di prendere delle attuali cariche come direttore in un Carcere Centrale.

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LEAUEL I. BOLLES,
Col. di Fanteria,
Comissario di Pubblica Sicurezza.

Copia al Capo Direttore per le Carceri della Sicilia (Dr. Colimba).

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LEWEL L. BOLLES,
Col. di Fanteria,
Comissario di Pubblica Sicurezza.

Copia al Capo Direttore per le Carceri della Sicilia (Dr. Columba).

Distribuzione:

Agrigento.
Caltanissetta.
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Enna.
Palermo.
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Subject:- Social Insurance.

12/2021/E

ALBERT H. Q. BODIN.

27 Sep 43.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Syracuse Province.

Reference your note of 23rd September.

The suggestion in paragraph 1 that various Social Insurance offices be merged with the Istituto Nazionale di Previdenza, is one which is being considered as a matter of long time policy, but for the present I agree that nothing can be done.

We appreciate the information regarding the merger of the three
Mutue di Malattia effective in Catania Province. Major Witte is working on
a similar merger here in Palermo, but it will take considerable time.
Meanwhile we must handle the Mutue on the basis in which we find them, that
is as individual institutions.

We expect that complete instructions will go forward in the near
future on the whole Social Insurance situation. We are held back by the
lack of reports on the financial status of these organizations. The sooner
financial information arrives here at Headquarters, the sooner we will be
able to proceed with the issue of instructions.

R. B. MENAPACE.
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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SUBJECT: Grain

TO : All S.C.A.O.'s

AMGOT/5005/AG
AMGOT HQ SICILY
27 Sept. 43

1. Below are set out for your information replies on questions recently raised in connection with grain problems.
2. In fixing the standard prices for wheat in G. O. 3 it was not the intention that the checks formerly imposed for quality and specific gravity should be dispensed with. Payment should be varied in accordance with the standards laid down in the schedules in possession of the Consorzio Agrario and which formed the basis for additions to or deductions from the standard price.
3. The Finance Division has decided that, generally speaking, all taxes formerly imposed should continue to be collected. With reference to the Imposte sull'Entrata of L. 7.75 per quintal payable by the miller on wheat purchased by him, it has been agreed with that Division that the original basis on which the tax was calculated should be ignored and the tax maintained at L. 7.75 per quintal irrespective of the price of wheat.
4. It is assumed that the precaution is generally adopted that a condition precedent to the issue of milling tickets is the declaration by farmers of the amount of grain produced.
5. The costs of production of bread and pasta vary in different districts, but G. O. 3 provides for general maximum prices. The subsidy should be varied as necessary in order to keep the retail prices within the limits set.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer,

J. Chayton

JC/jfl

J. CHAYTON
Major
Director Agricultural Division

Distribution:

SCAO Agrigento	6
" Caltanissetta	6
" Catania	6
" Enna	4
" Palermo	35
" Ragusa	6
" Siracusa	14
" Trapani	6
" Messina	8
AMGOT Liaison	1
AMGOT 8th Main	10
Col. Hume	10
File	1
Float	1
Divisions	6
Spares	10
MGS AFHQ	2

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Regulations No. 2.

Ente Zolfi Siciliani
Via Principe Belmonte, 80
PALERMO

27 Sept. 3

1. Until further notice Signor Cav. Reg. Carmele
Cottone is appointed Acting Director of Ente Zolfi Siciliani.

2. He is hereby authorized to make contracts, sign
obligations, accept payments and disburse funds for Ente
Zolfi Siciliani and in general conduct the business of the
Ente, subject only to the general supervision of the Allied
Military Government as set forth in Regulations No. 1,
issued 15 Sept. 1943 and in further regulations which may
be issued from time to time.

JHP/tbw


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

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BY COURIER.

ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY.
AMFA

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Subject : Receipt for Lit. 20,000,000 from
Bank of Italy, (Caltanissetta).

Ref: AMFA/DA/32

To : P.O. Caltanissetta.

1. Enclosed is a receipt executed by the Bank of Italy (Palermo) to the Bank of Italy (Caltanissetta).
2. Deliver the receipt to the Bank of Italy (Caltanissetta) and obtain from them interim receipt given by Lt. Cmr G.S. Gottle, forwarding the latter to this H.Q.

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Major, C.M.P.
Acting Cashier,
AMFA.

Palermo
25th Sept 1943.

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Additional Foods for Institutions.

AMCOT/3034/PH

S.C.A.O., Palermo Province.
For Public Welfare Officer.

28 Sept. 3

1. Because of the necessity of economy, it is impossible to approve the supply of foods for institutions in full.
2. Instead of $2\frac{2}{3}$ lb. meat per day, an allowance of 1lb. of meat per aged person per week will be approved. This is as great as was the meat ration in Great Britain.
3. A supply of tinned vegetables will not be allowed at present since fresh vegetables are obtainable.
4. A supply of beef extract will be approved on the basis of 2 lbs. per person per month.
5. If you make your requests on the above basis they will be forwarded to Civilian Supply Division for fulfillment. It is understood that these supplies are in addition to the regular rationed supplies now bought by the institution.

[Signature]

D. GORDON CHRYME
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

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S.C.A.O. Reports.

AMDE/301/NO.

General Officer Commanding in Chief.
15 Army Group Main.

25 Sep.

3.

1. The S.C.A.O. has ^{decided} ~~decided~~ that 3 copies of the report on Nalia Islands be forwarded.
2. Attached please find 3 copies of report submitted by Lt. Col. Yoo, S.C.A.O. Nalia Islands.

By order of the Commanding General

h *Chitt* *De*
CHARLES H. SPOTFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMXOT/329/10.
AMXOT HQ - SIOUX.
September 27, 1943.

SUBJECT: Clerical Staff

TO : A/Chief Staff Officer.

Reference attached letter No. AMXOT/1013/PS dated 25/9/43.

1. I have to refer to the establishment of Clerks at this H.Q.
2. At the present time we are at least 25 Clerks (British) deficient on the present W.A. and the prospects of getting any trained British clerks in the very near future is very remote.
3. The majority of the British clerks at present employed are neither typists or stenographers and all divisions are in urgent need of stenographers. I have personally tried to get civilian stenographers and whilst there are quite a number at present on our register, none can speak English and therefore are useless as far as we are concerned. As far as the Public Safety Division is concerned, it is absolutely essential in the interest of security that either British or American stenographers are employed.
4. In order to ease the situation as a temporary measure, I earnestly request that application be made to A.F.H.Q. for the temporary employment at this H.Q. of 20 stenographers (WACS).
5. I understand that a new WAC Company has arrived in Algiers and are awaiting assignment.
6. The matter in regard to the supply of stenographers to Divisions is now serious and unless something is done in the very near future the efficiency of the H.Q. as a whole will be seriously affected.

A. J. Harris
Staff Captain.

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ANDON/243/102

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27th September 3

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

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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2:00 at

Civilian Internees.

AMCOT/1086/PS

C.C.A.O. (Through C.S.O.).

27 September 3

1. A brief consolidation follows of the categories into which civilian internees taken into custody initially by authority of the Seventh Army, Eighth Army and of AMCOT OFFICERS were placed. The condition shown is as of August 31st, the latest date for which figures are available.

1.	(a)	To be interned indefinitely	249
	(b)	To be interned and case to be reviewed	191
2.		For prosecution	20
3.		For further inquiries by Security Services or AMCOT	109
4.	(a)	To be released unconditionally	49
	(b)	To be released conditionally	390
	(c)	Released prior to the review	72
5.		To be treated as Prisoners of War.	81
			<u>1161</u>

2. A full report in detail appears at pages 4 and 5 of this file.

The interests of the Military Government were represented by the Civil Police Section of this Division. The next review will be conducted early in October.

LEWEL L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Public Health.

AMCOT/3012/PH

S.O.A.O.
Palermo Province.
(for the attention of Medical Dept.)

27th September 3

During the visit to H.C.O.s and B.O.R.s messes, it was brought to the notice of the S.O.A.O. that owing to the immediate vicinity of two unhygienic shops the B.O.R.s mess was infested with flies.

The shops in question are

- (i) Greengrocer Vattolo Agostino 22 Via Castelnuovo
- (ii) Fishmonger Mancino 18 Via Castelnuovo

Will you please have these shops inspected and if indeed found to be insanitary they should be closed, or otherwise they should be removed to a place where they cannot be harmful to the health of these men.


L. ZERVUZZI,
Captain,
for Military Assistant
Chief Civil Affairs Officer

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Moat.

Protesting Bills of Exchange.

18301/2043/2.

Finance Officer,
through S.O.A.O. Syracuse Province.

27 Sep.

2.

The memorandum which went today to you on this subject
should be corrected to read as follows:

- * The date from which Bills of Exchange may be protested
under General Order No. 6. is 30 days from date of opening
banks in your province, or the maturity of the bill
whichever date may be later*.

J.R. SMITH.

Major.

Controller of Financial Institutions.

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Report of Indemita di Prossima.

AMST/2021/P.

Capt. David A. Morse,
Director Labor Division.

27 Sep.

3.

Reference your memo of 23rd September.

In paragraph 3 (a), with which I agree, you suggest that Administrative Instruction - Finance No. 5, be amended. It may not be necessary to make this amendment as we are intending to distribute a General Report on Social Insurance in which this point will be covered. A copy of the proposed Memorandum is attached and the passage in question is marked in red. This report ^{was written here but} was actually printed in Africa for distribution to the First Group and Regions 2 and 3, and we expect to distribute it in Sicily forthwith.

The recommendation which you make in paragraph 3 (b) is also satisfactory to us. This is covered by a new Directive ¹²⁶⁷ being sent today at the request of the Chief Revenue Officer in which we give instructions that all additions to salary be continued.

to be sent out presently

R.A.M.
R.A. MORSE,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

Copy to: Major Ogan.

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Dott. Renato Pascucci.

AMCOT/219/HQ.

S.C.A.O. - Galtanissetta.

28 Sep. 3.

1. Reference your Galt Prov/10 of 23 Sep.43.
2. G.C.A.O. is away from Palermo at the present time. On his return an appointment for an interview will be made for Dott. Pascucci and you will be informed by telephone.
3. The delay in replying to your memorandum is regretted.

h *E. T. H. S.*
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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PROJECT: Black Market

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AMDOT/1057/PS

AMDOT H.Q., SICILY.

27 September 1943.

TO : Chief Staff Officer.

On 14/9/43 the entire plan for attack on Black Market operators was referred back by D.C.G.A.O. because G.O. # 5 was held unworkable. A later date was to be set. Further consultation with Civilian Supply Division was directed. This was at once undertaken.

In the meantime, Supt. Civil Police was directed to use all agencies at his disposal in the enforcement of G.O. # 4 together with the provisions of all other applicable Orders, Proclamations, and of the Italian Penal Code.

At a meeting of all Civilian Supply Officers held 26/9/43 the Supt Civil Police explained the enforcement plan in detail with particular reference to the part played by Civilian Supply. The plan is satisfactory and is to be promptly undertaken.

ISIDORE L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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7/10/43
Subject: (a) Monte di Credito al Forno "S. Lucia" (Letter 20 Sep 43.)
(b) Regio. di Catania Province (Your letter 20 Sep 43).

AMHOF/2044/E

AMHOF H.C. SHOLIN

28 Sep 43

Finance Officer
through S.O.A.O. Catania Province.

1. We anticipate releasing the restrictions on deposit withdrawals and lifting the moratorium with respect to financial institutions on or about October 11th.

2. The concern in question will then be able to operate and if funds are required, it may submit an application to A.M.P.A. on a form which it can obtain at the branch of Bank of Sicily. The concern appears good for the credit, and our objective is to restore normal operations.

3. We are glad to have your recommendation regarding lifting withdrawal restrictions, with which we agree (para. 1).

4. The General Order to be issued on or about the above date will restore the normal operations of banks including payment of Assigned Circulari and Vaglie Contabili.

5. Small banks should reopen and A.M.P.A. is prepared to meet their needs of sure through the branches of the Bank of Sicily.

6. Italian government bonds held in safekeeping may be released to the owners.

7. We are so close to unrestricted withdrawals from the Banks that when it takes place on or about October 11th, the problem of creditors obtaining funds for payment of insurance premiums will then be solved.

[Signature]

H.B. HENNINGSEN,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Appendix A to AMGOT/1049/PS dated 27 Sep 43.

DIRECTORS TO ATTEND CHIEF DIRECTOR'S CONFERENCE AT PALERMO 6 OCT. 1943.

For Province of Palermo.

Cav. FERRUGGIA Domenico.
To be acting Director.

" " " Trapani.

Cav. FERRARE Pietro.
To be acting Director.

" " " Agrigento.

Dott. BRUNO Amiello.

" " " Enna.

To be selected.

" " " Ragusa.

To be selected.

" " " Siracusa.

Dott. CHIRICO Emanuele.

" " " Catania.

Dott. ANTUONO Francesco.

" " " Messina.

Dott. SPANO Umberto.

" " " Caltanissetta.

Dott. CASARITA Francesco.

For Criminal Lunatic Institutions. Dott. MADIA Vittorio.

Also to attend.

Dott. MOTOLESE Pietro. SIRACUSA.

Dott. FALLINI Ruggiero.
TERMINI IMERSI.

Dott. BELLOMO Giovanni Battista.
Vice Director - CALTANISSETTA.

Comdt. BARRIA Pasquale. ENNA.

Comdt. BARBAGALLO Giuseppe.
RAGUSA.

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Appendix B to Letter No. 1049 dated 27 Sep 1943

REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION.

(To be submitted in Triplicate).

1. Names of all persons held on 10 July 1943 for any Political offence or Public Security reason confined by Italian Authorities.
2. Names of all persons put into prison since 10 July by Allied Military or Civil Police Agencies for political or public security reasons.
3. Form in which these lists are to be sent is attached and marked "BB".
4. Names of all Convicted Prisoners in prison on and after 10 July 1943 Form "CC", and for untried prisoners form "DD".
5. The regular Monthly Return will be submitted on similar form "BB", "CC", and "DD".

Appendice B alla Lettera N. 1049 datata 27/9/43.

COSE NECESSARIE PER LA REGISTRAZIONE.

(Da essere trasmesse in triplicate)

1. Nomi di tutte le persone che si trovano in carcere il 10 Luglio 1943 per ogni reato politico o per ragioni di Pubblica Sicurezza, arrestate dall'autorità Italiana.
2. Nomi di tutte le persone arrestate dopo il 10 Luglio 1943 dalle Polizie Militare o Civile Alleate per ragioni politiche o di Pubblica Sicurezza.
3. Lo stampato nel quale debbono essere mandate queste liste, o' allegato o marcato BB.-
4. Nomi di tutti i prigionieri condannati in carcere dal 10 Luglio 1943 (Compreso). Stampato CC, o per prigionieri non ancora giudicati stampato DD.
5. Le regolari statistiche mensili saranno trasmesse sui similari stampati BB, CC, o DD.

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Co-operation with Civil
Medical Practitioners

No. 1 District C.M.F.

4077
HUGHES/500/71

28 Sept. 5

Reference your 2/5/1/9/1 dated 25 Sept.
Copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Senior AMGP
Provincial Health Officer, Syracuse, for his attention.

D. G. Mendenhall

D. G. Mendenhall

Colonel

Director of Public Health 1261

7.10.43

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AMGOT/5089/AG

Supply Information Return.
Supply Officer,
Thru S.C.A.O., Ragusa Province.

28 Sept. 3

1. Reference the above Return submitted 25 Sept. 43.

Will you please confirm that the following figures are correct:

- a. Producers (including their families) retaining 250 kg. - - - - - 27,000
- b. Landlords (including their families) retaining 200 kg. - - - - - 48,000

The question is raised as other Provinces show a ratio of Producers to Landlords of approximately 5 to 1.

2. A pencilled amendment was made in your return indicating that 200 kg. was retained by the Landlord, and not 175 kg. If such an increase has in fact been authorized, perhaps you would say under what authority this action has been taken.

GFP/tbw

J. CHAYTON,
Major,
Director, Agricultural
Division. *1269*

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Confiscated and Captured Stores.

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Assistant Controller of Property
through SCAO Palermo Province.

29 Sept 3.

1. Attention requested Immediate Action Order AMGOE/2019/P/HQ
Sept 27, 1943, prohibiting sales of captured stores, including
clothing.
2. Order further requires submission of report to Economics and
Supply Division.
3. Order appears to apply to Unione Militare.

Idaut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

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U.S. Bonds in hands of U.S. Citizen

ABDOT/2058/1

Finance Officer.
through S.G.A.O. Messina Province.

29 Sep

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1. Reference to your communication of 22nd September, 43, inquiring what can be done for Joseph Loanza of Sant'Agata di Militello.

2. No procedure has been established as yet for such cases. Inquiries will be forwarded to the proper authority for instructions, as such cases certainly merit an early solution.

3. A similar case arose in Mistretta you will recall. In that case the Banco di Sicilia branch, I believe, took the bonds for collection and advanced some money to the owner.

R.B. Menapace

R.B. MENAPACE.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS AMOOT
15th Army Group
APO 777

9157
AMGOT/241/HQ

29 September 1943

SUBJECT: Enquiries re Civilians.

TO : SCAO, Province of Ragusa.

1. This Hq has had an enquiry on the present whereabouts and health of the CARONARO family.
2. Request was received from London and address given is eight, Via Salvatore, Ragusa.
3. Any information you can furnish this Hq concerning the above will be appreciated.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Col, GSC
Chief Staff Officer

HEADQUARTERS AMGOT
15th Army Group
APO 777

AMGOT/241/HQ

29 September 1943

SUBJECT: Enquiries re Civilians.

TO : CG, AFHQ, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. In reference to your cable Orig No. 6729, Vincenzo Alibrandi has been informed of the contents of the cable.

2. Attached is a letter from Vincenzo Alibrandi who wishes that it be transmitted to the person who made the enquiry. Letter will inform enquirer of information wanted.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Col, GSC
Chief Staff Officer

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Memo PR/S/JOE of 26th Sept.

AMEOT/342/HQ

C.O.A.O. Ragusa

29. Sept. 3.

The matter referred to in your above quoted memo must be submitted to the C.O.A.O. for decision. He is away for a few days, but it will be submitted to him as soon as he returns.

(T.B.)

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

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Loat

Visited.

AMMOT LIAISON,
15 Army Group.

AMMOT/15/HQ

29. Sept. 3.

Reference A.F.H.C. message No. 8032 of 22. Sept. 43, this H.Q. has no objection to 2/Lt. Lucy Bombard visiting her father at No. 8 Via Anago Florida, Syracuse Province, for a period of one week.

Please answer accordingly.

MB

J
CHARLES M. SPENCER,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: S.C.A.O. Syracuse.
(For information)

1254

September 1943

SUBJECT: General Order No. 8, Preliminary Instructions

TO : All S.C.A.O.'s

1. There have been forwarded under separate cover
 - (a) Copies of General Order No. 8 which establishes a Regional Labor Office for Sicily and Provincial Labor Offices; and
 - (b) Rules and Regulations issued pursuant thereto.

2. The Order is to be posted and published in the usual manner so that the earliest possible public notice may be assured. The Rules and Regulations which are mimeographed in English and Italian are to be made available for distribution to interested persons. In addition it would be advisable to have same published for public information wherever possible.

3. While the Order and Rules and Regulations are self-explanatory, it is requested that they be studied and analysed carefully so that any questions which arise may be submitted to this Headquarters for consideration and answer without delay.

4. Article I of the General Order abolishes the Fascist Corporative System and the Consiglio Provinciale delle Corporazioni. Section 8 of Rules and Regulations establishes the machinery for recording and controlling the assets of these institutions; and for their disposition.

5. Article II (a) of the Order creates a Regional Labor Office for Sicily. Responsibility for compliance with this article and related sections in Rules and Regulations is that of Headquarters.

6. Article II (b) creates Provincial Labor Offices in each Province. Article V recites their powers, duties and functions. The pertinent sections in the Rules and Regulations are 4, 5, and 6. The success of the labor program will depend almost entirely upon the care with which these provisions are effectuated.

NOTE: Special attention is invited to Sec. 5 of Rules and

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NOTE: Special attention is invited to Sec. 5 of Rules and Regulations. The person selected as Director of Labor must be of unquestioned character and integrity. He should be a person with actual experience or training in the field of labor relations. Every effort must be made to select a person of judicial temperament who has had no previous connection with industry or labor of such a nature as to make him unacceptable to the larger number of either group.

7. Sec 6 (a) is self-explanatory.

8. Sec 6 (b) confirms the existence of the labor exchanges which have already been created in most Provinces, but places them under the immediate jurisdiction of the Provincial Labor Offices.

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9. Sec 6 (c) continues in substance the system of conciliation and arbitration in effect on the Island prior to occupation. It provides machinery for adjustment of labor controversies and will probably be utilized to a considerable extent by employers and employees immediately.

NOTES: (1) It should be noted that the substantive hour, wage and condition of employment provisions of collective agreements and wage covenants in existence as of 9 July 43 are still in effect, and that revision of same may be requested by interested persons through the machinery aforementioned. However, under no circumstances are collective contract provisions to be reopened for renegotiation or arbitration without prior approval of Headquarters. Nor are wage or hour enactments, or schemes for union or association reorganization to issue from any Provincial whether on Provincial or Communal level without prior approval of AMCOT Headquarters.

(2) Instructions regarding selection and functions of conciliators and arbitrators are under consideration and will be transmitted at a later date.

10. Sec. 6 subdivisions (d), (e), (f) and (g) are self-explanatory.

11. It is directed that a report be submitted to Headquarters on or before 15 Oct. 43, indicating status of compliance.

DAM/tbw

Charles M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Heat

Relief payments to British Subjects.

ASST/2029/F.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Catania Province.

29 Sep 3.

With reference to your letter of 24th September, 43, regarding Mrs. Hughes. For the present we recommend a continuation of the monthly advances by the C.A.O. Catania. As yet there is no channel established for payment coming in from outside this country. This is a question which will take sometime to determine.

R.A.
R.B. MINAPACE.,
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY
A M F A

Plant

Ref:
AMFA/POL/1 B

Palermo
29 Sept. 43.

Subject: Credit Agreements.

To : Finance Officer, Caltanissetta.

1. As requested in telephone conversation 28 Sept. 43 there are enclosed herewith 12 Credit Agreement forms for use with banks who intend to relink the funds.

2. Two copies should be executed covering each loan and forwarded to these HQ for completion together with a statement of the use for which the funds are intended including some reference to the nature of the business and financial and moral responsibility of the ultimate borrower.

Sh
Major, CMP
Acting Cashier AMFA.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

SUBJECT:-

Hoat
Use of Explosives in Sulphur Mines

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AMCOT/1050/PS

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY

28th September 43

TO:-

Civilian Supply Division.

The attached application received by the S.C.A.O., Province of Caltanissetta, from one Maira Guiseppe, applies for the transfer of explosives taken over from the Italian Army for use in the sulphur mines in Caltanissetta Province, and is forwarded for favour of opinion in the first instance as to the necessity for explosives under the present circumstances.

If you consider the proposal worthy of consideration, perhaps you will take the matter up with the appropriate section of Seventh Army Headquarters. This Division will only be interested in the location of the explosives if and when the application is approved.

[Signature]
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety.

Union Jacks

257/HQ

British Quartermaster

Sept. 29, 3

1. War Office have notified the dispatch to this H.Q. by air on 13 September 1943 of 220 Union Jacks.

2. S.G.A.C., Syracuse now reports that 28 bales (15 flags in each bale) have been delivered to his H.Q. and that he intends loading as many as possible on each courier jeep.

3. To save space on the courier, will you please arrange to collect any flags remaining at Syracuse when your lorry is there next week for stores.

W. M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMST/5200/53

Civilian Requirements

AMST, MGS

Attention: Capt. J. A. Todd

29 Sept. 43

1. Reference your letter 25 Sept. 43 to Gen. McHenry.
2. Lt. Col. Nelson Monfort has been notified regarding the supplies arriving at Taranto.
3. Please let us know when the D-45 supplies get under way and as nearly as possible what shipment includes. The material will be disposed of promptly.
4. If the 450,000 lbs of roasted ground coffee is available for AMST use, suggest that it be shipped to Region I. However, first priority on shipping space should be given to flour.
5. AMST is prepared to undertake the task of distributing all coal in Sicily. Discussions have been under way for some time with civilian agencies who formerly handled coal in Sicily and it is now believed that they are in a position to handle this problem effectively. Suggest date for change-over to be same as date for handing over railroads to AMST.
6. It is believed that the cotton piece goods you mention in para. 5 are needed more urgently in Region III than in Region I. For that reason, it is suggested that you do not load them on the D-45 convoy but hold them in Algiers for further orders.
7. The 6,000 tons of food mentioned in para. 6 are sufficient to take care of the area adjacent to the Eastern Italian Ports in Region II during the month of October, but it is needed more in Calabria and I am trying to divert it. See separate letter on supplies for Region II.

For Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

HEH/DC.

JUN T. KILLIAN
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director Economic
and Supply Division. 1249

CURTIS TO: AMST/5201/53
AMST/5202/53

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

File

R.C.A.O., Region II
R.C.A.O., Region III

204/HQ

Sept. 29, 3

Forwarded herewith for your guidance are two copies of a letter concerning the treatment of POWs.

CM
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

1248

Nota

Advances to Ludovico Foraci of Mazara del Vallo

AD007/2050/F.

Banca del Popolo
Soc. Anon Cooperativa,
Trapani.

29 Sep 3.

1. You wish to advance above firm the sum of 1,000,000 lire for purchase and processing of grapes from vineyards in operation.
2. The undersigned approves such advances not exceeding 1,000,000 lire for the purpose specified.

J. R. Light
J. R. LIGHT.
Major.

Controller of Financial Institution

Subject: Executive Council Meeting

ANGOT/31/HQ

To : Members of Executive Council

ANGOT HQ SICILY

29 Sept. 1943

It is requested that items for the Agenda of the 13th Meeting of the Executive Council to be held at 1500hrs on Friday, 1st October 1943, be handed to the Secretary by 1100 hrs Thursday, 30 September, 1943.

Distribution:-

C.C.A.O.
D.C.C.A.O.
C.S.O.
C.P.S. (Public Safety Div.)
D.P.H. (Public Health and Welfare Div.)
C.F.O. (Finance Division)
D.E.S. - Acting (Economics and Supply Div.)
C.L.O. (Legal Division)
C.P. (Property Control Division)
D.T.C.W. (Transportation Communications and Utilities Div.)
D.A.D. (Agriculture Division)
D.L.D. (Labor Division)
Secretary
File
Float
War Diary
Spares (10)

Carel van Heukelom
CAREL van HEUKELOM
1st Lt., A.C.
Secretary Executive Council

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Reopening of Banks.

AMOT/2043/P.

Finance Officer
through S.C.A.G. Ragusa Province.

29 Sep 3.

1. Preparations are now being made to rescind all restrictions on Banks on or about 6th October, under a General Order. This will include payment in full of Assegni Circolari, Vaglie Cambiari, etc., by the issuing banks.

2. Do you think the "Banca Agricola Popolare di Ragusa" can meet unrestricted withdrawals and payment of its Assegni unrestricted as of the date mentioned without further credit from A.M.P.A. or do you think present restrictions should continue with respect to this Bank?

3. I rather favor allowing to Bank to operate unrestricted along with all other and especially if it is thought possible to do so without further credit from A.M.P.A.

J. R. KNIGHT.

Major

Controller of Financial Institutions

1245

Sulphur Production - Expenses

S.C.A.O., Caltanissetta

MSGOT/5013/ES

29 Sept.

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1. It is requested that any sulphur producers with whom you have dealings be required to file with you for transmission to us, a statement showing from their records:

- a. Itemized cost of sulphur production and shipments during last 6 months period in which the mine was in production.
- b. Estimated cost of same items for production under present conditions.

2. Ing. Antonino Pisciotta, a mining engineer in the employ of the government and working for the present under the direction of Ente Zoffi Siciliani, has been ordered to report to your finance officer. This man should be able to take full responsibility for procuring the statements. He is also at your disposal for any other purpose concerned with the mining industry.

JHE/EDG.

JOHN T. ZELLARS
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director Civilian
Supply & Resources.

Heat

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Sulphur Production - Expenses.

AMDOT/5013/ES

S.C.A.O. Mine
Agrigento.

28 Sept.

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JHP/EDG.

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JOHN T. ZELLAARS
Colonel, Infantry,
Acting Director Civilian
Supply & Resources.

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P.W.R. Request.

A.P.H.Q.

BY AIR COURIER

AMGOT/7003/FR

29 Sept. 3.

Reference your 74 FMCS of 25 Sept., the attached information is that called for by P.W.R., our 319 of even date refers.

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

Telephone Directory, AMGOT H.Q.

246/HQ

Communications Engineer, AMGOT H.Q.

Sept. 29, 3

Please make the following corrections to the issue of this Directory dated 25 September 1943:

1. On first page under "Administrative Officers" insert:

"Major W. H. Pearcy Room 28 11"

2. On third page delete "Transportation" and all detail and substitute:

"Transport"

British Garage (Capt. J. Carter) 26 Via Vicolo
Guccia 13131

American Garage (Lieut. R. Zimmerman) 14. Francisco
Benvinto 16732

Dispatch Office Ground Floor 38"

3. On third page under "Supply" delete detail and substitute:

"British Quartermaster (Lieut. E. F. Sinclair) 26 Via
Vicolo Guccia 13131

American Supply Officer (Lieut. J. A. Davis) Ground
Floor 38"

W. H. Pearcy
CHARLES H. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, C.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer

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Isolated Burial.

H.Q. Island Base, Section,
APO 758, Palermo.

AMSCOT/255/HQ

29. Sept. 3.

1. In reply to your letter dated 9. Sept. 43, this H.Q. submits the following information.

2. The S.O.A.P.O. Trapani Province has forwarded a report from an Italian Medical Officer - Capt. Rosario Spinella - in Favignana reading as follows:

" SANITARY SERVICE OF FAVIGNANA.
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT - FAVIGNANA.

Yesterday at the hour 18 a body has been picked up out of the water which had been dead for 40 days. Cause of death - Drowned.

The dead was found at a place called Cala Rossa upon the shoals face down. His left leg was missing up to the knee, his right leg up to the hip. Both arms and forearms missing. His genitals and his head were also gone.

No wounds. He was naked. Had no tag. Only had a life preserver yellow of colour.

We gathered the body, rolled him in a sheet, put him in a canvas and ship to the cemetery.

Favignana, 12. August, 1943.

Medical Captain, Rosario Spinella

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3. Accompanying this letter is report from C.A.O. Favignana, extract of which is as follows:

"I am attaching hereto a translation of the file we have here in the office, which is self explanatory.
There was found on this man a life preserver American make with the British Crown stamped on same. This article was turned over by the Italian Doctor, 'Rosario Spinella' Captain M.O. Navy, to Major Bartlett, British Army, C.A.O. Favignana, Maritimes I suppose where as follows Patent No. 307223, Tested Stores 3296/034a - 342 J.M. 18872 Date 29/3/43. The above taken from notes made on a piece of scratch paper.
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4. Major Bartlett reported that he did not witness the burial and that owing to its deteriorated condition the life preserver was not kept by the finders.

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

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Movements of Personnel.

AMOT/245/HQ.

AMOT Liaison,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

29 Sep. 3.

Confirming telephone conversation of this A.M. (Capt. H. Farrar -
Capt. Talbot) please transmit the following message to 2^d Gds. Brigade.

CHARDONIAN ATTEMPT COUNCILING GUARDS DUE THIS AFTERNOON 29 TH
BY PLANE.

F.T.
1239
Captain.

Requirements, Region II.

AMGOT/5202/ES

Lt. Col. Lord Grimthorpe,
S.C.A.O., Region II.

29 Sept. 3

1. It is important that Lt. Berizzi, who is at present conferring with Eighth Army rear in Taranto on the question of long-term requirements for your region, should fly to Palermo at once to report the results of his visit to the Economics and Supply Division.

2. Will you please send him here as soon as possible. Group Captain Benson agrees.

CJH/tbw


CHARLES E. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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J. Lee
Collection of Taxes.

Capt. O'Leary,
through S.C.A.C. Enna Province.

RGST/2037/P.

29 Sep. 3.

In reply to your letter of 21st September, 1943, we note your problems in connection with tax collection. We assume that you will always adopt measures which will result in a maximum possible revenue, and that you will employ your own good judgment in the matter.

1237

B.D. HASIL.
Major.
Deputy Chief Revenue

ROUTING SLIP.

~~C.C.A.G.~~
~~D.C.C.A.G.~~
C.S.O. *See*
A.C.S.O. *6*
Lt. Col. Clough *6*
Major Smith
Major McDougall *12/29/62*
Major Pearcy *12/29/62*
Captain Talbot *12/29/62*
Captain Farrar *12/29/62*
Captain Sherwood *12/29/62*
Captain Canham
Lieut. Van Heukelom
Lieut. Krupa
~~P.A.O.~~
Adjutant P.A. & M.
Education Officer

Registry

REMARKS.

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Registry.

Social Insurance

22/09/2021/7.

S.S.A.C.

Roma Province.

23 Sep.

3.

Your letter of 2nd September, 43, was delivered here ~~by~~ by Captain Saer, who has just returned from his visit to Roma Province in connection with Social Insurance.

1. It is true, as you point out, that the Unione Provinciale Fascista dei Lavoratori dell'Agricoltura supplied to the Ufficio Provinciale Contributi Unificati the names of men who were employed in agriculture, together with the names of the employers and record of the time worked. This is brought out in paragraph 3 of the Supplement to S.A.L. Finance No. 5 & 6 dated 25th August, 43, a copy of which is attached.

2. It is not the intention to reinstate this former Fascist Union. As an alternative we have made the suggestion outlined in paragraph 3 of the Supplement mentioned above. If your Municipal Labour Exchanges can accomplish the same result it seems to me that that would also be a good alternative plan. All the foregoing relates to establishing who farm labourers are, so that the Social Insurance Institutions may be able to determine whether they are entitled to benefits.

3. All the above, however, does not conflict with reinstatement of the Ufficio Provinciale Contributi Unificati whose function it is to prepare the rolls upon which the Esattore makes collections of the contributions due from the agriculturists to the Social Insurance organisations.

4. I trust that a careful study of the enclosed Supplement will convince you of the wisdom of restoring the Ufficio Provinciale Contributi Unificati, and I shall be glad if you will take suitable action to this end.

Ram
R.B. INDIAPAGE.

Lieut-Colonel.

Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY
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Ref: AMFA/BA/3

Palermo
28 Sept. 43.

Subject: Deposit by Lt. Cdr. Cottle.

To : Banco di Sicilia, Sede di Ragusa,
Ragusa.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of 22 Sept. 1943.
2. The amount deposited by Lt-Cdr. Cottle was L. 40,512,000 as stated in your letter above referred to and this we confirm.

Wm

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Major, CMP
Acting Cashier

A M F A

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Petition.

S.C.A.O.

Palermo.

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Flora
AMDOT/359/HQ

23th September 5

Attached copy of a petition to the S.C.A.O. for your information from one Alario Duocenzo, who claims to be an anti-fascist, who has lost his place at the Chamber of Commerce while fascists are still operating there.

Will you please have his case investigated and findings submitted to S.C.A.O.

1233
L. ZERVUZZI
Captain
For Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer

COP

Recellenza EMILIO OF BORD
Maggiore Generale Capo degli Affari Civili

Governo Militare Alleato Palermo

Il sottoscritto Alario Innocente fu Salvatore al corso sottoposto a Corsione
Governo Militare Alleato Alleato :

Dipartimento fin dal 1948 dell'Amministrazione Provinciale e stato esibito al
servizio della Marina Turin fin dalla sua costituzione.

Presento successivamente detto servizio alla Marina militare di
Agricoltura (oggi Istituto Provinciale dell'Agricoltura) il sottoscritto passò
in servizio presso detto Ente finché il servizio della Marina fu attribuito
al Consiglio Provinciale dell'Industria (poi diventato dello Sviluppo) e le
successive, nel 1949, presso alle dipendenze di quest'ultimo ufficio.

Quando fu prevista e successivamente attuata l'istituzione del personale
del Consiglio delle Corporazioni, il sottoscritto fu assegnato a uffici
appartenenti al settore (dalla del malgiurato Governo Mussolini se non fu
licenziato!!) poteva o no essere voluto - ottenere la Veneranda del Partito
Nazionale Fascista che gli avrebbe concesso l'istituzione con conseguente
notevole vantaggio economico e di carriera. Ma l'interesse ed il guadagno non
poterono piegare la fede del sottoscritto, il quale, rifiutando la tessera del
P.N.F. (che, ripeto, avrebbe potuto facilmente avere accesso in quell'epoca
sparte le iscrizioni al P.N.F., rinunciando al suo ingiustificato e cioè alla sua
veritiera sistemazione in ruolo dopo 35 anni di servizio nella pubblica
amministrazione.

Olo che lo costringeva a questo, risulta dagli atti del secondo Consiglio
delle Corporazioni nella cartella personale del sottoscritto.

Che con la trasformazione del C.N.O. in Camera di Commercio, con la
soppressione cioè di un organismo fascista per il ritorno ad un Ente preesistente
al fascismo ed apolitico, il sottoscritto contribuì finalmente nella sua
sistemazione, come meritava proprio dopo anni ed anni di persecuzione ed
una pessima fascista.

Ma invece è stato licenziato!

Ma invece alla Camera di Commercio sono rimasti in servizio : Un
ex Segretario del Gruppo Universitario Fascista.

Un ex. l'incarico dell'Associazione fascista del Pulvisco Inglese.

Un ex Squadrista, Solipa Littorio, marcia su Roma e che più ne ha
più ne mette!

E' scomparso l'organismo fascista, ma sono rimasti in servizio soltanto
degli ex fascisti!

Il sottoscritto osserva che questo Governo Militare voglia restituire
tale situazione e prendere di urgenza quei provvedimenti che servono a creare
una situazione inaccettabile ed ambigua.

Palermo 11 20 Settembre 1943

Alario

Via Vincenzo Emanuele n. 17 - Palermo

Il sottoscritto Mario Imposimato fu Salvatore si trova sottoposto a controllo del Governo Militare quanto segue:

Ordinato fin dal 1918 dall'Amministrazione Provinciale e stato ammesso al servizio della Penta Turina fin dalla sua costituzione.

Presento successivamente detto servizio alla Controva ambulante di Agrigola (oggi Ispettorato Provinciale dell'Agricoltura) il sottoscritto passo in servizio presso detto ente finché il servizio della Penta Turina fu abolito al Consiglio Provinciale dell'Amministrazione (poi diventato delle Corporazioni) e le sopravvive, nel 1923, passo alle dipendenze di quest'ultimo ufficio.

Quando fu creato o successivamente istituito l'Inquadrato del personale del Consiglio delle Corporazioni, il sottoscritto non tessuto o sottoscritto e sottoscritta appartenendo al detto ente (Penta Turina) e non fu ammesso!

Il sottoscritto poteva o lo stesso volente - ottenere la tessera del Partito Nazionale Fascista che gli avrebbe assicurato l'Inquadrato con conseguente notevole vantaggio economico e di carriera. In l'interesse ed il guadagno non potevano piegare la fede del sottoscritto, il quale, rifiutando la tessera del P.N.F. (che, ripeto, avrebbe potuto facilmente avere essendo in quell'epoca aperte le iscrizioni al P.N.F.), rinunciò al suo Inquadrato e alla sua meritata assistenza in ruolo dopo le 35 anni di servizio nella pubblica amministrazione.

Una cheale scrivente opera, risulta dagli atti del cennato Consiglio delle Corporazioni nella cartella personale del sottoscritto.

Che con la trasformazione del C.P.C. in Camera di Commercio, con la soppressione cioè di un'organizzazione fascista per il ritorno ad un Ente preesistente al fascismo ed apolitico, il sottoscritto continuava finalmente nella sua "esistenza", come scritto presso dopo anni ed anni di persecuzione ed insofferenza fascista.

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Un ex. fiduciario dell'Amministrazione Fascista del Politecnico.

Un ex Squadrista, Salpa Littorio, marcia in Borsa e che più ne ha più ne resta!

E' sconosciuta l'organizzazione fascista, ma sono rimasti in servizio soltanto degli autentici fascisti

Il sottoscritto confida che questo Governo militare voglia esaminare tale situazione e prendere le opportune misure per provvedere che servano a creare una situazione insostenibile ed obliqua.

Palermo 14 20 Settembre 1943

Mario Imposimato

Via Vincenzo Emanuele n. 17 Palermo

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Dr. Antonino Del Bosco.

Captain Cooper,
47, Piazza Castelnuovo.

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ARROT/368/HQ

23th September 3

Dr. Antonino Del Bosco has been suggested to S.G.A.O. as a financial expert, but we have not been able to obtain any information regarding this man. Could you please obtain as much information as possible on his past activities and his political leanings.

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[Signature]
L. MERVACHIL,
Captain,
for Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer

Hoat

Col. Hume, R.C.A.O., Region III

27 Sept.

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Reference your telegram of 25 September:

1. We are attempting to procure Lt. Col. Williams and the additional medical officers, including Major Norman.
2. Enclosed is an order recalling Major Magnus to this HQ. A replacement will be sent forward as soon as available.
3. Major Ashworth cannot be spared at the moment. Do you wish another police officer of his approximate seniority?

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

Encl.

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Captain E. Chart.

S.O.A.O.
BAGUSA

Chart
A 102/7852/73HQ
25th September 5

I received Captain Chart's letter of the 20th September, forwarded through you. I have given his case due consideration, and am of the opinion that Captain Chart should proceed to Tripoli for a medical board, the findings of which Captain Chart should report to this Headquarters.

Should Captain Chart be transferred to the United Kingdom, I suggest that should he then wish to be re-employed in Italy that he should write to this Office and I will see what can be done to fit him into a suitable position on the mainland.

Would you please inform Captain Chart of the contents of this letter.

[Signature]
Major General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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Loat
SUBJECT: Theft of gold watch on 19, Sept. 1943
in Castelbarini, Agrigento Province.

AMGOT HQ., SICILY.
INFO/PGB/EVS 1.
27 September 1943

TO : C.A.P.O. Agrigento
(Through S.C.A.O.)

1. Please receive gold watch. Villo Preres
~~AM 30955~~ - Roskopf referred to in attached correspondence.
2. Please acknowledge receipt of same and forward
same to this office.
3. Report as to whether pistol mentioned in
correspondence has been recovered, and if so this should
be returned with the receipt referred to in para. 2.

R.M.J. Martin
R.M.J. Martin
Lt. Colonel.
Deputy Commissioner of
Public Safety.

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Request for Information.
S.E.A.C., Catania.

AMCOT/10050/TCU

24 Sept. 3

1. Reference is made to your letter, dated 12 Sept. requesting "documents describing the Electricity Grid System".

2. We are unable to determine just what is requested and suggest that more specific details be provided. Maps of the System can be procured from the Catania office of the electric company.

TRF/tbw

L. A. P.
for
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, S.E.A.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Hoat

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Enna--Supplies

AMEOT/5090/ES

S.O.A.O. Enna

27 Sept. 3

1. With further reference to this HQ letter AMEOT/5090/ES dated 18 Sept. 43, Trapani Province state that the following amounts of wine are available:

Campobello	60,000	hectolitres
Castelvetrano	30,000	"
Calatafimi	20,000	"
Marsala common	400,000	"
Marsala type	250,000	"
Vermouth	50,000	"

2. It is suggested that you make arrangements direct with SCAO Trapani for any of this wine that you require.

Distribution:

c/c File 5090/ES
" SCAO Trapani

CJH/jfl

John T. Zellars

JOHN T. ZELLARS
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director Civilian
Supply & Resources

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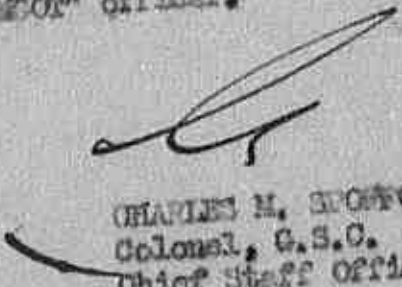
Return of Correspondence.
AMCOT LIAISON.

AMCOT/245/HQ

28. Sept. 3.

Cable A563 from G.G. Seventh Army to G.G. 15 Army Group is
returned herewith.

Captain Charles Bertelli is not an "AMCOT" officer.


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

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Host.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

AMGOT/2019/T/HQ
AMGOT TO SICILY
September 27, 1943

SUBJECT: Sale of Confiscated and Captured Stores

TO: All S.C.A.O.s

1. All sales of confiscated and captured stores will cease at once. This refers to all captured stores of any sort including petrol, oils, motor vehicles, food, clothing, medicine, and all other types of commodities.
2. No surplus of any such stores exists. If surpluses exist in some provinces there are acute shortages in others.
3. You will report immediately to Economics and Supply Division of this Hq. any surplus stores in your province in order that they may make equitable distribution.

Charles M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to Director Economics and Supply Division

REGULAR DISTRIBUTION

Agrigento	6	AMGOT 8th Army	}	10
Galtanissetta	6	Region 2		
Catania	6	AMGOT 5th Army	}	10
Enna	4	Region 3		
Palermo	35	File 266 and original		
Ragusa	6	Float		1
Siracusa	10	Division		9
Messina	6	H.C.S., A.F.H.Q.		12
AMGOT Liaison	1	Spares		10
Trapani	6			

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IMMEDIATE ACTION

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ASDOR/2014/F.

Bank of Italy.
Finance Officer
through S.C.A.O. Siracusa Province.

28 Sep

3.

Reference your letter dated 24th September, 43.

1. A General Order is now in preparation lifting all banking restrictions except as to the Bank of Italy, but permitting certain transactions by this Bank.
2. I suggest that Bank of Italy defer presentation and collection of commercial bills until the General Order is published.

AK

R.B. MARIAPACE.,
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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FLOAT

Assignment of Officers.

Adjutant, AGCC.

6016/02.

28 Sept 5.

1. Reference Immediate Action Order 17 Sept 43.
2. Capt. Russi (B) was unable to proceed as ordered by reason of illness. We are advised that this officer who is assigned to this Division is still unable to travel at this time.
3. In the event another officer of this Division is now urgently required in place of Capt. Russi, for performance of duties contemplated in above order, it is suggested 2/Lt. Philip A. Shrolla, (A) 01551105, now A.C.P with H.Q. Ontario, be substituted, but owing to Capt. Russi's illness it is suggested that the posting be postponed for the time being if possible.
4. Request orders to Capt. Russi above referred be rescinded.

Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

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MMOT/219/40
Avv. Gastano Solafani,
Prefettura Di Palermo.

23 Settembre

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OGGETTO: Vostra Lettera del 27 Settembre.

Il Generale Lord Rennell of Rodd essendo assente da
Palermo per qualche giorno, sarò lieto potervi ricevere nel
caso che possa esservi utile.

L. E. ZIMVUDACHEL,
1221
For Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

Arms Taken from Carabinieri by Allied Troops.

AMMOT/1050/

H.Q., 15 Army Group.

29th September

The attached copy of a report from the Officer Commanding the Carabinieri in Agrigento Province, alleging that two British soldiers are accused of having robbed two Carabinieri of their arms whilst on duty, is forwarded for such action as may be considered necessary.

[Signature]
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety

[Signature]
JCCAO

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SUBJECT: Imprest account for Civil Police. *Mont*

AMEOT/1170/PS

AMEOT H.Q., SICILY.

28 September, 1943.

TO : C.F.O.

May we have your views on this request?

In my opinion two separate accounts are necessary, one to take care of the ordinary incidental expenses of the Section which is, as you know, located in the Carabinieri Barracks. The account would be subject to audit and such other control as you might wish to impose. It would cover 3(a) and 3(b) of Col. Snook's minute and L 10000 would be sufficient to open it.

The second account would be a confidential one and, in accordance with the general practice in British Police Forces, would not be subject to audit or other external control. The Superintendent would merely request an allocation of say "L 25,000 for credit to Reward Fund" and would be responsible for the administration of the fund.

To start the fund an initial grant of L25000 should be sufficient.

Dring

LEONARD L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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AMGOT/5142/BS
28 Sept. 43

ISLAND RESOURCES BOARD

1st Regular Meeting -- 1 October, 1943, AMGOT Headquarters, Palermo --
1100 hours.

PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Report of Highways and Railroads Committee.
2. Interim report on wages for civilian labor by Labor Officer, AMGOT.
3. Electric power for Messina.
4. Coal supply and allocations.
5. Items to be controlled for eventual military requirements.
6. Purchase of foodstuffs by military messes.
7. Other business.

WLD, CJH/jfl

Distribution:

C.C.A.O.
D.D.E.&S.
Col. Densmore
Lt. Comdr. Southard
C.O.C. No. 1 Dist.
AMG " " "
C.E. " " "
HQ 15 Army Group (MGA)
HQ 15 Army Group (CE)
HQ 15 Army Group (AMGOT Liaison)
Chairman, Catania Resources Bd. (SCAO)
" Syracuse " " "
Lt. Col. Reuter, IBS
Lt. Col. Smullen, IBS
Lt. Dudley, NOB

William L. Batt Jr.
WILLIAM L. BATT, JR.
Capt., Inf.
Acting Secretary

BY FAST AIR.

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Miscellaneous Report MR(013)184.

AMDOT/2061/P.

Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, (G-2)
Allied Force Headquarters.

28 Sep. 3.

1. List of Italian Insurance Agencies in Italy not attached your memo dated 12th Sept. 43.
2. An AMDOT Insurance Officer has just departed for Italy with our list of Italian Insurance Agencies.
3. Our experience in Sicily reveals that Agencies here have little information of a Financial Intelligence nature on operations, investments, etc., of their main offices in Italy.
4. Agencies here do not have full records of construction measurement and extent of insured properties in Sicily.
5. Our fast-air "Memo" of 12th Sep. 43, to Military Government Section explains situation here substantially as above.
6. As information is developed in Italy, it will be made available to you.

RAM
R.B. MESSAPAGE,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Request for release Reserve Officers (P.O.W.)

AMGOT/365/HQ.

S.O.A.O. - Palermo.

28 Sep.

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1. A request has come thru for the release of Lt. Antonio Russo.
2. This request has been made by his wife with a recommendation from the Prefect of Ragusa.
3. Lt. Russo was acting as Vice-Secretary to the Bonfratelli hospital in Palermo.
4. If you could find out whether his services are required by the hospital and where he now is, kindly advise this H.Q.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G. S. O.
Chief Staff Officer.

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Ref. No:- 2061/P.

Subject: PRIVATE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

From:- D.C.F.O. Palermo

27th September, 1943

To:- S.C.A.O. Enna

With reference to your undated memo relating to the premiums which have been accepted and paid by you into a blocked account with the Banco di Sicilia, these should be returned to the agents concerned who should in turn be informed that all activities of the private Insurance Agencies in Sicily must remain in suspense for the time being.

R. A. M.

Lieut.-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

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Subject: Bank Notes and Traveler's Checks
Received from Bank of Italy (Siracusa).

To : S.C.A.O. Siracusa.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the following bank notes from
the Bank of Italy (Siracusa):

Fr. Francs	26,950	Notes Bank of France
Alg. Francs	2,320	Notes Bank of Algeria
M. M.	60	German Notes

Travelers' Checks correct as listed.

2. These items have been taken by AMFA into safe custody and
held subject to instructions from the C.I.I.

Wm.
Major, CMV
Acting Cashier of AMFA.

Distribution:
Bank of Italy (Siracusa)
C.I.I.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 371.2-13 SIG AGM

23 September 1943

SUBJECT: Change in Equivalent Classifications.

TO: All concerned.

1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff have announced that effective 0001Z hrs., 1 October 1943, the following equivalent classifications will be effective:

U.S.
SECRET

BRITISH
MOST SECRET
and
SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

2. It will be noted that a change in the definition of British SECRET has been made. British SECRET is now defined as follows: "Secret documents are documents which, although not warranting the exceptional precautions applied in dealing with MOST SECRET documents, are of such a nature that for reasons of national security they must only be disclosed to persons whose duties make it essential that they should have knowledge of them." It, as well as British MOST SECRET is now equivalent to U.S. SECRET, and will be handled accordingly.

3. No document issued and classified prior to 1 October 1943 will be reclassified because of this decision.

4. This order makes no changes in U.S. classifications as prescribed in AR 380-5.

5. Messages classified as British SECRET will be enciphered when sent by any electrical means. The attention of all originators is directed to more frequent use of the classification CONFIDENTIAL. Messages classified CONFIDENTIAL may be routed by Signals over secure wire or submarine cable channels in clear, but will always be enciphered when transmitted by wireless or wire liable to interception. British MOST SECRET as well as SECRET and U.S. SECRET should be reserved for those documents and messages requiring the highest degree of security. If the volume of traffic hitherto classified as British SECRET continues, considerable delay due to overloading of ciphers may result.

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AG 371.2-13 SIG-AGM, 23 Sept. '43, (cont'd).

6. All instructions from whatever source in conflict with the above change in policy are rescinded as of 0001Z hrs, 1 October 1943.

7. It is desired that the foregoing instructions be brought to the attention of all units under your command.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

(Sgd) T.J. DAVIS
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General.

DISTRIBUTION:

SCAOs. Agrigento	6	AMGOT Liaison	1
Galtanissetta	6	AMGOT 8th Army	10
Catania	6	Region 2	
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Siracusa	10	Float	1
Trapani	6	Divisions	9
Messina	8	M.G.S., AFHQ	12
		Spares	10

MINUTES OF 4TH REGULAR MEETING OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL COUNCIL
Held on 26th September 1943 at 1100 hrs.

PRESIDENT:-

Lt. Col. E. L. CLOUGH
Lt. Comdr. F. A. SOUTHARD
Major CHAYTON (Not a member of the Council)
Major C. G. HARRAPOND
Major E. F. WITTE
Capt BOWARD
Capt E. TALBOT (Secretary)

24. The Council was called to order by the Chairman at 1100 hrs.
25. During a description of the Plan for Reorganization of Agricultural Control prepared by Civilian Supply Division, Major Chayton stated that the present structure was both Fascist and inefficient and resulted in considerable muddle. The new plan was simple and furthermore, was readily adaptable. Though the plan was designed for the Control of Agriculture in Sicily, it could without difficulty be adapted to operate in successive regions in Italy as they came into being. Again, though the plan was designed to operate within the framework of AMG it could readily be taken over in toto by the Italians. SCAOs and Prefects were cited as examples. The latter would be able to assume, with the minimum of dislocation, the duties allotted to SCAOs in the plan. The Council expressed its approval of the plan and agreed to forward it to EXCO with a recommendation that it be adopted. (Action: Major Chayton).

26. Major Witte read a statement he had prepared on the functioning of AMGOT. The Council approved of the statement and instructed the Secretary to place a copy on the H.Q. EXCO file. It was decided not to send it forward since all the points had been far more ably dealt with by C.C.A.O. in his report.

27. The Council discussed Lt. Comdr Southard's paper on Inflation Control. It was noted that if the plan was adopted specific action would have to be taken, or continued, by Divisions. Lt. Comdr Southard said he had been round to all the Divisions concerned and they had all agreed with his proposals. Furthermore, with one exception, the Divisions had stated to him that they were prepared to take immediate action on the proposals if adopted. The one exception was the Chief Revenue Officer, who saw difficulties in regard to the proposal to raise taxes, but, at the same time, he agreed that it was desirable to do so if possible. The Council unanimously and emphatically agreed that the proposals as to the posting of price lists in all shops and street booths, the suggested method of enforcement of, and the severe penalties attaching to non-compliance with the orders issued, were all matters upon which action should be taken forthwith whether or not the plan, as a whole, was adopted (Vide para 5, sub-para (a) of the plan). Lt. Comdr Southard was asked by the Council to insert two paras in his plan to deal with the following points:-

(A) As long as rations are below the amount normally consumed, a strong incentive exists to patronize the Black Market. Rations must be as high as available supplies permit.

(B) Far too much indiscriminate requisitioning, and even seizure, of civilian transport and beer and was being allowed, very seriously affecting the supply situation.

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The Council agreed to forward the plan as amended to EXCO, with a strong recommendation that it be adopted forthwith as the basic plan for the control of inflation in Sicily.

28. The Council adjourned at 1220 hrs.

DISTRIBUTION:-

C.C.A.O.
D.C.C.A.O.
C.S.O.
D.C.S.O.
Lt. Col. CLOUGH

Lt. Comdr SOUTHARD
Lt. Col. G.J. HAYES
Lt. Col. R.H.J. MARTIN
Major CHAYTON
Major C.G. KENNEDY

Major E.F. WITTE
Capt. BOVARD
Capt. E. TALBOT (Secretary)
Lt. C. VAN HEUNELON (Secretary to EXCO)
File

E. TALBOT,
Captain,
Secretary, EXCO.

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AMGOT/5005/AC
AMGOT HQ. SICILY
28 Sept. 43

SUBJECT: Payment of Grain Ammassed
Before Occupation.

TO : All S.C.A.O.'s.

1. The Finance Division has now decided that payment for grain ammassed before occupation may be made at the rates in force before 10 July 1943.

2. This decision will apply in those cases where a farmer has not received payment and when he can prove satisfactorily that he has in fact delivered wheat to the ammassi. This is irrespective of whether or not the wheat was found by us on occupation.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

[Signature]

Major,
Director Agricultural
Division.

JC/tbw

DISTRIBUTION:

S.C.A.O.:	Agrigento	6
	Caltanissetta	6
	Catania	6
	Enna	4
	Palermo	35
	Ragusa	6
	Siracusa	14
	Trapani	6
	Messina	8
	AMGOT Liaison	1
	AMGOT 8th Main	10
	Col. Hume	10
	File	1
	Float	1
	Divisions	6
	Spares	10
	MGS AGHQ	2
	CSO	1
	CFO	1

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ISLAND RESOURCES BOARD

Minutes of Preliminary Meeting 25 Sept. 1943.

1. Agenda.

- a. Appointment of Chairman.
- b. Appointment of Secretary.
- c. Constitution of the Board.
- d. Matters to be covered by the Board.
- e. Setting-up of committees.
- f. Dates of Meetings and Reports of Committees.
- g. Any other business.

2. Officers in attendance.

a. AMECOT.

- (1) Major General Lord Rennell of Rodd, C.G.A.O., Acting Chairman.
- (2) Col. J. T. Zellers, Acting Director Civilian Supply & Resources.
- (3) Lt. Col. G. J. Hayes, R. A. S. C., Deputy Director, Civilian Supply & Resources.
- (4) Lt. Col. L. D. Densmore, S. C., Chief, Transportation, Communications, and Utilities Division.
- (5) Lt. Col. Frank A. Southard, Jr., U. S. N. R. (AMFA).
- (6) Capt. W. L. Batt, Jr., Acting Secretary.

b. 15th Army Group.

- (1) Major L. Frankel, R. E., D. A. D. W. (L. R.)

c. No. 1 District.

- (1) Major General J. G. W. Clark, G. O. C., No. 1 District.
- (2) Col. G. W. D. Jennings, C. E.
- (3) Lt. Col. F. J. Noakes, A. Q. M. C.

d. Island Base Section.

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F. Dates of Meetings and Reports of Committees.

G. Any other business.

2. Officers in attendance.

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d. Island Base Section.

- (1) Lt. Col. Robert W. Reuter, Base Purchasing Agent.
- (2) Lt. Col. Smullen, Engineers.

- (3) Major W. M. Alain, Engineer Section.

- (4) Capt. P. J. Carey, Engineer Section.

- (5) 1st Lt. Joseph D. McGuire, Utilities Engineering Section.

e. Naval Operating Base.

- (1) Lt. Henry A. Dudley, Jr., Legal Department.

3. Meeting was called to order by the C. C. A. O.

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4. C. C. O. C., No. 1 District agreed to see the British Navy concerning the possibility of its being represented on the Board.
5. It was agreed that Eastern and Western Resources Boards will bring all matters of Island interest to the Board's attention.
6. It was agreed that the Head of AMGOT in Sicily or his Deputy preside at meetings of the Island Board, and that AMGOT, Sicily should provide a Secretary for the Board.
7. It was agreed that meetings should be held once monthly on the first Friday of each month. Next meeting will be held on Friday, Oct. 1 at AMGOT HQ., Palermo, *at 1100 hours.*
8. It was agreed that Lt. Col. Densmore meet with the Engineer representatives of I. B. S. and No. 1 District after this meeting to establish priorities on reconstruction work on roads, bridges, and railroads.
9. It was agreed that the decisions of this acting sub-committee would be implemented by the local Resources Boards. C. C. A. O. suggested that the efforts of Engineer troops be utilized to the fullest in road and rail reconstruction. Lt. Col. Smullen of I. B. S. outlined the work being done on such reconstruction under the supervision of that Headquarters.
10. Lt. Col. Smullen stated that the I. B. S. response to a query from 15th Army Group on AMGOT's taking over the power system was the recommendation that power in the I. B. S. area be retained under control of I. B. S. until November 1, when it was estimated enough power would be available to allow relaxation of the stringent controls now being enforced by I. B. S.
11. C. C. A. O. suggested that prices of labor be not altered without reference to the Island Resources Board. Lt. Col. Smullen raised the question of the discrepancy between the wages of the electric utilities employees and of Army employees. The Secretary was directed to request the Island Labor Committee to present its recommendations at the next meeting of this Board.
12. The question of the prices at which Amies buy local products and limitation of the quantities they buy was raised, particularly regarding meat. Lt. Col. Reuter stated that I. B. S. bought no meat. Lt. Col. Hayes stated that he had learned that the purchase of meat by U. S. Air Corps officers' messes in Ragusa Province had been authorized. Lt. Col. Hayes was directed to supply information on the Ragusa situation to Lt. Col. Reuter for appropriate action.
13. C. C. A. O. stated that all coal is a "common user" item by decision of AFHQ, and that allocation of available coal supplies between I. B. S., No. 1 District and AMGOT would be an appropriate matter for the Board to consider. It was agreed that all three Headquarters would provide a complete statement of the coal situation in their area for the next meeting, including arrivals, stocks, and requirements in each area. Appropriate officers from each Headquarters were requested to attend.
14. It was agreed that a transportation representative from both I. B. S. and No. 1 District be included in the membership of the Board.

9. It was agreed that the decisions of this acting sub-committee would be implemented by the Local Resources Board. C. C. A. O. suggested that the efforts of Engineer troops be utilized to the fullest in road and rail reconstruction. Lt. Col. Smullen of I. B. S. outlined the work being done on such reconstruction under the supervision of that Headquarters.
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11. C. C. A. O. suggested that prices of labor be not altered without reference to the Island Resources Board. Lt. Col. Smullen raised the question of the discrepancy between the wages of the electric utilities employees and of Army employees. The Secretary was directed to request the Island Labor Committee to present its recommendations at the next meeting of this Board.
12. The question of the prices at which Armies buy local products and limitation of the quantities they buy was raised, particularly regarding meat. Lt. Col. Reuter stated that I. B. S. bought no meat. Lt. Col. Hayes stated that he had learned that the purchase of meat by U. S. Air Corps officers' messes in Ragusa Province had been authorized. Lt. Col. Hayes was directed to supply information on the Ragusa situation to Lt. Col. Reuter for appropriate action.
13. C. C. A. O. stated that all coal is a "common user" item by decision of AFHQ, and that allocation of available coal supplies between I. B. S., No. 1 District and AMGOT would be an appropriate matter for the Board to consider. It was agreed that all three Headquarters would provide a complete statement of the coal situation in their area for the next meeting, including arrivals, stocks, and requirements in each area. Appropriate officers from each Headquarters were requested to attend.
14. It was agreed that a transportation representative from both I. B. S. and No. 1 District be included in the membership of the Board.
15. The question of the treatment of seized and sequestered property was raised by No. 1 District. Lt. Col. Hayes was directed to supply them with any information AMGOT had available on this subject.
16. The Secretary was directed to prepare agenda for the next meeting after consultation with the Labor and Roads Committees, and submit it to the agencies concerned.

Distribution:

C.C.A.O.
D.C.S. & R.
Col. Densmore
Lt. Col. Southard
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HQ 15 Army Group (MGA)

HQ 15 Army Group (CE)
" " " " (AMGOT Liaison)
Chairman, Catania Resources Bd. (SCAO)
" " Syracuse
Lt. Col. Reuter, IBS
Lt. Col. Smullen, IBS
Lt. Dudley, NOB

W. L. BATT, JR.
Capt., Inf.
Acting Secretary

Now
Car Permit.

AMDOT/2021/F.

Capt. Levitt,
AMDOT H.Q.
Baltimore Province.

27 Sep. 3.

1. The attached letter is from the head of Istituto di Previdenza Sociale, with whom we have had frequent discussions and who has been helpful.

2. If you can see your way clear to issuing the car permit requested it would be a desirable thing to do from our point of view here in Finance Division.

R.B. MCKAPAGE.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

1209

Final.

AMECE/387/183

Complaints from Civilians.

S.O.A.O. Palermo.

27. Sept. 3.

1. The attached correspondence has been sent to this H.Q. by S.O.A.O. Galtanissetta.
2. The accompanying documents should be carefully retained by your Office.
3. Kindly take necessary action and advise us of developments.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD.
Colonel, C.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

1208

Bank Deposits - Requested Permission AMGOT/10004/TCU
by Railway Cooperative for Withdrawal.
Chief Finance Officer.

27 Sept. 3

1. Cooperativa Panoramus is a cooperative organization of railway employees in Palermo that has contracted to build and maintain living quarters for its members.
2. Under its contract it is bound to repair bomb damage to members quarters.
3. It has an deposit with "Istituto di Previdenza e di Credito delle Comunicazioni", Via Roma, 97, the sum of Lire 71,929.95 evidenced by Savings Book No. 51A.
4. Request has been made by the Capo Compartimento, Dott. Pietro Tuccio, of the railway that Cooperativa Panoramus be permitted unlimited withdrawals from this account on application by the Cooperativa's President approved by the Capo Compartimento.
5. Civilian Transport Section recommends the request be granted.

CRM/tbw

LD
L. D. DENSMORE,
Lt. Col., S.C.,
Director of Transportation
Communications, & Utilities
Division.

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Boat
Paolo Paniterra.

AMCOT/1086/13

S.C.A.C. AGRIC-INTO.

27 September 3

Reference your 1013/A/Ag of 16 September 1943.

The attached report is forwarded for your information.

Regimental
1943
LEONARD L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

1206

ROUTING SLIP.

O.C.A.O.
D.C.O.A.O.
C.S.O.
A.C.S.O.
Lt. Col. Clough
Major Smith
Major McDougall
Major Percy
Captain Talbot
Captain Farrar
Captain Sherwood
Captain Graham
Lieut. Van Heukelom
Lieut. Krupa
P.R.O.
Advisor F.A. & M.
Education Officer.

REMARKS.

27/9/43.
Date


Registry.

1205

Italian Military Allotments
and Pensions

3020/PH

S.C.A.O. - Palermo

26 Sept. 3

Reference your memorandum of 21 September 1943:

1. There will be no change for the present in the policy with respect to payments mentioned in paragraph one of your memorandum.
2. The policy in respect of these payments will be reconsidered as soon as the relationship of ANGOT to the existing Italian administration under the civil clauses of the armistice agreement is clarified.


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

1204

BY COURIER.

ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY.
AMFA

Ref: AMFA/BA/3.

Palermo
26th Sept 43.

Subject : Credits by AMFA to Sicilian Banks.
To : Banca di Sicilia (Caltanissetta Branch)
Caltanissetta.

1. Referring to our letter, 21 September 1943, the amount to be made available to Cassa Rurale ed Artigiana "G. Tonello, S. Cataldo should have read Lire, 7,500,000.00. (Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand
2. Please make the necessary correction.

OK
Lt. Col. AUS.
AMFA.

Jr
Lt. Comdr. USNR.

Distribution:

Bank of Sicily, Palermo.
P.O. Caltanissetta.
Accountant
File.

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Labor Relations.

AMGOT/9001/LAB

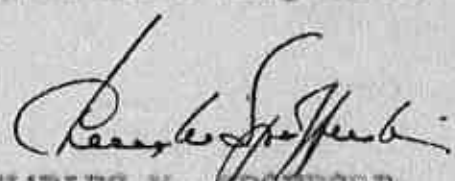
All S.C.A.O.'s.

26 Sept. 3

1. It is requested that a Staff Officer be selected and assigned responsibility for labor relations as additional duty, and that his name be submitted to HQ, on or before 5 Oct., 43.

2. The officer selected will keep fully advised of the provincial labor situation: wages, labor controversies, unemployment, etc., and be in a position to advise the SCAO and HQ in these matters when required. Labor proposals and plans now being formulated by HQ, and which are about to be released for Provincial action make immediate compliance this communication imperative.

DAM/tbw


CHARLES W. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copies to: All SCAO's
Chief Staff Officer

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Memorandum

AMCOT/9017/1A3

S.O.I.O., Palermo.

25 September 3

1. Reference your memorandum dated 22 September 43, in which you requested guidance regarding (a) "assegni familiari" (b) "indennita di sfollamento" (c) "Premio di presenza".

2. The answers are:

- (a) "assegni familiari" is to be paid until further notice.
- (b) "Indennita di sfollamento" is just another name for "indennita di presenza" alias "indennita de bombardamento" and is to be paid until further notice.
- (c) Share paid by private employer in past for "Premio di presenza" is to be continued until further notice. The only change made thus far is that Istituto di Presidenza Sociale was ordered to cease paying its share of the subsidy as of 5 September 1943, pursuant Administrative Instructions - Finance No. 5.

DAM/EDG.

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

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AMGOT/253/HQ
AMGOT SICILY
25 September 1943

SUBJECT: Employment of Civilian

TO: Civilian Supply

Reference your 9008/Lab dated 24/9/43.

Approval is given for the employment of Dabrigna
Domenica at the rate of L. 100 per day with effect from
27/9/43.

A. Y.
Staff Captain

Copy to Camp Commandant. *✓*

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URGENT.

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RE: AMERICAN PRISONERS.

SUBJECT: Moves of Personnel and Transport.

AMC/217/10.
AMC H.Q. BUEY.
26. SEPT. 44.

TO: S.C.A.O. MINGHA.

1. There is attached hereto a copy of AMC letter 98/10 of today's date ordering the moves from MINGHA of certain personnel and transport. This letter is written to ask you to give your assistance on the following points:
2. Will you please make the best arrangements you can for accommodating and feeding the 16 officers and 3 CO/MI in MINGHA for the night 27/28 Sept.
3. Lt. Col. Green will value any help you can give him in arranging with the Naval or other authorities concerned for the shipment of the personnel, stores, and 1 General Car to MINGHA on 28 Sept.
4. The 2 1/2-ton T truck (A67) allotted to you has now been repaired and will report to you on 27 Sept.

The 2 1/2-ton T truck (A72) which you hold temporarily while A67 was under repair should now be returned to this H.Q. A72 is the Fitter's Truck and the Transport Officer is greatly handicapped without it, and you are therefore asked to ensure that it reports back here within the next few days.

Wm R
in
CHARLES H. SCOTT,
Colonel, C.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copies to: Lt. Col. A.F. Green, H.Q.
American Transport Officer,
File 98/10.

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AMGCE/1068/PS

26 September 5

Prisons - CATANIA Province
S.O.A.P.O. CATANIA (Major Battersby)
(Through S.O.A.O.)

Herewith list of Prisons within the Province :

1.	Centrale CATANIA.	Very Good.
2.	" MINEO.	Very Good.
3.	" CAFFAGIROME.	The staff was slack and instructions were issued to clean the Prison. Handed to Military.
4.	MANDAMESTALE AGIREALE.	Lot to clean.
5.	" " IGHIA.	Clean and well kept.
6.	" " LINGUAGLOSSA.	Not to good.
7.	" " RANDAZZO.	Reasonable.
8.	" " BRONTE.	" "
9.	" " ADRANO.	" "
10.	" " BELPASSO.	Clean and well kept.
11.	" " PASTENNO.	Old.
12.	" " TRECASTANIA.	Reasonable.
13.	" " MELITANO.	Clean and well kept.
14.	" " VIGILI.	Not to good.
15.	" " RAMACCO.	

The conditions of the Prisons within the province are on the whole quite reasonable and reflect credit on the Officers responsible for their supervision.

Herewith list of Prisons within the Provinces :

1.	Centrale CATANIA.	Very Good.
2.	" MINEO.	Very Good.
3.	" CALTAGIRONE.	The staff was slack and instructions were issued to clean the Prison. Handed to Military.
4.	MANDAMONTALE AGIRONE.	
5.	" " IONIA.	Not to clean.
6.	" " LINGUACROSSA.	Clean and well kept.
7.	" " RANDAZZO.	Not to good.
8.	" " BRONTE.	Reasonable.
9.	" " ADRANO.	" "
10.	" " BELPASSO.	" "
11.	" " PATRINO.	Clean and well kept.
12.	" " TREGASTANA.	Old.
13.	" " MILTALIA.	Reasonable.
14.	" " VIZZINI.	Clean and well kept.
15.	" " RANICICO.	Not to good.

The conditions of the Prisons within the provinces are on the whole quite reasonable and reflect credit on the Officers responsible for their supervision.

H. J. BROWN,
Captain,
for Supt. of Prisons.

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26 September 3

Prisons - Messina Province
S.C.A.P.O. Messina (Major Dye)
(Through S.C.A.O.)

Herewith list of Prisons within the Province :

1.	Centrale MESSINA.	Good.
2.	" MISTRENTA.	Very Good.
3.	" MILLAZZO. (Males).	Good.
	" MILLAZZO. (Females).	Good; separate establishments.
4.	" PATI.	Badly damaged; will be closed later.
5.	MAMICCHIO BARELLONA. (Criminal Lunatic Asylum).	Very Good.
6.	MAMICCHIO BARELLONA.	Reasonable.
7.	" LIPARI Is.	No prisoners detained.
8.	" ALLI.	This place was so dirty it was closed and prisoners will be sent to MESSINA.
9.	" FRANCOVILLA.	Reasonable.
10.	" NOVATO.	May be closed later.
11.	" S. SEVERINO.	Under repair; will be good.
12.	" S. AGATA.	Not to good.
13.	" BACCHIA.	Reasonable.
14.	" TORREBONIC.	Not to good; may be closed later.
15.	" NASO.	Clean and well kept.
16.	" ROSETTA.	Not to good.
17.	" BARELLONA.	May be closed later.
18.	" TACCHINA.	Closed. Records at Carabinieri.

Herewith list of Prisons within the Province :

1.	Centrale MESSINA.	Good.
2.	" MISTRETTA.	Very Good.
3.	" MILAZZO. (Males).	Good.
4.	" MILAZZO. (Females).	Good; separate establishments.
	" PARTI.	Badly damaged; will be closed later.
5.	MANICOTTO BARGELLANA. (Criminal Lunatic Asylum).	Very Good.
6.	MANDAMONTALE S. ANGELO.	Reasonable.
7.	" " LIPARI Is.	No prisoners detained.
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9.	" " FRANCOVILLA.	Reasonable.
10.	" " NOVAREO.	May be closed later.
11.	" " S. STEFANO.	Under repair; will be good.
12.	" " S. AGATA.	Not to good.
13.	" " RACUTIA.	Reasonable.
14.	" " TORTORICOLI.	Not to good; may be closed later.
15.	" " MASO.	Clean and well kept.
16.	" " ROMETTA.	Not to good.
17.	" " BARGELLICIA.	May be closed later.
18.	" " TACCHINA.	Closed. Records at Carabinieri.

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H.J. BROWN,
Captain,
for SUPR. OF PRISONS.

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Restoration of Civil Telephone Communications. File No. AMOT/10027/100

TO: Ing. Tagliavia, Director S.E.T., Catania. AMOT HQ. SICILY

25 Sept. 1943

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to take over the management and operation of the Messina and Catania automatic telephone central offices, using civilian S.E.T. personnel, for the purpose of providing local telephone service to military and civilian customers.
2. Effective date of this transfer is 1 October 1943 and the billing to military units will be prepared using telephone facilities in place on this date as a base.
3. In carrying out this directive you are subject to the provisions set forth in the directive sent to you from this headquarters dated 22 September 1943 and supplement NO. 1 of the same date attached hereto.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer

JED/sdb.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, GSC.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copies To:

C.S.O. 15th Army Group

C.S.O. No. 1 District, Catania (For these)

C.S.O., I.B.S.

S.O.A.O., Messina, Catania.

N.C. Section, AFHQ

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Chief Staff Officer.

Copies To:

C.S.O. 15th Army Group

C.S.O. No. 1 District, Catania (Fortbase)

C.S.O., I.B.S.

S.C.A.Os., Messina, Catania.

M.G. Section, AFHQ

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Our Permits

1052/PS

Capt. P. A. Negretti
C.A.O., Monroale

26 Sept. 3

In reply to yours of 22 Sept., I well understand the subterfuge of certain individuals in obtaining permits. For this reason, I had already consulted Capt. Levitt in the case of M. de Stafani.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

FREDERICK L. GRAHAM
Captain, CAC

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Italian Military Personnel and
Migrant Civilians,
R.C.A.O.,
Region II.

AMGOT/109/HQ.

26. Sept. 3.

1. In reply to cabled enquiries by 5 Army, the following instructions have been sent by 15 Army Group and are forwarded for your information and guidance.

(a) Italian soldiers are NOT to be interned and their movements are NOT to be restricted as individuals, or as units. If, however, reliable Italian Units can be collected, they may be employed on guarding L. of C., ports, and they may be used for labour.

(b) Individuals should NOT carry arms unless they are CARABINIERI, but individual soldiers with arms may be formed into units for duties mentioned in (a) above.

(c) Regular Italian units must be fed by Fifth Army and supplies indentured for through normal channels. AMGOT will do their best to feed civilians and individuals.

(d) Italian units may be used in combat.

(e) Italian units and individual soldiers may be used for labour (vide (a) above) but the question of compensation need NOT be considered at this stage.

RESTRICTIONS.

(f) There are no ~~instructions~~ with regard to free movement of military or civilian individuals wishing to return to their homes, provided such movement does not interfere with military operations or endanger security. ✕

2. For your information the above instructions to 5th Army were NOT repeated to 8th Army.

✕ CROSSING THE STRAITS INTO SICILY

SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED FOR THE PRESENT

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

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AMGOT/213/HQ.
AMGOT H.Q. SICILY.
25. Sept. 45.

SUBJECT:- Reorganization of Civilian Supply Division.

TO :- ALL Concerned.

1. Effective immediately the civilian Supply Division will be reorganized. The previous functions of the Division will be divided among the following Divisions which are hereby established :

- (a) Economics and Supply Division.
- (b) Transportation, Communication, and Utilities Division.
- (c) Agriculture Division.
- (d) Labor Division.

2. The particular functions of these Divisions will be as follows :-

(a) Economics and Supply Division: This division shall be responsible for estimating and meeting essential civilian requirements; for supervising the rationing system of the territory, other than in respect of agricultural products; for the survey, development and control of natural resources of the territory, other than agricultural resources, to the extent required by the interests of the Allied Forces or the economy of the territory; for supervising price control, other than in respect of agricultural products; for the development and regulation of industrial and commercial enterprises and activities, other than those engaged in furnishing transportation, communication, or utility services; and in general for taking necessary measures to restore channels of supply and distribution and to rehabilitate the economy of the territory.

(b) Transportation, Communication and Utilities Division: This division shall be responsible for rehabilitating and maintaining a system of civilian transport, whether by rail, water, highway or otherwise; for the regulation and control of existing civilian transport facilities or agencies; and for arranging transport required for civilian supply, mails, and civilian personnel, as may be required for the rehabilitation of the economy of the territory. This division will not be responsible for AMGOT organic transport, that is, for operation, maintenance or control of (i) British or American Army vehicles, (ii) civilian and captured vehicles required for transport of AMGOT personnel or property in addition to Army vehicles.

This division shall also be responsible for rehabilitating, and maintaining civil communications, and for the regulation and control of existing communication facilities, including telephone, telegraph, cables and radio; for the rehabilitation, regulation and control of electric, gas and water utilities; and for the rehabilitation and supervision of public works, including roads, bridges, water supply, sewers and sanitary facilities.

(c) Agriculture Division: This division shall be responsible for the supervision of agriculture, including cropping and production, methods for improvement of agriculture and processing of agricultural products; for rationing and price control of agricultural products; for estimating and meeting agricultural requirements; and

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(d) Labor Division: This division shall be responsible for the supervision and control of all matters relating to labor supply, including the regulation of wage levels for both civilian and military labor; the supervision of regional and provincial labor offices and all other matters affecting labor in the territory.

3. The following are appointed chiefs of divisions :

- (a) Economics and Supply : Col. John T. Zellars (Acting).
- (b) Transportation, Communication, and Utilities; Lt. Col. Leonard D. Denatore.

(c) Agriculture: Major J. Chayton.
(d) Labor : Captain David A. Morse.

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By Order of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

Charles M. Spowford
CHARLES M. SPOWFOED,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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			Labor Div.	1

SUBJECT: Olive Oil

ALLOT/5064/GS
ALLOT HQ SICILY
24 September 43.

To: All S. C. A. Cs.

1. Olive oil and olive oil residues will be subject to control similar to that in force prior to our occupation.
2. In particular the following regulations will remain in force:
 - A. Those defining the persons who are allowed to retain olive oil and the quantity which they are permitted to retain. Arrangements should be made for the withdrawal of ration coupons in respect of these persons.
 - B. Those stipulating conditions of ammass, sale, distribution, sampling and classification of oils.
 - C. Those affecting the method of rationing.
3. Crop estimate to hand at the moment indicates that production this season is likely to be satisfactory and the maximum ration should be fixed as from 1st November, 1943 at $\frac{1}{2}$ liter per person per month. If subsequent information suggests that this should be decreased or could be increased, the matter will be reconsidered. In the absence, therefore, of any subsequent instructions the maximum ration for all provinces is fixed at the quantity mentioned above.
4. Prices have been amended having in mind two essential requirements
 - A. The price should be high enough to attract the crop into the ammassi.
 - B. It should not be so high as to be beyond the means of the poorer classes.

The price to the producer of Lire 20 to Lire 22 per qll represents a 50% rise on last year's price and having regard to the anticipated increase in supplies, is expected to be sufficiently high to attract the crop to the Ammassi.

The cost per person per month at the ration fixed above will be about 11 lire. This expenditure on such an important item of diet cannot be considered excessive. It compares with 48 lire per month per person for bread and pasta at the maximum permitted ration.

5. A schedule is attached (Appendix A) fixing prices for edible olive oil for this season's crop. It will be observed that the classification has been simplified and edible oils are now graded into 4 categories. This is regarded as a sufficient division, having in mind the fact that 80% of all oil

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C. Those affecting the method of rationing.

3. Crop estimate to hand at the moment indicates that production this season is likely to be satisfactory and the maximum ration should be fixed as from 1st November, 1943 at 2 liter per person per month. If subsequent information suggests that this should be decreased or could be increased, the matter will be reconsidered. In the absence, therefore, of any subsequent instructions the maximum ration for all provinces is fixed at the quantity mentioned above.

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6. Prices for non-edible olive products are attached (Appendix B).

7. The prices fixed from producer down to consumer are standard for the whole Island with the following exceptions.

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A. The retail prices shown are those applicable to provincial capitals. Increases may be made for other communes in the province to cover additional transport costs.

B. Any tax payable by the retailer will be added to his selling price. For example, if the tax on "olio comune" was 0.5 lire per litre, the price to the consumer would be Lire 22.5 per litre in the provincial capital.

Charles M. Spofford

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

DISTRIBUTION:

S. C. A. O.:	6
Agrirento	6
Caltanissetta	6
Catania	4
Enna	35
Palermo	6
Ragusa	14
Siracusa	6
Trapani	8
Messina	1
ALGOT Liaison	1
ALGOT 8th Main	1
Col. Hume	1
File	1
Fleet	1
Division	6
Spares	10
MES AFHQ	2

APPENDIX 'A'

Prices of Edible Olive Oil. Season 1943 - 4 (Lire).

	Unit.	Olio Sopraffino. 1%	Olio Fino. 2.7%	Olio di Oliva. 6%	Olio Comune. 7%
Maximum Acid Content.					
Paid to the Producer.	qli.	2,200	2,100	2,050	2,000
Sale ex Ammassi	"	2,300	2,200	2,150	2,100
Sale by Wholesaler	"	2,400	2,300	2,250	2,200
Sale by Retailer	litro.	24	23	22.5	22

APPENDIX 'B'

Prices of non-edible Olive Oil & Residues. Season 1943 - 4 (Lire).

	Unit.	Olio Lampante.	Olio d'inferno.	Olio Al Solfuro o Altri Solventi.	Morchio o Fondami.
Paid to the Producer.	qli.	1800	1725	1450	1250
Sale ex Ammassi	"	1875	1800	1500	1300
Sale by Wholesaler	"	1950	1875	1560	1350
Sale by Retailer	litro	19.5	-	-	-

Float

Officers Pay.

ADOC/20737.

Col. Tilman,
Finance Officer,
Savannah Area.

27 Sep. 3.

It will be appreciated if you will supply this Headquarters with about 100 blank (100 original and 100 duplicate) Officers' Pay vouchers.

We plan to send some to each Provincial H.Q. in Sicily for the use of local U.S. Civil Affairs Officers, with a plan to have one designated officer in each Province call here at your offices to receive the pay for the group in each Province who desire to receive their pay in this manner.

Is this agreeable to you? If not, would you kindly advise what procedure would be satisfactory.

I understand Col. Grafton-Smith (who has gone away for a short trip) made similar arrangements with you for the pay of our officers in the Calabrian area on the Mainland.

R.A.M.

R.H. MERRIAM,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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1001/PS

Alleged Looting

U.S.A.C., Messina

Sept. 26, 3

1. Reference is made to verbal report made to Colonel Sherman, 7th Infantry and Major Deutsch concerning the alleged looting at the above premises. In connection therewith I am quoting reply just received from Commanding Officer, 7th Infantry dated 13 September 1943.

TO: Commanding General, Third Infantry Division, APO No. 3

2nd Lieutenant Floyd M. Grain, 7th Infantry was in command of the platoon which was charged with the guarding of stores located in the Capuchin Seminary. This guard was requested by AFOP officials. The stores consisted of Italian naval uniforms and clothes and food. Lt. Grain states that there was positively no looting by members of his platoon at any time. The only articles which were removed from the building were a box of socks which Lt. Grain issued to members of his platoon, they being badly in need of new socks at the time, and a truckload of food, including flour, which was removed by Italians with written permission of Major Deutsch. Lt. Grain states that no civilians were touched or molested in any way by members of his platoon.

Lt. Grain also states that the two priests who were living in one room of the building objected strenuously to his entering the building at all. Furthermore a search was made in all companies in Messina and no property taken from civilians was found.

All companies in Messina were in assembly areas, alerted, and kept under control in case of emergency.

HAROLD L. SHERMAN
Colonel, 7th Inf.
Commanding.

Please advise C.C.A.C. whether or not this report coincides with report made to you and if there by an discrepancy, please support your knowledge of the facts in the form of certified statements from yourself and Major Deutsch.

LEONARD BOLLES,
Colonel, Inf.
Commanding of 7th Inf.

1. Reference is made to verbal report made to Colonel Sherman, 7th Infantry and Major Deutsch concerning the alleged looting at the above premises. In connection therewith I am quoting reply just received from Commanding Officer, 7th Infantry dated 15 September 1943.

TO: Commanding General, Third Infantry Division, APO Mo. 3

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HAROLD A. WHELAN
Colonel, 7th Inf.
Commanding.

Please advise C.G.I.C. whether or not this report coincides with report made to you and if there by an discrepancy, please support your knowledge of the facts in the form of certified statements from yourself and Major Deutsch.

IRVING HOLMES,
Colonel, Inf.
Commissioner of Public
Safety.

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AKGOL/21.9/11

PRIVATE

26th September

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I am directed by Major General The Lord Remell to request you to notify Island Base Section that the Governor's House in Palermo should be definitely reserved for you, if and when the Governor decides he will not require it any longer.

L. KENTON,
 1184
 Captain,
 C.A.O., Headquarters.

Major General G. Clark,
 No. 1 Area,
 CAMBRIDGE.

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Accounts of the Sub Accountant, Noto, Syracuse
Province for period ending 31 August 1943.

AMGOL/2017/F.

Lt-Col. A. G. Tubb,
Chief Accountant.

26 Sep 43.

Reference your memo of 26th September, 43.

I fully agree with the procedure you propose to follow
as outlined in paragraph 8.

R. B. MENAPACE

R. B. MENAPACE.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Orphanages.

S. O. A. O.
Syracuse Province.

Float

AMST/2080/A

27 Sep.

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Reference your note of 16th September, 43, requesting an official to go over the accounts of an orphanage in the town of Syracuse.

This was taken up with the Chief Accountant, who regretfully reports that he cannot supply an accountant at the present time.

I quite agree with the desirability of the audit, for the various reasons you mention, and we shall have it in mind for a later date, when an accountant may be available.

R.H.
R. B. MENAPACE,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

Copy to:- Chief Accountant.

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Host

AMCOT/2050/F.

Potash Mines.

Dottor Francesco Notarbartolo,
c/o Signor Danara,
Banca d'Italia.

27 Sep.

3.

Dear Dottor Notarbartolo,

At your convenience, will you please call at our Headquarters at 8, Via Bari, in order to discuss the Potash mines with some of our officers. If you will come to my office I shall be glad to introduce you to them.

RAM
R. B. MENAPACE,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Allegations regarding the state
of affairs at CASTELVETRANO.
S.C.A.P.O. Province of TRAPANI.
(Through S.C.A.C.).

Heat
ANGOT/1116/PS

26 September 3

The attached memorial and translation make some serious allegations, particularly against one CAPUTO. The S.C.A.O. will, no doubt, wish to institute further enquiries.

Lyman Bales
LYMAN L. BATES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Allied Petition

S.C.A.O.,
Palermo

ASSET/759/31

25th September 3

Attached is a petition addressed to the G.O.C. in C.
from one Gaetano Caspare for your interest.

It will be appreciated if, after perusal, you would
have the various points raised by Gaetano investigated, and
his personal grievance examined, in order that an appropriate
answer can be given him.

L. ZETUACHIL,
Captain
S.C.A.O. H. 1184

COPY

Generale H. R. Alexander, Comandante delle Forze alleate e Governatore
Militare - Palermo.

Io scrivente Catrone Gaspare fu Pietro e Sai la fu Genelli Previdenza
nato a Palermo il 4 Novembre 1872. Io milito a S. Sorenso Colli Piazza Cavazzetta
No X Macolinista delle F.F. SS. pensionato.

Mi permetto Salucidarvi di qualitis cosa che nona sapete e non potete
sapere, omris vosto intendimento, e nello stesso tempo implorarvi nonogliara
di quanto appresso.

Sono stato, sono e saro Antifascista, e per Kale vuestro scri usalo
barragliato disbarbato considerandami Sovvernivo.

Per Kale erretivo fui costretto rivolgermi il 12 Febbraio 1923 a Benito
Mussolini fortettore Sai malviventi per in riparo a que sto imano barragliamento.

Il provvedimento adottato fu quello di mettermi fuori servizio e sottoposto
a visita collegiale di cocconza il 25 Febbraio 1923.

Il 1° Circolo dello stesso anno fui esautorato definitivamente con
trattamento no pari al altri.

Sono 20 anni e 103 giorni sino oggi che mi trovo in pensione e su di ho
goduto di un beneficio come Xanti e Xanti mi allitisti e parteguria.

Mi Italianissimo fedato al Re e alla Patria, come saro Fedele a voi
rappresentante del Governo alleato di cui spendo con infinito amore e realta
sincera.

Sono un uomo intellettuale, morale, retto, corretto, intelligente, e
civile, potrei descrivere con documentazione la mia storia sfortunata ma e
troppo lunga quindi mi limito al mio regina.

Avete combattuto il Fascismo e lo avete vinto a chi? il maestro, la
bacchetta e la misica e sopra la stessa maschita e feminite amo fatto
il volta faccia per ottenere. Qual e che non sono Regni, perche si rodono
avere perduto il loro benia mio maestro Benito Mussolini.

Occorrerebbe a/s. usare, disadunare sino alla radi, la il Fascismo non
farlo risperare e soffocato, disinfectare il terreno perche tutti quelli die vi
circondano e ach amo affidati dei competi, ei an no acquistata la vestia stanzia,
una soro sapor fascisti della crina ora accanissimmi fanno l'innocente per
rimanere inaspettate e indistutati e godersi l'aria pura, sentio in sostanza
sono la con crina putrefatta della povera Palermo e di tutta la Sicilia.

Occorrerebbe che la dirigenza, l'ordine e la disciplina, per attinere
l'ubbidienza fosse affidata, alla vostra agente dipendente perche si va di
male in peggio, liquidare tutti senza eccezione color che portano la fascia
al braccio, perche minimamente sin Veressano del compito a loro affidato, sous
tutti rubba passe a tradire to faccindo i propri corredi, non rispettando e
non face rispettare le disposizioni da voi emanate anche rigorosissimi.

Paro di S. Sorenso Colli e dintorni nelle quali esiste la 1482
tutti a Briglia sciolta, perche non ca totalmente la sorveglianza, il controllo

CO- 2 -00

LA DISCIPLINA E' mirabilmente difesa, oramai si regola a modo suo infischendosi dei rigori, dando ibilmente e senza la regolare licenza in nottissimi case ai venditori del vino ed altro malgrado il decreto perche' ognuno ci veda un die per rilevare tante belle cose dalla vettia agente.

In Barba al testino dei prezzi russini, che non si sono mai visti in piazza, il Mercato Nero e Aumento, to scandalosamente e nessuno se ne cura.

Gli Agenti al quale e affidate l'incarico di altro pensiero non anno di fare i proci conosciuti intedendo rigore abusando della fasara vogliono mangiare gratuitamente e ser viti appetitino, sotto pelle di agnello, li voi feren indisturbati faandosi reinfore piu pericolosi.

Merita il pane e la pasta quelli non li tesserato, mentre ne abbondano dandestina mente nel mercato nero ove siamo obbligati ricco sare. Prezzo L.40 - 45 e 50 da 150 - 800 e 900 grama di mai da 10 e 1 mentre il normale tesserato era L.350e fu elevato a L.2.60 e - Pasta a L.60 e 70 piu o meno bianca o nera con un consumo quadruplicato di quello normale tesserato, cio significa che la farina esiste, e non e vera che vi e la deficienza per come si giustificano, i forni, i grati glie la vendono a caro prezzo.

Non mi aprofundo parlare degli altri generi alimentari che nel mercato normale non esistono fin del mese di Aprile 1945, non tre nel mercato nero abbondando con prezzi straordinari, non curan degli minime della disposizioni rigorosissimi per come ho dovuto constatare, quindi e necessario supporre l'assenza e la protesio ne di da vorrebbe colpire, essendo Massativi Sisperveleoni.

La Sicilia specialmente Palermo e infestate e abbonda di malviventi - briganti - mafiosi - camorristi elviri, credo che lo sapiate.

Per il Fascismo e questi tipacci perico losi, non occorre la reclusione e la multa che non oifa ne caldo ne freddo, occorre il Flotone d'esecuzione servecceccio, ne e pietà e possibilmente si potranno lenare.

Non mi prolungo oltre a buoi intenditore poche pa role, aggiungo che occorrerebbe lasciare libera la vendita nel mercato abolire completamente le tessere che adottò Mussolini per garantire e garantire, la sua ellota Germania alla grata ne per vendita, l'Italia andro per qualunque il altro scopo, ma l'ultima parola ancora non e detta.

Spero che Iddio mi faccia la grazia farini ad astere allo sfracello di Mussolini con i suoi affiliati e di Adolfo Hitler con tutta la Germania.

Duploio preghiara, serche sorro sconfortatissimo avvalito per i viaggi arrecatori le malattie in famiglia, cosse tuttavia, e sa crisi della Guerra che mi anno portate allo Alceminio alla miae rio, si arrangia per noni noniri sifarno.

In questo stato di cose non possiamo vivere con la mia pensione. La fame fa uscire la serpe dalla sua tana Come posso compartire le L.340 di pensione essendo millor tessente nel mercato così aggravato?

Chiedo soccorso, pero essere preso in considerazione e non negato.

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Intor speranza, in attesa, anticipatamente sin grazie.

Devotissimo e fedilissimo

Citrano Gaspare

fu Ebreo di anni 71

N. 13 Due pericolosi fascisti che erano il ferrore si S. Sorenso
Bernascone il quale diceva. Mussolini a Roma edio a S.
Sorcuso, questo e gia assicurato, mentre il suo
segretario Consalvo Pasquale si gode l'aria fresca inos
servato Souffando come una panna sinarrita.

Palermo S. Sorenso 16 Settembre 1943.

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Safe Deposit Box Contents.

A 603/2043/P.

P.O.
through S.O.A.O. Agrigento Province.

27 Sep.

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1. In my opinion, you need not retain the ear-rings of Francesco Gambardello. The item is in effect a piece of jewelry.

R.B. Menapace
R.B. MENAPACE.
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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J. Paul
Extension Bills of Exchange and C.I.D.

AMCOT/2043/F.

Finance Officer,
through S.O.A.O. Syracuse Province.

27 Sep. 3.

1. Extension date under General Order No. 6 is 30 days from maturity. Longer extensions are not allowed.

2. Suggest Mother Superior of Mary College at Sortino await lifting of restricted withdrawals which we are preparing to make effective October 6th. or not later than October 11th. No reason why Finance Office cannot advance requirements through Public Welfare.

R. B. Menapace
R. B. MENAPACE.

Lieut-Colonel
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Subject: Transportation-Provision of Trucks for Grain Supply. AMGOT/10010/
XX TOU
TO : S.O.A.O., Syracuse. 27 Sept. 3
ATTENTION: AMGOT Supply Officer, Lt. Asquini

1. In reply to your urgent request to assist you with transportation facilities, we will furnish you two ten-tonners (with trailers) for a period of two weeks, beginning 28 September, 1943.

2. These trucks are to report to Supply Officer, Caltanissetta, Lt. Asquini, for use of Supply Officer, Syracuse, Lt. E.H. Clay. Trucks are to be used according to the agreement between Lt. Asquini and Lt. Clay, to haul grain for Syracuse.

3. It is to be definitely understood that these trucks and trailers are a part of AMGOT HQ, Sicily, Palermo, transportation pool and are furnished with drivers; and are to be returned to AMGOT Headquarters, Sicily, Palermo, at expiring period of stated two weeks. Provisions will have to be made for rations and sleeping accommodations of drivers during the period for which you are in use of these vehicles.

IMC/adb

LD
L.D. DENSMORE
Lt. Col. S.O.
Chief, T.C. and U.
Division

COPIES TO: AMGOT/5005/CS - 901 -
Caltanissetta - 901 -

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HEADQUARTERS AMGOT
15th Army Group
APO 777

AMGOT/2A1/HQ

27 September 1943

SUBJECT: Enquiries re Civilians.

TO : SCAO, Province of Catania.

1. This Hq has had an enquiry on the present whereabouts and health of NOBILE DONNA NEELINA STURZA, Piazza (or Via) Sta. Sofia, Galtagirone.
2. Information was requested by Brigadier HUME, of MEF, to find out if the undermentioned has survived the recent hostilities.
3. Any information you can furnish this Hq will be appreciated.

h *AM.*
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD
Col, GSC
Chief Staff Officer

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HEADQUARTERS AMGOT
15th Army Group
APO 777

AMGOT/2A1/HQ

27 September 1943

SUBJECT: Enquiries re Civilians.

TO : SCMO, Province of Messina.

1. Received your letter, Ref. 104, requesting information as to the whereabouts of Giuseppe Giammo, age 14, struck by an American vehicle and taken away by American soldiers.

2. Since this incident took place in the Province of Messina, hospitals within this province should be contacted for information. Field hospitals which have since moved on may be a source of information also.

3. This Hq does not believe that information wanted can be obtained from Medical Authorities here, however, if you have information which leads you to believe that it can, request you forward it to this Hq.


CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Col, GSC
Chief Staff Officer

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HEADQUARTERS AMOOT
15th Army Group
APO 777

AMOOT/241/MQ

27 September 1943

SUBJECT: Enquiries re Civilians.

TO : G.H.Q., M.E.F., Civil Affairs Branch.

1. We have received information here, from the Italian Red Cross, that Oswaldo Faucher, father of L/Cpl O. Faucher, A.T.S., does not appear among the Jews interned in the concentration camps here.

2. This in answer to your enquiry of 3 September 1943. Ref. No. 10086/B/293/CA.


CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Col, GSC
Chief Staff Officer

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ALLOT 15 ARMY GROUP

27 SEP 43

SECRET

PRIORITY

RECEIVED 8 ARMY FOR HENSON, 15 A G, PORTBASE

AT PORTBASE TONNAGE CURRENTLY 22 SEP ALLOCATION MADE FOR CIVIL SUPPLIES
FOR HENSON TWO HUNDRED FOR TEN DAY PERIOD OCTOBER 24 TO NOVEMBER 2 INCLUSIVE
SEE PORTBASE 1070 Q 23 SEP PARTIAL FROM ALLOT 7TH ARMY TO HES ARMY HED 8 ARMY
FOR HENSON 15 A PORTBASE GIVE ALLOT 296 PARTIAL CIVIL SUPPLIES TO HAINLAND
PORTS PRESUMABLY TARRANTO ALLOTTED AS FOLLOWS ONE ZERO ZERO TONS DALIN OR
ONE ZERO ZERO TONS OVER TEN DAYS IN LATER INFORMATION INDICATES HENSON
MOST DESTINATIONS DESTINATION ALL CIVIL SUPPLIES AND HENSON ARMY WILLING AMOUNT USE
HENSON IN THEREFORE IF POSSIBLE THIS THOUSAND TONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED HENSON
IN HENSON IN ALL FLOUR OR WHEAT IN UNDERSTAND REQUISITIES COVERING THIS HAVE
HENSON FURNISHED THROUGH HENSON ARMY

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27 SEP 43

ALBROT 15 ARMY GROUP

SECRET

PRIORITY

1005 AFHQ RPTD NO. 1 DISBURSED, 15 A G, FORTRANSE

AT FORTRANSE TUGLAGE OCCURRENCE 22 SEP ALLOCATION MADE FOR CIVIL SUPPLIES FOR
 BETHUN ONE EASTERN SUGAR FOR TEN DAY PERIOD OCTOBER 24 TO NOVEMBER 2 INCLUSIVE
 SEE FORTRANSE 1070 Q 23 SEP PAREN FROM ALBROT 7TH ARMY TO 1005 AFHQ RPTD NUMBER ONE
 DISTRICT 15 A G FORTRANSE GIVE AMOUNT 305 PAREN FORTRANSE ALLOCATED CIVIL SUPPLIES
 WAS TWO ZERO ZERO TONS DAILY ON TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO TONS OVER TEN DAYS TO HANDDOWN
 FLOUR ONE FIVE FIVE ZERO TONS TO BE CONSIDERED PART OF NOVEMBER SHIPMENT REQUESTED
 IN FILLOT P 63 OF 19 SEP SUGAR THREE FOUR ZERO MILK TWO ZERO DROPS VEGETABLES
 FOUR ZERO SOAP THREE ZERO CANNED BEANS ONE ZERO NEWSPAPER ONE ZERO PD ABOVE
 QUANTITIES BASED ON MONTHLY PROJECTION OF REQUISITIONS AND PHASING SUPPLIED IN
 LONG TERM REQUIREMENTS BY 15 ARMY GROUP UNDER 15 AG/2403/A/Q DATED 24 SEP PD
 ABOVE INCLUDES SEED POTATOES AND FERTILIZERS REFERENCE YOUR W - 444 - 667A DATED
 19 SEP ALSO COAL AND PETROLEUM WHICH AREAS SHOULD REPORT UNTIL DEPARTURE.

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Labor Conference

AMGOT/0004/LAB

Captain Robert Frazer, AMGOT Hq.,
Catania

27 Sept 3

1. It is requested that you report to this
Division on or before 5 October 1943, for a
general labor conference.

DAVID A. BERRY
Captain, A.C.
Director, Labor Division

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Loat

Luigi Todaro, President of Tribunale
S.L.O. through S.C.A.O.
Province of Parma.

AMCT/4039/L.

27 Sept.

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1. Sig. Todaro's application is returned as this HQ is not aware whether his journey is really necessary. In view of what you say, there is no "prima facie" objection to his leaving temporarily the seat of his former activities.

2. If on the other hand, you feel that this official should be replaced, please ~~forward~~ at your earliest convenience the name of a suitable judge to fill in the vacancy, unless you prefer to include it in the list of Judicial appointments you are about to submit to this HQ (AMCT/4039/L.—12 Sept. 1943).

G. G. W. . . .

G. G. HANNAFORD,
Major,
Legal Division.

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Political Prisoners.
Capt. MAURE, Manipolo

26 Sept. 3

1. This HQ has been instructed to supply higher authority with particulars of political prisoners released.
2. A few weeks ago you released a number of political prisoners from UETICA.
3. Will you please supply direct to CPM at this HQ the following particulars:
 - (a) Number released.
 - (b) Nationality (it is believed that they were all Yugoslav).

San Cap...
W. G. CHAMBER,
Lt. Col., AUS,
Chief Legal Officer.

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Float

AMGOT/4039/L.
AMGOT HQ., SICILY
27 September 1943

SUBJECT: Salaries and Indemnities of Judicial Officials.

To : All S.L.O.s through S.C.A.O.s.

1. A number of S.L.O.s have requested on several occasions that the instructions in regard to salaries and indemnities payable to Judicial Officials be clarified.

2. The C.F.O. has confirmed the following points:

(a) The equivalent of four months salary paid in advance by the Italian Government prior to the Allied occupation is not to be considered as a bonus but as salary.

(b) All indemnities payable under the old regime will be continued, and Pensions to all State, Provincial and Municipal Officials will also be maintained.

(c) Any official appointed by the Allied authorities will receive exactly the same amount of salary and indemnities as his predecessor.

3. Adjustment of salaries and indemnities to the cost of living are being considered, but no decision in this respect will be taken in the immediate future.

W. C. CHANLER,
Lt. Col., AUS,
Chief Legal Officer.

Flout

Microscopes

AMMOT/3002/HI

S.A.F.H.O., Palermo. (Through S.O.A.O.)

27 Sept. 3

Captain Rinkey of the 56th Medical Battalion is in urgent need of a microscope. He states he has received information that some microscopes are available at the University of Palermo.

He would be glad to have one or two on loan and is prepared to return them when he leaves the area.

Could you please find out if these microscopes are available and if so could they be lent to the 56th Medical Battalion.

GMF/ja

Guarigelli Major
✓ D. GORDON CHEENE • 1169
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

Float

AMGOT/4035/L

Political Prisoners

S'Lt. Dickie, SIO Palermo Province
Prefettura.

26 Sept.

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1. This HQ has been instructed to supply higher authority with particulars of political prisoners released.
2. About the end of July 1943 a number of political prisoners were released (at the instigation of Lt. Col. BOWEN) by SIO Palermo Province and the records are in your HQ.
3. Will you please supply direct to GPC at this HQ the following particulars in respect of such prisoners:
 - A. Number released.
 - B. Nationality.

J. *San Caputo*
H. C. CHAMBER,
Lt. Col., AUS
Chief Legal Officer

jd

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Catania University.

S. G. G. Catania.

MEMO/3017/M.

23 Sept. 3.

Reference memo 5-7/49 from the Senior Magt Provincial Health Officer to the Director for Public Health on the subject of reopening of the University of Catania.

1. The subject has been closely studied by all concerned at this Headquarters and it is agreed that a case has been made for the reopening of the Medical Schools with which this Headquarters is in sympathy.
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3. Further directives will be issued by the Educational Advisor of this Headquarters as regards the details for opening the Medical and associated faculties.
4. Since the meeting of the Director of Public Health and the Senators at Catania a new procedure covering the financial aspect of a project such as this has been developed. The University should be instructed to submit its figures and estimates to the Regia Tesoro. These will be checked and requests for payments will be sent to this Headquarters through the Provincial P. G.
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CLAUDE E. STOPFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Typewriters

S.C.A.C., Syracuse

228/HQ

Sept. 27, 3

Reference your memo 9 August 1943. Please inform this H.Q. per return the number of typewriters now in your possession and particulars of disposal for those issued, 24 typewriters were handed to you when you left Tunis.

On receipt of this information, arrangements for collection will be made by this H.Q.

Al Yarras. bap
for CHARLES M. SPONFORD,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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7 foot 7933
Giornale di Sicilia

AMOT/46/HQ

Alla Direzione
Giornale di Sicilia
Palermo.

26 September 3

In risposta alla vostra petizione, senza data, chiedendo il ripristino delle attività del vostro giornale il Generale Remell mi ha incaricato di ricordarvi di nuovo che, benché vedrebbe con piacere la ripresa della pubblicazione del giornale di Sicilia, la mancanza di carta rimane così seria obiezione di non potersi permettere per il momento qualsiasi nuova attività di questo genere.

for M. A. to ^{capt.} O.C.A.C.

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Regulation Procedure.

H.Q. 15 Army Group
(H.Q. Mainz)

AMGOT/379/M

27th September 3

1. Reference 15AG/2423/Q of 11th September, GCP/2/4 and CM/3/13/30 of 15th September 1943, it is regretted that the problem of requisitioning for AMGOT is still not cleared up.

2. AMGOT has neither the funds, personnel, nor the expert knowledge to settle claims arising from requisitions and it was never intended to set up a separate requisitioning authority.

3. The points on which decisions are sought are the following:-

(a) Approval for individual AMGOT Officers, as designated by the C.G.A.G. to exercise the powers of requisitioning in respect of real and movable property.

This approval is sought owing to AMGOT officers being scattered all over the occupied territory, often many miles from any military formation and still further from their own H.Q.

If this approval is given all requisitions made by AMGOT Officers will be routed through this H.Q. to the appropriate payment office. This is in order to maintain control over the requisitioning officers and to simplify the work of payment offices.

(b) A directive to AMGOT and to the payment offices concerned stating clearly to what extent payment offices requisition papers should be sent.

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Copy to:

A.G. Claims & Hirings, Sicily. 19, Via Adriano, Catania.
 Command Paymaster, No. 8 Command Pay Office, C.M.F.
 H.Q. Fortresses (Q)
 AMOT Liaison, 15 A.G.
 I.B.S.,
 Seventh Army.

CHARLES H. 4107
 Colonel, C.C.O.
 Chief Staff Officer.

Request is made that 4000 captured Italian Uniforms be provided
the Italian Red Cross for use of the orderlies.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD.
Colonel, G.S.C. AMCOT/5026/CS.
Chief Staff Officer.

Release of Captured Material, AMCOT.

Commanding General,
S.O.S.,
MATORSA,
Through Commanding General 7th Army.

26. Sept. 3.

1. There was captured at SAN CATALDO an Italian Army Dump with the following supplies :

Shirts	150,000
Leggings	23,000
Goggles	9,000
Underwear	100,0 CO
Blankets	11,000
Meat rations	130,000

2. A request was made to have these stores of shirts, underwear, blankets and meat turned over to AMCOT for use in Sicily.

3. There is urgent need of these stocks for use of released political prisoners, Allied nationals found in Sicily, and various welfare institutions.

4. Headquarters, Island Base Section, Office of the Quartermaster has informed us that all enemy clothing is frozen for use of prisoners in North Africa.

5. It will be an uneconomical use of transportation to bring stocks into Sicily, and at the same time take similar stocks to North Africa from Sicily.

6. Request is made that captured stocks in Sicily be released to AMCOT for use in Sicily.

7. Request is made that 4000 captured Italian Uniforms be provided the Italian Red Cross for use of the orderlies.

Colon

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

Float

Employment of Paroled Prisoners
of war in State, Provincial and
Communal Offices.

AMGOT/9010/LAB

XXZ

TO

: C.A.O. (Palermo)
Thru S.C.A.O., Palermo Province.

27 Sept.

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1. Reference your letter dated 17 Sept. 43 in which you ask to be advised of the position of Headquarters on the question of reemployment of Italian Paroled Prisoners of War who wish to return to their former employment.
2. In view of Law 653 of 1940, paroled prisoners of war cannot be considered as having concluded military service and hence are not entitled as a matter of right to be reemployed in their pre-war employment.
3. However, it is the desire of Headquarters that in specific cases where this problem arises that the employer involved be informed that the Allied Military Government would consider it equitable and advisable to reemploy paroled prisoners of war in their pre-war occupations whenever possible.
4. The subsidiary question raised, of whether or not prisoners of war and their families are to be paid indemnities has also been considered. Payment of these indemnities are not authorized.

DAM/tbw

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C., 1162
Chief Staff Officer.

Heat
Corte d'Assise.

S.L.O. (Through S.C.A.O.) RAGUSA.

7850
ABOT/4034/L

27th Sept. 3

1. Your assumption is perfectly correct (ref para 2, of ABOT/4034/L dated 19th Sept. 1943).
2. Please make arrangements with Syracuse to transfer any prisoners awaiting trial from Ragusa to that town for the next assizes.
3. It is understood that the first session is to take place on or about Oct. 15th.

Wm. C. CHAMBER,
Lt. Col. (AMS),
Chief Legal Officer.

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Lombardo, Francesco.

AMGO

C.A.P.O. MESSINA. (Through S.C.A.O.).

27 Septem

1. Attention is invited to the basic communication from the Eighth Army together with covering note of 19 September.

2. Information is requested urgently as to what Lombardo is still employed by AMGO and if so what reasons you can put forward to justify his retention in view of the Field Security Report.

3. In any event a copy of Allied Military Government Questionnaire No. 413 is enclosed and Lombardo will be required to complete it immediately. The completed questionnaire is to be sent to this office by earliest courier.

LEUEL L. BOLLES,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety

1160

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

Handwritten: 7853
AMC/2/3018/21

AMC/2/3018/21

27 Sept. 1943.

Dear

I have been asked by an Italian doctor, Ident. Veronica, who did very good work with the British 78th Division after the battle of Bronte, if we can do anything to effect the release of his friend
Lieut. Rafuri, Giuseppe, now in
222 prisoner of war camp.

This officer is, I am informed, a chemist or Pharmacist at Pachino, Siracusa.

If you can recommend this officers release on the grounds that his services are required in the province, perhaps you will very kindly take this up to the 8th Army (or appropriate military authority) through normal channels, and let me know what has been done.
Best Regards.

Yours Sincerely,

Handwritten signature: JSC

Colonel
Director of Public Health.

Major H.M. Brown, MBE,
S.A.P.H.C.,
Siracusa.

Flat

Health in Town of Ballabura.

AMGOT/3002/HI

A/Supt. Civil Police, AMGOT HQ.

27 Sept. 3

Reference your AMGOT/544/C.P.S. dated 24 September 1943.
A copy of your letter has been sent to the S.A.P.H.O., Caltanissetta for
information and necessary action.

The late S.A.P.H.O., Caltanissetta, who has recently come to
this Office, states that the outbreak of Typhoid was under control in
late August and that the Town has more water now than ever before.

D. Gordon Cline

D. GORDON CLINE
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

GMF/ja

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Health in Town of Ballalunga
S.A.P.H.O., Caltanissetta
(Through S.C.A.O.)

NIH/3002/HI

27 Sept. 3

Enclosed is copy of a letter received in this office from a police officer, for your information and what action you consider necessary.

Capt. Mackenzie, who has come from Caltanissetta, reports that the outbreak of Typhoid was under control in late August and that the town has a better water supply than it ever had before.

Kindly report present conditions to this office.

[Signature] 1158

D. GORDON CHURCH

Colonel
Director of Public Health.

GMF/ja

Float

Venereal Disease Control.

S.A.P.H.O. (Through S.C.A.O. Palermo)

MS008/3023/11

27 Sept. 3

The Surgeon, 5th A.A. Brigade, has reported that considerable numbers of prostitutes are frequenting his gun sites in the vicinity of Fortini Imrose.

Instructions have been given to the effect that if the women are soliciting, they can be arrested and handed over to the civil police.

It will be appreciated if your police department can assist.

[Signature]

D. GORDON CHURCH
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

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DGC/34

ROUTING SLIP.

G.C.A.O.
D.C.C.A.O.
G.S.O.
A.C.S.O.
Lt. Col. Clough
Major Smith
Major McDougall
Major Penney
Captain Talbot
Captain Farmer
Captain Sargent
Captain Givens
Lieut. Van Heukelom
Lieut. Krue
P.R.O.
Advisor E.A. & M.
Education Officer

REMARKS.

26/9
Date

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HEADQUARTERS ASGOF
APO 777

7636

22 September 1943

SUBJECT: Report on Administration of Solio Islands, ASGOF

TO : SCAG, Solio Islands

1. Your subject report dated 11 September 1943 is acknowledged.
2. Requests for grain, water, and medical stores are being compiled with by the Divisions concerned.
3. It is not considered practicable to reopen the schools in the immediate future.
4. The prominent Fascists referred to in Par XI of subject report will be investigated as discussed between Major Raffa and Lt. Emery, who has no doubt reported to you.

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

1155

Flint

7635

AMDOT/1016/PC
AMDT IN REG
21 SEP 1943

SUBJECT: Improper Release of Prisoners of War

TO: Major Frank R. Toscani, through S.C.A.O.,
Palermo Province

1. You will render within 48 hours a full report
on the release of the following named Carabinieri
Prisoners of War:

Vice Brigadier Carlo Mariani
Private Giovanni Palasso

at Licata some time during the month of August, 1943. You
will also state your reasons for issuing a pass to Carra-
binieri Palasso, and the reasons for the release of said
Carabinieri from prison.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, U.S.A.,
Chief Staff Officer.

1154

Q.M.C. Sanitary Supplies.

Colonel Hume, AMBUT 5th Army.

7632
Floral
AMBUT/3002/H

25 Sept. 3

Ref. this Office AMBUT/3002/H dated 21 Sept. 43, copies to you and Major Johnwick. Civil Supply have said that it will be impossible to include our requirements in their demand for Region I, but they are including them in their demand for Region II.

If, therefore, the sanitary supplies requested in this Office AMBUT/3002/H dated 21 Sept. 43, arrive in Region II, may it please be conceded that they can, if required, be put to use in Region I.

Gustave Hume
D. GORDON CHRYNE
Colonel

Director of Public Health 4153

GMF/je

Copy:- Major Johnwick. 8 Army

Sanitary Conditions in Salt Plant.

S.A.P.H.O., Palero Province
(Through S.C.A.O.)

Plat
RAGOT/3002/PI

25 Sept. 3

1. Attached copy of letter received by this Directorate from the Chief, C.U. & P.W. Division.

2. Please have this situation investigated and give us an opinion on whether or not we should recommend discontinuance of power to this plant.

LAS/ja

Gordon Chisene
D. GORDON CHISENE
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

1152

Trasferimento Ufficio Telegrafico di
Bolognotta
L'Ispettore Superiore delle Poste e dei
Telegrafi

AMCOT/10027/10U

25 Sept. 3

Vi informiamo che gli apparecchi si possono trasferire, ma non
1 fili.

Distinti saluti,

RSE/jm

RS
R. S. TREVILYAN
Capt., R. Signals
Communications Section

Float

1150

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

Property of Ploune Hardy.

Assistant Controller of Property
through SOAO Palermo Province.

76/8
6052/CP.

25 Sept 3.

In further reply to your letter reference CP/EJH/ar dated
15 Sept 43, we return herewith the Power of Attorney.

H.P.H.
Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

Float

Newspapers

7005/PR

B.C.A.C., Syracuse

Sept. 25, 3

1. Your reference 7005/575 dated 10 September.
2. Action is being taken with regard to the information contained in your letter and the accompanying copy.
3. Reference your last paragraph, a questionnaire has been sent out to all B.C.A.C.s including yourself and we will communicate with you in due course.

JB
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, B.C.A.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

1151

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ANGOT/OCIB/LAB

Complaints of unfair labor practices
Sec. An. Accusato di Palermo
S.C.A.C., Province of Palermo
Chief Staff Officer

23 Sept 53

1. The attached material was gathered by this division. It consists of numerous complaints by employees of the above concern alleging unfair labor practices, which include: violations of labor contract, payments of salaries below scale, failure to grant wage increases, misappropriation of insurance funds due employees, etc.
2. These matters are referred to you for further investigation and appropriate action by the Provincial Labor Office.
3. Copy inclosed for Provincial Legal Division for possible use in connection with the trial of Ing. Vigevano Eligio, Director of Sec. An. Accusato di Palermo.

DAVID A. MORSE
Captain, A.C.
Director, Labor Division

1140

Float

AMCOT/241/HQ

23th September 3

Information has at last come in regarding Don Fabrizio di Massaridono Conte di Assaro to the effect that he is in good health and is living in Vittoria in the Province of Ragusa.

I apologise for the delay in letting you know, but I fear that our bad communications militate against rapid execution of instructions.

DP
Lieut-Colonel Kellie,
Civil Affairs,
War Office,
London.

1149

By Air Courier

Hoat.

SECRET Equals British MOST SECRET

Subject: Disbursement of Funds by AMFA

To : Military Government Section AFHQ
(For onward transmission to AGWAR for C C S and Carter;
for BUSANDA and Financial Advisor (British))

1. AMFA delivered on Sept. 24 to Captain O. C. Culbreth,
04425830, Funding Officer 26th Disbursing Section, Symbol No.
211-185 AM lire 192,640,000.

2. AMFA delivered on Sept. 22 to Lt. (jg) J. L. Hunt, file
No. 137808 Symbol No. 50-726 Disbursing Officer United States
Naval Operating Base Palermo AM Lire 15,640,000.

3. AMFA delivered on Sept. 24 to Capt. R. McIsaac RAFC
8th Army under letter of authority from Col. O.P.J. Rooney
AM Lire 1,021,760,000.

R. A. Munn
Col.

~~A. P. GRAFFETY SMITH~~
Colonel,

Dep. Chief Financial Officer.

AMGOT 15 Army Group,
Sept. 25, 1943.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

Fluck
Report on Officers field trip.

AMCOT/309A/TH

S.C.A.O., Messina

25 Sept. 3

I forward herewith two reports by officer of the Public Health Division for your information and any action which you may be in a position to take.

D. Gordon Christie

D. GORDON CHRISTIE
Colonel
Director of Public Health.

DGC/ja

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7638

Albanian Oil Refineries at Bari

AMGOT/5011/CS

Lt Col. Monfort, c/o Military Mission,
Brindisi.

23 Sept.

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1. Mideast has requested particulars on the Albanian Oil Refineries at Bari. They would like to have the following information:

A. Bari oil refineries.

1. Present condition.
2. Extent of war damage.
3. Present daily production by types of product.
4. Repairs needed if any and time required for repairs.
5. Raw materials needed for operation of refineries.

B. Albanian oil fields.

1. Control, Italian, Allied, or German.
2. Production, daily average.
3. Transportation and shipping available to move production to Bari.
4. War damage to Albanian fields.
5. Present political and economic conditions affecting operation of these fields.

2. If you can obtain all or part of this information please forward direct to Civil Affairs Branch, G.H.Q., M.E.F., with a copy to this H.Q.

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

1146

SECRET

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SUBJECT: Public Health Returns-MOD 16 (Sanita)

AMCOT/3045/PH

AMCOT HQ SICILY

TO : All S.A.P.H.O.'s (through S.C.A.O.'s.)

24 Sept. 1943.

1. MOD 16 (Sanita) will in future be rendered every 10 days in accordance with the prevailing Italian custom, instead of every week (Para. 3 AMCOT/3012/PH dated 4/9/43 is hereby cancelled).

Information unavoidably omitted from current reports will be included in subsequent ones, with appropriate explanation, and care should be taken to ensure that the statistics given in the monthly report (Para. 1. AMCOT/3012/PH dated 4/9/43.) are as complete as possible.

2. Copies are required of Provincial Morbidity and Mortality statistics for 1942, and Jan-June 1943, and also of Provincial monthly reports (Form Mod. 14.) for July-September 1943.

3. Provinces not possessing a sufficient number of MOD 16 (Sanita) to last one year will have these printed locally. Where this is not possible, the number of forms required should be intimated to this HQ. where arrangements for printing will be made. In existing copies, the words "NELLA SELLUANA" will be deleted.

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

DISTRIBUTION:

Agrigento	6
Caltanissetta	6
Catania	6
Enna	4
Palermo	35
Ragusa	6
Syracuse	14
Trapani	6
Messina	8
File 3014 & original	
Float	1
Sparos	10

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AMGOT/326/HQ
AMGOT HQ SICILY
September 25, 1943.

SUBJECT: Protected Personnel

TO: All S.C.A.O.s

1. In response to recent requests the following is quoted for your information:
 "Protected personnel of the enemy may not be paroled. Not being Prisoners of War, there is no basis for requiring them to give their parole. The only way to control them is by giving them directions restricting their movements." (Protected personnel are Chaplains and Medical Personnel)
2. If medical personnel or chaplains captured in Sicily are residents of Sicily and are set free, they will be subject to the same Proclamations and Orders of the Allied Military Government in the same manner as all other persons in the territory.
3. Protected personnel are, until release or repatriation, a responsibility of G-1 or "A" Branch of the respective Armies, and not of AMGOT.

Charles W. Spofford
CHARLES W. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Caltanissetta	6	Region 2	
Catania	6		
Erma	4	AMGOT 5th Army	} 10
Palermo	35	Region 3	
Ragusa	6	File 266 and original	
Siracusa	10	Float	1
Trapani	6	Division	9
Messina	8	M.G.S., A.F.H.Q.	12
AMGOT Liaison	1	Spares	10

Flora
6052/CP
Sec. Assoc. Vinicola Italiana Florida,
(Ingham Whitaker Woodhouse & Co).

A.G.P., Trapani (Palermo Office - Prefettura).

26 Sept 3.

I have considered your letter reference CP/BJH/ar dated 23 Sept 43, and unless you are able to furnish positive evidence of Allied interests in the above concern, you should not take custody of it nor interfere with it in any way.

Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

1143

Fascist Property.

Assistant Controller of Property
through SOAO Agrigento Province.

Flight
6045/CP

26 Sept 3.

Reference your receipt dated 22 Sept 43 for L. 1425 "deriving from the sale of former fascist property in the town of Montaparto", please let me know the nature of such property, whether you took formal custody of it before sale, and whether you, as A.C.P., are accounting for the proceeds.

For your guidance, property formerly belonging to the Fascist Party is to be regarded as State Property, and should therefore be taken into custody.

Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

SUBJECT : Investigation of Statements made by the First Division.

ANGOT/4010/ML
ANGOT HQ SICILY.
25 September 1943.

TO : Senior Legal Officer, Agrigento. (Thru: SGAO).

1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of letter dated September 20, 1943 from G-2 First Infantry Division U. S. to G-2 Seventh Army and on the 23d of September endorsed to the Commanding Officer, ANGOT, for information and action.
2. This office has been unable to locate the cases referred to in Par. 1, inasmuch as the names of the defendants, the places of trial, the names of the court, and the dates of the said trials are not given.
3. You are directed to forward immediately these cases if they have not already been sent to Headquarters.
4. You are further directed to make an investigation without delay reporting the facts surrounding these two situations in detail, including: the place of trial, the date, the offense charged, the name of the court, and the penalty imposed, together with a statement of any other facts bearing on the matter.

By order of the Chief Legal Officer:

WILLIAM R. JORDAN, Lt. Col., OAC,
Chief Judicial Officer.

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Use of Unofficial Passes.

AMOT/1002/P3

S.C.A.P.O. (through S.C.A.O.)
Province of Agrigento.

25 September 3

The attached pass No. B. 9403 issued by a Maresciallo at Grotte on behalf of the Allied Military Government, is forwarded for your information.

I shall be glad to know whether any authority has been given in the Province of Agrigento for such passes to be issued.

The instruction that only the official type of pass be used still holds good and you will appreciate that the requirements of military security cannot be satisfied by such passes as the enclosed.

A new directive on the subject of circulation passes is in preparation, but it is not intended to lessen the responsibility of C.A.P.O's and C.A.O's in this connection.

R.M.J. MARTIN
Lt.-Col.
Deputy Commissioner of
Public Safety.

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AMDOT 45 ARMY GROUP.

SECRET.

26 SEPT 43.

~~SECRET~~ PRIORITY.

A.F.H.Q.

HIS CABLE 1431 DATED 13 SEPT STATED OFFICERS IN SERVICE OF OLD V.B.
CANNOT BE USED IN NEW POOL. PAUSE FROM AMDOT SERVICE AREA TO APPL FOR MOS
FOR INTERWOOD COUN AMDOT 299 PARAS. DEFINITELY UNDERSTOOD THEY WOULD BE IN
POOL. REQUEST RELOCATION NAME IN NEW AMDOT V.B. TO COVER THESE OFFICERS &
MAJORS 9 CAPTS 12 LIEUTS A1L O.A.Os.

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Memo to M.T.O.

Float
P-07/219/HQ

There is a possibility that the C.C.A.O. may instruct Captain Zervudachi to rejoin him shortly by road, in which case the C.C.A.O. wishes him to bring up the remainder of his kit in a 15-cwt truck.

Would you therefore please arrange for this to be put at Captain Zervudachi's disposal when the time comes. Should there be room to spare on the truck, Captain Zervudachi would naturally place on it any other stores that will have to be sent to the destination in question.

25th September 1943

J.P.
Major,
Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer

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Istanza Ajello Sebastiano
Ispettore Generale, P.P. T.T.,
Palermo.

AMGOT/10026/TCU

25 Sept. 3

1. E stato deciso che potete temporaneamente trattenere in servizio questo Ufficiale.
2. Si spera che i suoi servizi saranno richiesti a Tripoli da parte del Governo Britannico e noi stiamo facendo investigazioni in proposito.

RST/tbw

RS!
R. S. TREVELYAN,
Capt., R. Signals,
Communications Section.

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ALLIED MILITARY FINANCIAL AGENCY.
AMFA.

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Subject : Mutilated Currency.

To : P.O. Agrigento.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your 25 Sept 1943
containing:

(a) Incomplete A.M. Lire 500 note No. A 00127146 A with
figures missing in center and both lower corners.

(b) Mutilated A.M. Lire 500 note.

2. One note of A.M. Lire 1,000 herewith enclosed to
cover.

[Signature]

Major, C.M.P.
Acting Cashier, AMFA.

Palermo
26th Sept 43.

Distribution:

Accountant
Acting Vice Chief of AMFA
File

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5002/CS

Vegetable Coal

S. C. A. O. - Caltanissetta

25 Sept. 3

1. A few days ago you were granted permission to secure 300 tons of vegetable coal from Palermo Province. It has now been discovered that there are approximately 3000 tons of this material at S. Stefano, Messina Province. Therefore, instead of drawing upon Palermo Province, you are given permission to take 500 tons of this material from S. Stefano for the needs of Caltanissetta Province. Apparently this coal was Italian Government property and therefore is now the property of ANICOT. Remittance should be made to ANICOT at the current prices charged in your Province for any coal sold to civilians.

2. Unless trucks have already been dispatched to Palermo, please direct them to S. Stefano for the coal. It is suggested that your truck drivers report to the S. C. A. O. having jurisdiction over S. Stefano with a copy of this letter which authorizes Caltanissetta to draw upon these reserves for 500 tons.

HON/AS

Copy to S.C.A.O.
Messina Province

JOHN T. BILLYARD
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director Civilian
Supply & Resources

44-41-4

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Heat

Vegetable Coal

5002/CB

S. C. A. O. - Caltanissetta

25 Sept.

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1. A few days ago you were granted permission to secure 100 tons of vegetable coal from Palermo Province. It has now been discovered that there are approximately 1000 tons of this material at B. Stefano, Messina Province. Therefore, instead of drawing upon Palermo Province, you are given permission to take 500 tons of this material from B. Stefano for the needs of Caltanissetta Province. Apparently this coal was Italian Government property and therefore is now the property of ANOT. Reimbursement should be made to ANPA at the current prices charged in your Province for any coal sold to civilians.

2. Unless trucks have already been dispatched to Palermo, please direct them to B. Stefano for the coal. It is suggested that your truck drivers report to the C. A. C. having jurisdiction over B. Stefano with a copy of this letter which authorizes Caltanissetta to draw upon these reserves for 500 tons.

RCN/AS

Copy to S.C.A.O.
Messina Province

JOHN T. WILLIAMS
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director Civilian
Supply & Resources

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Coal

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Non-Ferrous Metals

S.C.A.O., Palermo

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ANGOT/5017/CS

25 Sept. 3

Reference your letter 23 Sept. 43, to date ANGOT HQ has not had a call for the non-ferrous metals which you stated you had frozen. However, they are obviously very scarce materials and should remain frozen. If by Feb. 1, 1944 there has been no demand for these metals for essential requirements, then it is suggested that they be unfrozen.

HCN/AS

CS
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

Heat

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MOST SECRET

Ispettorato Corporativo.

AMGOT/9013/ LAB

Capt. Robert Frazer,
AMGOT Hq., Catania.

26 Sept. 3

1. Subject organization is being investigated by this Division. It has an office in Catania; another in Palermo.

2. It appears that the organization was a dependency of the Ministry of Corporations and was created by statute, and that it was responsible for labor inspections of factories and business establishments generally. It was primarily concerned with compliance by employers with health, hygiene and sanitation laws.

3. It is requested that you ascertain:

- (a) Precise functions of the organization;
- (b) Number of employees and their duties;
- (c) Competency of Director and entire staff;
- (d) Extent of previous Fascist activity of Director and Staff;
- (e) Salaries paid;
- (f) Success of past operations.

4. Submit report at earliest possible date with your estimate of the Catania organization, and recommendations as to whether or not it should be permitted to continue to function, and if so within what limits.

DAM/tbw

DAVID A. MORSE, **1134**
Capt., A.C.,
Director, Labor Division.

Foot

AMCOT/217/BA.

W.D. Transport received from 8 Army.

British Transport Officer.

26. Sept. 3.

1. AMCOT 8 Army has reported having received the following vehicles from 8 Army for use on the mainland:-

25 Trucks 15-Cwt.
3 Lorries 30-Cwt.
9 Lorries 5-ton.

2. The particulars of these vehicles are given below for your information.

1 Bedford (3 ton)	L. 4876731.
1 " "	L. 4878447.
1 " "	L. 518248
1 Ford	L. 1328454
1 Bedford	L. 4668640
1 " "	L. 525525
1 " "	L. 518245
1 " "	L. 4876663
1 Dodge (15-Cwt)	Z. 4737097
1 " "	E. 5184134
1 " "	Z. 7183800
1 " "	Z. 4740867
1 " "	Z. 4976892
1 " "	E. 5184092
1 " "	Z. 4983190
1 " "	Z. 4977439
1 " "	E. 5178999
1 " "	Z. 4976718
1 " "	Z. 4876767
1 " "	Z. 4832146
1 " "	Z. 4977632
1 " "	Z. 48832071
1 " "	E. 5184388
(30-Cwt)	L. 4735975
(15-Cwt)	E. 5175771
(30-Cwt)	L. 4737364
(15-Cwt)	E. 5183254
" "	Z. 4735767
" "	Z. 4738547
" "	Z. 4832011
" "	E. 4978055
(30-Cwt)	L. 4737094
(15-Cwt)	Z. 4740902
" "	Z. 4978076

2. The particulars of these vehicles are given below for your records.

1 Bedford (3 ton)	L. 4576731
1 " "	L. 4578447
1 " "	L. 518248
1 Ford	L. 1328454
1 Bedford	L. 4668640
1 " "	L. 525525
1 " "	L. 518245
1 " "	L. 4576663
1 Dodge (15-ton)	Z. 4757097
1 " "	Z. 5184354
1 " "	Z. 7283800
1 " "	Z. 4740867
1 " "	Z. 4978692
1 " "	Z. 5184092
1 " "	Z. 4983190
1 " "	Z. 4977489
1 " "	Z. 5176999
1 " "	Z. 4976718
1 " "	Z. 4876767
1 " "	Z. 4832145
1 " "	Z. 4977632
1 " "	Z. 48832071
1 " "	Z. 5184388
1 " (30-ton)	L. 4736975
1 " (15-ton)	Z. 5178771
1 " (30-ton)	L. 4737364
1 " (15-ton)	Z. 5183254
1 " "	Z. 4738767
1 " "	Z. 4738547
1 " "	Z. 4832011
1 " "	Z. 4978055
1 " (30-ton)	L. 4737094
1 " (15-ton)	Z. 4740902
1 " "	Z. 4978074
1 Bedford (3-ton)	L. 4509625

As per 1133

h
CHARLES M. BRIDGEMAN,
Colonel, U.S.A.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: File 61/15.

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Memoriale

10050/1

Societa' Industriale
Tassinari Imprese

2, Sept.

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Egregi Signori,

La vostra recente comunicazione e' stata accuratamente studiata ed e' completamente apparente che una discussione verbale dei vostri numerosi problemi, sia prerequisite ad una soluzione soddisfacente.

Saro' molto contento di vedervi nel mio ufficio in Via Bari No 8, Palermo in qualsiasi tempo.

Vostro sincero,

L. D. Messeri

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L. D. MESSERI
Lt. Col., S. C.
Chief of Communications, Utilities
and Public Works Division

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Receipt of Documents.

Float
ANGOT/2041/P.

M.G.S.
A.F.H.Q.

26 Sep. 3.

Receipt is acknowledged with thanks of 50 copies of the following reports:

- "Preliminary Report on the Italian Fiscal and Monetary Situation as of Mid - 1943"
- "Banking Situation - Sicily"
- "Role of ANFA in the Reopening of the Banks in Sicily"
- "Social Insurances in Sicily."

RAM
R. E. MENAPACE,
Lieut-Colonel,

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Plot

Transfers of Land.

ASDCE/1055/1.

Deputy Chief Legal Officer.

26 Sep.

3.

Referring to your inquiry of 23 September.

1. The removal of all restrictions on transfers of land is advisable, in my opinion.
2. *Merely* for discussion, I might say that two objections to the removal have occurred to us:
 - (a) there might result a serious rise in real estate prices through a rush to buy on the part of inflation-minded people;
 - (b) the security aspect, i.e. prevention of transfers by Fascists to avoid possible confiscation.

As to (a) I believe this consideration is tempered by the fact that owners likewise will wish to keep their real estate; and I further believe that if some speculation in real estate develops, it may take up some of the speculative money now seeking to purchase commodities.

Objection (b) undoubtedly held great force in the early stages, but in my opinion should not now stand in the way of the removal of the restrictions in question.

page after page answer

Signature of RHP

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RHP
R. B. HENRICHSON,
Lieut-Colonel,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

Memorabile

ANGOL/10050/TCU

Consiglio D'Amministrazione
Societa' Elettrica Delle Madonie
Petràlia Soprana

24 Sept. 3

Egregi Signori,

La vostra recente comunicazione e' stata accuratamente studiata ed e' completamente apparente che una discussione verbale dei vostri numerosi problemi sia prerequisite ad una soluzione soddisfacente.

Saro' molto contento di vedervi nel mio ufficio in Via Bari No. 8, Palermo in qualsiasi tempo.

Vostro Sincero,

Heal

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AD
L. D. DEWISCHER
Lt. Col., S. C.
Chief, Communications, Utilities
and Public Works Division

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CONF

Subject: Transfers of Carabinieri Personnel

1st Ind.

H.Q. SEVENTH ARMY, APO 758, 23 September, 1943.

TO: CO. AMGOT, Palermo District.

1. Request more details on the cases mentioned in basic communication. Is Capt. Laser an American or British officer and what are his duties?
2. Your attention is invited to the provisions of Section II, Daily Bulletin No. 10, this Headquarters, dated 10 September 1943, copy attached.

For the Commanding General:

(Sgd) ALBERT A. LINDBQUIST

Major AGD
Asst. Adjutant General.

1 incl.

DB No. 10 HQ Seventh Army
dated 10 September 1943.

2nd. Ind.

SUBJECT: Transfers of Carabinieri Personnel

TO: H.Q. Seventh Army

AMGOT/1008/PS

AMGOT H.Q. AMGOT

25 September 1943

1. It is presumed that Capt. Phil A. Laser I.O.T.Q.M. Co. is a U.S. Officer and that the Unit referred to is an American Unit as we are informed that there is no Unit of the British Army that could be described in above manner. We have no further details.
2. Your courtesy in supplying copy of Daily Bulletin 10 - 10/9/43 is appreciated. This should materially improve matters in which we have a common interest.

CHARLES E. SPORNARD,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Spornard

Daily Bulletin No. 10, this Headquarters, dated 10 September 1943,
copy attached.

For the Commanding General:

(Sgd) ALBERT A. LINDQUIST

Major AGED
Asst. Adjutant General.

1 incl.

DB No. 10 HQ Seventh Army
dated 10 September 1943.

2nd. Ind.

AMCOT/1023/RS

SUBJECT: Transfers of Carabinieri Personnel

AMCOT H.Q., SICILY

TO : Headquarters Seventh Army

25 September 1943

1. It is presumed that Capt. Phil A. Lamer I.G.T.O.E. Co. is a
U.S. Officer and that the Unit referred to is an American Unit as we are
informed that there is no Unit of the British Army that could be described
in above manner. We have no further details.

2. Your courtesy in supplying copy of Daily Bulletin 19 - 10/9/43
is appreciated. This should materially improve matters in which we have
a common interest.

CHARLES H. SPENCER,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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Memoriale

Impresa Umberto Girola
Via Borrelli No. 50
Palermo

AIRTEL/10050/TCU

24 Sept. 3

Egregi Signori:

La vostra recente comunicazione e' stata accuratamente studiata ed e' completamente apparso che una discussione vertale dei vostri numerosi problemi sia prerequisite ad una soluzione soddisfacente.

Saro' molto contento di vedervi nel mio ufficio in Via Bari No. 8, Palermo in qualsiasi tempo.

Vostro Sincero,

FDP/jfl


L. D. D'AMICO
Lt. Col., S. C.
Chief, Communications, Utilities
and Public Works Division

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Water Supply

Officer i/c Utilities - Palermo

Through S.C.A.C. Palermo Province

25 Sept. 3

RODOLFO DOMINICO - Via Dante No 123

1. The above mentioned is a director of a small water company supplying water to about 5000 people in the SE section of the city of Palermo.
2. He approached this section in August and stated that his clients were without water as bombing had broken the pipes in several places.
3. He stated that he was unable to find either material or ready money in order to effect the repairs.
4. The sum of L. 58,700.- was advanced to Rodolfo as a loan from the city.
5. I have instructed him to contact you to discuss progress and any problems.
6. He later on under some misapprehension as to reparation payments for war damage.

RST/as

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L. D. DENSMORE
Lt. Col.; S. C.
Chief of Communications
Utilities & Public Works
Division

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Estate of Mangalante Botti.

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Assistant Controller of Property, Messina
through SCAD Messina Province.

26 Sept 3.

Herewith copies of statement by Dr. Andeo Cammarosa, a former owner of the Mangalante estate.

Please investigate facts as far as you are able, and report on (i) the amount of Signor Russo's mortgage and properties to which applicable, together with annual interest charge, and (ii) the possibility of terminating Signor Russo's lease. You should consult the Bank of Sicily.

I understand that the managers of the Estate are to be found in Taormina.

Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

[Handwritten signature]

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Recruiting of local forces.

S.G.A.O. CATANIA.

Slack
ALLOT/1026/PA.

26. Sept. 3.

Reference your CAT/99 of 5. Sept. 43.

1. The S.G.A.O. does not consider that the guarding of V.P.s. is an ALLOT function, and furthermore he does not believe that Sicilians (other than the R.R.C.G.) would be of much use as V.P. guards without a stiffening of Allied H.C.O.s.
2. As regards Brig. Stronge's suggestion that he should recruit a civil force, the S.G.A.O. has recently sent a message to G.O.C.-in-C. asking for guidance on a request made by a deputation of Sicilian non-fascist ex-combatants that they, and, as they allege, many thousands of Sicilian volunteers, be allowed to fight with the Allies in order to liberate Italy from the Germans.
3. If the recruitment of such a force is approved, some part of it, with the stiffening referred to in para.1, should be just what Brig. Stronge requires, and it is suggested that he put this to 15 Army Group.
4. As a temporary measure there is no objection to the use of any agents of the Polizia Siciliana who are not required for other duties as V.P. guards in the manner suggested by you. You will not recruit additional agents because, apart from the objections given in para.1, it is considered that a large number of these V.P.s. will not need guarding in the near future, and the expansion of a purely local force for this purpose is therefore not justified.

JB
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Colonel, G.O.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Return file to me
JB

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Floor
Regional Labour Office for Sicily.

AMGOT/2035/V.

Capt. David A. Morse,
Director Labour Division.

26 Sep. 3.

Reference your memorandum 23th September, 43.

The financial part of the Regional Labour Office for Sicily can best be handled by your suggestion ~~and~~

par. 4 (a) Namely by turning over to the Director the amount of money to be disbursed by him, such amounts to be in accordance with a budget prepared by him and approved by you.

By considering this office as a Government office, and its employees as Government employees and by payment in the above manner, we avoid all complications of having this office operate as if it were in the employ of AMGOT.

Ram
R.B. MENAPACE,
Lieut-Colonel.,
Deputy Chief Finance Officer.

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Refugee Camp, Goscusa.

ANGOT/385/123

H.G.S.,
A.F.H.Q.

25th September 3

Reference your memo of 22nd September 1943, with regard to the above-mentioned Camp, a cable was despatched to you on 25th September 1943: text as follows:-

"Refugee Camp Goscusa (Paren from Angot Seventh Army to AFHQ cite Angot 296 Paren) reference your FRANK 8043 of 22nd Sep. Known to contain 2000 Poles Goscusa Jews and French. Officer already visiting camp. Full report within few days"

SC 1122
CHARLES H. SPENCER,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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ABOUT 15 A.M.

25th September 1943.

Restricted

Routine

A.P.M.Q.

FULL DETAILS IN POSSESSION OF CAPTAIN SUGGWOOD FROM JUNE
ABOUT SEVEN AM TO A.P.M.Q. GIVE ABOUT 300 PAGES REF YOUR FILE 7218
OF 20 SEPTEMBER. NOW WITH YOU

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Air Transport Service

318/HQ

Executive Officer
Air Priorities Board
APHQ

26 Sept. 3

Reference your undated memorandum as to my failure to use booking on Flight No. 120, Algiers to Palermo, dated 19 September.

The circumstances are as follows:

I was informed that this flight had been diverted to Bizerte. Accordingly, I obtained passage on an operational aircraft to Tunis. I then obtained passage by courier onward to Palermo.

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

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Comments on Prominent Sicilians

2079/P

S.O.A.O. - Palermo

26 Sept. 3

1. One of the officers of this HQ made the following comments based on information received from Sicilians who are considered reliable:

"2. Allegedly AMGOT has appointed a Count Pernier to be head of the Istituto Case Popolare. This Count is described as a man of evil reputation, noted principally for wine-bibbing, fornication, and gambling. He is considered a degenerate, according to the informant, who says local persons of substance do not understand how he could get a hearing from AMGOT."

"3. The Rector of the University has been described by two informants - one in particular known to have been long friendly with English and Americans, and to have been put into jail in consequence when Italy declared war - as an un dependable Fascist who was honorary Lieutenant General of the Fascist Blackshirt Militia. Conceivably, if this is true, the man belongs in jail."

2. The S.O.A.O. would appreciate having your comments on the foregoing.


CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. O.
Chief Staff Officer

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Float

General Officials.

AMGOT/325/131

AMGOT Liaison,
15 Army Group Main.

26th September 3

With further reference to your AL/4/252 of 26th August 1943 and this L.Q. memo AMGOT/325/131 dated 29th August 1943, the information called for has now been received and is forwarded herewith for onward transmission to G.S.T.(b).

H. H.
CHARLES H. SPENCER,
Colonel G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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Return of Miscellaneous Papers.

Assistant Controller of Property, Messina
through SCAO, Messina Province.

Flout
6062/CP

26 Sept 3.

Herewith returned file of Miscellaneous Papers. Many thanks
for use of same.

Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

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LIST OF CONSULAR OFFICIALS IN SICILY.

PALERMO

Finlandia	Palermo Via Melampina No. 11 Console Grillo Corvina Cav. Uff. Angelo abitante Via dell'Arancio (Sfarrasvallo)
Giappone	Palermo Via Principe Scordia 44 Console Paternostro Com. Giuseppe
Paesi Bassi e Olanda	Palermo - Si occupa del Console il V - Console di Svezia Maniscalco Matteo abitante Via Monte Pellegrino No. 47 e con Ufficio in Via Enrico Asari 46
Portogallo	Palermo Piazza S. Oliva No. 6 Console per la Sicilia Burgo Michele abitante Piazza S. Oliva No. 6.
Romania	Palermo Via Notarbartolo No. 4 Console Caruaro Grand Romano, amministratore del cantiere navale abitato in Via Notarbartolo No. 24.
S. Marino	Palermo Via Roma 189 Console onorario Natoli Com. Anselmo abita a Milano, rappresenta to dal segretario Mancuso Reg. Flacido abitante Via Notarbartolo 26.
Svezia	Palermo Via Enrico Asari 45 Vice Console Maniscalco Matteo abitante Via Monte Pellegrino 147
Ungheria	Palermo Via Stehile 172 Console Tagliavira Cincone abitante nei locali del Consolato stesso
Venezuela	Palermo Via Ruggero Settimo 68 Console Gaglio Avv. Luigi abitante nei locali del Consolato stesso

SYRACUSE

<u>Consular Appointments.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Present Whereabouts.</u>
Vice Consul - Spain	Cav Castano Burferdadi	Now employed in Ufficio Alimentazione, Syracuse.
Vice Consul - Argentina Portugal England	Cav Domenico Mangano	Via Vittorio Veneto, Syracuse.

per la famiglia Burzio Michele abitante
Piazza S. Oliva No. 6.

Palermo Via Notarbartolo No. 4 Consolo
canariero Guadalupe, amministratore
del cantiere navale abitato Via Notarbartolo
No. 24.

Palermo Via Roma 489 Consolo canariero Metelli
Comm. Amadeo abita a Milano, rappresenta to
del segretario Mancuso Reg. Flacido abitante
Via Notarbartolo 26.

Palermo Via Enrico Anari 46 Vice Consolo
Mancuso Matteo abitante Via Monte
Pellegrino 147

Palermo Via Stabile 172 Consolo Tagliavia
Giuseppe abitante nei locali del Consolato
stesso

Palermo Via Ruggero Settimo 68 Consolo Caglio
Avv. Luigi abitante nei locali del Consolato
stesso

SYRACUSE

<u>Consular Appointments</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Whereabouts</u>
Vice Consul - Spain	Car Castano Barbaresi	Now employed in Ufficio Alimentazione, Syracuse.
Vice Consul - Argentine Portugal England	Car Domenico Mangano	Via Vittorio Veneto, Syracuse.
Consul Agent - France	Car Caspare Conigliaro	At present in 222 P.O.H.
Vice Consul - Savajeva	Amieri Carro	Now employed with AMCOR.

CATANIA

Lists of the Consular Corps and all those members of it still in Catania
are enclosed herewith. There appear to be no Consuls "de Carriere" left here.

ELenco NOMINATIVE DEL CORPO CONSOLARE RESIDENTE IN CATANIA

No.	Denominazione del Consolato	Sede del Consolato	Generalita' del Consolo
1	V. Consolato della Finlandia	Via Anselmo N. 7.	Carone Ferruccio di Luigi
2	V. Consolato Paesi Bassi	Via Anselmo N. 7	Carone Pasquale di Greco
3	Consolato del Portogallo	Via S. Tomaso N. 5	Nicola Salvatore di Giuseppe

No.	Denominazione del Consolato	Sede del Consolato	Generalista del Consolato
4	Consolato di Romania	Via S. Costanzo N. 55	Napoli Alfio Rento di Alfio
5	V. Consolato di Spagna	Via Garibaldi N. 123	Roma Evaristo Garand Giovanni fu Antonio
6	V. Consolato della Svezia	Via Spalascini N. 16	Alfio Rento di Carlo
7	Consolato Svedese (1)	Via Riccioli N. 8	Carlsson Carlo di Baldassarre

(1) Nell'ottobre del 1942 il sopraccitato Consolato venne temporaneamente sospeso dalle sue funzioni in seguito alla chiusura temporanea della rappresentanza Consolare Svedese in Catania. La Consoliera del Consolato fu temporaneamente provvisoriamente in Callagiris in quella via Stanione (Villino Cato) rappresentata dal segretario Sig. Vittorio Malinverni

E L E N O I N D I C I A N I C O N S O L A R I C I A ' E S I S T E N T I I N Q U E S T O C A P O L U G O E C H E C I A S O N O C H I U S I.

N.	Denominazione del Consolato	Sede del Consolato	Generalista del Consolato
1	Consolato Argentino	Via Marsilio N. 38	Genova Dante di Enrico
2	V. Consolato del Belgio	Via Annalena N. 7	Genova Ferruccio di Luigi
3	V. Consolato della Bolivia	Via Annalena N. 7	Genova Pasquale di Gerardo
4	Agencia Consolare del Brasile	Via Sapienza N. 5	Rosolia Filippo
5	V. Consolato della Danimarca	Via Annalena N. 7	Giorgianni Arturo (deceduto)
6	Agencia Consolare Francese	Via A. Sordani N. 173	DE Benedetto Francesco (det.)
7	Consolato di Germania	Via Trento Massimo 20	Heidi Carl
8	Consolato Inglese	Via Annalena N. 7	Frank Guglielmo (deceduto)
9	Consolato Greco	Piazza del Martiri E. Catasias	Ogostino
10	V. Consolato Jugoslavo	Via Spalascini N. 20	Giuliano Arturo
11	V. Consolato Norvegese	Piazza Don di Genova	Manzoni Vincenzo N. 19
12	Consolato del Perù	Via Spalascini N. 16	Alfio Carlo (deceduto)
13	V. Consolato del Paraguay	Via Gali N. 49	Ferraro Domingo
		Via S. Maria N. 67	Costanzo Salvatore

Ostenda. La Consolida
del Consolato fu trasfe-
rita provvisoriamente
in Callagrine in quella
via Stasione (Villino
Caffo) rappresentata dal
segretario Sig. Vittorio
Malinverni

EL ENCO DEBIL ALI CONSOGLI VIA INCONTI IN QUESTO
CAPOLUGO E CHE VIA SINO CHIEL.

N. D'ord.	DELEGATIONE DEL CONSOLATO	SEN DEL CONSOLATO	CHIEF DEL CONSOLATO
1	Consolato Argentino	Via Rosina N. 348	Consolente di Enrico
2	V. Consolato del Belgio	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente Ferruccio di
3	V. Consolato della Bolivia	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Indici
4	Agencia Consolare del Brasile	Via Scapuzza N. 5	Consolente
5	V. Consolato della Danimarca	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente Filippo
6	Agencia Consolare Francese	Via A. Sanguiniano 173	Consolente Arturo
7	Consolato di Germania	Via Teatro Massimo 20	(deceduto)
8	Consolato Inglese	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
9	Consolato Greco	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
10	V. Consolato Jugoslavia	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
11	V. Consolato Norvegia	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
12	Consolato del Panama	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
13	V. Consolato del Paraguay	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
14	Consolato del Perù	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)
15	Consolato del Venezuela	Via Ansaloni N. 7	Consolente (den.)

MEMORIA

1. The only Consular Official definitely known to us to be in
Residence is a Norwegian Vice Consular Agent, Antonio Mangeri.
2. We have indefinite reports of a Swedish Representative in
Nessina but cannot as yet locate him.

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SUBJECT: Welfare Relief

AMGOT/3034/EH

AMGOT HQ. SICILY

TO : All S.C.A.O.'s.

20 Sept. 1943.

The attached form is suggested for use in every Comune for the record of all persons applying for public assistance (relief or other grants to persons in need) and shall be kept on file in the Office of the Agency or Agencies administering the program and will be made available for audit as required.

Copies of this form may be ordered from Headquarters (Public Welfare Section) as required. Whether this form is used or not the following information must be recorded in permanent form for all assistance granted: Name, address, amount of aid granted, period covered by grant, number of dependents in household, and verification of need.

Encl.

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

SOGGETTO: Provvidenza Sociale

AMGOT/3034/EH

AMGOT HQ. SICILY

INDIREZZATO A: Tutti S.C.A.O.'s

20 Sept. 1943.

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Altre schede potranno essere domandate alla Sede Generale della Provvidenza Sociale (Sezione Pubblica Assistenza). Anche se non si dovesse servirsi di questa scheda, bisognerà sempre tenere le informazioni nella maniera seguente e per ogni assistenza concessa: Nome, indirizzo, soma o aiuto concesso, periodo che è durato il sussidio, numero delle persone bisognose componenti la famiglia, o verificazione dei richiedenti.

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NOTE: English translation given above.

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Numero

Provincia di Comune di

Cognome Indirizzo Data di applicazione

NOME	DATA di nascita	LUOGO di nascita	Maritati celibi o vedovi	Occupazione o scuole	Paga settimanale o grado nella scuola	Tempo che ha abitato in comune
Padre						
Madre						
Figli:						
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Data di matrimonio	Luogo di matrimonio		Qualche membro della famiglia prigioniero di guerra			
Condizioni della casa	Numero di stanze		Affitto o padrone		Affitto al mese	
Nome di altre persone che abitano con la famiglia	Parentela		Chi contribuisce alle spese ogni settimana			

Figli:

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				Affitto al mese	
Nome di altre persone che abitano con la famiglia		Parentela		Chi contribuisce alle spese ogni settimana	
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Firma dell'applicatore

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