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SITUATION REPORTS, LOMBARDIA REGION
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Strike of state employees in LOMBARDIA has been concluded as of 1200 hours on
August 11.

Camera del Lavoro of MILANO and Prefect have received telegrams from CGIL and
Italian Government that employees requests will be met. Please inform Chief Commissioners:

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ACTION: Labour SC
INFO: Chief Commissioner
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All state workers went on strike on August 10 demanding that decree 116 be retroactive to May 1. Strike is likely to continue and spread until assurance is given that this demand is officially given. Strike involves all of LOMBARDIA. MILAN press blames AG and ANG for the failure to implement decree 116 as of May 1. Most essential services have not been affected so far. Roughly 75,000 workers are on strike.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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AMG LOMBARDIA REG PUBLIC SAFETY DIV FOR POLETTI SIGNED FOWLER
ACTION ALGOM ROME ACPSP

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Ref your AG/14091/PB of 26 June, return for week ending
29 July:

- A. 1.
- B. N11
- C. N11
- D. N11
- E. 12.

Five armed robberies.

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Action - P Safety SC
Info - Chief Commissioner
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ALCOM ROME ACNMF

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Reference your AC/14091/PS of 26 June, return for week ending 22 July:

- (A) 1
- (B) -
- (C) -
- (D) -
- (E) 15

3 road accidents, 1 suicide, 11 armed robberies, ² bomb throwing incidents.

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LOMBARDIA REGION PUBLIC SAFETY FOR POLETTI SIGNED FOWLER
ALCOM ROME ACPSF

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Reference your AC/14091/PS of 26 June, return for week ending 15 July.

(A) 3 (B) nil (C) 2 (D) nil (E) 19 8 road accidents, 2 suicides, 22 armed
robberies, 1 bomb throwing incident.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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LOMBARDIA AND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR POLETTI RICHARD FRANCIS
ALDO ROSSI ADPOT

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Reference your AC/14091/PS of 26 June, return for week ending 8 July. (A) 4 (B) 1 (C) nil (D) nil (E) 19 (12 road accidents, 4 explosions). 22 armed robberies. 3 other serious crimes. Widespread demonstrations and strikes on 5 July. BUFFARINI executed.

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ACTION - P SAFETY SC
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AICOM ROME ACPSF

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Reference your AC/14091/RS of 26 June, return for week ending 1 July:

- (a) 6
- (b) 1
- (c) nil
- (d) nil
- (e) 13

and eight armed robberies.

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ACTION PUB SAFETY SC
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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REPORT ON TOUR OF DIRECTOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COM.

LOMBARDIA Region - Wednesday 6 June

ACTION

1. Arrived MILAN by air 1100 hrs and called on Col. HANCOCK, it was a brief interview and of a general nature, as far as local Gov. is concerned the position is much as a fortnight ago, Prefects are functioning and are in every respect confident in Office, but still require the official form of installation by Brig. Gen. Huns.
2. At the Patriots Office Lt. ^cLEONE has been appointed Executive Officer vice Lt. Col. WHITE, the office has been moved into the MONTICAVINI building with telephone 12482 Ex. 2426. It is a great improvement and gets away from the pendulum in the Pats. HQ. where it was situated before.
3. Lt. Leone states that the dismantling and dissolution of the various band HQ. in this city went off quickly, considerable weapons were collected. If he had not discussed much detail in this Regional Patriot Office as Lt. Col. de Garston is away this afternoon and I will get down to it with him in the morning. My general impression is that at least in MILAN the whole process and dismantling of Patriots has been too slow, and little has been done in the way of payment or issue of Certificates.
4. Col. Hancock has a copy of the signal 9153 dated June 5 and is taking the necessary steps to instruct the Finance Officers, a further more detailed order in this matter is required and must be determined in conjunction with Ministry of Occupied Italy in particular to lay down exactly:
 - (a) To what extent the new payments will be retrospective
 - (b) The conditions of the payment of 10,000 lire to disabled patriots.
5. This region has received 30,000 certificates which are in the course of distribution in bulk to Provinces.
6. Met Capt. LIMBERT who has had Lt. MORGENTHAU moved in to MILAN three days ago and HANCOCK reported ~~him~~ this afternoon. He seems to be getting a bit thick on the ground here, and may have to consider thinning out. This should not however be done until the clothing has been moved up.
7. Discussed many points and problems with Limbert which are set out in detail under the various headings below.

(a) CLOTHING SHIPMENT

The quantities to come forward are satisfactory and Limbert

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will require the official form of installation by Brig. Gen. Huns.

2. At the Patriots Office Lt. ~~LIBERT~~^C has been appointed Executive Officer vice Lt. Col. WHITE, the office has been moved into the MONTMARTRE building with telephone 12482 R. 2436. It is a great improvement and gets away from the perdition in the Pats. Hq. where it was situated before.
3. Lt. Lessa states that the disarming and dissolution of the various band Hq. in this city went off quickly, considerable ~~needed arms~~ were collected. If ~~has not~~ discussed much detail in this Regional Patriot Office as Lt. Col. de Garston is away this afternoon and I will get down to it with him in the morning. My general impression is that at least in MILAN Commune the whole process and disarming of Patriots has been too slow, and little has been done in the way of payment or issue of Certificates.
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7. Discussed many points and problems with Lambert which are set out in detail under the various headings below.

(a) CLIPPING EQUIPMENT

The quantities to come forward are satisfactory and Lambert may be able to get some underwear elsewhere. He will make bids for the transportation from LIVORNO and has taken the release note for blankets. It will require authority to collect from ship, this ~~MUST~~ be forwarded by cable and confirmed in writing.

McLaughlin is to go to LIVORNO to supervise the transport and requires the name of vessel, this I have asked for by cable direct to AUG 5 Army, forthwith if action has NOT been taken on receipt of this phase do so immediately.

(b) PAYMENT

Lambert agrees that further clarification of the terms of payment is required as set out in para 4 (a) and (b).

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(c) CONSIDERATION.

All regions now seem to have sufficient for immediate requirements; AMB 5 Army will not require more than 10,000 for the present.

(d) REQUIREMENTS.

As an interim measure, I have handed a copy of the M.M.I.A. Italian Cable to Lambert, who understands the procedure, I have had three copies made and will give one to each Lombardia Piemonte and IV Corps. A further full explanation is required to be sent to all Regions, 5 Army, and IV Corps.

(e) FEEDING.

Lambert and McLaughlin report that feeding in the MILAN CENTRAL is very poor, I will investigate this tomorrow morning. In any case it is essential to carry on with some feeding after June 10. On further discussion I do NOT consider that the number of rations required will possible exceed 15,000 and I believe it doubtful if in the whole of Northern Italy it will reach 10,000. The instructions for feeding through SMALL are required by Regions etc. forthwith. Patriots Branch to get a signal out within 48 hours of receipt of this.

(f) EQUIPMENT at PESOIA.

Neither Lambert nor McLaughlin know exactly what stores are still left at Pescoia but believe there are at least sufficient beds for 700 persons. These should be shifted to LIGURIA Region. Therefore telephones to be taken asking for a detailed list (from the telephone) and then cable LIGURIA the details and ask them if they require the equipment and if so to collect. The Sgt. Major (Sis.) should join McLaughlin.

(g) The possibility of partisans demanding certificates later on in district to which they have moved in a problem that requires adjustment. Probably the answer is that a central record of all recipients will have to be compiled and kept at a Central registry. It is a matter I will attend to on my return.

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Lambert and McLaughlin report that feeding in the MILAN CANTONS is very poor, I will investigate this tomorrow morning. In any case it is essential to carry on with some feeding after June 10. On further discussion I do NOT consider that the number of rations required will possibly exceed 15,000 and I believe it doubtful if in the whole of Northern Italy it will reach 10,000. The instructions for feeding through SPERAL are required by Regions etc. forthwith. Patriots Branch to get a signal out within 48 hours of receipt of this.

(f) EQUIPMENT at PAVIA.

Neither Lambert nor McLaughlin know exactly what stores are still left at Pavia but believe there are at least sufficient beds for 700 persons. These should be shifted to LIGURIA Region. Therefore telephones to become asking for a detailed list (from the telephones) and then cable LIGURIA the details and ask them if they require the equipment and if so to collect. The Sgt. Major (Sis.) should join McLaughlin.

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R. R. CHURCH,
Colonel.

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2/4 M/A **INCOMING MESSAGE**
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 348

Date/Time of Origin: APR 30 1010B

Message Centre No. D/9252

Date/Time Rec'd: MAY 01 0830B

Precedence: OF PRIORITY

FROM: IV CORPS

TO: SCAO 5 ARMY ANG, 5 ARMY PASS COPY TO HQ ALCOM ROME

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Report on MILAN. Water and power on. Tramways operating. Five to ten thousand Partisans well organized. Food situation not critical but will need attention. City suffered considerable damage. Committee of National Liberation in control but have not agreed on nominees for government. About 40 Fascists executed by Partisans.

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MFA & A	gaw	10/5
Ca Sec	gaw	10/5

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28 APR 1945

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Date/Time of Origin: APR 27 2018Z

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Message Centre No: D/8949
Date/Time Recd: APR 28 0950Z
Precedence: PRIORITY

28 APR 1945

FROM: AMG 5 ARMY FOR HUMS CITE 120
TO: IV CORPS FOR AMG FOR ACTION RPT HQ 15 GROUP FOR G-5 FOR INFORT HQ ALGOM FOR INFO

SECRET.

Reference your 197 following is latest news on LOMBARDIA REGION personnel.

BERGAMO Province Ets MANTOVA 28 April. COMO Province Ets MANTOVA 28 April.
PAVIA Province Ets MANTOVA 29 April. CREMONA Ets MANTOVA 29 April. MILAN Province
and city leave SIENA 0600 on April 28, Ets MANTOVA uncertain. Region HQ Ets
MODENA evening 28 April, MANTOVA midday April 29. SONDRIO now at MODENA under
command PC MODENA. VARESE present location unknown. CONR unchanged from our signal
cite 116 dated 26 April.

IV CORPS should note that provincial teams cannot be brought up to strength
as considerable part of each team are officers now assigned to and working with
AMG 5 and 8 Armies who cannot be released until current operations are concluded.
It is presumed that ALGOM are making every effort to call up officers from SOUTHERN
REGIONS as fast as possible.

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2 ARMY MAIN FOR AMG FOR INFO

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Following is corrected copy of our Ref Hr 9542.

Following is disposition of provincial teams as of midnight
23/24 April.

BOLOGNA now in BOLOGNA. MODENA now en route to MODENA. REGGIO
reported to 4 CORPS Rear 23 April. PARMA reported to 4 CORPS Rear
23 April PIACENZA alerted to report to MODENA on 25 April. MANTOVA
moving to MODENA under command 4 CORPS on 24 April. VERONA at
CREMONA now on 6 hours notice to move. CREMONA, BRESCIA and PAVIA
ordered to concentrate in FLORENCE area on 24 April. MILAN provinces
and city and LOMBARDIA Regional specialists alerted to move at short
notice.

Disposition of CORR as follows:

BOLOGNA Group now in BOLOGNA. MODENA moving to MODENA April
24. REGGIO moving to April 24 en route to REGGIO. PARMA now in
BOLOGNA: moving forward on April 25. PIACENZA now in BOLOGNA: will
move forward on orders 4 CORPS. MANTOVA now in FLORENCE unable to
move for absence of provincial police officer. VERONA urgently
required at SCUOLA Centrale FLORENCE. 1st Echelon of other 3 teams
still in Scuola Centrale FLORENCE awaiting call. 4604

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