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Office of the
Secretary General

HQ ALLIED CONTROL
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8) F 29228	Brig Lush	22 Mar	AFHQ - Gammell	
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10) IRR/2	Brig Lush	20 April	Adm Sec ACC	Refugee problem in general.
11) 157/60/CA	Brig Lush	22 "	Disper S/C	Jewish Immigrants to Palestine.
12) - -	- -	- -	- -	Camps - Displaced Persons.
13) ICCR/REF/1	Heathcote-Smith	6 July	CC	Concentration Camps - non-Italian.
14) ACC 473AGV	Heathcote-Smith	14 "	Troopers, AFHQ, etc	Proof of removal of Foreign Civil
15) ICCR/REF/1	Heathcote-Smith	18 "	IGCR, London	internees by Nazi & neo-Fascists.
16) SG 383.7	Maj Doe	21 "	Col Poletti	Allied civilians in Rome.
17) ICCR/MAL/2	Heathcote-Smith	22 "	RMA Tripoli	Repatriation of Maltese to Tripoli
18) 383.6	Col Densmore	23 "	C/S AFHQ	Adm. procedure re civilian internees
19) - -	Zaniboni	24 "	Stone, Lush, Hulls	Refugee Planning, in general.
20) ICCR/35	Heathcote-Smith	30 "	Brig Lush	Mercy ships & saving of refugees in North Italy.
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21) IDE/805/54-2	Col Findlay	26 "	A/CC	Allied civilians in Rome. Ans 16.
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26) - -	Foreign Office	25 "	Hi Commissioner	Return of civilians to homes.
27) 75/470/CA	Capt Stone	26 "	Hq AAI	Repatriation of Agriculturists.
28) 383.7	Capt Stone	28 "	Bononi	Manifesto on help for interned civilians & ex-PW of Allied Nations.
29) 3802	Bononi	25 "	Capt Stone	
30) 3802	Bononi	4 Sept	Capt Stone	
30) 383.7	Capt Stone	6 "	Exec. Cam.	
31) 383.7	Capt Stone	5 "	Refugees Branch	
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

EWS/hd

A/CC 383.7

28 September 1944

Dear Brigadier:

1. I attach a letter and draft circular just received from Sig. Bonomi. They are in reply to our A/CC 383.7 of 13 September, which you drafted.
2. Would you please consider the Prime Minister's reply and put up a letter for my signature embodying your views on the matter.

ELERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
Ltr No. 9387 fr Sig.
Bonomi, 22 Sept 44

Brigadier M. S. Lush, O.B.E., M.C.
Executive Commissioner

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Date - Time	29 Sep 1944
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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS

N. 3587

Rome, 22 September 1944

answer to note n. 353.7 of 16/9

Dear Captain,

I received your letter about the help to the ex interned civilians and I am glad to make the changes you suggested in the circular which is to be sent to the prefects.

As for the manifest, I must tell you that several thousand copies have already been printed, and that it would therefore be advisable to avoid its being reprinted.

The phrase which ought to be changed goes thus: 'All foreign interned civilians who find themselves in the territory of the province should be affectionately assembled'; this expression cannot be interpreted without circumspection. On the other hand, the population will exercise nothing but an informative function, while the other duties will be attributed to the authorities, which receive by means of the circular, very precise instructions to enable them to understand the aims that must be reached.

I enclose the project of another circular, and am waiting for your answer.

Yours very truly,

/s/ I. Bonomi

Captain Ellery M. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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Trans. E.C.

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TRANSLATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Cabinet

n. 3802

TO THEIR EXCELLENCIES THE PREFECTS

SUBJECT: Help to ex interned civilians

Many citizens of the Allied Countries interned in concentration camps or banished, are now scattered in numerous localities.

I want them to be helped in the provinces which are being liberated from the enemy and during the first period of the liberation.

Therefore, I beg Your Excellencies to impart the necessary instructions to all syndics, so that in every municipality, the ex-interned civilians should be informed that, if they wish, they can be given shelter and a subsidy of 75 lire a day during 15 days at most, and then sent to an Allied camp for foreign refugees or to the chief town of a province.

The given subsidies must be duly registered a receipt must be given by those who got the subsidies.

I want the ex-interned civilians to be treated as guests of the Italian Government, during the first day of their liberation, this being an act of gratitude towards the Allied Countries for the war they are fighting for the liberation of Italy; therefore I trust that Your Excellencies will see that the former instructions are exactly followed.

MIL M. NOSTER

/s/ BONARD

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ELIA H. ALSTER

/s/ BONOMO

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C O P Y

INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
HEADQUARTER ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394.

19th September 1944

Reference: IGCR/35.

From : Resident Representative,
Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees

To : British High Commissioner,
Rome

Copy to Acting Chief Commissioner
HQ., ACC (without enclosure)

Subject: Transit Centre in Sicily for Jewish Refugees
from Hungary

Reference my IGCR/35 of the 14th September,
herewith copy of the actual memo on this subject sent me
by the Acting Chief Commissioner today.

C.E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH,
R.R. I.G.C.R.

Have we got this in our files ?
/s/ Q.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

EWS/hjp

19 September 1944

SUBJECT: Transit Center in Sicily for Hungarian Jews - Ser 35.

TO : Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith, Inter-Governmental Committee on Refugees, Hq ACC

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Prime Minister Bonomi agreed yesterday that Italian Government would not object to the establishment of a transit center for Hungarian Jews in Sicily as proposed in telegram dated August 25th to British High Commissioner, provided the Allies constructed the camp and imported all construction, maintenance and food supplies. He stated that the Italian Government would be glad to make available the necessary land but that the Sicilian economy was such that the government would not feel justified in permitting local materials or local food supplies to be diverted from the critical Italian needs.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

cc: Exec Comm

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Copy of Foreign Office telegram to High Commissioner, Rome
dated 25th Aug. 1944

It appears that Jews are no longer being deported from Hungary for massacre in Poland and the Hungarian Government has offered to release Jews whose entry into Palestine has been approved by Palestine Government and also Jewish children under 16 years of age who hold visas for countries other than Palestine.

2. In the opinion of the International Red Cross, upon which I am disposed to rely, Hungarian Government may release further categories of Jews. H.M. Government will undoubtedly be subjected to severe pressure in the U.S. and elsewhere to allow such people to enter Palestine. A proposal of this kind could not be entertained for one moment since it is essential, so long as the war lasts, to limit the numbers of Jewish immigrants into Palestine to those allowed in the White Paper. If this limit is not maintained there will be, as you are probably aware, a risk of serious consequences in the near East gravely prejudicial to the conduct of the war.
3. It therefore becomes urgently necessary to find a destination temporarily at least other than Palestine for such Jews as may be released by the Hungarian Government in accordance with opinion of the International Red Cross cited above. Secretary of State for the Colonies urges (and I agree) that such an alternative destination should not (repeat not) be near Palestine. There seem to be objections to all countries in the Mediterranean area save Sicily which you recall was recently suggested in public by President Roosevelt as a possible asylum for refugees.
4. Please telegraph your views on the possibility of establishing in Sicily a transit centre for Jewish refugees and, should you see no objection, ask A.R.R.C., if they would agree to this proposal representing to them the urgency and importance of the problem in the light of considerations given above.

Dumbles,

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Refer N.A.
Rabinowitz

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

EWS/hjp

13 September 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR FILES:

I had a conference with Prime Minister Bonomi on September 11th at 1630 hours.

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We discussed the question of establishing a refugee camp for Hungarian Jews in Sicily which had been submitted by Sir Heathcote-Smith. He said that he would like to discuss this with High Commissioner Aldisio who is now in Rome. I suggested that he have the latter call on me since I would like to discuss amassing and other Sicilian problems with him before his return.

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E. W. S.

This is an extract copy - Full memo in File 000.1

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ERS/hjp

A/CC 383.7

13 September 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letters of 25 August and 4 September.

With regard to the manifesto which you propose to issue, I assume that in the first instance the manifesto should be made to apply in Allied Military Government territory, both in regard to posters and payment of 75 Lire per diem for the first 14 days.

It should also be clearly stated that the payment refers only to Provinces in the first stages of liberation from enemy occupation and that the payment is to cover immediate needs.

The words "must be collected" should be deleted and "must be informed" should be substituted. The word "collection" is likely to produce an unnecessary refugee problem. It should also be stressed that Allied Nationals and ex-internees will continue to live in their own houses until such time as individual cases can be considered by this Commission.

I would point out that in this respect there may be elderly people amongst the Allied Nationals who have lived in Italy for years and who would wish to remain in their homes.

I would therefore urge that in the circular after the words "foreign refugees" in paragraph 3, the words "if they so desire" be inserted.

I much regret if inconvenience has already been caused by the printing of the notice.

Yours sincerely,

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ELBERT W. STARK
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government

Draft submitted by:
Brig. Lush, AC & MC Section

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A/CC 383.7

9 September 1944

Dear Sir:

Sometime ago a representative of your office left a list of questions with this Commission and indicated that he would return for the answers. I believe I now have the answers to most of the questions and if your representative will call again, I shall be glad to give them to him.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, Sig C
Chief Staff Officer

His Excellency George Exindariis,
Greek Delegate to Advisory Council for Italy,
Via Romagna 42,
Rome.

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To Major Doe.

Herewith answers to questions submitted by Greek representative to Allied Advisory Council for Italy.

28 Aug.

(S) J. STEWART REAKES Maj.
C.A. Br.R.C. & MG. Section

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HEADQUARTERS
INTERNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APC 394
Tel 489081 Ext 392

IDP/1211/101-6

25 August 44
27 Aug recd

SUBJECT: Request for Assistance to Greek Refugees

TO : R.C. & M.G. Section

Reference A/CC 383.7 dated 21 August 44.

Attached please find memorandum in duplicate with
comments duly completed.

For the Director

(s) G.F. FOTHERGILL
Lt. Colonel
Deputy Director

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MEMORANDUM ✓

10. To suppress the refugee's ration actually supplied and substitute it with the soldier's ration. *Present scale so Refugee's ration being changed to scale as which is better, not possible to have R.S. Ref.*
20. To supply cigarettes as soldiers are provided with (same quantity and quality). *Refugees are supplied with cigarettes on request*
- + 30. To make available 500 soldier's bags needed for covering clothing requirements. *Kit bags for refugees not available. On established list of equipment. This is not necessary*
- + 40. To set up a special camp for refugees arriving from Greece. *Not possible. Present*
50. To quarter the officers in a TRANSIT Hotel. *Desirable if military officers but not specified. This with will not be*
60. To allow liberated persons enter military Hospitals. *Hospitalization arranged by Medical Office of Sub-Commission*
- + 70. To supply with full soldier's ration all conscriptives being in sanatoriums. *Special scale already authorized for certain Hospitals while the Sub-Commission is utilized*
80. To accelerate transportation. *Who would be available. This Sub-Commission has normal case procedures*

Intensive displaced persons
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The sub-commission deals only with refugees of whom a certain number volunteer for allied armed forces. Until they join a unit they are not entitled to soldier's ration, etc. 3547

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

To: ACC

Signal message Center No: 73/08

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED Classification: NONE

REFERENCE No/ F93843 Precedence: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 8/1814

Office of Origin: CITE: FHGEG

REQUEST URGENT REPORT HERE AS TO RESULT OF YOUR LETTER
OF 26 AUGUST TO AAI ON SUBJECT RETURN OF CIVILIAN TO THEIR
HOMES AND PRESENT POSITION OF SCHEME

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ACTION: CSO

INFO: A/CC
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C.A. BRANCH

See Ref. 75/470/Ca-A/CC 383.7 of 26 Aug.44

Subject: "Return of Civilian to their Homes"
drafted by CA Branch for Acting
Chief Commissioner request.

Please take attention on this (F93843)
message for the A/CC

(s) DENSMORE
Col. CSO

Date and time of receipt: SEPTEMBER 9/1130

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

Repatriation of Agriculturists

A/CC 383.7

RC & MG Section
(For Refugees Branch)

5 Sept 4

1. Reference letter No. 13430/10474/7.2/1/1.2 of 4 Sept 44 from H.E. Bonomi which is in answer to A/CC 383.7 of 28 Aug 44, subject: "Repatriation of Agriculturists", drafted by your Branch.

2. Forwarded for appropriate action.

Stone.

1 Incl:
as in para 1 above.

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Date Recd 5 Sept 1945
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THE PRESIDENT OF THE
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

HQ ACC, APO 394
22 Sep 44
Rec'd 4 Sep 44 1746
By _____ DNR.

N. 13430/10174/7.2/1/1.2

Rome, 4 September 1944

Dear Admiral,

In answer to your letter of the 28th of August, about the organisation of the services for the war refugees, I am glad to tell you that, since the 26th of August, measures have been taken to detach from the various ministries, the functionaries who are necessary for these services.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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Acting Chief Commissioner

Help for Refugees

N/CO 383.7

6 September 4

Executive Commissioner

1. Re attached letter No. 3802 of 4 September from Prime Minister
Bisani relative to Help for Refugees.

2. Letter referred to by Bisani was sent to you on 30 August.

1 Incl;
as in para 1 above

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Cabinet of the Minister

To: Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission

Subject: Assistance for Refugees

HQ ACC, APO 394
75 Sec'y Gen.
Rec'd 4 Sept 1944
By _____

Rome, 4 September 1944

No. 3802

Following my letter of 25 August 1944, No. 3802, I inform you that the circular directed to the Prefects of the provinces placed under the jurisdiction of the Allied Military Government, concerning assistance for refugees, has been prepared.

As is revealed in the text of the circular itself, it is the intention of the Italian Government to come to the aid of Allied civilians who were formerly interned.

Because, furthermore, any action in this matter will have to be taken in the provinces under the administration of Allied headquarters, I ask you to arrange for the dispatch of this circular to the Prefects of the provinces recently liberated or which will soon be liberated.

At the same time I inform you that copies of the notice already transmitted with my preceding letter of the 25th have been stored in considerable numbers at this Ministry at the disposition of the Commission, who will be able to draw and dispatch them as soon as it is believed opportune.

THE MINISTER

/s/ I. Bonomi

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Cabinet of the Minister

Rome, 4 September 1944

C I R C U L A R

To: Their Excellencies, The Prefects.

Subject: Assistance for former civilian internees.

Many citizens of Allied countries interned in concentration camps or sent away to outlying districts, are scattered throughout numerous localities.

I desire that they be helped wherever they are.

I therefore ask Your Excellencies to give instructions to all the mayors ("Sindacos") that every Comune collect these former internees, shelter them, and issue them a subsidy of £ 75 (seventy-five lire) per day for a maximum period of 15 days, subsequently sending them away to an Allied camp for foreign refugees or to a provincial collection point.

The subsidies as paid should be duly registered and documented by receipts furnished by those receiving them.

I desire that the former internees be treated, during the first days of their liberation, as guests of the Italian Government, this being an act of recognition for the war which the Allies are fighting for the liberation of Italy. I therefore urge Your Excellencies to exercise particular care in the exact execution of the aforementioned instructions.

THE MINISTER

/s/ I. Bonomi

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Acting Chief Commissioner

Help for Refugees

Brigadier Lush, Exec Comm, Hq ACC

30 August 4

1. Re attached letter N. 3802 of 25 August and poster, relative "Manifest: Help for the refugees".
2. I take it that this applies only in territory under Italian Government.
3. If you have no question and agree with the action taken by H.E. Bonomi, will you pass this on to proper Sub-Commission or Branch for appropriate action?

1 Incl:
as in para 1 above

Stone

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Hq ACC - Sec'y Gen.
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Date Time 31 AUG 1944
Via <i>msg</i> 2530
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TRANSLATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CABINET

N. 3802

Inclosure: 1

SUBJECT : Manifest : Help for the refugees.

TO : Capt. Ellery W. Stone, Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission.

I communicate a copy of the manifest which will be distributed in the liberated provinces, on behalf of the interned civilians and ex-prisoners of war of the Allied Countries.

The Minister
/s/ I.Bo nomi.

Italians!

All the foreigners and interned civilians who are in the territory of the Province must be collected and sent to the nearest Town-hall where they will get help and instructions.

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Rome, 14 August 1944

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OF MINISTERS
MINISTER OF INTERIOR

BONOMI.

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Trans. E.C.

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The Minister
/s/ I.Bc nomi.

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A/CC 383.7

28 August 1944

Subject: Repatriation of Agriculturists.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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The return of refugees generally is one with which we are both concerned, but this headquarters cannot countenance any relaxation in the restriction of movement of persons in this country or any really large mass movement unless it is assured that proper organization in every respect has been made.

I therefore ask you to give this matter of staff for this purpose your urgent consideration.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

c.c. Refugees Branch.

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Initials: R.R.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF THE ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER

HO ACC APO 394
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26 Aug 1944
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... Aug 44

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TO : HE Prime Minister Ivanoe Bonomi.

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Prime Minister Ivanoe Bonomi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government.

Copy to: Refugee Branch.

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Ref: 75/470/CA
A/22. 25.7

25th August 1944

SUBJECT: Return of Civilians to their Homes.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy,
C. M. P.

1. I refer to this HQ letter Ref: 75/ dated 1. August. 44.
2. The Italian Government has been approached on the lines of this letter and are formulating a plan for the implementation of the decision to return agriculturists to their homes.
3. The Italian Government state, and I agree with them, that it would be impossible to set up rapidly the organisation necessary with civilians. The Carabinieri are fully employed in preserving law and order. The Italian Government has submitted a request for 94 effectives from the Italian Army in order to man the transit points mentioned in para. 4 of my letter. These transit points will be the key to the smooth and rapid working of the organisation envisaged and they consider that these cannot be maintained without military discipline and organisation.
4. I have approached the G.O.C., M.M.L.A. who opposes the removal of these men to deal with civilian refugees and is unwilling to take up the matter with you in view of your 1605/30/56/9(SU) dated 2. July.
5. I wish to urge in the strongest possible manner that these effectives from the Italian Army be provided.
6. In making the decision that the repatriation of agriculturists should commence when the plans of the Italian Government were prepared and the organisation was ready to carry them out, I had the following considerations in mind:-
 - (a) The Allies are importing food into Italy. Great areas of land are lying untilled. Their rehabilitation will save Allied shipping and supplies.
 - (b) The urge of great masses of people to move home can only be restricted by employing regularised movement. This necessitates the use of force. Such force involves the employment of resources including men and transport.

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(c) Unauthorized mass migration must create disorder and affect Allied Lines of Communication. This has been brought to my notice forcibly by your own Headquarters, by A.P.R.U. and by several Regional Commissioners, who have commented on the serious effects which this uncontrolled movement is creating.

7. The best method of restricting this mass migration is to initiate a regular controlled flow of movement. I am satisfied that the Italian Government can do this provided, and only provided, that they are furnished with the troops for which they have asked.

8. I fully appreciate the strict necessity of employing the Italian Army for military matters, and military matters only. I submit, however, that this is a matter which affects not only the Italian but the Allied military effort. I cannot emphasize too greatly the dangers of uncontrolled movement of a quarter of a million people. It must lead to disaster. It can be prevented. I submit that the provision of 94 men from the Italian Army requested by the Italian Government is a small price to pay for the avoidance of these dangers.

9. An early decision is necessary. We cannot have a repetition of 2000 refugees crowded in a disordered and uncontrolled mass on Naples Station. We cannot see trains loaded with military supplies being over-loaded with returning refugees. We cannot have uncontrolled migration into devastated areas of hungry and homeless people.

10. I would ask, therefore, that the provision of the troops asked for by the Italian Government be made at the earliest possible moment in order that the Italian Government may set about its task of proper control of a potentially very dangerous situation.

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ELMER W. JONES
Captain, USAR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Copy to: G-5, AMHQ
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Italian Refugee Branch
Admin Sec
Economic Sec.

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Copy of Foreign Office telegram to High Commissioner, Rome
dated 25th August 1944.

It appears that Jews are no longer being deported from Hungary for massacre in Poland and the Hungarian Government has offered to release Jews whose entry into Palestine has been approved by Palestine Government and also Jewish children under 10 years of age who held visas for countries other than Palestine.

2. In the opinion of the International Red Cross, upon which I am disposed to rely, Hungarian Government may release further categories of Jews. H.M. Government will undoubtedly be subjected to severe pressure in the U.S. and elsewhere to allow such people to enter Palestine. A proposal of this kind could not be entertained for one moment since it is essential, so long as the war lasts, to limit the numbers of Jewish immigrants into Palestine to those allowed in the White Paper. If this limit is not maintained there will be, as you are probably aware, a risk of serious consequences in the near East gravely prejudicial to the conduct of the war.

3. It therefore becomes urgently necessary to find a destination temporarily at least other than Palestine for such Jews as may be released by the Hungarian Government in accordance with opinion of the International Red Cross cited above. Secretary of State for the Colonies urges (and I agree) that such an alternative destination should not (repeat not) be near Palestine. There seem to be objections to all countries in the Mediterranean area save Sicily which you recall was recently suggested in public by President Roosevelt as a possible asylum for refugees.

4. Please telegraph your views on the possibility of establishing in Sicily a transit centre for Jewish refugees and, should you see no objection, ask AFHQ if they would agree to this proposal representing to them the urgency and importance of the problem in the light of considerations given above.

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Date-Time 21 Aug 1945

Via 21 Aug

Initials RKR

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21 August 4

Request for Assistance to Greek
Refugees.

RC & MG Section

1. Attached is memorandum prepared by the Greek Representative
to the Allied Advisory Council for Italy.

2. The Greek Minister sets forth eight request with respect to
Greek refugees, with the indication that Nos. 3, 4 and 7 be given
priority.

3. Request that this matter be referred to the proper branch for
appropriate action.

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as in memo 1 above

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MEMORANDUM

10. To suppress the refugee's ration actually supplied and supplied and substitute it with the soldier's ration.
20. To supply cigarettes as soldiers are provided with (same quantity and quality)
30. To make available 500 soldier's bags needed for covering clothing requirements.
40. To set up a special camp for refugees arriving from greece.
50. To quarter the officers in a TRANSIT hotel.
60. To allow liberated persons enter military Hospitals.
70. To supply with full soldier's ration all consumptives being in sanatoriums.
80. To accelerate transportation.

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5 August 1944

Dear M. Kapsambelis:

Reference is made to your letter 724, dated 29 June 1944. Facilities now exist for all Greek subjects who are desirous of returning to any part of liberated Italy to do so provided they are not of military age. Those of military age are recruited by the Greek Military Mission for service in the Greek Armed Forces.

Greek nationals who wish to return to Tripolitania or Cyrenaica have been recorded by Internees and Displaced Persons Sub-Commission and as and when shipping is available they will be sent to the places of their previous residence.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

M. G. Kapsambelis
Vice Representative
Greek Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy

cc: Internees & Displaced Persons s/c

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER
APO 394

Ref; 014.33

4 August 1944

TO : Mr. G. KAPSAMBELIS
Vice Representative
Greek Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Sir,

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ELBERT W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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Chief Staff Officer

Greek Nationals

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Director, Internees and Displaced Persons
Sub-Commission

1 Aug

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1. References:

- a. A/CC 014.33 dated 1 July
- b. Your IDP/569/101-6, July 10

2. Please prepare draft of reply for Acting Chief Commissioner's signature to Mr. G. Kapsambelis' letter #724 of June 28.

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, Sig C
Chief Staff Officer

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INTERNEES AND DISPLACE PERSONS SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

EVS/dre.

IDF/569/101-6

10 July 44.

SUBJECT:- Greek Nationals.

TO :- Acting Chief Commissioner.
Through R.C. & M.G. Section.

1. Reference your letter A/CC 014.33 dated 1 July 44.
2. I am informed that Mr. KAPSAMBELIS wrote this letter due to having misunderstood the explanation of Comdr. MELISSINOS, Head of the Greek Military Mission regarding the policy affecting Greeks liberated in Italy, who were established before the war in Italy.
3. The Head of the Greek Military Mission wishes to inform Mr. KAPSAMBELIS that all Greek Subjects who were desirous of returning to any part of liberated Italy, could do so, providing they were not of Military age.
4. All Greek Internees are thoroughly screened from a security angle before they are evacuated in accordance with the request of the Greek Government.

/s/ C. B. FINDLAY
Colonel.
Director.

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A/OC 014.33

1 July 1944

Dear M. Kapsambelis:

I have to acknowledge your letter 724 of 28 June 1944.

As soon as I have heard from the sub-commission concerned
I will reply to your letter more fully.

Yours sincerely,

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

M. G. Kapsambelis
Vice-Representative
Greek Delegation to Advisory Council
Villa Chiara, Naples

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EMS/hd

A/CC 014.33

1 July 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Internees & Displaced Persons Sub-commission
(THRU: EC + MG Sec).

1. Reference is made to attached copy of letter from the Greek Delegation to the Advisory Council.
2. Please let me have your comments after due consultation with Hq Allied PW Repatriation Unit (Naples) - lately named Hq PW sub-commission (Pari).
3. I will then reply to Mr. Kypambolis.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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CY ltr fr Greek delegation,
Ref 724, dated 23 Jun 44

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GREEK DELEGATION
TO THE
ADVISORY COUNCIL
FOR ITALY

Ref.: 724

Naples, the 26th June 1944.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that my Government would be appreciative if you would have the necessary recommendations given to the competent Authority so that, in accordance with the procedure followed up to now and the relative efforts of the Greek representative to the P.M. Sub-Commission, every facility be given to all Greeks who have been liberated lately either in Rome or in its northern provinces and who were established before the war in Italy, Tripolitania or Cyrenaica, to return again directly to the places of their previous residence.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) G. Kapsambelis
G. Kapsambelis
Vice-Representative.

M. General Sir Noel Mason MACFARLANE

Deputy Commissioner

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

IMMEDIATE

31 July 1944.

REFERENCE : IGOR/REF/1

FROM : Sir Clifford Heston-Griffith
Resident representative, Inter Governmental Committee
on Refugees.

TO : Chief Commissioner, I. G. A. C. C.
A.M.G. 5 Army, Field.
A.M.G. 8 Army, Field.
Director, Internees & Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.

SUBJECT : Further information regarding 2 Concentration Camps and
several pieces of free confinement (confino-libero) of
Foreign Civilian Internees, near the present line of battle.
(In continuation of my Memorandum of 6 July 1944.)

1. Region covered - TOSCANA - Province of Florence.

The Camps dealt with are Concentration Camps :

BRIGNI A. RINOLI AT VILLA LA SILVA - 71 Individuals.
ROVEZZANO AT CASTELLO DI MONTALEONE - 18 Individuals.

and another 129 individuals scattered among some odd localities.

The names of the internees whom should still be there, if
not been removed Northwards by the Axis, are given in each case.

2. It will be appreciated if a return could be made to me, by
mentioning by the numbers only, those who have not been traced.

3. It is suggested the return might be as follows:

List of Foreign Civilian Internees in the Province of.....
"FLORENCE"

The following were not traced: No. 11, 12, 28 to 32, 65, 110.

The others have all been identified and are either remaining
where they are or proceeding Southwards.

4. Similar information would be appreciated in respect of all
further lists of names sent in by us; these lists will be supplied as the
battle line advances, and cover Concentration Camps and localities right up
to the Alps.

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TO

Chief Commissioner, H.C. ACC.
 A.M.C. 5 Army, Field.
 A.M.C. 8 Army, Field.
 Director, Internees & Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.

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 (In continuation of my memorandum of 6 July 1944)

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BAGNI - RINGOLI AT VILLA LA SELVA - 71 Individuals.

ROVEZZANO AT CASTELLO DI MONTALEPANO - 13 Individuals.

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4. Similar information would be appreciated in respect of all further lists of camps sent in by me; these lists will be supplied as the battle line advances, and cover Concentration Camps and localities right up to the Alps.

5. NOTE: Copies of these lists have not been attached in the memorandums addressed to the Chief Commissioner and the Director Internees & Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.

G.C. HASTINGS-SMITH,
 R.R. I.G.C.F.

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HEADQUARTERS
INTERNED AND DISPLACED PERSONS SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

HRP/664/68-1.

30 July 1944.

SUBJECT :- Allied Civilians.

TO :- Secretary General,
A.C.C.

attached

1. Reference your SG 353.7 dated 28 July 44.
2. Approximately 150 Partisan Yugoslavs proceeding HARI by train 30 July.
I hope this will leave very few of the fighting age in the vicinity of PCMS.
3. The movement of a party of the Royalist is under consideration.

C.B. FINDLAY.
Colonel.
Director.

Copy to:-

P.C. & M.C. Section.
Copy to file 60.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

COPY
SUBJECT:

From: SECRETARY GENERAL

FILE No. AG 353.7

TO: Colonel Kinday.

28 July 1944

The following is extract of Memo "Points for General Alexander" which the Acting Chief Commissioner has directed be forwarded you for necessary action:

YUGOSLAV QUESTION: Approximately 400 Tito Followers,
" " 1600 Royalists.

95 Suggestion: That at the earliest possible moment the Tito followers be sent to Bari. Agreeable to all parties. Then a person be appointed by General Alexander to deal with the remainder. Suggest Mr. Zoukitch, Secretary to Yugoslav Legation to Holy See. If nothing is done to get the Tito Followers away we feel that the trouble will occur."

COPY

FRANK J. SLAUGHTER,
Captain, A.C.D.,
Deputy Secretary General.

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HEADQUARTERS
INTERNEE AND DISPLACED PERSONS SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

IDP/805/54-2

Tel. 489081 Ext. 392

26 July 1944

Ref. : ~~56~~ 3832-21/7/44

To : Acting Chief Commissioner.

ROME SITUATION AS AT 23 July 1944.

1. Allied Civilians total 6,011 consisting of 48 National Groups.
Being fed with Italian Ration Card plus additional card giving further 100 grams bread a day.
2. Total receiving additional rations for medical reasons in kind is 711 which will increase to 1,000 on receipt of all returns.

Daily food per head -
Milk 4 oz
Sugar 1 1/3 oz
Meat 3 oz
Soup 2 oz

3. Financial assistance continues in American, British and Dutch groups. Further financial aid under review.

C.B. FINLAY
Colonel
Director

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31st July 1944

Acting Chief Commissioner.

1. Attached correspondence is submitted for your information.
2. I do not think that Sir Clifford Heathcote Smith should have sent the telegram through the office of the High Commissioner without previous reference to this Commission. No such reference was made and Sir Clifford told me of his action only yesterday.
3. The position of the Inter Governmental Committee of Refugees is attached to this Commission and works under its aegis and in my opinion we should be careful to preserve this position and not allow telegrams on policy to emanate without your approval. With your permission I propose to tell Sir Clifford this and you may like to mention the matter to Sir Noel Charles and Mr. Ambassador Kirk.
4. In this particular case I do not think any harm has been done although in my opinion even the proposal is more of a gesture than practical proposition. I think it will take months for the various governments to obtain an answer from Germany and by that time we should have occupied most of Italy and the unfortunate people would either be dead or in our hands.

M.S.C.

I agree. This should have gone through the Commission & AFHQ, the paragraph of the American reply I have marked draws this. NB words "with due regard to military necessities" C in C MAO may have strong views and should have had the change of expressing them ab initio.

A.H.C.

Brig. Lush:

Please speak to Heathcote Smith as per para. 3.

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

SECRET

30 July 1944

REFERENCE : IOCR/85

FROM : Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith,
Resident Representative in Italy,
Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees.

TO : Brigadier M.S.Lush,
Executive Commissioner,
H.Q.Allied Control Commission.

SUBJECT : Mercy Ship and saving of the threatened lives of
Refugees in North Italy.

1. Reference my conversation with you to day.
Herewith paraphrase of a telegram sent for me by the British High Commissioner Rome, to the Foreign Office for the Inter-Governmental Committee on Refugees London, under date 15 July 1944.
2. As the present paraphrase of the above telegram was used as the basis of a cable sent by Mr. Myron Taylor (American Ambassador to the Vatican) addressed on the 15 or 16 July to the Department of State, and as Mr. Myron Taylor's telegram so far is the only one that has elicited a reply(which he has handed me) I attach paraphrase of this reply also.
3. It is a cable from the Department of State dated 24 July embodying a message from the war Refugee Board to the Director of the Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees - Sir Herbert Emerson.

C.E. HEATHCOTE - SMITH
R.R. I.G.C.R.

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16 July 44

Sent

FROM : Mr. Myron Taylor,
U.S.A. Ambassador to the Vatican

TO : President Roosevelt

The following is the gist of a telegram dated 15th July sent from Rome to the Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees, London; from the Committee's Resident Representative in Italy

(Sir Clifford Heathcote Smith)

Subject of the Telegram is the saving of the lives of foreign internees in Italy notably Jewish whom the Germans threatened with imminent deportation and murder; and the despatch of a mercy ship.

1. There have been discovered in Italy the originals of German official orders dated 22nd April, 44, by which all internees except Belgian, Dutch, Norwegian, French, Greek, ex Polish and ex-Jugo-Slav were to be sent Northwards into German concentration camps. The order stated specifically that Jews of all nationalities, presumably Italian also, were included. A corroboration of this is found in the fact that forty three British Jews were thus suddenly removed in April at noon one day at a few minutes notice to a German camp at Carpi near Modena.

2. The monstrous fact that large numbers are deported to Germany and liquidated is disclosed by evidence scarcely less complete. This fact must have been that of thousands of men, women and children from Italy alone. This bestial carnage should early be stopped forthwith if this, without injury to the war effort of the Allies, can be achieved.

3. The size of the problem. There should have been sixteen to twenty

thousand internees today in Republican Italy, so it is estimated; but, including all Christians and an outside maximum of five thousand foreign Jews, there may today be alive there under nine thousand, what with the large scale repatriation of Jugo-Slavs and deportation of Jews and others. Republican Italy with her Fascist laws has denationalized all Italian Jews; so that some twenty thousand Italian Jews should be added to the above five thousand foreign Jews.

4. President Roosevelt initiated the refuge camp for the thousand stateless persons now being shipped from Italy to the United States. Could therefore the President be approached to intervene on behalf of these persons in German camps and possibly for these purposes utilize the Pope, if thought advisable, as intermediary or in support? The President, it is suggested, would invite the Axis to deliver at a named port in the North Adriatic all internees and notably all stateless persons. A mercy ship will be sent to that port to collect them; and this ship, until all had been removed to safety, could carry on a shuttle service to some nearby port in liberated Italy. If the U.S.A. found it impolitic to provide a temporary home for any of these refugees then as regards their eventual disposal they could be kept, many thousands of them, in Italy and if required there could be made available in Algeria several huge camps.

5. If the Intergovernmental Committee took a successful initiative in this operation this would be directly in accordance with the essence of its mandate which is to take steps to preserve, repeat preserve and maintain refugees. Similarly rescue work has pride of place for the American War Refugee Board.

6. Immediacy of the problem. Never before has there been such a probability of success nor, such urgency. It is clear this suggestion of mercy ships is not original; the question is whether this is the psychological moment to try again. The German policy of deportation is well established. If we do not move quickly total repeat total deportation may be carried out. On the other hand Germany is now on the defensive and hard pressed and has just declared this publicly and frankly.

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This comparatively small act of decent behaviour which incidently will saddle the Allies with several more thousand mouths to feed may welcomed by the Germans as an opportunity to gain some grace.

7. Success in this eleventh hour attempt to save from extermination some few thousand lives might permit later successful repetitions elsewhere.

8. No immediate threat. It is suggested that only after eventual rejection should threats be used; but that the invitation itself should be merely courteous and direct and that Germany should be informed beforehand that we hold the names of the majority of those who were interned in Italy.

9. This mercy suggestion formed the subject of a talk I had with American Ambassador to the Vatican, Mr. Myron Taylor. He said that the scheme and would be cubling direct: to the President with a view to enlisting his invaluable backing without which the scheme would have but scant chance of success.

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The war Refugee Board sends the following for Sir Herbert Emerson.

Mr. Taylor transmitted to this Department the substance of a cable which Heathcote Smith sent to the Inter Governmental Committee in London on July 15

The cable in question described the organized deportation of Jews and other refugees from Italy to concentration camps by the Germans with the ultimate purpose of exterminating the persons deported.

In Hungary such campaign is being carried out on an especially large scale and is typical of what is going on in all German occupied areas.

To find refuge havens for all victims of this persecution who can leave the areas occupied by the Germans, the United States Government has in the past months clearly stated its readiness to cooperate with the other Government of other sympathetic countries. In a message to Congress recently concerning the bringing to this country of 1000 refugees and also in a statement he made on March 24 President Roosevelt enunciated this policy.

The Government of the United States will cooperate in all ways with the British Government and other governments which will facilitate feasible plans of action although it is quite possible that many deportees from Italy have been executed already. Approach to German Government requesting release to Italy of deported refugees and to deliver them to Allied authorities at a North Atlantic port whence they would be taken to temporary havens elsewhere or returned directly to Italy is apparently involved in Heathcote Smith's suggestion.

The willingness of the Allied governments with due regard to military necessities to consider measures for the reception in Allied and neutral territory should according to our views be indicated in any approach to the Germans and should not be limited to deportees from Italy.

It has been indicated to the British Government that this government is willing to join in such an approach to the government. Any plan designed to meet the Italian problem to which Heathcote-Smith refers will however be considered sympathetically by us. For the Inter Government Committee to discuss the practical problems involved with the British government after it has determined these problems would appear to be the most feasible.

Information covering further developments of this question would be appreciated by the Board. It would also be appreciated if the text of the Heathcote-Smith cable could be transmitted to AGC Winant in order that he may be fully informed.

The above is the paraphrase of a telegram from the Department of State dated July 24, 1944 addressed to Mr Myron Taylor, American Ambassador to the Vatican.

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HIGH COMMISSARIAT FOR THE WAR REFUGEES

Rome, July, 24th, 1944

To Captain ELLERY W. STORE
Deputy President and Chief Commissioner A.C.C.
To Brigadier H.S. LUSH
Executive Commissioner
To Col. L. RIBULLI
Director of the Italian Refugee Branch

ROME

I - Assistance for the refugees south of Rome. I have taken note of the communication sent to us by Col. Hulls, stating that from now on, the High Commissariat only, with the means it disposes of, will have to undertake the assistance of the refugees in the regions of Italy which are south of Rome. That therefore we should have to take charge of the camps of Cesano and Cinecitta. I have also been informed that the Allied Authorities have given orders to close the camps of Aversa and of the piccolo Cottolengo in Naples at the end of the month, these camps give now hospitality to about 1,600 refugees.

II - Camps of Cesano and of Cinecitta: To enable us to make improvements in the camps of Cesano and of Cinecitta which contain respectively 7000 and 5000 refugees, it is indispensable that the Allied Authorities should allow us to employ military personnel in such number as will prove necessary. Civilian personnel would not give the same guarantee of discipline. We have sent some of our members there and they have established contact with the present Commanders of the camps; the necessary military personnel should be the following:

a) for Cesano: for general and sanitary services: 14 officers (among them 5 doctors and 1 chemist), 12 non-commissioned officers (among them 6 of the sanitary department), 135 soldiers (among them 5 of the sanitation department), 1 chaplain, 18 C.R.I. nurses; for police services 1 officer, 4 non-commissioned officers, 15 soldiers.

b) for Cinecitta: for general and sanitary services: 12 officers (among them 5 doctors and 1 chemist), 8 non-commissioned officers (among them 4 from the sanitation department), 115 soldiers (among them 15 from the sanitation department), 1 chaplain, 15 nurses C.R.I. for police services: 1 officer, 3 non-commissioned officers, 30 soldiers. It must be remembered that for this camp it will be possible to reduce the personnel when the work of organization now taking place will come to an end. In this way only will the management of the said camps prove possible. We should also be unable to administrate these camps should they be deprived of the assistance and sanitary equipment now existing, which it could not be possible for us to replace in such a short time. It would also be necessary to fix a reasonable length of time for the session of the camps, which would enable us to prepare our organization, and avoid that thousands of people should be left to their fate without the necessary assistance.

III - Centers of Aversa, del Carmineello and of piccolo Cottolengo. About 1600 refugees live now in these centers. To close these two centers between

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the 25th and the 30th of this month would mean that these exasperated people would be thrown in the street; it is easy to imagine what the political, social and above all the humanitarian consequences would be. I must therefore formally protest against this measure, and I ask that the Carminele and the Piccolo Cottolengo of Naples at least should be reserved for the refugees, the more so as these centres are indispensable resting- and sorting-places for the starting of the repatriation of the refugees. As for the camp of Aversa, I must also ask that a delay in the closing order should be granted. It would enable us to send the refugees back to their homes, and to find another shelter for those who have no roof.

Ivo - Repatriation of the refugees - I - Preceding accords. Following the numerous meetings of Col. Briker, then Head of the Italian Refugee Branch, which ended by my meeting General Macfarlane, in the presence of Col Briker, it had been decided;

- a) not to take the refugees too far from their place of residence, so that they could be more rapidly repatriated.
- b) to start the repatriation of the refugee agriculturists back to their provinces.
- c) to detach from the A.G.C. a senior officer and appoint him to the High Commissionariat, to examine and promote, in harmonious collaboration, the plan of repatriation.-

2) Refugees of Rome. In Rome are to be found not only the refugees of the regions where the war has stagnated during the winter, but also refugees of the southern regions, which have remained cut off from their homes, and who have in those regions intact houses, families, and every opportunity for peaceful work. Everything advises to repatriate them at the earliest possible date, for this would also relieve Rome from its present state of over population -

3) suspension of the repatriations. We have just been told that every repatriation movement of the refugees must be suspended, and that we must be ready to receive new refugees in Rome.

4) Absolute necessity to start immediately the repatriation of the refugees. I must absolutely insist on the repatriation of the refugees, particularly of the agriculturists, to be started without further delay, because of the difficulty of giving them proper accommodation in winter, because of the culture of autumn products and of the preparation of the spring ones, and also because the agitation mentioned everyday by the Prefects could take an alarming aspect, and is beginning to cause a disorderly and spontaneous movement of these people northward. If it has been possible till now to repress this movement, it is not so much because of the orders I have given to the Prefects, than because of the promises, which, according to the agreements made with the Allied Authorities, I made to the refugees through the press, that their repatriation had been decided and that means to effectuate it were being organized, and I have no intention of breaking the engagements I have taken.

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II - organization of the repatriation. According to the agreements made, I have already gathered ample information about the refugees agriculturists of every single municipality which is to be repopled; they are now in the Provinces of the South (total number about 25,000). I have already come to an agreement with the railway companies, the sanitation and P.S. escorts, for the refugees to be escorted back with discipline. For the repatriation of the refugees of Rome back south, (about 60,000 according to the accurate registrations of the Vatican) it will be possible to use on their return the trains which will bring back the refugees of the South along the line Naples, Frosinone, Rome - and also Italian trucks and trucks from the Vatican City. The plan of execution of the repatriation carries a whole lot of problems, which must be quickly faced in close collabora-

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tion with the Allied Authorities. Therefore, I take the liberty to request that, in compliance with General Macfarlane's promises, an Allied Senior Officer should be sent to collaborate with us, in the examination and resolution of the complex problem of the social rehabilitation of the refugees. Therefore, I think it is not only opportune, but necessary, to avoid loss of energy that the resolution of present and further problems about the repatriation of the refugees peasants (who might save the products of their vineyards, obtaining a gain which would in great part solve for them the food question next winter; they would also be able to prepare the great spring cultivations); as I cannot imagine another solution besides that agreed ~~with~~ by Col. Baxter and General Macfarlane, if no other has been suggested to me; as I had, according to the agreement made, taken engagements with the mayors, the refugees and the already moved public opinion, regretting that I can do nothing to relieve the unfortunate situation of these poor people, out of consideration for my self-esteem and that of my collaborators, I must declare that I am still hampered in the swift execution of the engagements already taken, or if other solutions tending to the same end are not offered, I regret to say that I shall leave my post to someone else.

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

(Tito Zaniboni)

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23 July 1944

SUBJECT: Administrative Procedure Affecting Civilian Internees

TO : Chief of Staff, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

1. In reply to your memorandum dated 15 July 44, it should be pointed out that Padula Camp is not an A.C.C. responsibility, but comes under HQ. A.A.I.

2. Your letter has accordingly been forwarded by indorsement to "A" Branch of A. A. I., who are responsible for the administration of the camp.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, Sig. C.
Chief Staff Officer

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

15 July 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: The Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

Subject : Administrative Procedure Affecting Civilian Internees.

1. I have been informed that civilian internees at the Central Internment Camp, Padula, Potenza Province, Italy are not accorded the same treatment and privileges as prisoners of war, including the issue of canteen rations.

2. Both the United States Government and H. M. Government have agreed with the German and the former Italian Government to consider the Prisoners of War Convention of July 25th, 1929, as applicable to civilian internees so far as its provisions can be applied to civilians. Accordingly, the following pronouncement of policy is forwarded for your guidance in treatment of civilian internees at the Central Internment Camp:

a. All civilians temporarily interned at the Central Internment Camp will be accorded the same treatment accorded prisoners of war, including issuance of canteen rations, except with respect to the following:

- (1) They will not be processed as prisoners of War.
- (2) No notification of capture or internment will be given to the Protecting Power or any recognized agency.
- (3) They will not be permitted to send capture cards or be accorded any other correspondence privileges.
- (4) Prisoner of War allowances will not be applicable to them. Accounting for canteen supplies issued will be made in the same manner as now employed in the case of friendly nationals (Poles, etc) temporarily detained for screening.
- (5) They will not be employed unless they request employment in writing.

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b. Civilians to be interned other than temporarily will be processed as prisoners of war and will be accorded the same treatment including notification of capture to the Protecting Power and recognized agencies, and all correspondence privileges accorded to prisoners of war. They will not be employed unless they request employment in writing.

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3. Similar instructions are issuing to American authorities to insure identic treatment of internees at PW Camp 326.

By command of General WILSON:

for /s/ Lowell W. Rooke
/t/ J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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Hq. Allied Control Commission, APO 394, 23 July 1944.

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24 JUL 1944
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To: Hq. A. A. I., "A" Branch.

Forwarded for necessary action as a matter pertaining to your headquarters.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

L. D. DENMORE
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Chief Staff Officer

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

SECRET

22 July 1944.

REFERENCE :IGCR/MAL/2

TO :RMA Tripoli.

FROM :Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith,
Resident Representative in Italy,
Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees.

SUBJECT :Repatriation of group of some 350 Maltese to Tripoli-
and Disloyalty problem.

1. There is now pending, a repatriation of some 350 odd Maltese British subjects formerly resident in Tripolitania, back to their homes there.

2. A memorandum under reference IGCR/MAL/1 of the 7 July which I addressed to the Inter Government Committee on Refugees, London, and of which a copy was sent to RMA Tripoli, gave a list of 74 Maltese British subjects from Tripoli, who according to an Italian document, had professed pro Italian sentiments.

3. Names of further disloyal Maltese are now being furnished me from certain sources. In no case hitherto have those who have been disloyal been kept all time in Concentration Camps. Naturally the utmost care will be taken to see that none of those from the Concentration Camp at Larnaca Harbours, who constitute the great majority of those now down on the list for repatriation to Tripoli, figure the suspects.

Further, Counter Forward Intelligence is persuading the list.

4. It may therefore be taken as cert in, that among the Maltese who are being sent back to Tripolitania in the forthcoming shipment, there are none tainted with disloyalty.

C.E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH
R.R. I.G.C.R.

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H.C. Allied Control Commission (for chief Commissioner)
His Excellency the Governor of Malta

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File 48 (13)

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21 July 1944

Subject: Allied civilians

To: Colonel Charles Poletti, Regional Commissioner, Rome Region.
(Thru: Brigadier Lush, Executive Commissioner)

1. Inclosed is an extract from a memorandum which was prepared about the middle of June for General Alexander by Sir D'Arcy Osborne, British Minister to the Holy See. → A file

2. It is realized that this situation is very different now from what it was when the memorandum was written. Nevertheless, the Acting Chief Commissioner would appreciate your comments in light of the memorandum and the present situation.

ROBERT E. IDE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary General

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POINTS FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER

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Allied civilians. Approximately 4000. Large number of women and children (e.g. at the British School 300 odd Maltese, including 150 children under 12 years). Includes British (mostly women), American, Maltese, Yugoslavs, Greeks and Poles. Many from civilian internment camps. Most have homes or accommodation. Very short of food - get same as when Rome was occupied by the Germans. Financial assistance no good. Most have money but cannot buy food.

Suggestion. That 4000 extra rations consisting of sugar, Milk, (especially for children), Tea, Oil, Rice and Flour or Pasta, be issued issued to Major Sampson i/c Misplaced Persons, for passing on to the Committee of each nationality (each nationality has already got its own means of distribution).

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON REFUGEES
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

18 July 1944.

REFERENCE : IGCR/REF/1

FROM : Resident Representative in Italy,
Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees.

TO : Director, Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees, London.

SUBJECT : Proof of forcible removal of Foreign Civilian Internees to
German Concentration Camps in the North.

1. This matter was referred to in my telegram to you, No. 5 of the 14th July. Since that date examination of the three original documents found in the archives of MACERATA Province in the Region of the MARCHES, has disclosed certain discrepancies in dates and other minor points which I now explain.

2. The documents found were (a) a telegram from the Chief of Police of Republican Italy marked Triple Urgent and dated 22 January 1944 and sent to the Heads of all Provinces. It ordered the despatch to Concentration Camps by the Duce's special command, of all Jews even those hitherto privileged and exempt. This telegram was also received at the Ministry of Interior in Rome; incidentally it had been despatched the day after our landing at Anzio. Here in Rome, the Head of the division of secret affairs for foreigners in the Ministry decided that the order was difficult of fulfilment, as it went counter to existing legislation.

He decided to sit on the telegram; was called North at the end of January, I do not yet know fully what action the police authorities took as distinct from the above mentioned division.

At MACERATA the Telegraph office stamps and other stamps show that the telegram was only received at MACERATA on the 8th April. This can be accounted for by the fact that the wires were constantly clogged with telegrams, and many were sent by post. It took from the 8th April to the 21st for the telegram to be entered in the Prefecture of MACERATA and 3 more days i.e. to the 24th April for receipt stamp to be fixed at the Questura or Police Headquarters.

The original of this telegram with English translation forms Appendix "A".

3. The second telegram, Appendix "B", was sent by the Republican Chief of Police as Urgent on the 6th April, was registered at the MACERATA telegraph office on the 22nd April, and by the Police Headquarters on the 28th. It ordered that foreign enemy subjects resident in Italy should be interned in German Concentration Camps on the initiative of the German Police. The text of the telegram shows that the Belgians, Dutch, French, Norwegians, Greeks, ex Poles and ex Yugoslavs were to be exempted.

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It appears that the Italians often use the same general reference number on any one subject in their correspondence, and therefore as the telegram under reference here of the 4th April has not been found, a later telegram may have cancelled the exemption of the Belgians, Dutch, etc, from internment in German Concentration Camps, which exemption had been specified in the telegram (Appendix "B") of the 6th of April.

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In any case it is not clear yet what the final orders regarding foreign Civilian Internees were, but it is fortunately clear that in some cases these orders were not carried out, as some 200 British subjects--Maltese from Tripoli--have been discovered in the last few days at SERVIGLIANO in the Province of ASCOLI PIENO, the MARCHES, in which Province must have received the same orders as those that MACERATA, the MARCHES, received, and clearly ASCOLI PIENO did not carry them out.

On the other hand in the Commune of CAMERINO, MACERATA Province, the 43 British subject Jews who were suddenly removed Northwards to a Concentration Camp on the 18th April 44, were clearly dealt with under the general instructions contained in the 2 telegrams Appendix "A" and "B".

5. As regards the Jews, I take this opportunity to repeat what I stated in the above quoted telegram No. 5 of the 14th July, that as Italian racial laws denationalised all Italian Jews and made them Stateless, those removed to the North may be only Jews from outside Italy, or may unfortunately include all former Italian Jews who had not succeeded in remaining hidden in Italy out of the clutches of the Axis.

6. German Concentration Camps. I have discussed this phrase in the telegram (Appendix "B") with an experienced Italian Official, and he is convinced that this means Concentration Camps in Greater Germany, and that as we know means, for the Jews at least, a high probability of danger of annihilation. On the other hand there is information that at FOSSOLI, near CORPI, MODENA, one of the Camps is German controlled, so that possibly difficulties of transport will force the Germans for some time to come, to retain at least a portion of those removed Northwards in their "Camps" in Italy, if it can be assumed that FOSSOLI is not an isolated instance.

7. One thing stands out clear, and that is that the Civilian Internees moved Northwards are living in much more imminent danger now than they did prior to April 1944, and that unless some measures are found to keep them in Italy, their fate may be that already reserved by the Germans for countless tens of thousands of their victims.

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/s/ C. E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH,
/t/ C. E. HEATHCOTE-SMITH

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APPENDIX "A"

COPY TELEGRAM

TO : A TUTTI CAPI PROVINCIA (MACERATA)
FROM : SEDE DI CAMPAGNA
22 JANUARY 1944.
DATE :

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416 PREGASI PRENDERE ACCORDI CON AUTORITA LOCALI GERMANICHE ALLE QUALI VANNO SPIEGATE LE DISPOSIZIONI IMPARTITE PER ORDINE DUCE ALT CONSEGUENTEMENTE FATE AFFLUIRE CAMPO CONENTRAMENTO TUTTI GLI EBREI ANCHE SE DESSCRIMINATI ALT COMUNICATE ACCORDI RAGGIUNTI ALT

TAMBURINI CAPO POLIZIA

PREFETTURA DI MACERATA
(GABINETTO)

21 APR 44 XXII

TO ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS
FROM CHIEF OF POLICE, SEDE DI CAMPAGNA, COMMUNE OF MODERNO PROVINCE OF BRESCIA,
REGION OF LOMBARDY.
TRIPLE URGENT DATE 22 JANUARY 1944 15-20

416. YOU SHOULD MAKE SUITABLE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE LOCAL GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO WHOM THE DISPOSITIONS MADE BY ORDER OF THE DUCE HAVE BEEN EXPLAINED STOP. CONSEQUENTLY CAUSE TO BE BROUGHT TO THE CONCENTRATION CAMP ALL JEWS EVEN IF HITHERTO EXEMPT OR PRIVILEGED STOP.
COMMUNICATE ARRANGEMENTS REACHED. TAMBURINI. CHIEF OF POLICE.

RECEPTION STAMP OF TELEGRAPH OFFICE 8 APRIL 44 MACERATA.

DATE OF RECEPTION PREFECTURE OF MACERATA (SECRETARIATE) 21 APRIL 44 XXII 3503
DATE OF RECEPTION BY QUAESTURA (POLICE) 24 APRIL.

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PPENDIX "●"

COPY TELEGRAM

TO : QUESTORE MACERATA
FROM : VALDAGNO
DATE : 26 APRIL 1944

11 SS VALDAGNO - 91175 - 55 TF. 6 18 - QUESTORI ITALIA REPUBBLICANA No 13/443
REPETESE PRESENTE CIRCOLARE PER APLIAZIONED PUNTO AL INIZIATIVA ORGANO POLIZIA
GERMANICA DOVRANNO ESSERE INTERNATI CAMPI CONCENTRAMENTI GERMANICI SUDDITI
NEMICI RESIDENTI IN ITALIA ESCLUSI BELGI, OLANDESI, FRANCESI EX POLOCCHI,
BORVEGESI, CRECI ET EX JUGOSLAVI PUNTO PREGASI SEGNALARE NOMINATIVI PER
ACCOMPAGNAMENTO CAMPI PRIDETTI PUNTO CAPO POLIZIA TAMBURINI

TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS MACERATA

FROM HEAD OF POLICE, VALDAGNO, VINCENZA PROVINCE

URGENT. VALDAGNO. 91175 55 TF 6 APRIL 1800

TO POLICE OFFICIALS IN REPUBLICAN ITALY

NO 13/443 THE PRESENT CIRCULAR IS TO BE REPEATED SO THAT ITS TERMS MAY BE
CARRIED OUT. STOP.

ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE ORGAN OF THE GERMAN POLICE THERE MUST BE INTERNED
IN GERMAN CONCENTRATION CAMPS ENEMY SUBJECTS RESIDENT IN ITALY, EXCLUDING
BELGIAN, DUTCH, FRENCH, EX POLES, NORWEGIAN, GREEK AND EX YUGOSLAVS STOP.
NOMINAL ROLLS TO ACCOMPANY THE PRISONERS TO THESE CAMPS MUST BE COMMUNI-
CATED. STOP.

TAMBUINI HEAD OF THE POLICE.

DATE OF RECEPTION IN TELEGRAPH OFFICE 22 APRIL 44 MACERATA

" " " " QUESTURA (POLICE Hq.) 28 APRIL 44

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APPENDIX "C"

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AL N 13/443 DEL 4 U. S.

OGG. INTERNATI APPARTENENTI A STATI NEMICI

D.A.G.R.

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MIN. INTA. S.R. SEZ 3

VALDAGNO

CON RIFERIMENTO AL TELEGRAMMA SU INDICATO INFORMASI CHE TUTTI GLI INTERNATI APPARTENENTI A STATI NEMICI NONCHE GLI EBREI DIQUALSIASI NAZIONALITA RESIDENTI IN QUESTA PROVINCIA SONO STATI GIA ARRESTATI E TRASPORTATI A CORPI (MODENA) D'INTESA CON QUESTO COMANDO TEDESCO S.S.

IL CAPO PROVINCIA

COPIATO 5 MAGGIO 1944 ANNO 22

NO 04399

4.5.44

No. 13/443 OF THE 4th APRIL

SUBJECT: INTERNEES BELONGING TO ENEMY STATES

SECTION III
MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
DIVISION OF GENERAL AND SECRET AFFAIRS
FOREIGNERS DEPARTMENT

WITH REFERENCE TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED TELEGRAM. YOU ARE INFORMED THAT ALL INTERNEES BELONGING TO ENEMY STATES AS WELL AS JEWS OF EVERY NATIONALITY RESIDENT IN THIS PROVINCE, HAVE ALREADY BEEN ARRESTED AND TRANSPORTED TO CORPI (MODENA PROVINCE) IN AGREEMENT WITH THE GERMAN S.S. COM AND HERE.

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THE HEAD OF THE PROVINCE
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PRIORITY
INT GOVT CONC ON REFUGEES

THE FOLLOWING FROM BEATHCOTE SMITH INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES
PARM TO TROOPERS FOR INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE LONDON RPTD AFHQ CMA BRITISH
EMBASSY ROME CMA PARM BY DR PARM CMA AND FIVE ARMY CMA AND NIGHT ARMY PARM
REFUGEE NUMBER FIVE SUBJECT PD PROCE OF REMOVAL OF FOREIGN CIVILIAN INTERNEES TO
NORTH ITALY PD FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM THAT I HOLD CMA OF WHICH I
FOUND ORIGINAL IN ARCHIVES OF MACERATA PROVINCE IN THE MARCHES REGION PD REFUGEE
TWENTY SECOND APRIL NINETEEN FORTY FOUR AT VALDAGNO CMA PROVINCE OF VIGENZA
FROM TAMBURINI CHIEF OF PUBLIC SAFETY PD NUMBER THIRTEEN SLANT FORTY FOUR THREE
PD THAT PD THIS IS ADDRESSED TO CHIEFS OF POLICE THROUGHOUT REPUBLICAN ITALY PD
THIS PRESENT CIRCULAR IS TO BE REPEATED EVERYWHERE FOR APPLICATION OF ITS TERMS
PD ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE ORLAN OF THE GERMAN POLICE THERE MUST BE INTERRED IN
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PD IN MACERATA PROVINCE IN COMMUNE OF CARRINO I OBTAINED OFFICIAL NOMINAL ROLL
OF FORTY THREE BRITISH SUBJECTS REMOVED NORTHWARDS FROM THAT TOWN UNDER THIS
ORDER PD THEY ARE JEWS FROM TRIPOLI PD THEY CONSISTED OF SEVERAL WITH AN
FROM UNDER ONE YEAR TO OVER SEVENTY PD IN ACCORDANCE WITH PENDING INSTRUCTIONS
THERE ARRIVED SUDDENLY AT NOON ON EIGHTEEN APRIL A GERMAN OFFICER WITH FASCIST
SUBORDINATE CMA AND IN A FEW MINUTES ALL THE JEWS HAD BEEN PLACED IN LORRIES

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AND WHITE TAKEN TO FOSBOLI NEAR CARPI IN MODENA PROVINCE PD PARA THREE PD AN OFFICIAL
COPY OF A COMMUNICATION OF FOURTH MAY FROM MACERATA TO VALDARNO WHICH I HOLD STATES
THAT ALL INTERNEES OF THE SPECIFIED ENEMY STATES AS WELL AS JEWS OF WHATEVER RACE
WHATEVER NATIONALITY IN THE PROVINCE HAD BEEN ARRESTED AND SENT TO CORPI PD IT IS NOT
YET CLEAR IF THIS INCLUDES ITALIAN JEWS ALSO PD THERE WERE NONE IN MACERATA PD PARA
FOUR PD CLEARLY THEREFORE PAREN A PAREN GERMANY HAS ASSUMED OVERSIGHTING RESPONSIBILITY
FOR ALL CIVILIAN INTERNEES IN ITALY PAREN B PAREN PERSECUTION OF THE JEWS CONTINUES
UNABATED PAREN C PAREN NO LARGE NUMBERS OF REFUGEES CAN BE EXPECTED SOUTH OF MODENA
MESSAGE ENDS

Acc DIST:

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1+DP Sub Comm (For Info)
Executive Commissioner (For Info)
Chief Commissioner ACC (For INFO) ✓

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Adjutant

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INTER GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

ON REFUGEES

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

AFO 394

IMMEDIATE and IMPORTANT

6 July 1944

REFERENCE : IGC/REF/I

FROM : Sir Clifford Heathcote-Smith,
Resident Representative, Inter Governmental Committee on Refugees

TO : Chief Commissioner, H.Q. Allied Control Commission, Adv.
A.M.G. 5 Army, Field.
A.M.G. 8 Army, Field.
Director, Internees and Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.

SUBJECT : Further information regarding Concentration Camps and/or places
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(In continuation of my Memorandum of 23 June 1944)

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Marche. (Appendix 'A')	1139	1455
Romagna. (Appendix 'B')	31	152
Toscana. (Appendix 'C')	1089	1703
		+ 3633
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Appendix 'A' 'B' & 'C'

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NON-ITALIAN INTERNEES & REFUGEES: M A R C H E

PROVINCE	LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Ancona	Arcevia	.....	o. l.	27	27	10/43	A	Yugosl.
"	Fabriano	.....	" "	96	120	"	A	"
"	Loreto	.....	" "	12	12	"	A	"
"	Sassoferrato	.....	" "	5	20	"	A	"
"	Senigallia	.....	" "	2	2	"	A & J	Brit.
Ascoli	Acquasanta	.....	" "	6	50	"	A	-
"	Arquata del Tronto	.....	" "	21	50	"	A	Brit.
"	Castignano	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
"	Falerone	.....	" "	1	1	"	J	"
"	Le Fraschette	.....	" "	4	4	"	A	"
"	Servigliano	.....	" "	238	250	"	A	Anglo-Maltese
Macerata	Apiro	.....	" "	6	6	"	A	Mixed
"	Appignano	.....	" "	4	4	"	A & J	"
"	Belforte Sul	.....	" "	6	30	"	A	Brit. & French
"	Chienti	.....	" "					
"	Caldarola	.....	" "	62	30	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Camerino	.....	" "	49	70	"	A & J	Brit. Yugosl.
"	Castel Raimondo	.....	" "	20	50	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Esanatoglia	.....	" "	4	20	"	A & J	"
"	Fiastra	.....	" "	4	4	"	A	Yugosl. Brit. Ol.
"	Fiuminata		" "	7	7	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Fiuminata		" "		20	"		
"	Loro Piceno		" "	13	13	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Macerata		" "	6	6	"	A & J	"
				660	727			

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NON-ITALIAN INTERNEES & REFUGEES: M A R C H E

LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Arcevia		o. l.	27	27	10/43	A	Yugosl.
Fabriano		" "	96	120	"	A	"
Loreto		" "	12	12	"	A	"
Sassoferrato		" "	5	20	"	A	"
Senigallia		" "	2	2	"	A & J	Brit.
Acquasanta		" "	6	50	"	A	-
Arquata del Tronto		" "	21	50	"	A	Brit.
Castignano		" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
Falerone		" "	1	1	"	J	"
Le Fraschette		" "	4	4	"	A	"
Servigliano		" "	238	250	"	A	Anglo-Maltese
Apiro		" "	6	6	"	A	Mixed
Appignano		" "	4	4	"	A & J	"
Belforte Sul		" "	6	30	"	A	Brit. & French
Chienti		" "					
Caldarola		" "	62	30	"	A & J	Mixed
Camerino		" "	49	70	"	A & J	Brit. Yugosl.
Castel Raimondo		" "	20	50	"	A & J	Mixed
Esanatoglia		" "	4	20	"	A & J	"
Fiastra		" "	4	4	"	A	Yugosl. Brit. Ol.
Fiuminata		" "	7	7	"	A & J	Mixed
Fiuminata		" "		20	"		
Loro Piceno		" "	13	13	"	A & J	Mixed
Macerata		" "	6	6	"	A & J	"
			660	797			

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MARCHE (CONTINUED)

PROVINCE	LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
				Br. fwd. 660	797			
Macerata	Mogliano	.....	c. l.	8	8	10/43	A & J	Mixed
"	Penna S. Giovanni	.....	" "	7	7	"	A & J	"
"	Petriolo	.....	" "	14	50	"	A	"
"	Pollenza	.....	" "	68	68	"	A & J	"
"	S. Angelo in Pantano	.....	" "	5	5	"	A	"
"	Sarnano	.....	" "	7	7	"	A	"
"	S. Genesio	.....	" "	9	9	"	A & J	"
"	Serravalle sul Chienti	.....	" "	14	30	"	A	Croat, Yugosl. French
"	Tolentino	.....	" "	3	3	"	A	Yugoslav.
"	Treia	.....	" "	5	5	"	A	French, Brit. Yugosl.
"	Urbisaglia	.....	Camp.	168	200	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Ussita	.....	c. l.	3	3	"	A & J	Brit.
Pesaro	Apecchio	.....	" "	10	10	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Cagli	.....	" "	16	16	"	A & J	"
"	Cantiano	.....	" "	7	7	"	A & J	"
"	Fermignano	.....	" "	6	6	"	A & J	Pole, German
"	Macerata Feltria	.....	" "	11	300	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Montaroccio	.....	" "	2	2	"	A & J	German
"	Mercatino Conca	.....	" "	3	200	"	A & J	Pole, Brit.
"	Mondavio	.....	" "	2	2	"	A & J	Amer. Brit.
"	Isola del Piano	.....	" "	2	2	"	A & J	German
"	Piandimeleto	.....	" "	8	8	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Pesaro	.....	" "	5	5	"	A & J	Greek, German
"	Pennabilli	.....	" "	9	20	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Piobbico	.....	" "	5	5	"	A & J	"
"	Pergola	.....	" "	16	16	"	A & J	"
"	S. Ippolito	.....	" "	5	5	"	A & J	French
"	S. Agata Feltria	.....	" "	3	20	"	A & J	Pole, German
"	S. Angelo Lizzola	.....	" "	3	3	"	A & J	Yugosl.
"	S. Angelo in Vado	.....	" "	16	30	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Sassocorvaro		" "	4	4	"	A & J	"
"	Tavolelo		" "	2	2	"	A & J	Yugosl.
"	Urbania		" "	33	50	"	A & J	Mixed
				1139	1455			

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LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
			Br. fwd. 660	797			
Mogliano		c. l.	8	8	10/43	A & J	Mixed
Penna S. Giovanni		" "	7	7	"	A & J	"
Petriolo		" "	14	50	"	A	"
Pollenza		" "	68	68	"	A & J	"
S. Angelo in Pantano		" "	5	5	"	A	"
Sarnano		" "	7	7	"	A	"
S. Genesio		" "	9	9	"	A & J	"
Serravalle sul		" "	14	30	"	A	Croat, Yugosl. French
Chienti							
Tolentino		" "	3	3	"	A	Yugoslav.
Treia		" "	5	5	"	A	French, Brit. Yugosl.
Urbisaglia		Camp.	168	200	"	A & J	Mixed
Ussita		c. l.	3	3	"	A & J	Brit.
Apecchio		" "	10	10	"	A & J	Mixed
Cagli		" "	16	16	"	A & J	"
Cantiano		" "	7	7	"	A & J	"
Fermignano		" "	6	6	"	A & J	Pole, German
Macerata Feltria		" "	11	300	"	A & J	Mixed
Montaroccio		" "	2	2	"	A & J	German
Mercatino Conca		" "	3	200	"	A & J	Pole, Brit.
Mondavio		" "	2	2	"	A & J	Amer. Brit.
Isola del Piano		" "	2	2	"	A & J	German
Piandimeleto		" "	8	8	"	A & J	Mixed
Pesaro		" "	5	5	"	A & J	Greek, German
Pennabilli		" "	9	20	"	A & J	Mixed
Piobbico		" "	5	5	"	A & J	"
Pergola		" "	16	16	"	A & J	"
S. Ippolito		" "	5	5	"	A & J	French
S. Agata Feltria		" "	3	20	"	A & J	Pole, German
S. Angelo Lizzola		" "	3	3	"	A & J	Yugosl.
S. Angelo in Vado		" "	16	30	"	A & J	Mixed
Sassocorvaro		" "	4	4	"	A & J	"
Tavolelo		" "	2	2	"	A & J	Yugosl.
Urbania		" "	33	50	"	A & J	Mixed
			1139	1455			

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NON-ITALIAN INTERNEES & REFUGEES: R O M A G N A

PROVINCE	LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Ravenna	Bagnacavallo	.....	o. l.	7	7		A	Pol.
"	Casola Val Segno	.....	" "	4	4		A	Yugosl.
"	Coselice	.....	" "	11	20		A	"
"	Faenza	.....	" "	4	20		A	"
"	Lugo	.....	" "	4	30		A & J	Anglo-Malt. Pol. Yugos.
"	Rovenna		" "	1	1		A	French
"	Riolo Bagni		" "	1	20		J	German, mixed
"	Forli		" "		50		A & J	Mixed
				<u>31</u>	<u>152</u>			

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CE	LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
na	Bagnacavallo	.....	c. l.	7	7		A	Pol.
	Casola Val Segno	.....	" "	4	4		A	Yugosl.
	Coselice	.....	" "	11	20		A	"
	Faenza	.....	" "	4	20		A	"
	Lugo	.....	" "	4	30		A & J	Anglo-Malt. Pol. Yugosl.
	Rovenna		" "	1	1		A	French
	Riolo Bagni		" "	1	20		J	German, mixed
	Forli		" "		50		A & J	Mixed
				31	152			

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NON-ITALIAN INTERNEES & REFUGEES: T O S C A N A

PROVINCE	LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Firenze	Barbarino Mugello	.....	c. l.	8	8	4/43	A	Brit. Yugosl.
"	Bivigliano (Vaglia)	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Stateless
"	Borgo S. Lorenzo	.....	" "	7	7	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Bagno a Ripoli	Villa	Camp	72	200	"	A & J	"
"	Campi di Bisenzio	la Seiva						
"	Certaldo	.....	c. l.	2	2	"	J.	Greek
"	Cereto Guidi	.....	" "	10	10	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Fucecchio	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Greek
"	Firenze	.....	" "	10	10	"	A	Mixed
"	Firenzuola	.....	" "	4	4	"	A	"
"	Figline Valdarno	.....	" "	7	7	"	A & J	"
"	Fiesola	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
"	Greve	.....	" "	6	20	"	A & J	Stateless
"	Impruneta	.....	" "	7	7	"	J	Mixed
"	Marradi	.....	" "	1	1	"	J	Brit.
"	Montaione	.....	" "	2	20	"	A	French, Greek
"	Palazzolo Romagna	.....	" "	3	3	"	A & J	Brit. Yugosl.
"	Pelago	.....	" "	3	3	"	A & J	German, Statel
"	Prato	.....	" "	2	2	"	A & J	Greek, Yugosl.
"	Pontassieve	.....	" "	1	1	"	J.	Stateless
"	Ronta	.....	" "	1	1	"	J	Czech.
"	Rovezzano (cast. M. Albano)	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Yugosl.
"	Reggello	.....	" "	19	19	"	A	"
"	Rufina	.....	" "	4	4	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Scarperia	.....	" "	1	1	"	J	Pol.
"	S. Piero a Sieve	.....	" "	6	6	"	A & J	Stateless
"	S. Casciano Val di Pesa		" "	4	4	"	A	Mixed
"	S. Domenico Fiesole		" "	6	6	"	A	"
"	Tavernelle		" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
				6	30	"	A	Yugosl.
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NON-ITALIAN INTERNEES & REFUGEES: T O S C A N A

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LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Barbarino Mugello		c. l.	8	8	4/43	A	Brit. Yugosl.
Bivigliano (Vaglia)		" "	1	1	"	A	Stateless
Borgo S. Lorenzo		" "	7	7	"	A & J	Mixed
Bagno a Ripoli	Villa	Camp	72	200	"	A & J	"
Campi di Bisenzio		c. l.	2	2	"	J.	Greek
Certaldo		" "	10	10	"	A & J	Mixed
Cereto Guidi		" "	1	1	"	A	Greek
Fucecchio		" "	10	10	"	A	Mixed
Firenze		" "	4	4	"	A	"
Firenzuola		" "	7	7	"	A & J	"
Figline Valdarno		" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
Fiesola		" "	6	20	"	A & J	Stateless
Greve		" "	7	7	"	J	Mixed
Impruneta		" "	1	1	"	J	Brit.
Marradi		" "	2	20	"	A	French, Greek
Montaione		" "	3	3	"	A & J	Brit. Yugosl.
Palazzolo Romagna		" "	3	3	"	A & J	German, Stateless
Pelago		" "	2	2	"	A & J	Greek, Yugosl.
Prato		" "	1	1	"	J.	Stateless
Pontassieve		" "	1	1	"	J	Czech.
Ronta		" "	1	1	"	A	Yugosl.
Rovezzano (cast. M. Albano)		" "	19	19	"	A	"
Reggello		" "	4	4	"	A & J	Mixed,
Rufina		" "	1	1	"	J	Pol.
Scarperia		" "	6	6	"	A & J	Stateless
S. Piero a Sieve		" "	4	4	"	A	Mixed
S. Casciano Val di Pesa		" "	6	6	"	A	"
S. Domenico Fiesole		" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
Tavernelle		" "	6	30	"	A	Yugosl.
			197	381			

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T O S C A N A (CONTINUED)

PROVINCE	LOCALITY	COMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Lucca	Altopascio	.....	c. l.	3	3	4/43	A & J	Roumanian, Cro
"	Bagni di Lucca	.....	" "	115	150	"	A & J	
"	Castelmuro Garf.	.....	" "	134	150	"	A & J	Brit. Pol.
"	Montecarlo	.....	" "	1	1	"		Dane
Livorno	Ardenza	.....	" "	1	1	"	J	Yugosl.
"	Livorno	.....	" "	1	1	"	J	Anglo-Malt.
"	Sassetta	.....	" "	1	1	8/43	J	French
Pistoia	Larciano	.....	" "	5	5	"	A	Anglo-Malt.
"	Marliana	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
"	Massa Cozzile	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Italian
"	Montale	.....	" "	6	6	"	A	Austrian, Chin
"	Montecatini Terme	.....	" "	78	100	"	A	Anglo-Malt.
"	Pesola	.....	" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
"	Ponte Buggianese	.....	" "	6	20	"	J	Brit. Yugosl.
"	Tirrena	.....	" "	6	6	"	A	Brit.
"	Serravalle	.....	" "	8	20	"	J	Greek, Yugosl.
Arezzo	Anghiari	.....	Camp	12	200	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Arezzo-Villa Oliveto	.....	"	148	148	"	A & J	"
"	Bibbiena	.....	c. l.	14	14	"	A & J	"
"	Caprese Michelagiolo	.....	c. l.	7	7	"	A & J	"
"	Castel Focognano	.....	c. l.	8	8	"	A & J	"
"	Castiglione Fibocchi	.....	c. l.	18	18	"	A & J	"
"	Chiusi Dell'Averna	.....	c. l.	8	8	"	A & J	"
"	Castiglione Fiorentino	.....	c. l.	9	9	"	A & J	"
"	Cortona	.....	c. l.	18	18	"	A & J	"
"	Foliano della Chiana	.....	c. l.	9	20	"	A & J	"
"	Loro Ciuffenna	.....	c. l.	9	9	"	A & J	"
"	Lucignano	.....	c. l.	8	8	"	A & J	"
"	Marciano della Chiana	.....	c. l.	6	6	"	A & J	"
"	Montemignaio	.....	c. l.	2	2	"	A & J	Yugosl. Slov.
"	Monte S. Savino	.....	c. l.	40	50	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Monterchi	.....	c. l.	7	7	"	A & J	Yugoslav, Slo
"	Monteverchi	.....	c. l.	2	20	"	A	Brit. French.
"	Pieve S. Stefano	.....	c. l.	1	1	"	A	Brit.
"	Poppi	.....	c. l.	1	10	"	A	Stateless
"	Pratovecchio	.....	c. l.	1	1	"	A	French
"	Subbiano		c. l.	2	2	"	A	Yugoslav, Bri
"	Terranova Bracciolino		c. l.	13	13	"	A	Mixed
				908	1427			

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LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Altopascio		c. l.	3	3	4/43	A & J	Roumanian, Croat.
Bagni di Lucca		" "	115	150	"	A & J	
Castelnuovo Garf.		" "	134	150	"	A & J	Brit. Pol.
Montecarlo		" "	1	1	"		Dane
Ardenza		" "	1	1	"	J	Yugosl.
Livorno		" "	1	1	"	J	Anglo-Malt.
Sassetta		" "	1	1	8/43	J	French
Larciano		" "	5	5	"	A	Anglo-Malt.
Marliana		" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
Massa Cozzile		" "	1	1	"	A	Italian
Montale		" "	6	6	"	A	Austrian, Chinese
Montecatini Terme		" "	78	100	"	A	Anglo-Malt.
Pesola		" "	1	1	"	A	Brit.
Ponte Buggianese		" "	6	20	"	J	Brit. Yugosl.
Tirrena		" "	6	6	"	A	Brit.
Serravalle		" "	8	20	"	J	Greek, Yugosl.
Anghiari		Camp	12	200	"	A & J	Mixed
Arezzo-Villa Oliveto		"	148	148	"	A & J	"
Bibbiena		c. l.	14	14	"	A & J	"
Caprese Michelagiolo		c. l.	7	7	"	A & J	"
Castel Focognano		c. l.	8	8	"	A & J	"
Castiglion Fibocchi		c. l.	18	18	"	A & J	"
Chiusi Dell'Averna		c. l.	8	8	"	A & J	"
Castiglion Fiorentino		c. l.	9	9	"	A & J	"
Cortona		c. l.	18	18	"	A & J	"
Foliano della Chiana		c. l.	9	20	"	A & J	"
Loro Ciuffenna		c. l.	9	9	"	A & J	"
Lucignano		c. l.	8	8	"	A & J	"
Marciano della Chiana		c. l.	6	6	"	A & J	"
Montemignao		c. l.	2	2	"	A & J	Yugosl. Slov.
Monte S. Savino		c. l.	40	50	"	A & J	Mixed
Monterchi		c. l.	7	7	"	A & J	Yugoslav, Slovak.
Montevarchi		c. l.	2	20	"	A	Brit. French.
Pieve S. Stefano		c. l.	1	1	"	A	Brit.
Poppi		c. l.	1	10	"	A	Stateless
Pratovecchio		c. l.	1	1	"	A	French
Subbiano		c. l.	2	2	"	A	Yugoslav, Brit.
Terranova Bracciolino		c. l.	13	13	"	A	Mixed
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PROVINCE	LOCALITY	COMMUNE	CAMP OR "CONFINO LIBERO"	No. OF THOSE WHOSE NAMES ARE KNOWN	PRESUMED TOTAL OF REFUGEES	AT DATE	RACE (ARYAN OR JEWISH)	NATIONALITY
Arezzo	S. Sapoloro	.....	c. l.	1	1	8/43	A	Brit.
"	Talla	.....	c. l.	9	9	"	A & J	Yugosl.
Pisa	Buti	.....	c. l.	7	7	"	A	Greek
"	Chianni	.....	c. l.	12	12	"	A	Croat.
"	Lari	.....	c. l.	8	8	"	A	Yugosl.
"	Montecat. Val Cecina	.....	c. l.	6	30	"	A	"
"	Santa Luce	.....	c. l.	6	6	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Vico Pisano Fraz. S. Giovanni	.....	c. l.	1	1	"	A	French
Siena	Asciano	.....	c. l.	5	5	"	A	Brit.
"	Colle Elsa	.....	c. l.	2	2	"	A & J	French, Polish
"	Monteloino	.....	c. l.	2	2	"	A & J	Brit. Polish
"	Sarteano	.....	c. l.	2	20	"	A	Brit.
"	S. Gimignano	.....	c. l.	8	20	"	A	Brit. French
Apuania	Pivizzano	.....	c. l.	37	37	"	A	Yugosl.
"	Mulazzo	.....	c. l.	16	16	"	A	"
Grosseto	Arcolesso	.....	c. l.	26	50	"	A & J	Mixed
"	Casteldelpiano	.....	c. l.	2	2	"	A & J	French, Brit.
"	Civitalia Paganico		c. l.	20	20	"	J	Mixed
"	Pitigliano		c. l.	3	20	"	J	Polish.
"	Roccalbegna		c. l.	8	8	"	J	Pol. German
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Arezzo. Renicci.

Anghiari Camp.

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	Sarteano		c. l.	2	20	"	A	Brit.
	S. Gimignano		c. l.	8	20	"	A	Brit. French, Ola
	Pivizzano		c. l.	37	37	"	A	Yugosl.
	Mulazzo		c. l.	16	16	"	A	"
	Arcidosso		c. l.	26	50	"	A & J	Mixed
	Casteldelpiano		c. l.	2	2	"	A & J	French, Brit.
	Civitalia Paganico		c. l.	20	20	"	J	Mixed
	Pitigliano		c. l.	3	20	"	J	Polish.
	Roccalbegna		c. l.	8	8	"	J	Pol. German
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Anghiari. Camp.

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(Actual Total) -

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CAMPS - DISPLACED PERSONS.

NAME	NATURE	OBJECT	REMARKS
1. BARI	Ex P.O.W.	(a) Closed Transit Reception Disinfection SCREENING - (b) Open, a small portion to be wired off for workers in BARI.	Necessary to keep and 1/4 "DIRTY".
2. TUTARANO (near BRINDISI)	Ex P.O.W.	(a) TRANSIT - Received by train from BARI. I hope to persuade Movements to run some trains direct to "Camps." (b) Permanent.	(a) Adequate for (b) Not suitable accommodation and material
3. SANTA CESAREA.	Seaside Bungalows Requisitioned.	Holding.	Good.
4. BAGNI	Seaside Bungalows Requisitioned.	Holding.	Good but very
5. LEUCA	Seaside Bungalows Requisitioned.	(a) Holding. (b) Hospital, 135 beds including Maternity. (c) Orphans Home 100 (d) Nurses Training 30	Good
6. ARNESANO	Factory.	Royalist Yugoslav.	Good.
7. MAGLIE	School.	Hospital - 200 Beds.	Excellent
8. TARANTO	Old brickfield	Evacuation Transit.	Adequate for Wired but

NOTES.

- Total capacity 3, 4, 5, and 6 - 11,000 - This must be reduced by say 2,000 - for (a) JEWS (b) ORPHANS (c) Very old (d) Royalist Yugoslavs Arnesano.
- In addition CASTRO "CAMP" for fighting Partisans "administered" by 2 of my officers - Capacity 1, expected shortly.
- In addition Ferramonti - Jewish Internment COSENZA PROVINCE.

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APPENDIX 'A'.

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School.	Hospital - 200 Beds.	Excellent	200
Old brickfield	Evacuation Transit.	Adequate for 2 - 4 nights. Wired but escape possible.	3,500

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Monti - Jewish Internees COSENZA PROVINCE.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section

Ref: 157/6Q/CA.

22nd April 1944

SUBJECT: Jewish Immigrants to Palestine.

TO : Displaced Persons Sub-Commission,
c/o Hq. No. 2 District, C. M. F.

1. I refer to FREEDOM telegrams F.27287 of 5. Apr, F.32675 of 15. Apr, F.33653 of 17. Apr and my telegram FATIMA 3553 of 20. Apr.

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3. Mr. Shertok assumed that the majority of Jews would be found in Ferramonti Camp. I explained that some might be found in other camps and that you would clarify this.

4. The 60 certificates referred to in my telegram FATIMA 3553 of 20. Apr are, as you probably know, certificates issued to Jewish candidates for immigration by the Palestinian Government (or the Colonial Office) prior to our occupation and probably prior to Italy's entry into the war. I very much hope that permission will be given for these to enter Palestine and you should act on the assumption that they can but at the same time should so arrange matters that they are retained in this country without confusion if permission cannot be given.

5. You will notice that the certificates are issued to principals but cover an undefined number of dependents of these principals, that is to say, wives, children under 18 years of age, fatherless children under the same age and relatives other than the foregoing (e.g. aged parents) who are, or who will be, wholly and directly dependent for maintenance upon a principal immigrant.

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6. Mr. Shertok, having selected the principals with you, will also assist you in screening the dependents and determining their number. When this has been done you should wire the total number showing adults and children in sexes. Arrangements can then be made with AFHQ and MidEast for transport to Palestine.

7. Mr. Shertok will be at Ferramonti Camp during the morning of 24th April and thence proposes to go to Bari. I have already advised you to send a senior member of your staff to Ferramonti Camp to begin the selection with Mr. Shertok who will probably be accompanied by Capt. Urbach, Jewish Rabbi of 57 Area.

8. Mr. Shertok, as we are advised in AFHQ telegram 32675, raised the question of the attachment of Jewish military officers to the Commission.

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I demurred at any such appointment on the Headquarters of this Commission but I promised to discuss with you the advisability of appointing a Jewish officer to your Sub-Commission. I myself in other territories have found such an appointment to be most useful, perhaps because I have been lucky in the personality of the officer appointed. In considering this proposal we must remember that your Sub-Commission is only at the beginning of its real work in dealing with displaced persons in Italy. Hitherto you have been concerned largely with immigrants into this country. In future, when territory in the North falls into our hands, you will be faced with many thousands of persons displaced in this country and a high percentage of those persons will be Jews. I believe that a Jewish officer on your Staff under your control would be of greater assistance to you than the missions of all the other nations which work with you at present. I believe, also, that any accusation of discrimination which such an appointment might raise can be met by the answer that the Jews will probably form the largest numbers of displaced persons in the future.

9. It must also be remembered that the Jewish military units in this country have already shown the greatest concern for displaced Jews and are even now furnishing them with every kind of assistance unofficially. It would, I think, be better if this were regularized which would be more possible if you had an officer, chosen perhaps from one of these units, on your staff.

10. I should like you to discuss this matter with Mr. Shertok and to let me know your conclusions and recommendations. Mr. Shertok should be given every assistance, not only in the task of selecting the Jews for immigration, but in visiting the camps. You should also discuss with him the possibility of selecting a further 1000 Jews (gross) in the event of the French and American authorities being able to arrange for their journey and immigration to the United States.

MSL/JG.

Brigadier,

Executive Commissioner

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 Chief Commissioner.
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 Political Section,
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.
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Ref: 180/2

20 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Refugees

TO: Administrative Section, A.C.C.

1. The proposed meeting between Minister of Interior and Director of Refugee Branch took place on 18 April. A minute of that meeting is being prepared.

2. The following outlines the situation:-

3. Prior to the meeting with M. Reale, numerous reports had been obtained which left no doubt as to what was wrong and what is required. As a result, a conference took place during the first week of this month between representatives of:-

Internal Transportation
Industry and Commerce
Food
Italian Refugees.

It was accepted by that conference as a fact, that the condition of life of refugees after their arrival in certain dispersal areas is deplorable. It was agreed that the main fault of this state of affairs lies in the incompetence and indifference of Italian Government Officials. It was also decided that there are certain things which we can and should do to ameliorate the situation, and which, when done will leave the Italian Government with no excuse, if they do not bring about an improvement.

4. The main problems are transportation and food: As regards transportation, everything that can be done is being done and nothing further is recommended at present. It is not considered that present defects will hinder the carrying through of proposals which follow.

(a) Food:- Refugees receive a ration equivalent to about 2,000 calories a day. They cannot take advantage of local produce, as do others, to supplement their rations, as their monetary means to do permit it. ACC health authorities have laid down in agreement with other authorities, that a non worker requires 2500 calories a day, whilst light workers and adolescents require more.

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(b) That this meal is intended to supplement in part, the disparity between the existing ration and the above mentioned 2500 calories.

(c) That the Italian Government sees to it that soup kitchens are set up at once, and run by local committees, and that the food in question reaches the refugees and none others.

(d) That in conjunction with the above, the Italian authorities make available for refugees local resources, such as nuts, fruits, vegetables, and wine, in order to make up the remaining shortage in their daily food supply which will still be considerable. It is

for the Italian Government to decide how they will do this; whether by a much greater monetary allowance than at present, or otherwise, but it must be done adequately.

6. It is considered that the above measures are essential, because refugees in a state of semi-starvation will never be welcomed amongst other people already short of supplies, and a general billeting scheme will not work until proper food provision for refugees is made.

7. It was made clear to M. Reale that the measures proposed do not signify that we are accepting a responsibility which is properly that of the Italian Government.

With the above measures made possible, the main requirements for the solving of this problem are still personal services, i.e. Italian official and reception committees must shoulder their responsibilities and work.

8. M. Reale agreed to the above and undertook that on the Italian side:-

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- (b) Soup kitchens will be set up.
- (c) Local produce will be made available for refugees.
- (d) Energetic measures will be pursued to bring about the necessary personal service by officials and better off Italians to their fellow countrymen.

9. On our side:-

- (a) The extra ration has been decided upon and orders have already been given for the issue thereof throughout provinces to the Italian organizations as soon as they are ready to use it.

10. Could you please, now bring home to the Italian authorities, the necessity of putting into practice in the most thorough going manner possible the measures set out above.

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Italian Refugee Branch
Interior Sub-Commission

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By: *[Signature]*

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OUR F32675 OF 15 APRIL, IS REPEATED

SUBJECT IS ADMISSION TO PALESTINE OF JEWISH REFUGEES FROM ITALY. NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM HIGH COMMISSIONER, PALESTINE, THAT COLONIAL OFFICE HAS MADE AVAILABLE 240 CERTIFICATES FOR PRINCIPAL IMMIGRANTS FOR 'REFUGEES FROM PERMANENTLY'. WE SURMISE THESE CERTIFICATES MAY BE THE SAME AS THOSE MENTIONED IN OUR F32675 BUT SHERKIN SHOULD BE ABLE CLARIFY. PERMIT FOR 240 CERTIFICATES COVERS IN ADDITION UNDEFINED NUMBER DEPENDENTS OF THESE PRINCIPAL IMMIGRANTS, THAT IS TO SAY WIVES, CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS, NATURALIZED BRANCHMILITARY UNDER SAME AGE, AND ALSO RELATIVES OTHER THAN THE FOREGOING (FOR EXAMPLE AGED PARENTS) WHO WILL BE WHOLLY AND DIRECTLY DEPENDENT FOR MAINTENANCE UPON A PRINCIPAL IMMIGRANT. HIGH COMMISSIONER ESTIMATES THAT RESULTING TOTAL MAY BE ABOUT FIVE HUNDRED. PAGE. NO DECISION YET AS TO TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE JEWISH AGENCY AS MENTIONED IN OUR F27287 OF 4 APRIL. SUGGESTED THEREFORE THAT JERUSALEM SELECTS IMMIGRANTS AND WE WILL CONFIRM WITH PALESTINE GOVERNMENT THAT THIS IS ACCEPTABLE TO THEM AND INFORM YOU. WE WILL ALSO INQUIRE OF HIGH COMMISSIONER AND HIGHEST ASSTO ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION REFUGEES TO PALESTINE OF WHICH MORE SHOULD BE KEPT FILLING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. PLEASE REPORT OF PROGRESS INDICATED DATE WHEN WHOLE GROUP OR PART THEREOF WILL BE READY FOR MOVEMENT.

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OUR F32675 OF 15 APRIL IS REFERENCE

SUBJECT IS ADMISSION TO PALESTINE OF JEWISH REFUGEES FROM ITALY. NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM HIGH COMMISSIONER, PALESTINE, THAT COLONIAL OFFICE HAS MADE AVAILABLE 240 CERTIFICATES FOR PRINCIPAL IMMIGRANTS FOR "REFUGEES FROM PERSECUTION". WE SUMMIT THESE CERTIFICATES MAY BE THE SAME AS THOSE MENTIONED IN OUR F32675 BUT SHERTON SHOULD BE ABL CLARIFY. PERMIT FOR 240 CERTIFICATES COVERS IN ADDITION UNDER INDO NUMBER DEFENDENTS OF THESE PRINCIPAL IMMIGRANTS, THAT IS TO SAY WIVES, CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS, RATHER THAN GRANDCHILDREN UNDER SAME AGE, AND ALSO RELATIVES OTHER THAN THE FOREGOING (FOR EXAMPLE AGED PARENTS) WHO WILL BE WHOLLY AND DIRECTLY DEPENDENT FOR MAINTENANCE UPON A PRINCIPAL IMMIGRANT. ^{HIGH} COMMISSIONER ESTIMATES THAT RESULTING TOTAL MAY BE ABOUT FIVE HUNDRED. PARA. NO DECISION YET AS TO TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE JEWISH AGENCY AS MENTIONED IN OUR F27287 OF 4 APRIL. SUGGESTED THEREFORE THAT JEWISH SUBJECTS IMMIGRANTS AND WE WILL CONFIRM WITH PALESTINE GOVERNMENT THAT THIS IS ACCEPTABLE TO THEM AND INFORM YOU. WE WILL ALSO INQUIRE OF HIGH COMMISSIONER AND MIDWEST AS TO ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION REFUGEES TO PALESTINE OF WHICH MORE SHOULD BE MOVED FORWARD FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. PLEASE REPORT OF PROGRESS INDICATED DATE WHEN WHOLE GROUP OR PART THEREOF WILL BE READY FOR MOVEMENT.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : N31/08
 Classification : CONFIDENTIAL
 Precedence : PRIORITY
 From : FREEDOM SCD CINC
 To : FATIMA

Date Time Rec'd : 081430
 Date Time Sent : 081145
 Reference NR : F29228
 Cite : FILMS

Rec'd *8 Apr 1944*
 By *JD*

REQUEST EARLY REPLY TO OUR MESSAGE. REFERENCE OUR F27287 OF 4 APRIL. WE UNDERSTAND FROM COPY OF LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER TO MALIN OF 22 FEBRUARY THAT YOU HAD ALREADY AGREED POINT (A), AND THAT POINTS (B) AND (C) AND REMOVAL OF DISPLACED PERSONS FROM ITALY WERE DISCUSSED WITH HIM. MALIN NOW DEPARTED FOR WASHINGTON BUT UNDERSTAND HE REFERRED QUESTION OF APPOINTMENT SMITH TO YOU WHEN FORMER WAS IN CAIRO AND WARNED THAT SMITH WOULD ARRIVE ABOUT 1 APRIL. SMITH NOW WAITS HERE AND WE CANNOT PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR CONFIRMATION

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PRECEDENCE : PRIORITY

REFERENCE NR : F 27287

FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED CINC

CITE : FMGS

TO : FATMA

SUBJECT IS DISPLACED PERSONS IN ITALY, PRIMARILY JEWS. HAVE DISCUSSED PROBLEMS WITH ^{MALIN} ~~SEN~~, VICE DIRECTOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES, WHO IS NOW IN ALGIERS EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON AND HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY STUDY HIS REPORTS TO YOU OF 18 AND 19 FEBRUARY, ALSO HIS REPORT OF 24 FEBRUARY TO DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE COPY OF WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS HELD BY YOU. YOUR VIEWS REQUESTED ON FOLLOWING POINTS A MATTERS OF URGENCY, OTHER POINTS ARISING WILL BE SUBJECT SEPARATE LETTER. (A) PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR AGREEMENT TO PROPOSAL BY MALIN THAT SIR CLIFFORD HEATHCOTE-SMITH, LATELY CONSUL-GENERAL, ALEXANDRIA, BE APPOINTED RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IN ITALY OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES, AND THAT HE SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO HEADQUARTERS ACC. SMITH NOW IN ALGIERS AND WE AWAIT YOUR APPROVAL BEFORE ARRANGING MOVEMENT TO ITALY. (B) PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT MAKE SELECTION A CONDITION PRECEDENT TO IMMIGRATION AND PROPOSE SENDING TEMPORARIES TO ITALY UNDER AUSPICES OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE JEWISH AGENCY WITH FULL POWERS TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES. TRANSFER OF JEWISH REFUGEES FROM ITALY PRIOR TO SELECTION IMPOSSIBLE AS MIDEAST REFUSE ACCEPT ANY SUCH PERSONS EXCEPT THOSE IN TRANSIT WITH CERTIFICATES. DO YOU AGREE PROPOSAL. (C) MALIN REPORTS THAT OF THE FIVE THOUSAND ALIEN JEWISH REFUGEES IN ALLIED OCCUPIED ITALY SOME TWO SEVEN FIVE ZERO ARE OF GERMAN, AUSTRIAN, POLISH, OR CZECH EXTRACTION AND THAT AS GREAT MAJORITY THESE PERSONS DO NOT WISH TO RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN THEY SHOULD BE EITHER BE ACCEPTED FOR IMMIGRATION TO PALESTINE OR OTHERWISE MOVED OUT OF ITALY. HE ESTIMATES THAT ABOUT TWO THOUSAND MIGHT BE ACCEPTED FOR PALESTINE AND WE PROPOSE, SUBJECT YOUR APPROVAL, TO APPROACH FRENCH AUTHORITIES WITH

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FROM : FREEDOM

TO : FATIMA

M/C NO 9/30

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SERVICE FOR REFUGEES DUKO TO DIZO 3705 GROSS TONS LENGTH 325 FEET, CABINS
FOR 30 PERSONNEL. SECOND CLASS SPACE HAS BEEN GUTTED OF CATERROOMS AND
BUNKS BUT HAS LATRINES WHICH IT IS SUGGESTED BE CONFINED TO FEMALE USE.
OVERSIDE LATRINES HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED FOR MALES. LIFE SAVING EQUIPMENT
HAS BEEN PROVIDED FOR 700 BUT 500 REFUGEES IS PROBABLE TOTAL CAPACITY.
LACK OF ACCOMMODATIONS SIMILAR TO MARIOT DESCRIBED IN FHTPN REFERENCE
23056 AND F24191 PREVAIL IN ADDITION TO WHICH THERE ARE NO MATTRESSES ON
ABBAZZIA. VESSEL WILL REQUIRE 600 TONS BALLAST BEFORE SAILING INITIAL
VOYAGE FROM DUKO WHICH IT IS SUGGESTED BE SUPPLIED BY LOADING BRITISH
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MAY BE LOADED DIZO GOING TO DUKO THAT DOES NOT DELAY DEPARTURE OF VESSEL.

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TO : FATIMA

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In reply refer to:
DCC 383.7

28 March 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Refugees from POW Camp #371, Padula
TO : Executive Commissioner, Main Hq ACC, Naples

1. On the afternoon of March 27th, 100 Italian civilian refugees were brought to Salerno by truck from the POW Camp at Padula, Camp #371. No advance notice, so far as can be determined, was given to the Italian Government and only a few hours notice was given to the A.C.C.

2. Most of these people had made their way through the lines. According to Dr. Montanari, in the office of Marshal Badoglio, many of these people had been held at the camp for as long as three months presumably for screening. It is stated, however, that although many of them had not been screened, they were suddenly notified yesterday that they would be released.

3. In the group which arrived in Salerno, some bore cards permitting them to return to their homes in liberated Italy. Others, whose homes are north of the line of military operations, bore cards reading, "For disposal by A.C.C.", although no sufficient advance notice had been given to A.C.C. that these people were arriving in Salerno. There appears to be no reason why persons not living in Salerno should be sent here.

4. It is requested that the strongest representations should be made to the Commanding Officer of the POW Camp at Padula against a repetition of such procedure.

MILVY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner

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23rd. March, 1944.

You will remember that some time ago you and I spoke to your Minister of Interior about the very pressing and important question of refugees. This problem, which as you know is very much on my mind, is aggravated by the eruption of Vesuvius, and I am sure you will agree with me that the proper reception of Italian refugees forced to vacate their homes is one which no Italian Government would wish or could afford to neglect.

2. In conversation with Signor Reale and his staff, Colonel Spicer gained the impression that the Minister of Interior, far from realising the grave importance of this problem, adopted a non-positive attitude. He made few constructive suggestions and was concerned only with excuses such as lack of communications, transport, clothes, etc..

3. I am sure that you and the other members of your Government will realise the importance of a rapid and adequate organisation for the reception of refugees in Southern Italy, Sicily and Sardinia. Humanity demands that nothing should be neglected. Not only the Allied nations but many other countries will be watching Italy and her treatment of these unfortunate people.

4. I would impress upon you the necessity, therefore, of ensuring that the Minister of Interior takes every possible step to ensure that reception areas are properly organised, that the maximum number of people are absorbed, that feeding and boarding arrangements are properly planned, and that above all, a spirit of help and sympathy is shown by the Italian officials and engendered amongst the rest of the population towards these unfortunate people. Without the spirit no material organisation will avail. It has not yet been shown either by your Minister of the Interior or by many of the officials responsible for the reception

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of these refugees.

5. With regard to food, sufficient bulk food will be made available in every Region, and it is for the local authorities to plan for proper distribution, including adequate food for refugees. It is important that the refugees should be divided equally amongst all classes of householders and not lodged only with the poorer classes.

6. It is admitted that Internal transportation is short but I hope that this difficulty will be overcome shortly.

7. I would ask you again to bring this most important matter to the attention of the Minister for the Interior and his Provincial officials.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

S.E. Marshal Pietro Badoglio,
Capo del Governo.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

HQ ACC, APO 394
Secy Gen.
Rec'd 8 Mar 1944
By JLD

Ref: IHB/2

7th March 1944.

SUBJECT: Refugees.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region I.
" " Region II.
" " Region III.
" " Region VI.

1. The number of Italian Refugees actually on our hands and anticipated make it necessary to plan now to absorb large numbers of refugees in all provinces of the mainland, as well as in Sicily and Sardinia. Failure to do so may jeopardise military operations.

2. Based upon 10% of the population which the above Regions support normally, the figures would be:-

Region 2.....	500,000
" 1.....	400,000
" 3.....	500,000
" 6.....	100,000
	<u>1,300,000</u>

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The time may come when provinces will be obliged to accept these numbers, because however difficult the situation it is out of the question to consider the only other alternative, namely, trans-shipment abroad.

3. In order to allow time for adjusting the above basic quotas (because certain areas, particularly in Regions 2 and 3, are debarred to refugees for military reasons) and to provide an absorption figure which will tide us over the next 3 months, you are requested to make plans for one eighth of the figures mentioned (less, in the case of Region 2, refugees already received) i.e.,

Region 2.....	62,500 - 50,000 = 12,500
Region 1.....	50,000
Region 3.....	37,500
Region 6.....	12,500

Sardinia will be omitted for the present due to shipping considerations and will not be called upon other than in an emergency, but should make preliminary arrangements in order to be ready in case of need at short notice. Region 2 by March 12 will have already taken 50,000 and consequently their immediate quota is reduced to 12,500. This leaves:

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Region 2..... 12,500
 Region 1..... 50,000
 Region 3..... 37,500
 100,000

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4. Of the above 100,000, the following immediate allocation is made:

Region 2	- March 12-25	April	May (Provisionally)
	12,500	Nil	Nil
Region 3	- March 23-31		
	5,000	10,000	10,000
Region 1	- Nil	20,000	20,000

Regional Commissioners should submit their dispersal programmes by provinces in order to enable this HQ to make movement plans,

5. FOOD. The Food Sub-Commission states that adequate supplies are available to feed the increased population in Regions which is anticipated. The distribution within the Regions is a matter for Regional organisation. Refugees should receive the same food rations as other civilians on relief.

6. As regards feeding in transit. The best arrangement is by Soup Kitchens. The Italian Refugee Branch is organising these on main route at Salerno, Paoli, Catanzaro and Reggio. You should do the same at your main dispersal points in Regions. A train usually carries about 750, consequently ten Boyer stoves (or similar, e.g. 40 gallon petrol drums with fire underneath) and a food pile are the main requirements. Provision should be made for aluminium bowls and these or similar can doubtless be obtained from salvage.

7. As explained at the recent conference it is essential for Prefects and Mayors to organise reception committees at every dispersal point, town and village. Refugees must not be dumped in empty buildings. The result of such a policy is to reduce to a minimum the absorption capacity of Provinces. They must in principle be received in every household, as in England. If this be done an average of one refugee per ten of population will be seen to be not an unreasonable figure to aim at.

8. Regional Commissioners should give this their personal and sympathetic attention.

MS Clark
 Brigadier,
 Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Admin Section (for information of Italian Government).
 Secretary-General (for Chief Commissioner).
 Food Sub-Commission.
 Italian Refugee Branch.
 Civil Affairs Branch.

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REF NO : 49469

PREC : ROUTINE

FILED : 091657A Feb

FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED CINC CITE FIMGS

REC ' D: 101030A Feb

TO : MIDEAST RPTD DISFER BARI AND FATIMA

Reference your A1/67432 of 5 February. Greek Government has approached British and USA Governments with view to arranging movement Greek nationals in Italy being Ex POW or displaced persons shall be transferred to Mideast. Same policy to be followed as remainder Italy liberated. Present policy is to evacuate only Ex POW and male displaced persons of military age and capable military service except from this special sanction as given in your cable quoted above. Not anticipated number all category will be heavy in future and party accepted by you in cable quoted clears all those held at present. All persons for evacuation would be screened by G-2 and Greek representatives attached Displaced Persons Sub-Commission before movement. In view approach by Greek Government to British and USA Governments suggest you agree accept policy proposed.

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22nd. January, 1944.

To:- Deputy Chief Administrative Officer,
A.F.H.Q.,
Advanced Administrative Echelon,
A.C.M.F.,
Naples.

Your No. 3110/8/A2 of 19th. January.

I agree entirely that the organisation of the care and disposal of civilian refugees is not a military responsibility. It is the responsibility of A.C.C..

I am grateful for your offer to continue to assist to the extent possible as regards the provision of stores and the execution of engineering work.

As you are probably aware, it must take a little time for me to produce an adequate organisation. Up to date the Disposed Persons Sub-Commission has been grossly understaffed and incapable of carrying out this task without military assistance. I would like to assure you that I am getting on with the job as fast as I can and the Sub-Commission is now being reinforced by personnel who have just arrived from North Africa. I cannot work miracles but will do my best to re-use my requests for military help to the minimum until such time as the Sub-Commission is capable of tackling the whole job.

Reference your final para.. I agree that the present arrangement is not the proper solution but I am informed that my stocks of civil supplies do not at the moment permit of including the Yugo-Slavi refugees in their commitments. In this case again, I will endeavour

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as soon as possible to get things running on the proper lines.

F.N.M. MacFarlane,
Lieutenant General.
Deputy President.

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A.M.G. 15th. Army Gp.
G.O.C. No. 2. District.
"Q", A.F.H.Q. Adv. Adm. Echelon.

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FATIMA RTD FARGO REF FARGO'S MESSAGE TO FATIMA OF 31 DEC CITE JOR 233

Basic document we have not seen and therefore cannot know content.
 But British Ministers office suggests para A is unnecessary since
 only inhabitants of German Reich within its 1939 frontiers are to
 be regarded as German Nationals. Suggests following definition of
 refugees taken from that used by inter governmental Committee on
 refugees: "Persons who have had to leave their countries of residence
 because of the danger of their lives or liberties on account of
 their race, religion or political beliefs".
 Forgoing is for your consideration.

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Internment Aliens.

Political repercussions fully appreciated reference your 1668 of 30 December.
Propose altering paragraph 10 of basic document to read,

"Special consideration will be given to

- (a) German Nationals who are natives of Czechoslovakia or any other place lately incorporated into the German Reich.
- (b) German Nationals who by reasons of race or religion may be considered as refugees from the German Reich and anti-Nazi in their sentiments"

Does this meet your objections?

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TO THE DIRECTOR FOR THE OFFICE AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMISSION AND HAS PUBLISHED A DIRECTIVE TO REGIONS IN WHICH ELABORATE
PLANS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS IS SET FORTH TO PREPARE FOR
SPOFFARD AND REPEATED FREEDOM FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PD AMONG OTHER PROVISIONS IT
DECREES THAT ALL MALE GERMANS OVER A CERTAIN AGE WILL BE INTERNED PD PARA AS THE
ONLY MALE GERMANS NOW AT LARGE IN SOUTHERN ITALY ARE OF JEWISH ORIGIN THE POLITICAL
REPERCUSSIONS OF THEIR INTERMENT ARE OBVIOUS

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT R. DOW

Major, A.C.D.

Secretary of the Commission

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