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Subject: Report of Black Market Committee for November 1943

To: Deputy Chief of Staff(O andSI), AMG

1. Inclosed is the report of the Black Market Committee for the month of November, 1943.

2. This report is rendered in accordance with the provisions of para. 2 c, Admin. Order No. 1, AMG, dated 9 November 1943

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
BLACK MARKET COMMITTEE  
REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 1943

1. Organization. The Black Market Committee was organized under the provisions of paragraph 1, Administrative Order No. 1, AMG dated 9 November 1943.

2. Functions. The committee is to coordinate measures to facilitate the equitable distribution of food and other necessities at reasonable prices, especially measures to control prices, to curb and eliminate the Black Market and to control the rationing of necessities.

3. Meetings. Two meetings were held in November.

4. Action. A program of law enforcement outlined by the committee was approved by Brig. Gen. McSherry and Brig. Gueterbock. In carrying out this program the following steps have been taken:

- a. A special prosecutor's office to handle black market cases has been set up.
- b. A publicity program including summaries of sentences imposed in black market cases was instituted and is now in effect.
- c. Restaurants were declared off-limits to military personnel to conserve available food for civilians.
- d. Increase/bread rations for carabinieri have been urged as a means of better law enforcement.
- e. A sub-committee was appointed to work out details of methods of enforcement of food distribution system.

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