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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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2 February 1944

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SUBJECT: Report of Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Subcommission
TO : MGS, AFHQ (Attn: Col. A. T. Maxwell)

1. Reference your letter of 23 January 1944, MGS 619.3:
2. Receipt is acknowledged of the copy of the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Subcommission report for December which was sent to you directly without the knowledge or approval of this headquarters. We will advise you of the disposition which we suggest for the remaining copies.
3. The facts with respect to the memorandum prepared by Capt. Mason Hammond are substantially as stated in your letter. During Col. Clabaugh's visit arrangements were made for him to talk with the heads of all Subcommissions and other members of our staff, who, as in cases of other visitors from higher headquarters, were expected to answer Col. Clabaugh's questions freely. At the conclusion of his interview with Capt. Hammond Col. Clabaugh asked Capt. Hammond to prepare notes on the matters discussed in their conference. The result was the memorandum in question.
4. Col. Clabaugh showed the memorandum to the undersigned and while it was noted that, in addition to information as to the activities of the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Subcommission, certain recommendations were included, it was felt that since they were personal recommendations of Capt. Hammond no exception should be taken to the transmission of the memorandum to Col. Clabaugh or such use as Col. Clabaugh might wish to make of it in Washington. Except for the fact that the notes on the discussions were prepared by Capt. Hammond the case was no different than a number of others in which officers from the War Office, War Department, ETO, Middle East and various other headquarters have interviewed our personnel, produced questionnaires for which we have supplied the answers and in other respects have drawn upon experience in the field. It was considered also that Capt. Hammond's suggestions might be of particular value to Col. Clabaugh in effecting a better flow of information to the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives advisors and in assisting Col. Clabaugh to deal with some of the difficulties suggested.

5. The memorandum has been returned to Capt. Hammond with your comments. In view of the circumstances no further action seems appropriate. 907


CHARLES M. SPONFORD
Colonel, G.S.C.
D.C.A.O.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

MGS: 619.3

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23 January 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission

TO : AMG Headquarters (ATTENTION: Colonel Spofford)

Reference our FHMGS 29942 of 18 January and your FARGO 278 of the same date.

1. Transmitted herewith is a copy of the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Report for December which was sent to this Section without the knowledge and approval of your Headquarters. The remaining copies will be held here until you indicate whether you wish them sent on to London and Washington without revision.

2. You are further informed that a Memorandum on the Needs of the AMG Sub-Commission and Regional Officers for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives was prepared by Captain Mason Hammond. Your Headquarters, as we are informed by Colonel Clabaugh, arranged an interview between Colonel Clabaugh and Captain Hammond at which Colonel Clabaugh requested Captain Hammond to furnish him with general information on the MFAA situation. Captain Hammond complied by preparing the memorandum in question. A copy was submitted to Colonel Spofford before being transmitted to Colonel Clabaugh. The memorandum was prepared in the absence of the Director of the Sub-Commission in consultation with other MFAA officers and Captain Hammond acknowledges responsibility for it. Nevertheless, the form is that of a formal report containing recommendations which concern AMG, ACC and the Civil Affairs Division of the War Department.

3. The Memorandum states (paragraph 1) that it is not an official report on behalf of the MFAA Sub-Commission or Regional Officers.

4. There is nothing in the report which indicates that Captain Hammond's memorandum was submitted to AMG Headquarters. Colonel Clabaugh has informed this Headquarters that the memorandum was submitted to Colonel Spofford but there is no indication as to whether AMG Headquarters approves the recommendations made by Captain Hammond and intends to take further action through official channels. The memorandum was brought to the attention of this Headquarters informally by Colonel Clabaugh.

5. While it is desirable that visitors from the War Office and War Department should be granted every facility to collect information in the field, it is not permissible for ACC and AMG officers to prepare formal reports and recommendations to be submitted, presumably, to the War Office or War Department without passing through the normal channels of communication.

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6. A copy of Captain Hammond's memorandum is transmitted to you herewith for appropriate action.
7. Colonel Clabaugh has been informed that Captain Hammond's recommendations are irregular and unofficial. In view of the circumstances he has decided not to submit the memorandum to the Civil Affairs Division of the War Department.

A. Maxwell

A. T. MAXWELL
Colonel
Acting Chief.

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TO ABOVE WAS TAKEN

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AG 000.4 BPFOG (29 Dec 43)

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HEADQUARTERS
112 JAN 1944

Subject: Historical Monuments and Works of Art in Italy.
To : Commanding Officers, All Assigned and Attached Units.

1. The following paragraphs are quoted from a letter received from the Commander-in-Chief:

"Today we are fighting in a country which has contributed a great deal to our cultural inheritance, a country rich in monuments which by their creation helped and now in their old age illustrate the growth of the civilization which is ours. We are bound to respect those monuments so far as war allows.

If we have to choose between destroying a famous building and sacrificing our own men, then our men's lives count infinitely more and the buildings must go. But the choice is not always so clear-cut as that. In many cases the monuments can be spared without any detriment to operational needs. Nothing can stand against the argument of military necessity. That is an accepted principle. But the phrase "military necessity" is sometimes used where it would be more truthful to speak of military convenience or even of personal convenience. I do not want it to cloak slackness or indifference."

2. Your attention is directed to Section III of Peninsular Base Section Circular 37, dated 20 December 1943. For your information and guidance the attached three inclosures are reproduced.

A. W. Pence
A. W. PENCE
Brigadier General, AUS
Commanding

3 Incls:

- #1 - Appendix, Works of art in Italy,
Zone Handbook No. 6 Campania.
#2 - Auxiliary List of Historical
Monuments in Region III, Naples Area.
#3 - General Orders No. 68, AFHQ, 29 Dec 1943.

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APPENDIX
WORKS OF ART IN ITALY
ZONE HANDBOOK NO. 6 CAMPANIA



AMALFI:

CAPUCIN CONVENT (NOW HOTEL)
CATHEDRAL, BRONZE DOORS, CLOISTERS
S. MARIA DOLORATA, ANCIENT COLUMNS

AVERSA:

CATHEDRAL (12TH CENTURY)

BENEVENTO:

TRIUMPHAL ARCH (TROJAN)
CASTLE WITH MUSEUM
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CATHEDRAL (9TH CENTURY), BRONZE DOORS
AMBONES, PASCAL CANDLABRUM, TREASURY

CAPUA:

MUSEO CAMPANO
CATHEDRAL, PASCAL CANDLABRUM

CAPUA VETERE (S. MARIA):

AMPHITHEATER
S. MARIA MAGGIORE

CASERTA:

ROYAL PALACE
CATHEDRAL (S. MICHELE), 12TH CENTURY,
AT CASERTA VECCHIA

CAVA DEI TIRRENI:

ABBEY AND ITS LIBRARY

CIETA:

CAMPANICE
CATHEDRAL, PASCAL CANDLABRUM

MONTECASSINO:

ABBEY AND ITS LIBRARY, TREASURY

MONEVERGINE:

CONVENT AND CHURCH, LORETO, ARCHIVES
S. GUGIELMO

NAPLES:

MUSEO NAZIONALE
MUSEO CIVICO FILANGIERI (PALAZZO CUCRO)
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BY RIBERA)
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VILLA FLORIDIANO
: AQUARIUM
PALAZZO REALE AND NATIONAL LIBRARY
CAPODIMONTE
SAN CARLO OPERA HOUSE

CHURCHES:

CATHEDRAL
S. CLARA
S. DOMENICO
CARMINE
MONT'OLIVETO
S. PAOLO LAGIORE
S. SEVERINO CLOISTERS, STATE ARCHIVES
S. GIOVANNI A CARBONARA
INCORONATA
S. LORENZO
S. RESTITUTA, MOSAICS

PAESTUM:

THREE GREEK TEMPLES

POMPEII:

MUSEUM, EXCAVATIONS

HERCULANEUM:

EXCAVATIONS

RAVIELLO:

CATHEDRAL, PULPIT, CAMPANICE
PALAZZO RUFOLO
S. GIOVANNI DEL TORO, PULPIT, FRESCOES

SALERNO:

CATHEDRAL, AMBONES, CANDLABRUM
SACRISTY, ALTAR FRONTAL OF IVORY (19TH CENTURY)

SANT'AGATA DE' GOTI:

CATHEDRAL

SANT'ANGELO IN FORMIS (NEAR CAPUA):

FRESCOES (11TH CENTURY)

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AUXILIARY LIST OF
HISTORICAL MONUMENTS IN REGION III

Naples Province

Acerra
Cathedral
Ruins of Roman Bath

Calluccio
Ducal Palace

Aversa
Convent of St. Lawrence
Sanfelice Palace

Ischia
Castello

Baia
Temple of Diana
Temple of Mercury
Temple of Venus

Marechiaro
Temple of Fortune
Villa Pausilypon

Calvi Risorta
Cathedral
Grotto of Saints
Grotto delle Formelle
Castle

Miseno
Ancient Roman Theatre
Villa of Lucullus

Cancello
Villa Spinelli

Nola
Seminary, containing Museum
Palazzo Orsini

Capri
Roman Villa of Torre di Damecuta
Roman Villa of Tiberius
Palazzo Cericò

Portici
Royal Palace

Capua
Archepiscopal Seminary
Palazzo del Municipio

Pozzuoli
Two Roman Amphitheatres
Temple of Serapide
Capuchin Convent

Castellamare di Stabia
Museo St.iano
Palace of the Lyceum

Santa Maria Capua Vetere
Museo Civico
Roman Amphitheatre

Carinola
Casa Aceti
Casa Martulo
Casa Novelli
Casa Parascandole

Sessa Aurunca
Castle

Sorrento
Casa Correale
Casa Veniero
Palazzo Sersale

Casaluce
Castle

Teano
Roman Amphitheatre
Palazzo Fondi

Gumna
Walls of Ancient Citadel
Grotto of the Sibyl
Temple of Apollo
Tomb of the Sibyl

Benevento
Benevento Province
Roman Theatre
Provincial Library

Alife
Roman Tomb of the Glabronians 900
Covered Roman Gallery

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Benevento Province (cont'd)

Cainazzo

Roman Forum

Castello

Teora

Castle

Piedimonte d'Alife

Municipal Museum

Palazzo Caetani d'Aragona

Bisaccia

Castle

Sant'Agata dei Goti

Castello

Ariano Irpino

Castle

Santa Croce del Sannio

Baronial Palace

Zungoli

Castle

Telesio

Ancient Walls

Roman Circus and Amphitheatre

Montecalvo Irpino

Pignatelli Castle

Avellino Province

Avellino

Dogana Palace

Caracciolo Palace

Provincial Library

Scafati

Orsini Palace

Montemiletto

Castle

Baronial Palace

Gesualdo

Castle and Chapel

Torella Del Lombardi

Castle

Montemirano

Castle

Barnoli Irpino

Town Hall

Monastery of S. Francesco a Folloni

Monticchio

Castle

S. Guglielmo al Goleto

Abbey

Calitri

Gesualdo Palace

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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HISTORICAL MONUMENTS



29 December 1943.

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1. Buildings.

a. No building listed in the sections "Works of ART" in the "Zone Hand-Books" of ITALY issued by the Political Warfare Executive to all Allied Military Government officers will be used for military purposes without the explicit permission of the Allied Commander-in-Chief or of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, 15th Army Group in each individual case.

b. Commanders concerned are authorized, as a further measure of security, to close and put out of bounds for troops any of the buildings listed in AMG "Zone Hand-Book" that they deem necessary. Notices to that effect will be affixed to the buildings, and guards provided to enforce them if necessary.

c. Allied Military Government officers are prepared to furnish commanders with a list of historical buildings other than those listed in the AMG "Zone Hand-Book". These buildings are of secondary importance and may be used for military purposes when deemed necessary. Commanders are reminded that buildings containing art collections, scientific objects, or those which when used would offend the religious susceptibilities of the people, should not be occupied when alternative accommodations are available.

2. Looting, Wanton Damage and Sacrilege.

The prevention of looting, wanton damage and sacrilege of buildings is a command responsibility. The seriousness of such an offense will be explained to all Allied personnel. (AG 000.4-1 GCT-AGM)

By command of General EISENHOWER:

OFFICIAL:

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

29 December 1943

Subject: Damage to monuments.

To : See distribution.

1. Major Sizer is Headquarters AMG/AGG representative on AFHQ Commission of Inquiry presided over by Major General Collier.

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E. GUETERBOOK
Brigadier

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28 Dec. 1945.

A.F.H.Q. AND M.A.D.M. ECHTELON

ADM. ORDER NO. 1.

COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY

1. A.F.H.Q. have directed that an Allied Commission of Enquiry, as detailed in para. 2 below, be appointed, with terms of reference as follows:-

- (a) To enquire into and determine the responsibility for damage, other than war or combat damage, alleged to have been caused by members of the Allied forces, to royal and personal property of Historical and Educational character in Italy.
- (b) To assess the extent of any such damage found to have been caused by allied troops.
- (c) If allegations are substantiated, to recommend what steps should be taken to prevent such recurrence in the future.

2. The Commission will comprise:-
President: Major-General Collier

Members:
Colonel Harold B. Willis, representing
Claims Service, U.S.
An officer appointed by Allied Control
Commission (to be nominated
later).

Lt.-Col. Macquest representing
Claims & Writings Service
British.

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Commission of Enquiry

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(a) To enquire into and determine the damage, other than war or combat damage, for damage, have been caused by members of the alleged to have been caused by personnel property of Allied Forces, to real and personal property in Italy, Historical and Educational Institutions.

- (b) To assess the extent of any such damage found to have been caused by Allied troops.
- (c) If allegations are substantiated, to recommend what steps should be taken to prevent such recurrence in the future.

2. The Commission will comprise:

President:

Major-General A. L. GOLLO

Members:
Colonel Harold R. Willis, representing
U.S. Claims Service, U.S.
Member appointed by Allied Control
Commission (cc to non-NATO
Member).

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Claims &
British
Representing
Claims Service

Col. R. T. WOOD, R.A., M.O.A. Claims &
Hiring.

Secretary:

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- 1. The Deputy President of the Allied Control Commission, who will be available on call to advise the Commission to the full nominate expert adviser on antiquities, who will be available on call to advise the Commission to the full concerned will render every assistance to the Commission in the performance of its task, especially the attendance of witnesses and presentation for inspection.
 - 2. Commission for the production of photographs and evidence.
 - 3. C.G., P.R.S. will arrange for a U.S. Signal Corps photographer to be at the disposal of the Commission, for the production of photographs and evidence.
 - 4. D.D.W., RAMDO will arrange for an Enlisted Officer to be at the disposal of the Commission, to assist in the production of plans where necessary.

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7. Evidence will be taken on oath at the discretion of the President.

8. The Commission will render a report in quadruplicate to this H.Q., together with such photographs and plans as are necessary for its illustration. Should the President consider it to be necessary, he will arrange for interim report to be rendered.

W.H. Beaufort

Major-General,
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer.

J.W.F./emb.

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Office of The Commander-in-Chief

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29 December 1943

SUBJECT : Historical Monuments

TO : All Commanders

Today we are fighting in a country which has contributed a great deal to our cultural inheritance, a country rich in monuments which by their creation helped and now in their old age illustrate the growth of the civilization which is ours. We are bound to respect those monuments so far as war allows.

If we have to choose between destroying a famous building and sacrificing our own men, then our men's lives count infinitely more and the buildings must go. But the choice is not always so clear-cut as that. In many cases the monuments can be spared without any detriment to operational needs. Nothing can stand against the argument of military necessity. That is an accepted principle. But the phrase "military necessity" is sometimes used where it would be more truthful to speak of military convenience or even of personal convenience. I do not want it to cloak slackness or indifference.

It is a responsibility of higher commanders to determine through A.I.G. Officers the locations of historical monuments whether they be immediately ahead of our front lines or in areas occupied by us. This information passed to lower echelons through normal channels places the responsibility on all Commanders of complying with the spirit of this letter.

Right. General

DIRECT D. EISENHOWER,
General, U. S. Army,
Commander-in-Chief.

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MEMORANDUM.

16/11/43.

To. Deputy C.O.B. Memo in reply sent.
Subject. Fine Arts Subcommission. 27 NOV 43

The attached memo from Fine Arts Subcommission is submitted
for decision of various points raised.

(i) Re para 3a. The change in nomination ~~by~~ ^{adventago.} ~~Chiefs~~ ^{Chiefs}
and it is recommended. Approved M

(ii) Re para 3b. This matter needs determining. The
present W/C includes both the Education and Fine Arts
Subcommission. Take of out q-1

(iii) The whole question of Guineas under A.C.C. conditions is
somewhat obscure to the rank and file in Subcommission
^{still above}
^{but being}
^{revised} ~~and~~ as other outline be given at the next
Adm. meeting. I will L.S. of wth C.F.D.

(iv) Re para d. After discussion with the Acting Chief of
Fine Arts Subcommission. It was definitely agreed that
a separation of responsibility for repairs as between
buildings of a monumental nature and those of only
~~ecclesi~~ ^{Value} Church or Educational, must remain under the
charge of the respective Subcommission in Interior
and Exterior. That the co-ordination of £895

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Activities where they impinge even to the extent of separate parts of one building, shall be the
Office of Admin Directorate Officiale.

The setting up of a Special Committee to deal
with all reparation work in buildings in order to help the
Agreed States authorities (especially the Church) by having one head
with which to deal, ~~who~~ ^{was} not considered necessary. This
Office of Admin Directorate will fill this function.

DRG:app

15. Nov. 63

MEMORANDUM.

SUBJECT. Directive to be issued as from A.C.C. to Regions which are to be handed back to the Italian Govt;
TO Director, Administrative Section, A.C.C.
FROM Sub-commission for Monuments, Fine Arts & Archives.
Date 7th November 1943.

1; At your Conference at 0900 hrs on Nov 5th you asked each Sub-commission to draw up a Directive to be issued by Sub-commissions to their representatives in Regions to be handed back to the Italian Government.

2; During the preparation of such a Directive certain questions have arisen to which answers are required before a final draft can be submitted to you.

3; The questions are as follows:-

a) What is the correct title of this Sub-commission? It is understood that Archives as well as Monuments and Fine Arts now come within its province, and it is therefore suggested that the title should be "Sub-commission for Monuments Fine Arts and Archives" (abbreviated to MFA&A). It is desired to remove the words "Fine Arts" from the first place in order to avoid the verbal confusion which has frequently arisen with "Finance".

b) Will the MFA&A Sub-commission have separate representation on the Staff of such Regions? No TO/ME for the separate Sub-commission has been seen.

c) Will the Allied Governments continue to admit any financial liability for repairs etc to war-damaged monuments galleries etc in such Regions? Hitherto in Sicily one of the principal functions of the Advisors on Fine Arts has been to recommend expenditure of AMGCT funds on such repairs.

d) How far is this Sub-commission concerned with buildings which though of a monumental character are not of artistic importance, or are of modern construction, such as churches or municipal buildings? The case of Church buildings raises a question of the policy of A.C.C. towards the Church.

The attached memorandum from Capt. Mason Hammond on the subject with one or two pencilled comments by me is submitted for your consideration.

P.H.Baillie Reynolds

P.H. Baillie Reynolds,
Major, R.A.

AMG Hq.
7 Nov. 1943.

Memorandum to: Major Reynolds, Acting Director, Sub-commission
on MFA&A
Subject : Concern of the Sub-commission and Regional
Advisers with Buildings not of a Monumental
Character.

1. The Advisers on Fine Arts and Monuments to AMGOT never faced squarely the question of the degree to which they should concern themselves with the conservation of Buildings not of a Monumental Character. This issue has been raised concretely in two recent instances:

a) Repairs to the Archiepiscopal Palace in Palermo, which includes a Seminary of modern and utilitarian construction.

b) Repairs to various church buildings in Mazara del Vallo, including a monumental Cathedral but parish houses, a seminary, etc. whose monumental character is not specified.

2. It is likely that such cases will continue to be presented and some guidance should now be laid down, perhaps with the opportunity of considerable leeway subject to particular circumstances.

3. It is suggested that where a Church (or other Public) building belongs clearly to some other Department, the Advisers should facilitate the approach of the representatives of the building to that Department but should not enter into the question of repairs. An example might be a parochial school.

4. It is suggested that where an ecclesiastical (or other public) building does not obviously fall within the jurisdiction of some other Commission, Division, or Department, the Advisers should entertain proposals from its representatives and use their own judgments whether to make recommendations directly or after consultation with other appropriate ~~GOVERNMENT~~ Departments, or whether to refer the whole matter elsewhere. Examples might be:

a) A church seminary attached, as they often are, to an episcopal palace. The Seminary could be regarded as falling under Education, but since instruction in it is not of a civil character, the concern of the Division of Education ^{1839h} teaching etc. does not arise. Moreover, as Monsignor deGaetano remarked, the function of an episcopal palace should be considered as a whole and not parcelled out. This, therefore, would call for consultation.

b) An episcopal palace not of monumental character. The Bishop is a public servant and his utility to the Community and to AMG justifies consideration of repair of his quarters. Perhaps this should properly come under the Interior

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or under Public Welfare. But the first approach of a Bishop, due to his concern with monumental churches etc., will often be to an Adviser.

c) the building of a museum, library, or archive which is not of monumental character, as that at Messina, or which depends from a commune, as the Bibl. Communale at Palermo with which I have been concerned.

a) a building devoted to the arts, as the Teatro Massimo in Palermo, depending from the Commune but on which I was consulted.

5. Arguments in favor of allowing MFA&A this latitude are:

a) They are likely to be the persons first approached by persons concerned with such buildings.

b) The buildings often form part of a complex which must be studied as a whole and parts of which are monumental.

c) MFA&A are likely to have more time to devote to studying the questions, which will be but small potatoes for departments like Education or Public Works.

d) MFA&A will always be in close consultation with Education and Public Works and in fact will go to them for advice and support.

e) MFA&A is a logical point of reference for cultural and spiritual questions apart from education.

6. The above suggestions are advanced subject to the ~~possibility~~ constitution of a Sub-commission on Relations with the Church, if the problems raised should eventually justify this.

7. It is recommended that this memorandum be submitted to Lt. Col. Chanler and, if approved by him, be returned for drafting as a directive.

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