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AC, GENERAL POLICY, NORTH ITALY
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C.A. Section.

Ref the Executive Commissioner's letter 573/49/EC. dated 29 April. 45.

1. The point raised in para 2 is covered in the A.C. Plan for Patriots (94/PAT of 7April 45) in which it is laid down:

(a) that Italian Military Patriot Representative will "make arrangements for the absorption of Patriots into employment through Labour Organisations of the Army or any civilian Labour Organisation that may be available. No 2 Dist. will give priority of employment to all genuine Patriots" (para 3 - § (IX)).

(b) that the civilian occupation of all patriots received into centres is to be noted in the centre records (Appendix A, para 13).

2. It will also be notified that in the Labour Sub Commission letter ISC/116 of 20 March 45, signed by the Ex. Commissioner, para 3 directs that "at each Patriot Centre a Labour Officer should attend for the specific purpose of registering patriots for civil employment".

1 May 1945.

Patriots Branch.

H. P. Craig for Col

F. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel
D/Director
Local Govt. Sub Com.

VP Only 24A is of ~~any~~ importance to you
22 June
A. P. Craig for Col

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Patriots Note 9A. I think you have missed this. I think a short note might be drafted as a reply - All of Ex. Commissioner's letter of what the employment arrangements are. With the same 1-601 29 April 1945

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NOV. 251330A

PRIORITY

MAIN 13 Corps

86 AREA INFO: GHQ CMF for G(3D) - DISTWO - 201 SUB AREA -
 217 AREA - AMG REGION XII ALCOM - REAR XIII CORPS A Q Q
 (MOV) RE (WKD) DACG ST MED ORD REAR PL POSTAL SAL - WELFARE
 EFI AMG.

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1. Responsibility for control of Belluno Province with exception stated in paras 2 3 and 4 will pass forthwith from distwo to XIII corps and will be assumed by 86 area WEF receipt of this signal.
2. Responsibility for the following Cortina commitments remain with distwo.
 - (A) All re and ord commitments planned up to 7 November
 - (B) Distwo to provide one town Major and one plu.
3. The guarding and disposal of all cem dumps in Belluno province remains the responsibility of distwo.
4. Personnel and equipment for civil snow clearance org on route 51 will be checked complete and ready for op.
5. Belluno province lately controlled by HQ 217 Area. Your should liaise with the HQ soonest with regards to details of take over.
6. BDY of Area will be amended forthwith to incl the whole of Belluno Province.

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ALCOM ROME

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The instruction contained in AFHQ letter referred to in F54667 were fully considered prior to issuance.

Reference AFHQ 54667 dated 27 November and your 8261 dated 30 November immen. They were not directed against the Milan Economic Group as such but against the functions being performed by that Group. Any reorganization which continues that functioning is considered an evasion of the instructions issued. In order however that there be no possibility of misunderstanding of the economic functions being carried out away from Rome and the necessity therefore, it is desired that you present the case in full as a matter of urgency. Your executive order 84 has been seen. Section 2 appears to contravene the policy set forth in Jan 487.

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INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER 138

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PARM TO AMHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM HQ ALCOH CITY AG-AC PARM
REPRESENTATIVES NORTH ITALY AND ECONOMIC GROUP NOW ABSORBED INTO LOMBARDIA
REGION AND NO LONGER EXIST AS SEPARATE ENTITY PD. AFTER TURNOVER LIAISON
GROUPS WILL CONTAIN SUCH ECONOMIC REPRESENTATIVES IN NORTH AS IS DEEMED
NECESSARY AND APPROVED PD. FULL CASE FOR CONTINUATION OF ECONOMIC REPR-
SENTATIVES AND LIAISON GROUP WILL BE SUBMITTED IN DUE COURSE.

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(1) 217 AREA (2) MAIN HQ I3 CORPS .INFO: (3) 7 AGRA(4)59 AREA(5)218 SPECIAL AREA
 (6)86 AREA (7)60 SUB AREA (8)6 BRIT ARMED DIV (9)1420H (10)2 LOWLAND(11)MMIA
 (12) 1 BLU (13) 2 BLU(14) 3 BLU (15) 4 BLU (16) 6 BLU (17)AFHQ FOR CMT (18) HQ BTA
 (19) DISTHREE (20)NORTHMOVES (21) MOV MILAN (22) MOV BOLOGNA (23) AMG PIEMONTE
 (24) AMG LIGURIA (25) AMG LOMB DIA (26) JMG VENEZIA (27) AMG BELLUNO(Province)
 (28) ALCOM (29) REAR HQ I3 CORPS

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1. In accordance with GHA CMT signal FX 54990 of 22 November I3 corps assumed control waf 07 November of the Province of BELLUNO excluding commitments set down in para second.
2. DISTWO remains responsible for all engr and ord commitments as planned to 07 November. Guarding and disposal of all Cam dumps within the Province of BELLUNO remains responsibility of DISTWO.
3. Following units pass to comd I3 corps for all purposes. At CONFINE.
 34 Town Major (2nd) Class) 86 Pac (Type B) I5I Hospital. Following units remain OF Comd GHA pass to Comd I3 corps for AD XXXXX ADM.T CORTINA.
 54 Rest Camp 55 Rest Camp. Following Units remain OF Comd DISTWO pass to Comd I3 corps for ADM AT CONFINE. Det 311 FS sec. at BELLUNO. 3 ITI Engr Coy. Following units remain OF Comd AC pass to Comd I3 corps for ADM BELLUNO. AMG BELLUNO Province



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AFHQ FROM G(SD)CMF

26 NOV 1945

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ACTION: ALCOM INFO: 13 CORPS, DISTWO

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W. B. F. 07 NOV 45 13 CORPS assumed from DISTWO responsibility for the territory of the Province of Belluno.

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Personnel situation so acute that I suggest ALCOM ask AFHQ authorize immediate transfer to Italian Government all territories except border provinces. We are doing Italians no good and ourselves much harm by continuing.

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INFO: Subcommissioner 2

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: FX 38214

Date/Time of Origin: AUG 25 0957B

Message Centre No: F/5262

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 25 1435B

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHGCT

TO : 5 ARMY INFO MMIA, ALCOM

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Your 7911 dated 24 August refers.

Our para 1 FX 37317 dated 21 August states that 6 Guard Regiment, 511, 512 Guard Battalions will pass to under control Italian War Ministry effective 1200 hours 25 August, current.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 7911

Message Centre No: F/5071

Date/Time of Origin: AUG 240800

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 241015

24 AGO 1945

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: 5 ARMY

TO : AFHQ INFO TO MMIA, ALCOM

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oured 5831, dated 11 August refers. Urad FX 37317, cite FHCT, dated 21 August, reverts 511 and 512 Italian guard battalions to Italian War Ministry Command. Request that the 6 Italian Guard Regimental Headquarters be relieved from under 5 ARMY control concurrently with 511 and 512 guard battalions.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 5831

Date/Time of Origin: AUG 111947

Message Centre No: F/3653

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 112000

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM 5 ARMY

TO : AFHQ RPT TWODIST, ALLIED COMMISSION, BRIA

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Para 1. Reference AFHQ FX 32362 August 5th and confirming conversation your representatives into HACKETT.

Para 2. 6 Italian Regiment composed 511 and 512 Italian Guard Battalions are available without replacements.

Para 3. 512 Battalion will be assembled in FLORENCE by 15th August. Regimental HQRS and 511 assemble same area soon thereafter. Request necessary instructions relieving units from attachment 5 ARMY and ordering movement.

Para 4. Believe TWODIST may desire 511 Battalion in view eventual take over PBS corridor they will communicate desires direct to AFHQ.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION 10 AUG 1945

Originator's Reference: GO 891
 Date/Time of Origin: AUG 091545

Message Centre No: F/3292
 Date Time Rec'd: AUG 100950
 Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: DISTHIVE

TO : 52 AREA, 54 AREA, 56 AREA, 227 ITALIAN ADM DIV, INFO AMHQ (G3 ORG AND) 61 AREA,
 211 SUB AREA, 66 AA BDE (PENBASE PLEASE PASS) ROME AREA (G3 BR) MMIA (ROME PLEASE
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Intention is to withdraw all Itali an CD Bns not later than 30 September. Availability of replacements not yet known.

For 56 AREA. Ref my GO 792 of 01 August not to all you will be prepared to release 506 CD Bn by 15 August after arrival of 2 additional Polish CD Coys.

For AFHQ. Ref para 3 of your IX 32362 of 5 August. Request disposal instrs for 506 GDS Bn.

For 227 Div. Ensure that 506 GDS Bn is brought up to str immediately with good quality rfts.

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5TH ARMY

AFHQ INFO DISTWO 13 CORPS PBS MRS ALCON POW COMMAND 34 INF DIV

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9 AGO 1945

Ref AFHQ FX 30956 cite FHGOT 1st August and FX 33059 cite FHGOT 7th August and corad 5795 dated 5th August.

1. Tentatively agreed 5TH ARMY - DISTWO turn-over PBS corridor less remainder TREVISO Province effective 202359B August. Final agreement will be radioed by 5TH ARMY on 10th August.
2. Mutually agreed 5TH ARMY - 13 CORPS to turn over remainder TREVISO Province effective 202359B August.
3. Letter listing Enclaves to be retained, distribution of GEM dumps, and local resources required is being forwarded separately. Minutes of meeting will be forwarded as soon as available.
4. DISTWO will request AFHQ for GSUS now working in area which they wish to retain upon release by 5TH ARMY. Numbers approximately 1700 POWS are being recommended by 5TH ARMY.
5. DISTWO will accept responsibility for guarding and administering GSUS with MRS when equivalent 2 Battalions (approx 1000 troops) are made available to DISTWO. Until then essential POW Comd retain responsibility but must be released or closed out between 15 September and 1st October. DISTWO will also accept responsibility for Diplomatic Hotel SALBOMAGGIORE effective 202359B. August.
6. 16 Evac Hospital will remain present location until relieved by 15 Field estimated 1st October.

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5TH ARMY INFO POW COMMAND D PBS DISTWO 34 INF DIV ALDOM 13 CORPS
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Reference your 5759.

1. Not prepared to give final approval requested by you without hearing DISTWOS views. However consider plan sound in principle for discussion at meeting at Headquarters 5TH ARMY on 8th August. Final plan when agreed will be submitted to this Headquarters for approval.

2. Our comment on your paras are as follows.

A. Your paras 2 and 3. No exceptions or reservations required by this Hq but approval is subject to DISTWO being able to meet new commitments from present resources or from GSUS to be transferred from 5TH ARMY.

B. Your para 4.

1. Understand 15th Evacuation Hospital should remain present location until transferred to 13 CORPS and not moved south of APPENINNES.

2. Consider Diplomatic Hotel at SALSO MAGGIORE is an Allied commitment and should therefore be transferred to DISTWO and not POW Command.

3. Necessary enclosures including hospitals at MERANO and staging area around VERONA railroad station should be retained for POW Command until movement of US POW completed. Also any additional enclosures considered necessary.

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4. Presume that transportation 5TH ARMY will continue to operate POW shuttle service over BRENNER until taken over by DISTWO. Representative movements northwest ITALY will attend meeting to discuss this.

C. Your para 4. No comment.

D. Your para 6. Unable to comment as insufficient details of commitments available here. Steps must be taken however to ensure MRS commitment is completed according to present schedule.

E. Your paras 7 and 8. No comments.

F. Your para 9. Suggest PBS requirements be considered in these mutual arrangements which should provide that all existing contracts agreements and reservations for procurement and control of local resources or facilities by US ARMY remain in force; all existing US Rest and Recreation Centers to continue to operate under US ARMY control until no longer required.

3. It is assumed that signals and engineer needs will be considered at this meeting. Also considered highly desirable that representatives from PBS MRS and POW Command be invited to attend meeting together with Lieutenant Colonel SHALLHOOD A/Q CEM at present at DISTWO. Propose sending representatives from G-3 AMO and G-4 American from this Hq arriving by air today.

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THREE (SEE JULY CITE FIELD) AND NAVY SIGNAL FIVE SEVEN ZERO
EIGHT OF TWO AMBET CITE FOR JUNE 1945 ZERO
PARM TO FIVE AMBET CITE AMBET CITE GENERAL FIVE FROM JUNE ALONG CITE
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CONFIRMING ALL ARRANGEMENTS PREVIOUSLY MADE (SEE ALREADY COMMISSION
HAS ARRIVED RESPONSIBILITY FOR GOVERNMENT OF ALL SECURITY
PREVIOUSLY CONTROLLED BY NAVY AND EXCLUSIVE FIELD AND TRAFFIC
AND BOLZANO

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IMPORTANT

4 AUG 1945

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52 AREA, 54 AREA, 56 AREA, ROME AREA, (BRIT), 91 GRN, BTSCY, 22AA BDE, 11 L OF C SIGS, 15 L OF C SIGNS, 227 ITALIAN ADM DIV, AFHQ (G3 GFS) AFHQ G3 ORG BRIT, AFHQ G3 ORG GMD (ABOT), 61 AREA, 211 SUB AREA, 66 AA BDE, DISTONE, DISTWO, MMIA, ALCON, NOV NA LES, NOV BARI, NOV TARANTO, PENBASE, PENBASE SOUTH.

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Under authy AFHQ FX 30663 of 31 July not to all 3 DIST will take over W.E.F. 0001 hrs 20 August responsibilities in north ITALY as follows.

1. From 1 DIST. Present responsibilities of 61 AREA and 211 SUB AREA incl cooperating Allied agency in FLORENCE COMD. Bds as in 1 DIST Op Instr number 32 of 23 July not to all.

2. From 2 DIST. Responsibilities of cooperating Allied agency in PBS territory between southern bdy of compartimento of EMILIA and northern bdy of VITERBO Province excl FLORENCE COMD. Following Hq's will come under Comd this Hq W.E.F. above time. For responsibilities in para first above. 61 AREA 211 SUB AREA. Para second Hq 66 AA BDE. Further instrs and orbat of units passing to under Comd follow.

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INCOMING MESSAGE - 7 AUG 1945 31A

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

4/8B/CA
 Originator's Reference: FA 32362
 Date/Time of Origin: AUG 051404B

Message Centre No: F/2795
 Date Time Rec'd: AUG 060845B
 Precedence: IMMEDIATE

FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PHCCT

TO : 5 ARMY, DISTONE, DISTWO, DISTTHREE, 13 CORPS. INFO: AICOM, MIA,
 MTOUSA PW COMMAND

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1. It has been decided that when Italian Govt assumes responsibility for civil administration of ITALY less VENEZIA GIULIA and other special areas certain forces will have to be handed over to them at same time to enable them to maintain law and order in areas for which they will be responsible. This handover will take place by 30 September. At present authority of Italian Govt rests on presence of Allied troops. It is obviously in Allied interests that Italian armed forces handed back to control of Italian Govt should be as efficient as possible so that Allied intervention is no longer needed.

2. Part of proposed force of 140,000 to be handed back consists of ten internal security brigades (one for each region of mainland). Owing to impracticability of forming new Italian units and desirability for maintaining such Esprit de Corps as exists the bulk of these brigades must be provided by the 27 Italian Guard Battalions now employed by the Allies.

3. It is proposed therefore to release initially Italian Guard Battalions as under by 15 August. In view of their future role the best available must be selected/ 5 ARMY ONE DISTONE TWO DISTWO ONE DISTTHREE 1 13 CORPS 2.

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4. It is also proposed to release the remaining Guard Bns as soon as possible thereafter and at latest by 30 September. Plans for progressive release must therefore be prepared now.

5. A representative from this Hq will visit addressees not before 7 August to discuss the effect of the above proposals and in particular (A) the present employment of Guard Battalions (B) how commitments can be cut down (C) the suggested program for progressive release, (D) what troops if any will be required to replace Italian Guard Battalions when released.

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Ref your ACEXC 2360 dated 23 July, it is confirmed that 5 ARMY agrees to transfer responsibility for Allied Military Govt in 5 ARMY area to ALLIED COMMISSION at such time and in such order as ALCOM desires. Army Commander reserves the right, however, to issue any special orders that may become necessary in the light of unforeseen occurrences. It is not believed desirable to release the SCHIO, TRENTO, BOLZANO areas immediately until certain conditions that exist in those areas are cleared up. In view of ALCOM's announced intention of releasing certain areas to the Italian Govt, 5 ARMY desires to point out that the provinces of BOLOGNA, MODENA and REGGIO are at present time in a state of unrest, and the release of those areas at this time is considered premature.

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AG 323/061 LOG-0

16 LUG 1945

12 July 1945

SUBJECT: Use of Ports of Venice and Trieste

EC HIST - 16 JULY 45
(573/EC)TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, APO 464
Headquarters, Eighth Army

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 99 - ECON SEC
 100 - RC, VENEZIA REGION
 101 - SCAD, VENEZIA GIULIA
 102 - 504/EC

1. GENERAL

This instruction amends that part of letter this headquarters, file as above, dated 19 May 1945, subject: "Administrative Instruction, North Italy," which refers to the use of VENICE and TRIESTE.

2. INTRODUCTION

This instruction is written to accord with the situation which will obtain when command of that part of NORTHEAST ITALY which is now the responsibility of Eighth Army has passed to XIII Corps under the direct command of this headquarters.

3. OBJECT

The object of this instruction is to define the policy for the use of TRIESTE and VENICE, the establishment of depots and location of reserves and maintenance stocks at these ports.

4. POLICY

The maximum use will be made of TRIESTE for the import of military maintenance and civil supplies but VENICE will be so organized that it can be used as an alternative port of entry for these supplies, should it be necessary to forego the use of TRIESTE. Present policy of holding maintenance stocks at VENICE of all items, excluding Ordnance stores, for forces in the VENEZIA GIULIA area will continue. Detailed application of this policy will be in accordance with the following paragraphs.

5. LOCATION OF HOLDING OF RESERVES AND MAINTENANCE STOCKSa. British Forces in AUSTRIA

Reserves and maintenance stocks of all commodities will be held in base installations in AUSTRIA. Authorized levels are being notified in a British Administrative Instruction shortly to be issued.

b. British Forces in VENEZIA GIULIA**SECRET**

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dtd 12 July 1945, (Cont'd)

- (1) All commodities excluding ordnance stores. Reserves will be held until further notice at existing installations in ITALY. Maintenance stocks will be held at VENICE. Authorized levels are being notified in a British Administrative Instruction shortly to be issued.
- (2) Ordnance stores. Reserves and maintenance stocks will be held at the Base Ordnance Depot, NAPLES, and at the Advanced Ordnance Depot in AUSTRIA, when established.

c. Local reserves may be held by XIII Corps and located as decided by Commander XIII Corps. The size of these local reserves will also be decided by Commander XIII Corps but will not exceed seven (7) days without the prior authority of this headquarters.

6. USE OF TRIESTE

a. TRIESTE will be used as a "seahead" for the import of the following:

- (1) Military requirements (excluding bulk POL) for British forces in AUSTRIA.
- (2) Military requirements for British forces in the VENEZIA GIULIA area.
- (3) "Common user" items for US forces in the VENEZIA GIULIA area.
- (4) Civil supplies (excluding bulk POL), on AMG account, for the British zone in AUSTRIA.
- (5) Civil supplies, on AMG account, for VENEZIA GIULIA.
- (6) Civil supplies, on UNRRA account, for JUGOSLAVIA.
- (7) Bulk POL as in paragraph 9 below.
- (8) Coal as in paragraph 10 below.

b. No AFHQ depots will be established at TRIESTE. All imports for Eighth Army in AUSTRIA and XIII Corps in the VENEZIA GIULIA area will be cleared currently to base installations in AUSTRIA and to XIII Corps dumps respectively. Service port detachments will be provided as required; they will be responsible for civil supplies for AUSTRIA in addition to their normal responsibility for military maintenance supplies.

c. All imports for Eighth Army in AUSTRIA and XIII Corps in VENEZIA GIULIA area will be marked to establish easy identification on discharge. Marking instructions will be issued separately.

d. Details of estimated import tonnages are given at Appendix "A".

7. USE OF VENICE

a. Depots will be established at VENICE to hold maintenance stocks of all commodities excluding ordnance for British forces in VENEZIA GIULIA and for local British requirements in NORTHEAST ITALY. Initial, until installations have been established in AUSTRIA, maintenance stocks for British forces in AUSTRIA will continue to be held at VENICE.

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dtd 12 July 1945, (r it'd)

b. VENICE will be organized, as an alternative to TRIESTE, to enable the military requirements for the VENEZIA GIULIA area and for the British zone in AUSTRIA (ie those items given in paragraph 6a above less civil supplies for JUGOSLAVIA) to be imported and cleared through the port. Import tonnages for which VENICE will be prepared to handle, if required, will be 2,500 transported military maintenance and 1,800 transported civil supplies.

c. While TRIESTE is used as the port of entry for requirements as in paragraph 6a above, imports through VENICE will be restricted to:

- (1) Military maintenance requirements for British forces in NORTH-EAST ITALY other than those in the VENEZIA GIULIA area.
- (2) Replenishment of maintenance stocks at VENICE.
- (3) Civil requirements for NORTHEAST ITALY, excluding VENEZIA GIULIA.
- (4) Bulk POL as in paragraph 9 below.
- (5) Coal as in paragraph 10 below.

d. Details of tonnages to be handled through VENICE under conditions in sub paragraphs b and c above are given in Appendix "A".

6. TURNOVER OF MAINTENANCE STOCKS AT VENICE

Maintenance stocks at VENICE will be drawn on as necessary for military maintenance requirements to ensure the turnover of stocks.

9. POL

a. Bulk facilities will be rehabilitated at TRIESTE, as second priority to VENICE, to hold bulk POL for:

- (1) Military requirements in the VENEZIA GIULIA area.
- (2) Naval requirements at TRIESTE.
- (3) Civil requirements, on AMG account, in VENEZIA GIULIA.
- (4) Civil requirements, on UNRRA account, in JUGOSLAVIA. Tonnage of bulk POL held in TRIESTE for all purposes will be limited to the minimum necessary working stocks for the requirements given above and in any event will not exceed 28,000 tons. Of this tonnage maximum holdings of 80-octane will be 9,000 tons.

b. Bulk facilities at VENICE will be used for:

- (1) Military requirements for British forces in AUSTRIA.
- (2) Civil requirements for the British zone in AUSTRIA.
- (3) Military and civil requirements for local consumption in NORTHEAST ITALY, excluding VENEZIA GIULIA.
- (4) Naval requirements at VENICE.

c. Imports of military and civil requirements for VENEZIA GIULIA area as in sub paragraph a(1)(2) and (3) above will be diverted to VENICE should it be necessary to forego the use of TRIESTE.

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10. COAL

a. Coal for military and civil purposes for VENEZIA GIULIA and JUGO-SLAVIA will be imported through TRIESTE. Coal for local requirements at VENICE will be imported through VENICE. Coal for the remainder of NORTHEAST ITALY will normally be imported through TRIESTE and backloaded to destination.

b. Coal for NORTHEAST ITALY will be diverted through VENICE should it be necessary to forgo the use of TRIESTE.

c. VENICE will be used for the import of low grade industrial coal from the ALBONA coalfields in ISTRIA, when arrangements for this traffic to move have been made.

11. US REQUIREMENTS

Except for "common user" items United States forces in NORTHEAST ITALY will be maintained by rail and road through VERONA. "Common user" items for these forces will be a British responsibility and will be imported through TRIESTE and VENICE in accordance with the policy outlined for these items in paragraphs 6 and 7 above. Maintenance stock levels of "common user" items in British depots will include the requirements of United States forces.

12. ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS BETWEEN VENICE AND TRIESTE

Other than essential supervisory and control personnel, administrative personnel and units will not be duplicated at VENICE to meet the contingency of a possible transfer of import tonnage from TRIESTE. If a transfer is necessary administrative units will be drawn from TRIESTE and allocated to VENICE. For the import of bulk POL duplication of administrative personnel will be unavoidable.

13. CONTROL OF TRIESTE AND VENICE

With the moving forward of Eighth Army rear boundary to the ITALO-AUSTRIAN frontier the present administrative responsibilities of Eighth Army in NORTHEAST ITALY, including control of the port of VENICE, will be transferred to XIII Corps reporting direct to this headquarters. Such minor adjustments to XIII Corps boundaries as may then be necessary will be dealt with separately. Installations at VENICE will be regarded as AFHQ installations but local control will be exercised by XIII Corps acting as the agents of this headquarters. No change in authorized reserve levels will be made without prior reference to this headquarter

14. EFFECTIVE DATE

The date on which this policy regarding the use of TRIESTE and VENICE will be effective will depend on the date by which installations have been set up, and the necessary maintenance stocks established, in AUSTRIA. This date will be

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agreed with Headquarters Eighth Army and will be notified later. Meanwhile
existing policy governing the use of TRIESTE and VENICE will continue in force.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. Christensen
C. W. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Appendix "A" - "Tonnage to be Handled
through TRIESTE and VENICE"

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12 July 1945TONNAGE TO BE HANDLED THROUGH TRIESTE AND VENICE

Average tonnages to be imported through these ports, based on the policy contained in this instruction, will vary with the forces to be maintained. The following is a guide based on present strengths. Figures exclude bulk POL and coal:

a. TRIESTE

Military forces in AUSTRIA and
VENEZIA GIULIA area.

1,800 tpd reducing to 1,400 tpd
when reserves and maintenance
stocks have been built up in
AUSTRIA.

Civil supplies, for AMG account
in AUSTRIA and VENEZIA GIULIA and
on UNRRA account, for JUGOSLAVIA.

2,300 tpd comprising:
1,000 tpd AUSTRIA
300 tpd VENEZIA GIULIA
1,000 tpd JUGOSLAVIA

b. VENICE

Local military requirements in NE
ITALY

500 tpd } these figures will be
} reduced to extent

Replenishment of maintenance stocks

100 tpd } these tonnages are
} moved by rail from
} SOUTH ITALY.

Civil requirements in NE ITALY

500 tpd excluding items such as
sulphur, phosphates, etc.

c. If the situation requires the transfer of military and civil imports from TRIESTE to VENICE in accordance with the policy in paragraphs 4 and 7b of the instruction, there is likely to be an increase in military maintenance requirements. VENICE will, therefore, be organized to handle import tonnages as follows:

Military maintenance

2,500 tpd

Civil supplies

1,800 tpd (excluding items such as
sulphur, phosphates etc.)

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C O P Y

From: Brig. G.R. Upjohn.
VP CA Section, HQ AC.

APD 39h

4/8A/CA

Ref: P.O. AC/HS/9/LG

4 Jul 45.

Dear

Thank you for your letter and Log P 150/2 dated 2 July 45.

As you will have seen by the Chief Commissioner's Top Secret Signals, Brigadier Dunlop is representing the Allied Commission at the meeting to be held on 6 Jul 45.

Yours

Brigadier T.R. Henn
G-5 Section,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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REF: AC/45/9/LG.

4 Jul 45.

SUBJECT: Log. P 150/2

TO: Chief Commissioner.

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Attached please find Log P 150/2 from Brigadier Henn, which I promised to send you, in my note yesterday.

G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

Encl: as above.

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FROM: Brigadier T. R. Henn

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

2 July 1945

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My dear Gerdd

As I promised on the telephone this afternoon I enclose a copy of Log Plans brief for the CAO on the subject of 13 Corps AMG responsibility. I very much hope that you or the Admiral will be able to attend. You may wish to raise at the same time the question of the future organization for Bolzano.

Yours *lms*

T. R. Henn

Incl:
as above

Brigadier G. R. Upjohn
Headquarters, Allied Commission
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LOG. PLANS SECTION

Log. P. 150/2

2 July 45

To: CAO

CONTROL OF VENICE

1. The following appear to me to be the arguments for and against the placing of VENICE under control of XIII Corps and the extension of their territorial responsibilities. As the operational and administrative arguments run counter to each other I have not balanced them.

CONTROL OF TRIESTE AND VENICE

2. Operational factors

- a. It is undesirable to give XIII Corps any territorial responsibility which exceeds that necessary for the execution of its task.
- b. The time at which a diversion of the flow of supplies from TRIESTE to VENICE would be required - when it would be administratively advantageous to have the two ports under one control - would be one of operational strain - when XIII Corps would not wish to be embarrassed with territorial or other responsibilities not connected with their primary role in VENETIA GIULIA.
- c. XIII Corps should control such areas in the UDINE province as are in dispute. These are the TARVISIO area, which will probably be subject of negotiation at the Peace Treaty and that part of the province of UDINE which is claimed by TIRO and where problems related to similar problems in VENETIA GIULIA are likely to arise.

- d. XIII Corps will probably require a part, at least, of the province of UDINE for their rear echelons.

3. Military Government factors

- a. XII Region should control the maximum possible area in NS ITALY to facilitate the handover to the Italian Government.

- b. The operational reasons given in para 2 c. above, together with the location of airfields and importance of communications leading to AUSTRIA, make it necessary to retain AMG in the easterly part of the province of UDINE.

- c. It would be possible to have a separate AMG HQ for UDINE, subordinate operationally to XIII Corps with its technical channel to HQ Allied Commission. This would be advisable in order to avoid too explicit an association between UDINE and VENETIA GIULIA.

- d. VENICE should be an AMG enclave in view of the military importance of the port.

- e. The extension of XIII Corps responsibilities to territories

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3. Military Government factors

- a. XII Region should control the maximum possible area in NE ITALY to facilitate the handover to the Italian Government.
- b. The operational reasons given in para 2 g. above, together with the location of airfields and importance of communications leading to AUSTRIA, make it necessary to retain AMT in the easterly part of the province of UDINE.
- c. It would be possible to have a separate AMT HQ for UDINE, 111? subordinate operationally to XIII Corps with its technical channel to HQ Allied Commission. This would be advisable in order to avoid too explicit an association between UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA.
- d. VENICE should be an AMT enclave in view of the military importance of the port.
- e. The extension of XIII Corps responsibilities to territories beyond the easterly strip of UDINE does not prejudice the passing of control of these territories to XII Region under Allied Commission nor their subsequent handing back to the Italian Government.
- f. Any boundary between XIII Corps and I District should coincide with provincial boundaries.

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Administrative Factors

a. The policy of using THAMES to the maximum while retaining VANCE as an alternative port of entry to be used if and as required, and the holding of maintenance stocks for XIII Corps at VANCE, make it difficult to separate administrative matters of noting the two ports. Furthermore, in most cases, administrative units will not be duplicated between the two ports but will have to be transferred from one to the other according to circumstances obtaining in VANCELA GUILLA. For this reason it is very desirable to have both ports under the control of one II located in NE ITALY. This can only be the XIII Corps.

b. XIII Corps will be responsible for the handling through THAMES and the onward movement to the Austrian frontier of military and civil supplies for AUSTRIA. For continuity, as well as for the reasons in subparagraph a. above, it is desirable that they retain this responsibility if part or all of these supplies have to be diverted to VANCE.

c. Activities in the territory surrounding VANCE are limited to VANCE itself and it would be difficult to place these surrounding territories under separate control from the control of the port and City itself. If XIII Corps are in control of VANCE they should be made administratively responsible for the provinces of VANCELA and also the province of TREVISO through which communications between VANCE and BERLIN run.

d. As communications generally run in a SW/NE direction the boundary between I District and XIII Corps should run in a SW/NE direction. If XIII Corps are made responsible for the provinces of BERLIN, TREVISO and VANCELA they should also, therefore, be made responsible for HANNOVER.

e. If XIII Corps is given responsibility for VANCE, 95 Area will be at their disposal to deal with local administration in VANCE and surrounding territory. It would be possible, though undesirable, (especially in the long term), to make 95 Area report to II, I District for certain responsibilities e.g. 14, and 143's matters.

GENERAL

5. a. The main activity in NE ITALY, outside of VANCELA GUILLA and the easterly part of BERLIN, will be centered on VANCE. There will be little else of military concern in NE ITALY.

b. The present situation in NE ITALY is likely to obtain when other commitments in ITALY have been substantially reduced in size and I District has been dissolved.

CONCLUSION

6. a. In addition to VANCELA GUILLA WEST of the MUGGER line, XIII Corps should be responsible for the province of BERLIN.

b. If XIII Corps can undertake the responsibility for VANCE there is little additional responsibility involved in their undertaking control of surrounding provinces. It would probably be more convenient for them to do so in order to obviate the frequent

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conducted from one to the other according to circumstances obtaining in VENEZUELA GUERRA. For this reason it is very desirable to have both ports under the control of one EC located in EL ITAL. This can only be the XIII Corps.

XIII Corps will be responsible for the handling through CHIRIQUÍ and the onward movement to the American frontier of military and civil supplies for AMERICA. For continuity, as well as for the reasons in sub-item 5, above, it is desirable that they retain this responsibility if part or all of these supplies have to be diverted to VENEZUELA.

Activities in the territory surrounding VENEZUELA are linked to VENEZUELA itself and it would be difficult to place these surrounding territories under separate control from the control of the port and City itself. If XIII Corps are in control of VENEZUELA they should be made administratively responsible for the provinces of VENEZUELA and also the provinces of TRUJILLO through which communications between VENEZUELA and BOLIVIA run.

As communications generally run in a SW/NE direction the boundary between I District and XIII Corps should run in a SW/NE direction. If XIII Corps are made responsible for the provinces of BOLIVIA, TRUJILLO and VENEZUELA they should also, therefore, be made responsible for PERU.

If XIII Corps is given responsibility for VENEZUELA, EC Area will be at their disposal to deal with local administration in VENEZUELA and surrounding territory. It would be possible, though undesirable, (especially in the long term), to make EC Area report to I District for certain responsibilities O.E. 14, and VENEZUELA matters.

GENERAL

5. a. The main activity in EL ITAL, outside of VENEZUELA GUERRA and the easterly part of BOLIVIA, will be centered on VENEZUELA. There will be little else of military concern in EL ITAL.
- b. The present situation in EL ITAL is likely to obtain when other commitments in EL ITAL have been substantially reduced in size and I District has been dissolved.

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CONCLUSION

6. a. In addition to VENEZUELA GUERRA WEST of the MORGAN LINE, XIII Corps should be responsible for the provinces of BOLIVIA.
- b. If XIII Corps can undertake the responsibility for VENEZUELA there is little additional responsibility involved in their undertaking control of surrounding Provinces. It would probably be more convenient for them to do so in order to obviate the frequent reference to I District which would otherwise be necessary on matters affecting the area as a whole.

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RECOMMENDATION

7. If XIII Corps consider they can undertake responsibility for VENICE the rear boundary of XIII Corps should be drawn to include the provinces of UDINE, TREVISO, VENEZIA and BELLUNO.

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Refer FX 84459 and your 317.

TOTI Organisation in northern Italy.

1. Regret no materials or equipment presently available from above organisation. Any material or equipment originally owned by TOTI organisation now being fully utilized by ARS.

2. Understood here that such items as tools, machinery, etc, which originally belonged Italian Government now being collected and returned Italian Govt thru ALLIED COMMISSION.

3. Please confirm.

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1. Understand numbers of Italian Fascist Republican troops are trying to surrender themselves to local Allied Military authorities.
2. If surrender accepted by Allied authorities they will be retained as surrendered personnel as directed by this Hq letter AG 306.3/163 LOG-O of 18 May 45.
3. If surrender accepted by Italians and not by Allied authorities they will be confined by Italian authorities held and tried etc under Italian law.
4. Essential that any PW and surrendered enemy personnel in Allied custody required by Italian Government for trial by them should not be handed over without prior authority this Hq.

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 which 5 copies went to Ex Commissioner
 office refers to same subject.)

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Except as otherwise expressly directed by AFHQ, neo Fascist military personnel in Italian custody on charges of atrocities, collaborations and the like against Italians will be left in Italian custody for trial and disposition pursuant to Italian law.

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1. Reference is made to ALCOM letter AC/4076/2/L, subject: Status of Neo Fascist personnel, dated 10 June 1945, and to AFHQ letters to ALCOM AG 383.6/121GEG-0 dated 5 June, subject: Disposal of Prisoners in LOMBARDIA REGION and G-5: 383.6-11 dated 6 June, subject: Fascist Republicans - Prisoners of War.

2. No authority exists for release from Allied custody of Neo Fascist personnel in custody as prisoners of war. Directives in conflict with this which are set forth in para 6 and 7 of ALCOM letter of 10 June are not authorized.

3. Neither does authority exist for final paragraph of ALCOM letter of 10 June which creates separate category for high ranking Neo Fascist officers.

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Reference is made to AHQ letter dated 6 March 1945 AG 383.6/121BBI-0 concerning captured members Republican Fascist armed forces, letter HQ ALCOM dated 10 June 1945 AG/4076/2/L subject "Status of Neo-Fascist personnel" and AHQ cable VR 177 time date group 131753B. Application of AHQ letter to present situation is difficult and following is proposed course of action by 5 ARMY or which approval is requested.

1. All members of Republican Fascist armed forces now in Allied prisoner of war camps will continue to be treated as prisoners of war. Italians now in Italian custody will not be removed therefrom on the ground that they are prisoners of war unless this status is established by the prisoner. Allied Military Government will provide an opportunity for a hearing on this subject. The burden of proof will rest on the person asserting prisoner of war status.

2. Persons in Italian custody charged with specific crimes, other than simple membership in Fascist forces, may be tried in Italian courts without regard to their possible status as prisoners of war.

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1. Reference is made cable P1 04469, dated 30 May 1945, following are TWT units required by 5TH ARMY: WINTERDISST (Winter Service Unit) consisting of 7 officers and 16 enlisted workers.

2. Additional TWT units not required by army are:

A. WINTAT 3 GDE WINTAB (Headquarters) Administration, Supply, Transportation and Technical supervision of OT units in ITALY strength determined.

B. OVERLAULITUNG VII Railway and general construction now working for military railway service.

C. OVERLAULITUNG VIII railway and general construction now working for military railway service.

D. OVERLAULITUNG IX railway and general construction now working for military railway service.

E. OVERLAULITUNG XVI railway and general construction now working for military railway service.

F. OVERLAULITUNG XVII railway and general construction now working for military railway service.

G. Total strength of railway units is 257 officials and 1513 men.

H. WASSERSCHLEISSUNGS--Installation, operation and maintenance of water facilities: 3 officials and 12 men

I. KUEHLKASTEN refrigerator service- 1 official and 2 men.

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- J. TARNFARBENSTERN, Camouflage- 2 officials and 6 men.
 - K. BARBARINWITZBERG XVIII- 2 officials and 6 men.
 - L. STUR DIV VERS ROST 195 - 2 officials and 29 men.
 - M. OVERLAUBSITZ XVI - 40 - 50 personnel.
3. Other units have been scattered or lost? their identity.

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ACTION ALCON ROME INFO 5TH ARMY, APERS ROME.

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Reference our PX 84469.

Report requested on position. 5TH ARMY reply received in their
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AG 323/061 LOG-0

SUBJECT: Administration of NORTH ITALY

19 GIU. 1945

TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, APO 464
 General Officer Commanding, Number 1 District
 General Officer Commanding, Number 2 District

1. REFERENCES: Reference is made to the following AFHQ letters:

a. AG 323/061 GDS-0, dated 25 January 1945 and 30 January 1945,
 Subject: Administration of NW ITALY. *(14A)*

b. AG 323/061 LOG-0, dated 19 May 1945, Subject: Administration of
 NORTH ITALY. *no trace*

c. AG 323/061 GCT-0, dated 10 June 1945, Subject: Command and Admini-
 stration FLORENCE City Command.

The instructions contained in these letters will continue in force except as modified in this instruction.

2. OBJECT: The object of this instruction is to allocate the responsibilities for administration of British maintained forces in that part of NORTH ITALY under control of Fifth Army (Phase I).

3. METHOD: a. Allocation of Responsibilities for Administration. Responsibility for administration of British maintained troops under command Fifth Army with effect from 23 June 1945 will be allocated as follows:

- (1) HQ 1 District will be responsible for the administration of the FRIULI and FOLGORE Gruppi and HQ 216 Sub-Area (British Element BOLOGNA City Command).
- (2) HQ 2 District will be responsible for the administration of all British maintained troops other than those mentioned in paragraph (1) above.

b. Disbandment of British Increment Fifth Army. British Increment Fifth Army will be disbanded at a later date. Detailed instructions will be issued separately.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMUNICATIONS: Allied Force Headquarters will direct with HQ Nos 1 and 2 Districts on British administrative matters affecting British maintained troops in Fifth Army, sending copies of letters and signals to HQ Fifth Army, where it is necessary for the latter HQ to be kept informed.

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5. LIAISON: The following personnel found from the British Increment, Fifth Army, will remain at HQ Fifth Army for liaison duties with British troops under command Fifth Army and with HQ Nos 1 and 2 Districts.

Colonel GS	one
GSO Grade I	one
GSO Grade II	one
D/ONG	one
DADST	one

6. MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE: Separate instructions will be issued giving the procedure for the placing of bids for rail tonnages for the maintenance of British troops in Fifth Army area.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. Christenberry
 C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
 Colonel, AGD
 Adjutant General

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Tel: 478203

6 June 1945

Ref: 589/5/EC.

SUBJECT: Status of the Juridical Relations between FRANCE and ITALY. 8 JUN 1945

TO : Allied Force Headquarters,
Attn: G-5 Section.

Attached for your information is a copy of a memorandum on the above subject received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Copies of this memorandum have been sent to the British and American Embassies.

For the Chief Commissioner:

/s/ E. ALBOT
Lt Col
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Incl:
memo fr Ministry of Foreign
Affairs, 6/1495/685 dtd 30 May 45.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Status of the juridical relations between France and Italy.

1. Since some time now the French Press and Government Authorities have raised the question of the status of juridical relations between France and Italy, alleging that, to all juridical effects, a state of war would still subsist between the two countries.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs beg to acquaint the Allied Commission with the Italian Government's point of view on the subject, of which they have informed the French Government through the Italian Embassy at Paris.

2. The proposition according to which only a "de facto" armistice could exist between Italy and France has no juridical foundation. Even disregarding the juridical situation occurring between France and Italy before September 8th, 1943, it is pointed out that the armistice signed by the Italian Government on September 3rd, 1943, has been undersigned by the Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces on behalf of all the United Nations. Therefore, as France is one of the United Nations, the existing conventions of Armistice apply themselves also to the relations between Italy and France, under reserve of all subsequent actual or eventual agreements between the two Countries.

On the other hand it should be borne in mind that France has a representative on the Advisory Council for Italy and takes part in it together with the other Nations on behalf of which the armistice was signed with Italy.

3. From this juridical situation it ensues, between other things, that France cannot individually exercise the powers of an occupying country as regards even small zones of Italian territory. In fact, the armistice of September 3rd, 1943, and the additional conditions of September 29th, 1943, concern "all Italian territory" and according to these conventions, the authority of an occupying Power over any part of Italian territory cannot be exercised except by the AFHQ and not, "utilising" by each of the signatory Powers.

It is furthermore to be pointed out that after the armistice of September 3rd, 1943, Italy, following her declaration of war to Germany, was recognised as a co-belligerent with the United Nations in the war against Germany. The Italian contribution to the cause of the United Nations has been repeatedly recognized and appreciated. A further progress in the improvement of relations between Italy and France has been made thanks to the agreements recently reached by the two Governments, pursuant to which diplomatic missions have been exchanged between the two Countries and their relations have been placed on a basis of mutual comprehension and sincere cooperation.

(Stamp) Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Rome, May 30th 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AF 394
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

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8 June 1945

TEL : Ext. 204

REF : LSC/415

SUBJECT: Northern Italy - Surplus Workers,
Payment of Wages and/or Insurance.

TO : See Distribution List :

1. A press announcement on the basis of Paragraphs 2 and 3 below is being arranged through J.C. Headquarters.

2. Allied Military Government has consulted the Italian Government with regard to the regulation of employment of labor in Northern Italy in industrial establishments where there is at the moment a surplus of workers. The Italian Government is of the opinion, which Allied Military Government supports, that it is desirable to avoid large scale dismissals of labor for which at the moment there is not full employment; and that until further notification it is necessary to advise employers in North Italy to refrain from large scale and unregulated discharges. Ordinance No. 3 of the CMAL, which refers to this issue, is accordingly to be regarded as continuing in force until a later Decree on the subject is issued.

3. It is the desire of the Italian Government, in conjunction with Allied Military Government, to arrange for surplus manpower to be transferred from industrial establishments to other employment in agriculture, public works, etc., and action to this end will be commenced as soon as possible with the collaboration of all interested parties. In the meantime the Italian Government is willing to finance, up to July 31, the Cassa Integrativa Salari to enable it to continue functioning in North Italy so as to assist employers in making payments to surplus workers in accordance with arrangements which have been made or which may be made in the near future.

4. It will be seen that unregulated discharges of workers are discouraged; and that the Italian Government is prepared to subsidize Cassa Integrativa to enable employers to retain surplus labor. The date, 31 July, is shown as the period up to which the Italian Government will grant subsidies. Consideration will be given at a later date to the extension of subsidies, if necessary.

5. In the meantime, all possible steps will be taken to reduce surplus staffs, especially those who are engaged and retained for political reasons rather than for productive purposes. The employers' association and the Camera del Lavoro of Milan have already come to an agreement providing for the formation of a "waiting list" or "messa in aspettativa" of workers selected in agreement with the Internal Commission who would be relieved from the obligation to attend at their normal place of work, and whose pay would be reduced to 10 lire per day, plus family allowances, plus 16 lire per day unemployment pay for adult male workers and correspondingly lower benefits for other

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workers. This is cited as an example of arrangements which might be extended to other areas.

Arrangements will be developed for the transfer of worker to agriculture, reconstruction and other activities.

6. When arrangements for the regulation of the discharge of workers and the payment of unemployment benefits are complete, further instructions will be issued and a Decree prepared to take the place of CINA Ordinance No. 3. In the meantime the policy to be followed is to discourage large scale discharges of surplus workers.

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Director
Labor Sub-Commission

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Following signal received from IV CORPS and is forwarded for your information:

*Frontier ISUM Number 6 from IV CORPS to 5 ARMY to include 311000B it is confirmed that the 36 French Division is now relieving 1 IMI. Relief will not be completed before 8 June, French Liaison officer with this headquarters reports personnel 36 Division are ex FFI from southwest FRANCE. On 28 May Colonel JORDON Deputy Regional Commissioner of LIQUINIA accompanied the Regional Legal Officer and the Provincial Commissioner called on Colonel PIROT commanding the French troops in western IMPERIA regarding the establishment of Allied Military Government in that area. Colonel PIROT received them courteously but stated that he had not instructions to permit the establishment of Allied military and that he would have to communicate with General GENBAY who in turn would have to call DOYAN. It was however agreed by Colonel PIROT that in order to enable the Provincial Commissioner to comply with his orders that the proclamations would be posted but no further action could be taken pending the conference with General DOYAN. On 29 May Colonel JORDON and the others started to post the proclamations and on the way Colonel PIROT overtook them and said that he had tried to get a message to them during the night. Colonel PIROT then gave the Allied officers a message "That General DOYAN is unable to envisage a change in administration in west IMPERIA at this juncture. He has no such agreement with General TRUSCOTT. Any change now would appear to the

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Italians as a retreat on the part of his country."

The above signal number 1626 dated 31 May 45 was also sent to 5 ARMY attention
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TOBT organization in NORTHERN ITALY.

1. 5th Army report that above is strictly civilian organization and should not therefore be handled as surrendered military force.

2. Stated 3000 highly qualified technicians this organization available and organized ready for immediate employment in units. Formerly supervised 130,000 civilian laborers. Examples of units are:

A. 1 electrical unit capable of installing power plants, transmission lines, wiring, etc. Supplies for TOBT have been procured locally to the extent of about 1 billion Lire per month and large stockpiles are now under efficient control of the organization itself in about 30 dumps in NORTH ITALIAN ALPS.

B. 1 large water supply unit capable of installing pipelines, plumbing, purification installations, well drilling, etc.

C. Snow removal detail at MARIANO, which has elaborate organization and equipment for clearing roads in mountain passes and the PO Valley and has received a complete tire recapping installation which is not yet set up.

3. Suggestion made that as employment and control would be essentially civilian you should contact 5th Army and dispatch qualified technical and supervisory personnel to control and direct efforts this organization before disintegration begins.

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Coordinate with AFIS relative to stores of "controlled" classification.

In connection above pointed out that as officials of TOBT organization of grade of STABFROHFECHER and above (equivalent Major and above) are in category arrestable persons and necessary to segregate them and place them in custody before making use of rest of personnel of the organization.

For ALCON: Request after consultation 5th Army you report here your proposals with lists of units and top TOBT organization personnel you require.

For 5TH ARMY: Your 4403 of 25 May refers. Request you report your requirements by service and organization or individuals above your needs which might be of value to other major commands as supervisory personnel for German POW or Italian civilians, in furtherance of redeployment.

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21 May 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

My attention has been called to DLL No. 148 of 22 April 1945 appearing in the Gazzetta Ufficiale No. 51. This Decree provides in part that RDL 18B of 6 December 1943 shall become effective in the North immediately upon turnover to Italian Government unless previously made effective by Allied Military Government. This last Decree provides for the increase in wages of Government employees.

You are undoubtedly aware of the many conferences held between representatives of the Allied Commission and of your Government for the purpose of establishing a policy in the North which would prevent widespread inflation. As a result of these discussions it was formally agreed by representatives of both the Allied Commission and of your Ministers, and indeed was suggested by a representative of one of your Ministers, that Decrees providing for increases in wages or allowances should be excluded from implementation in the Northern Region until economic conditions were deemed to warrant their implementation.

It is a matter of some surprise to me therefore that DLL No. 148 was published. I feel sure that Your Excellency will agree that publication of this Decree might lead some people to believe that the economic policy adopted by the Allied Commission is a policy which is not supported by the Italian Government. I am certain that there was no intention of creating a misrepresentation and that the consequences were not foreseen or appreciated. I sincerely hope that your Excellency will insure that more care is taken in the preparation and enactment of these Decrees, particularly when no prior notice to the Allied Commission is given.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

APPROVED:

/s/ ~~David C. Sachs~~
~~DAVID C. SACHS~~
Deputy Director,
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His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
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SUBJECT : Administrative Instruction, NORTH ITALY.

TO : R.C. VENEZIA Region
" LOMBARDIA Region }
" PIEMONTE Region } Thru' AMG FIFTH Army.
" LIGURIA Region }
" EMILIA Region }

1. Copy No. of AFHQ letter AG 323/061 LOC-O dated 19 May 1945, defining the policy for the administration of forces in NORTH ITALY is forwarded herewith for information and guidance.

2. Please acknowledge.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Incl:
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SUBJECT: Administrative Instruction, NORTH ITALY.

TO: Commanding General, 15th Army Group, APO 777
Commanding General, Fifth Army, APO 464
Headquarters, Eighth Army
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394
General Officer Commanding, Number 1 District
General Officer Commanding, Number 2 District
Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 782

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21 MAY 1945

1. GENERAL

a. This instruction supersedes those contained in AFHQ letters AG 323/061 GDS-0, dated 3 April 1945, subject: "Occupation of Northeast Italy", and 9 April 1945, subject: "Occupation of Northeast Italy", which are hereby rescinded.

b. The instructions contained in AFHQ letters AG 323/061 GDS-0, dated 25 January 1945, subject: "Occupation of NW Italy", and 30 January 1945, subject: "Occupation of NW Italy", will continue in force except as modified in this instruction.

2. OBJECT - The object of this instruction is to define the policy for the administration of forces in NORTH ITALY.3. SCOPE OF THIS INSTRUCTION - For the purpose of this instruction NORTH ITALY is divided into:

a. NW ITALY comprising:

Compartimento of LIGURIA
Compartimento of PIEDMONTE
Compartimento of LOMBARDIA (less the Provincia of MANTOVA)
Provincia of PARMA) In the Compartimento of EMILIA
Provincia of PLACENZA)

Instructions referred to in paragraph 1 b above are modified accordingly.

b. US Corridor comprising:

Compartimento of VENEZIA TRIDENTINA
Provincia of VERONA (in the Compartimento of VENEZIA PROPRIA)
Provincia of MANTOVA (in the Compartimento of LOMBARDIA)
Provincia of REGGIO EMILIA) in the
Provincia of MODENA) Compartimento
That part of the Provincia of BOLOGNA WEST) of EMILIA
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c. NE ITALY comprising:

Compartimento of VENEZIA PROPRIA

d. VENEZIA GIULIA. 894. ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF ARMIES - Within their respective areas Fifth and Eighth Armies will be responsible for:

a. The administration of ground forces under their command and such maintenance of air forces located in the Army areas as is a ground force responsibility.

b. Civil administration and relief measures in conjunction with Army AMG organizations.

c. The execution of specific administrative tasks as given in succeeding paragraphs.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATIC HEADQUARTERSa. NW ITALY - Responsibilities and arrangements for administrative matters and military government at present in force will continue until a date to be notified by AFHQ. As from that date these responsibilities will be assumed as follows:

- (1) All supply and administrative matters for US forces as directed by Commanding General, MTOUSA.
- (2) Administration of British forces by Headquarters 2 District under direct command of AFHQ.
- (3) Military government by Headquarters Allied Commission. Headquarters 2 District will be the controlling agency as defined in Administrative Memorandum Number 11 of 24 January 1943.

b. US Corridor

- (1) Administration and military government will continue to be the responsibility of Fifth Army. At a date to be notified by AFHQ this responsibility for the whole or part of this territory will pass from Fifth Army to Headquarters 1 District and Headquarters Allied Commission respectively.
- (2) Supply responsibility in respect of US forces will be as directed by Commanding General, MTOUSA in accordance with normal administrative procedure.
- (3) During the period of Fifth Army's responsibility, such administration of British troops, as may be performed by a British headquarters, will be the responsibility of Headquarters 1 District.

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c. NE ITALY (OTHER THAN VENEZIA GIULIA)

- (1) As the Army rear boundary is progressively moved forward to the Italian frontier, administrative and military government responsibilities will be assumed by Headquarters 1 District and Headquarters Allied Commission respectively for areas behind this rear boundary with the exception of VENEZIA GIULIA.
- (2) Supply responsibility in respect of any US forces which may be located in the area will be as directed by CG MTOUSA.
- (3) Headquarters 1 District will be the controlling agency as defined in Administrative Memorandum Number 11 dated 24 January 1943.

d. VENEZIA GIULIA - Separate instructions will be issued regarding this Compartimento when it is no longer within the Eighth Army area.

e. Layout of Static Headquarters - Letter, this headquarters, AG 323/061 GCT-O, dated 19 April 1945 will be amended separately.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SURRENDERED ENEMY FORCES - Separate instructions will be issued.

7. DEVELOPMENT OF LINES OF COMMUNICATION

a. NW ITALY - British requirements will be supplied through GENOA. United States requirements will partly be supplied through GENOA and partly by road BOLOGNA-PLACENZA and later by rail when developed.

b. US Corridor - United States requirements will be supplied by rail and road BOLOGNA-OSTIGLIA-VERONA-BRENNER.

c. NE ITALY (less VENEZIA GIULIA) - Maximum use of rail capacity NORTH from BOLOGNA will be made, balance of requirements being met by sea through VENICE. Should there be US requirements in NE ITALY, the following general policy will obtain regarding the use of Lines of Communication.

- (1) United States supply requirements of items peculiar to US forces will be moved by rail and road NORTH from BOLOGNA.
- (2) The primary route for British requirements and United States common user requirements will be by sea through VENICE. 89

d. VENEZIA GIULIA - British and United States requirements will be provided through TRIESTE, supplemented as necessary by Lines of Communication given in 7 c above.

e. AUSTRIA - British requirements will be provided through VENICE and thence by rail and road through TARVISIO. An alternative Line of Communication through the BRENNER will also be developed. United States requirements will be provided through SOUTH GERMANY.

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8. PORTS**a. Import Requirements**

- (1) Maximum military and civil tonnage (exclusive of bulk fuels and coal) to be imported through VENICE and TRIESTE will be 6,500 tpd.
- (2) Of this figure, imports through TRIESTE will, as a temporary measure, be limited to 2,000 tpd.
- (3) VENICE will be developed to enable the full tonnage of 6,500 tpd to be handled if required.

b. VENICE

- (1) The port will be developed as a "seahead" to enable the tonnage given in sub-paragraph a (3) above to be discharged and cleared through it.
- (2) The opening and operation of the port will be a British responsibility in respect of all tonnages handled. Should it be necessary to handle substantial US tonnages the US may be called upon to give countervailing assistance and clearance at a port elsewhere in ITALY.
- (3) Responsibilities under (1) and (2) above will be those of AFHQ. The responsibility for initial preparations, as specifically directed by AFHQ, will be delegated to Headquarters Eighth Army.
- (4) AFHQ, in conjunction with Headquarters Eighth Army, US Headquarters concerned and FOTALLI will prepare the key plan. The Chairman of the Sitting Board, on which these authorities will be represented, will be provided by AFHQ.

c. TRIESTE - Eighth Army will be responsible for operating TRIESTE as a seahead to enable the tonnage given in sub-paragraph a (2) to be discharged and cleared through it. Should it be desired to increase this figure application will be made to AFHQ.

d. Allocation of resources between VENICE and TRIESTE - Initial preparations referred to at b (3) above will include the allocation of administrative resources at present designated for TRIESTE, between that port and VENICE, subject to adjustment by AFHQ when the Key Plan for VENICE is determined.

9. RAILWAYS - The priorities of railway construction, capacities and estimated dates of completion will be notified separately.

10. ROADS

a. Priority of repair and construction will be as follows:

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dtd 19 May 45 (Cont'd)(1) Eighth Army/1 District territory

First priority	VICENZA-TREVISO-UDINE with connection VENICE-TREVISO.
Second priority	FERRARA-PADUA-TRIESTE-PORTOGRUARO- MONFALCONE and UDINE.

(2) Fifth Army territory

First priority	BOLOGNA-OSTIGLIA-VERONA-VICENZA.
Second priority	VERONA-BRENNER.
Third priority	BOLOGNA-MODENA-PARMA.

b. The headquarters in whose territory the above roads are situated will be responsible for the repair and construction. If US assistance is allotted in the case of the first priority listed under paragraph a (1), separate instructions will be issued.

11. POL BULK STORAGE AND PIPELINES

a. Bulk storage facilities will be provided at VENICE to supply military and civil requirements. This will be the responsibility of AFHQ.

b. Pipeline construction will take place to provide the following:

- (1) Two 4-inch pipeheads, fed from ANCONA, one at ROVIGO and one at PADUA.
- (2) Two 4-inch pipeheads, fed from VENICE, at TREVISO.
- (3) One 4-inch pipehead, fed from LEGHORN, at MODENA.
One 4-inch pipehead, fed from LEGHORN, at BOLOGNA.
One 4-inch pipehead, fed from LEGHORN, at NOCERA.
- (4) As second priority to all above - extension of NOCERA pipeline to VERONA.

12. LAYOUT OF ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS

a. Advanced base installations, including hospitals, to serve forces in AUSTRIA will be located in AUSTRIA. These installations will not be established without authority from AFHQ.

b. No reserves will be held at TRIESTE. As a temporary measure only such facilities will be established as are necessary to meet the local needs of a corps of three divisions and to hold a ten (10) days maintenance stock of supplies for this force. These supplies and maintenance requirements of troops in the area will be held WEST of the ISONZO.

c. No reserves will be held at VENICE. Depots will be provided to allow for the handling of imports up to 5,000 tpd of US and British military stores, and for the holding of transit stocks up to a maximum of ten (10) days for troops supplied through VENICE.

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d. Separate instructions will be issued regarding the breakdown by nature of commodity, British and US, of the 5,000 tpd to be handled at VENICE.

13. MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE - Provisions of Administrative Memorandum Number 16 of 20 March 1945 will apply. Amplifying instructions regarding:

a. Allocation of tonnages through VENICE or TRIESTE while these ports are in Eighth Army area.

b. The procedure for demanding requirements of US forces under command of Eighth Army, will be issued later.

14. CIVIL SUPPLIES

a. Civil supplies will be made available to the civil population, except in VENEZIA GIULIA, on a scale sufficient to prevent unrest and disease. No civil supplies will be provided for VENEZIA GIULIA until instructions to do so are issued.

b. Within the Army areas Armies will be responsible, in conjunction with their attached AMG organizations, for the provision of such supplies.

c. Behind the Army rear boundaries the provision of civil supplies will be the responsibility of Headquarters Allied Commission.

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394

Ref: 564/EC.

5th May 1945.

AIDE MEMOIR FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON.

7 MAY 1945

LOCATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF
DISBANDED GERMAN ARMIES.

1. Accommodation.

DCCAO, 15th Army Group reports this morning that difficulties have arisen regarding the location of the disbanded German Armies between Route 9 and the PO Valley and that during the discussions a suggestion was considered that the Italian population should be evacuated from whatever area was arranged. General Haydeman, Commanding No.1 District, who expects eventually to have full responsibility for them, also mentioned to an AC officer that German troops would be billeted.

2. DCCAO has been instructed to take the line that before any suggestion of evicting the Italian population is considered the matter should be referred to the Chief Commissioner (CCAO). The idea of billeting is contrary to the administrative directive of 15th Army Group in which it is laid down that surrendered forces will "live in ~~with~~ whatever tentage they possess. Accommodation for surrendered troops will not in any case exceed bivouac scale. Houses will not be requisitioned for accommodation of the enemy, but buildings now occupied by enemy installations may be retained. Use of warehouses or other similar structures which are not required by the Allied Military or Allied Commission is authorised".

3. In view of the political situation in Northern Italy it is hoped that the reactions of the Italian population will be well considered before any decision is taken.

4. Judicial Procedure.

15th Army Group have also laid down that all crimes committed by disarmed enemy forces, at the discretion of the appropriate Allied Commander, may be tried in the Allied Military Government Courts, notwithstanding any powers of summary jurisdiction which may have been given to enemy commanders.

5. The Allied Commission have protested that AMG Courts have no jurisdiction to try such cases and consider that all such cases must be tried by Courts Martial established in accordance with Geneva convention. 15th Army Group do not agree and refuse to withdraw this instruction stating that AFHQ say there is no difficulty over jurisdiction.

6. Not only because of the juridical position but because the Allied Commission has not sufficient legal personnel to deal with such cases, it is strongly urged that the Allied Commission's views be upheld.

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Ref: 2201/EC.

5th May 1945.

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AIDE MEMOIR FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON.

DISPLACED PERSONS.

1. The implementation of AFHQ's instructions to Military Commanders to assist the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission in every way is being carried out most satisfactorily on the British side with regard to personnel. On the American side there is difficulty and at the moment no American personnel are forthcoming. It is hoped that instructions may be given to produce the necessary personnel from US combat units.

2. On both sides there will be difficulty with regard to transport and it is strongly recommended that an order be issued freezing the necessary amount of captured German transport for this work.

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Ref: 503/EC.

5th May 1945.

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AIDE MEMOIR FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON.

CHANGE TO PHASE II IN N. ITALY.

It is strongly recommended that, particularly in NW Italy, the change from Phase I to Phase II be effected as rapidly as possible. It is impossible for the civil administration of NW and NE Italy to be continued in present circumstances by one AMG Headquarters at each Army. In NE Italy this AMG Headquarters is already concerned with the advance into Austria. The Regional staffs are in position in all four Regions and it is essential for the proper functioning of civil administration that full delegation should be made by the Armies to the Regional Commissioners in order to make effective Allied Military Government by decentralisation.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

L/S.B/CA ✓

2 May 45

SUBJECT : Employment of Patriots.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

Reference your 573/49/EC dated 29 April.

This subject appears to be covered to the greatest practical extent by

- (a) 94/PAT of 7 Apr. *IMPR will make arrangements for the absorption of Patriots into employment through Labour Organisations of the Army or any civilian Labour Organisation that may be available. District will give priority of employment to all genuine patriots. The civilian occupation of all patriots is to be noted in the centre records.
- (b) LSC/116 of 20 Mar directs that at each Patriot Centre a Labour Office should attend for the specific purpose of registering patriots for civil employment.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 594

Ref: 501/76/52.

1st May 1945.

SUBJECT: ALC Policy - Northern Italy.

7 - MAC 1945

TO : DCCAO, 15th Army Group. (2)
SCAO, AMB 5th Army. (10)
SCAO, AMB 8th Army. (10)
Regional Commissioner, LIGURIA Region. (25)
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" " " " VENEZIA Region. (75)
" " " " EMILIA Region. (43)
" " " " TOSCANA Region. (43)

1. I think it may be helpful to explain the policy of the Allied Commission which regards to Allied Military Government in newly liberated (Northern) Italy in the light of the conditions which we are finding at present.
2. While it is still the intention of the Supreme Allied Commander to set up Allied Military Government in the whole of Northern Italy, the application of Government must be regulated in accordance with circumstances.
3. The outstanding successes of the patriots in liberating their towns from Nazis and fascists, the good administration, according to initial reports, set up by the CLN's, the execution of Mussolini and many of his accomplices, and the surer, in some cases to the patriots, of a great bulk of the German forces, make a review of our policy necessary.

4. The greatest delegation possible should be made to the Italian authorities who will, in many cases, be members of the CLN's. At the same time every effort should be made to impress upon the people and the authorities that Allied Military Government is the temporary forerunner of the Italian Government, and that Allied Military Government is working in the closest cooperation with that Government at the Headquarters of this Commission.

5. We may well be approaching in Northern Italy a state of affairs somewhat similar to what was found in France, and it should be our endeavour to help the Italians to make of Italy one administrative entity, and to allow them to take over the management of their own affairs as early as possible.

6. The conditions at present prevailing, both political and economic, indicate the probability of a rapid transition from Allied Military Government to Italian Government.

7. The implementation of this policy will not be easy. The greatest tact, the greatest patience will be necessary. We should all remember that it is for the Italians to determine their own destiny, and that military government in circumstances prevailing now is necessary only for the protection of Allied troops and installations. A light rein with a firm hand should be the order of the day.

8. Above all, we must remember that it is our duty to administer rather than to interfere in the political future of Italy.

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TO : SOGAG, 15th Army Group.

SOAG, AF 5th Army.

SOAG, AF 38th Army.

Regional Commissioner,

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LIMBIA Region.

PIEMONTE Region.

LOMBARDIA Region.

VENETIE Region.

EMILIA Region.

TOSCANA Region.

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Walter W. Stone

WALTER W. STONE

Rear Admiral, USN

Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

29 APR. 1945

Ref: 573/49/EC.

29 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Employment of Patriots.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. I refer to your letter 4/8.B/CA dated 25 April 1945, subject 'Future Policy in N. Italy'.

2. The point has been raised as to the arrangements for absorbing Patriots into civil employment. I understand that among the details which are recorded when a Patriot enters a Centre is his occupation and it is important that this information is not wasted. The officer in charge of each Centre must establish contact with local labour offices or large employers so that no opportunity of placing unemployed patriots is lost.

3. If this point is not already covered in your directives I should be glad if you would give it emphasis.

M. S. Lush

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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28 April 1945

21 APR 1945

SUBJECT : Approved Press Plan for Northern Italy.

TO : Brig. Upjohn, Civil Affairs Section.

1. On instructions from the Executive Commissioner we are attaching herewith a copy of the P.W.B. Press Plan for Northern Italy which has been approved by AFHQ on recommendation from the Allied Commission and the Allied Publications Board.

Circulate all S/C.

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Approved for
G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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20 April 1945

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE DIVISION

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SPAIN PLAN FOR NORTHERN ITALY

1. This Press Plan for Northern Italy supersedes all previous instructions. Responsibility for carrying out this Press Plan lies with P.W.D. 15th Army Group, through T.W.B. Chief Press Officer, in conformity with A.H.Q. directives, but subject to 15th Army Group Military Command and in strict cooperation with A.C. and Allied Publications Board.
2. Suppression of Fascist Papers. On entering a newly liberated town or area, all newspapers and other periodicals of Fascist creation or papers identified with Fascist leaders, such as Farinacci's "Regime Fascista" of Cremona, will be suppressed and not allowed to re-appear.
3. Combat Team Information Sheet. EWP Combat Teams will issue "Combat Team Information Sheet" as an emergency news and information sheet. The content, all content and duration of these Combat Team papers will be on the initiative and at the discretion of EWP Combat Teams with the respective armies, acting under General EWP 15th Army Group instructions. In addition to news, they will carry A.C. and Army press releases, as required. The personnel of such papers form a part of EWP 15th Army Group.
4. Treatment of Clandestine Press. Newspapers and other periodicals favorable to the Allied cause and publishing clandestinely prior to Allied liberation may continue to publish openly, keeping their secret identity in general, subject to P.W.D. 15 in the case of initials, on the following conditions:
 - (a) Application for a provisional permit (see para. 11) must be made within seven days of the Military Government's proclamation.
 - (b) All papers must be subject to military censorship (see para. 14).Lists of the more important clandestine papers, known to be in existence in each region prior to Allied entry, will be supplied to the C.I.C. of A.C. by the Chief Press Officer P.W.D.
5. Non-Fascist Papers. Non-Fascist papers (if any) and papers of a technical nature may wish to continue publication on the same provisional permit conditions, subject to military needs.

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3. Combat Team Information Sheet. PWP Combat Teams will issue "Combating Alliances" as an emergency news and information sheet. The content, allocation and iteration of these Combat Team papers will be on the initiative and at the discretion of PWP Combat Teams with the respective armies, acting under general PWP 15th Army Group instructions. In addition to news, they will carry JMO and Army proclamations, as required. The personnel of such papers form a part of PWP 15th Army Group.
4. Treatment of Collaborating Press. Newspapers and other publications favorable to the Allied cause and publishing clandestinely prior to Allied liberation may continue to publish openly, keeping their periodicity in general, subject to para. 10 in the case of leaflets, on the following conditions.
 - (a) Application for a provisional permit (see para. 11) must be made within seven days of the Military Government's proclamation.
 - (b) All papers must be subject to military censorship. (see para. 14).
 Lists of the more important clandestine papers, known to be in existence in each region prior to Allied entry, will be supplied to the G.H.Q. of AHC by the Chief Press Officer, PWB.
5. Non-Fascist Papers. Non-Fascist papers (if any) and papers of a technical nature may apply to continue publication on the same provisional permit conditions, subject to military censorship.
6. New Papers. Papers other than the ex-ordinations ones referred to in paragraph 4 may submit applications for provisional permits to publish.

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7. Pre-Fascist Papers. Papers with a pre-Fascist history, which had, however, been taken over and run as Fascist periodicals, will be suspended on Allied entry, pending the appointment of a Commission by the Anglo-American Commission. As soon as the Commission can show that suspension is complete, these papers will be allowed to re-appear under their own and historic titles, but as independent non-party information sheets. If the Italian Commission considers it necessary or in the interest of the community, a committee is made by responsible elements of the community, a committee of three will be appointed on the Commission in a consultative capacity. The papers will conform to all economic and other restrictions imposed by wartime conditions on the press as a whole.

Any profits accruing will be frozen by the Commission who will retain control until the war is returned to Italian administration. Question of ownership and eventual political control will then be settled in accordance with provisions to be laid down by the Italian Government, which has agreed that none of these papers will be returned to the control of Fascist owners.

8. PWE Information Papers. As freedom of the Press automatically excludes the rights of the Allies to impose their own information directives or policy on Italian citizens, the Allies will reserve their own channel by means of openly declared Allied news sheets which may be published in the Italian language at the following centers: BOLOGNA, MILAN, TURIN, GENOA, VERONA, TRIESTE. These papers will be Italian-owned and administered, but all Italian articles, comments and general layout will follow PWE directives. PWE will furnish paper, ink and other essential supplies. In no case will articles or comments be signed or their editorial writers.

These information papers will rank as operational periodicals, which may be censored up or closed down by the Allied Publications Board without consultation or reference to any Italian commercial or proprietary interest other than formal notification of the decision taken by the Allied Publications Board. Each of these newspapers will be called "Corriere" with an indication of the region it serves (e.g., "Corriere Emiliano" in Bologna). The phrase "Corriere" will appear as part of the masthead. In cases where PWE editorial control is brought to an end, provision will be made for the cancellation of the titles of these papers.

PWE will print out wall news bulletins as required, also marked "Corriere PWE" as part of the masthead.

9. C.M.I. In order to prevent discrimination among applicants and to help towards the equitable distribution of available

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information sheets. If the Regional Commissioner considers it necessary or if it is requested by the Regional Commissioner, it shall be made by responsible elements of the community, a committee of three will be appointed to the Commission in a consultative capacity. The papers will conform to all economic and other restrictions imposed by wartime conditions on the press as a whole.

Any profits accruing will be frozen by the Commissioner who will retain control until the area is returned to Italian administration. Question of ownership and eventual political control will then be settled in accordance with procedures to be laid down by the Italian Government, which has agreed that none of these papers will be returned to the control of Fascist owners.

8. Press Information Papers. As a result of the Press International-ly excludes the rights of the Allies to impose their own information directives or action on Italian editors, the Allies will reserve their own channel by means of openly declared Allied news sheets which may be published in the Italian language in the following centers: BOLOGNA, MILAN, TURIN, GENOA, VENICE, TRIESTE. These papers will be Italian-owned and administered, but all Italian articles, comments and general layout will follow PWB directives. PWB will furnish paper, ink and other operational supplies. In no case will articles or comments be signed by their editorial writers.

These information papers will rank as operational notifications, which may be opened up or closed down by the Allied Publications Board without obligation or reference to any Italian commercial or proprietary interest other than formal notification of the division taken by the Allied Publications Board. Each of these newspapers will be called "Corriere" with an indication of the region it serves (e.g., "Corriere Emiliano" in BOLOGNA). The phrase "a cura del PWB" will appear as part of the masthead. In cases where PWB editorial control is brought to an end, provision will be made for the cancellation of the titles of these papers.

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10. Design and Facilities. With reference to paragraphs 4, 5, 6 and 7 and with reference to the publication of newspapers in general prior to the restoration of the Northern areas to Italian jurisdiction, all daily papers everywhere should be information sheets only (all party or no party) and party papers should be weeklies. However, if the local Committees of National Liberation recommend that party organs be allowed as leaflets and provided such arrangements are approved by AMG, Allied Publications Board will judge the matter of publication solely from the point of view of newspaper availability. It is recognized that MILAN and TURIN present special problems in this regard and that if the local Committees of National Liberation ask for party leaflets, such requests would receive consideration provided that it were possible to supply the necessary newspaper.

11. Provisional Permits. In Army forward areas provisional permits will normally be issued through the PWB Press Officer, subject to the right of the AMG Officer at Army HQ and the C.A.C. AMG (as soon as he shall begin to function) to authorize such publications as he may consider necessary within the framework of this plan.

Such provisional permits are at all times subject to suspension or withdrawal by order of the Military Governor.

12. Allied Publications Board. As soon as conditions permit, Allied Publications Board will set up Regional Boards to which all applications for permits will thereafter be made. Provisional permits granted in accordance with the preceding paragraph will be referred to these Regional Boards for action by Allied Publications Board. In allotting newspaper to the ex-communicating and other early applicants, Allied Publications Regional Boards will take into account the requirements of the non-party papers referred to in paragraph 7.

13. Finance and Management. With the exception of PWB's responsibility for the combat "Corriere Alliance" publications, neither PWB nor AMG will concern themselves with the financial or administrative side of newspapers or other periodicals. In the case of the PWB information papers referred to in paragraph 8, Italian groups will be financially and administratively responsible, PWB confining itself to editorial control and supply of operational necessities, such as paper and ink.

14. Military Censorship. Military censorship is essential. No permits will be considered or allowed unless military censorship control on the spot can be guaranteed and sustained.

In the large cities (BOLOGNA, MILAN, TURIN, GENOA, VERONA, TRIESTE) AMG Press Censorship Offices will be established

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In localities other than those mentioned above, censorship will be exercised by responsible persons designated by AMG Provincial Commissioners. These censors will act in accordance with military censorship directives laid down by AFHQ, which will be furnished by FVB Combat Team Press Officers. Liaison between AMG Press censors in large cities and AMG-nominated Censors in other localities should be established and maintained.

15. Circulation Proviso. No party or other newspapers published outside the 15th Army Group area will be allowed to enter any point within the said area without the specific approval of the Military Commander on recommendation from FVB.

16. Paper Stocks. As each town or area is entered by the Allied troops, every stockholder of newspaper or flatbed paper will be required by FVB Printing Officer to declare what stocks and resources he has in hand and to what purpose they are being used.

17. News Service. FVB will provide on demand a free Italian language news service, special articles, maps and photographs, to all authorized publications within the limits of whatever communications exist or may be established. No other news or photographic service will be permitted to operate in the Army Group area until such time as the Allied Commission permits the resumption of normal commercial news and picture distribution.

UNITED PRESS INC. DOCUMENTS
 Proprietary Information

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Draft Standard Agreement for P.W.B. Editorially
 controlled newspapers in North Italy.

Any Contract between P.W.B. and "The Company" Publishing House (hereinafter called "The Company") will contain the following clauses together with such others as may be considered necessary to meet special individual cases at the discretion of the Local Press Officer. Such contract should be initiated and put into immediate effect by the Local Press Officer. If there is any additional clause, the contract must be initiated also by the Chief Press Officer. In any event all contracts, when agreed upon between the Press Officer and the Company, will be forwarded to the Chief Press Officer for transmission to the Director of P.W.B.

Article I. The Company agrees to print, publish and circulate "Corriere..." a course del P.W.B. and also to place its technical, machine and other personnel at the disposition of the said "Corriere..." with precedence over all other non-military publications of the Company. Each number will carry prominently displayed as an "op" beside the title "a course del PWB."

Article II. The title "Corriere..." is the property of PWB and ceases when the paper stops publication on the orders of PWB. Under no circumstances may the title of this paper be adopted or revised by any Italian group after the cessation of its publication by the Allies.

Article III. PWB reserves the right of appointing the responsible editor and chief sub-editor which the Company is to employ for the "Corriere..."

Article IV. The Company will assist PWB in ensuring that the responsible editor and the chief sub-editor form an editorial staff such as may be required for the proper conduct of the "Corriere..." from the moment it is compromised by Fascism and always subject to the approval of PWB.

any contract between P.W.B. and "X" Publishing House (hereinafter called "the Company") will contain the following clauses together with such others as may be considered necessary to meet special individual cases at the discretion of the Local Press Officer. Such contract should be initialed and put into immediate effect by the Local Press Officer. If there is any additional clause, the contract must be initialed also by the Chief Press Officer. In any event all contracts, when agreed upon between the Press Officer and the Company, will be forwarded to the Chief Press Officer for transmission to the Director of P.W.B.

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Article II. The title "Corriere..." is the property of PWB and ceases when the paper stops publication on the day of PWB. Under no circumstances may the title of this paper be adopted or revived by any Italian group after the cessation of its publication by the Allies.

Article III. PWB reserves the right of appointing the responsible editor and chief sub-editor which the Company is to employ for the "Corriere..."

Article IV. The Company will assist PWB in seeing that the responsible editor and the chief sub-editor form an editorial staff such as may be required for the proper conduct of the "Corriere..." from its commencement until its termination and always subject to the approval of PWB.

Article V. "Corriere..." will be under the editorial direction of PWB. It is PWB's intention to carry straight news and to present to Italians Allied ways of life and thought in war and in peace. The "Corriere..."

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will be held to further the policy of APMQ. It will present an objective picture of Italian internal affairs and will not participate in Italian party conflicts.

Article VI. Control of circulation figures, layout and design of advertising accepted will rest with PWT, with the reservation that circulation and layout will be governed by the amount of newsprint and transport available for the press in general and that a last one-column or advertisement per issue is available to the Company if desired.

Article VII. All advertising, circulation and other revenues will belong to the Company.

Article VIII. The Company will bear all salary, printing, paper and overhead costs.

Article IX. The Company hereby agrees to hold PWT and its individual staff free and harmless and to indemnify them against any claims of action that may arise from this transaction.

Article X. PWT shall have the right to terminate the publication at any time.

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Ref: 573/9/AM.

26 April 1945.

Subject: Italian Policy in North Italy.To: G-5 Section, AMHQ.
(Attn: Deputy Asst. Chief of Staff)

21 APR 1945

Reference your TBM/TAS/333r of 23 April, the following are the answers of this Commission to the questions set out in the Appendix to the paper G-5 20/5 of 23 April, subject as above.

PART I - POLITICAL

1. The Italian Government, which includes the Minister for Occupied Territory, will be allowed no official position in Northern Italy until such time as the territory is handed over to its control. This does not preclude the Government from expressing its views through the Allied Commission, nor from making contacts with the North under the control of the Commission.
2. No political recognition will be given to the Patriot Movement. GIB, when cooperative, will be accepted in an advisory capacity.
3. AMB officers are being instructed to accept the advice of GIB whenever possible.
4. Whenever possible, agreement between AMB and the GIB will be obtained. The Italian Government will not be consulted, but may be asked to furnish officials who may thereafter be required by AMB.
5. It is not intended to disband the GIBAI or the GIB in Milan or anywhere else. They will be allowed to remain in existence to give any advice that AMB authorities may desire to seek from them. Should they fail to cooperate or insist on being executive, they will be ignored.
6. Such police will be regarded in the same way as any other Patriots. They may, if necessary, be employed as AMB police.
7. In all cases Carabinieri will be screened and, subject to ceiling restrictions, reengaged if found acceptable. If not acceptable, no further action against them will be taken on the mere score of service. If positive information is available to indicate that they are a danger to security they will be disposed of as POW.
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 11. Yes, under strict control of Allied Commission, advised by AMF, and censored by FBI.

PART II - ADMINISTRATIVE

1. (a) Food.

Stockpiles are available ready for immediate movement into the North to provide an impact ration on the following scale:

Wheat/Flour	-	100	grams of bread per capita per day
		(except Liguria = 200 grams)	
Sugar	-	125	grams per capita per month
Fats	-	200	" " " " "
Salt	-	100	" " " " "

Food stocks found locally in the North will be used to supplement this scale.

(b) Transport.

In the event of full occupation taking place over a period of two months, Allied Commission will be unable fully to meet its commitments in the movement of civil supplies which are planned to be imported. If the full occupation takes three months or longer, transportation available will probably be sufficient to meet minimum requirements. The situation would be completely changed if the Germans capitulate. In this case it is anticipated that port facilities and railways would be available for use after a short period.

(c) Distribution.

Distribution will be made down to provincial centres by military transport already allocated. Below these centres distribution will be made under Allied control through the media of the Consorzi Agrari and the existing SMERAL (Servizio Provinciale Alimentazione) using indigenous transport.

2. As soon as operations will permit, the Regional engineer officers will assist and advise the electrical companies, water supply authorities and other utilities regarding rehabilitation. Utilities depend mainly on electricity supply, and in order to restore the electricity services as quickly possible arrangements have been made for 6 officers who are already engineers, formed into two teams, to be available to move into any part of N. Italy.

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3. Initially AMG will carry in medical supplies. When practicable the Italian distributing agency, IMIEMA, will take over this task. Medical services will be established in the normal way in AMG territory, working through the Notizie Provinciali.
4. Patriots will be given the chance of enlisting in the Italian Army. The Allied Armies have undertaken to give Patriots priority in the matter of work. These matters will be arranged at Patriot Centres.
5. If the question relates to the relationship between the Lira and US yellow seal dollars or the ERM pound, the rate of exchange defining this relationship is contained in Proclamation No.2. It is likely that this procedure will be followed throughout N. Italy, but it is considered undesirable to make a flat statement that there will not be an alteration in the exchange rate. If, on the other hand, the question refers to the value of the Lira expressed in purchasing power, the proposals to secure this are contained in AG signal 5920 of 24 April, setting out the plan for the economic barrier between North and South (vide answer to next question).
6. AG signal 5920 of 24 April (copy enclosed).

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1. Suggest G-3 answer.
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4. Patriots are to be disbanded as a military responsibility and their demobilisation and return to civil life after this is a matter for AMG in conjunction with the Ministry of Occupied Italy. The full details of this process are contained in Patriot Directive Ref: 94/PAT of 7 April 1945. Individuals wishing to join the Italian Army are to be screened by recruiting agencies set up by IMIA. Other than the 5 Reconnaissance Battalions at present being formed, it is not the policy of IMIA to recruit any groups, but to take suitable individuals into the Italian Army.
5. The present arrangements for the future care of demobilised Patriots are satisfactory, subject to the approval of the Combined Chiefs of Staff being given to this Commission's request for sufficient food and clothing to be made available. It is considered essential that this authority be given, as Patriots may otherwise get out of hand and be a threat to law and order.
6. The ceiling laid down by the Combined Chiefs of Staff completely limits the intake to the Italian Army. It is, however, anticipated that by the process of reduction of the older elements in the Italian Army it will be possible to absorb an intake of approximately 1000 individuals per month under the present ceiling.

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 10. Leaders of Political Parties in Liberated Italy might well be allowed to make such announcements; they must, however, be subject to prior scrutiny by the appropriate Allied authority.
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 12. do.
 13. (a) For the Italian Army MIA have in existence 8 screening agencies available to work in N. Italy, whose purpose is to recruit men for the Italian Army within the limits of the ceiling.
(b) For the Italian Navy there is no special recruiting agency set up for disbanded patriots.
(c) For the Italian Air Force arrangements have been made to establish recruiting centres for disbanded patriots in N. Italy on existing aerodromes and Air Force establishments.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

W/S.B/CA

25th April, 1945

SUBJECT: Future Policy in North Italy.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference G-3 20/5 of 21 April 1945 under the above heading.

2. PART I - POLITICAL.

Questions under this heading have been given consideration and the following comments are made:

Q.1 The Italian Government, which includes the Minister for Occupied Territory, will be allowed no official position in Northern Italy until such time as the territory is handed over to its control. This does not preclude the Government from expressing its views through the Allied Commission, nor from making contacts with the North under the control of the Commission.

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3. With regard to PART II - ADMINISTRATIVE and PART III - MILITARY questions are for the consideration of Log Plans and G-3 Plans respectively. However, it is thought that the following comments may be of some assistance.

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A. D. Bonham-Carter, Lt. Col.
CSO Civil Affairs Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH.

25th April, 1945

Reference: 94/PAT

To : Civil Affairs Section

Subject : Future Policy, North Italy.

Reference your 4/83/CA dated 24th April 1945.

1. In answering the questions in Part 3 of JGV/wm/PLANS dated 21st April, which was attached to your above quoted reference, it is pointed out that Part 3 MILITARY has been passed to G3 Plans for the answers. This Sub Commission can only answer these questions in part as many of them refer to Operational Plans which are unknown to this section at present. The answers as far as they can be made, are as follows:

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The ceiling laid down by the Combined Chiefs of Staff completely limits the intake to the Italian Army. It is, however, anticipated that by the process of reduction of the older elements in the Italian Army it will be possible to absorb an intake of approximately 1000 individual soldiers per month under the present ceiling.

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This Commission does not propose to give any special recognition to the Patriot Movement by appointment of officers and NCOs etc. to the Italian Army, except in individual cases of regular officers now organising Patriot Bands; but no doubt the Italian Ministry of War will continue their services. The commissioning of officers is entirely a matter for the Italian Ministry of War. To this end a Special Commission has been instituted by the Ministry of War with representatives of the Ministry of Occupied Italy, who will examine the applications of those now serving in Patriot Bands and decide upon their merit for the grant of army ranks. These are limited: (i) by the ceiling and (ii) in grade, up to the rank of Lt. Colonel.

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R. R. Cripps
R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel,
Director,
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
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25 April, 1945.

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AC/14025/PS

SUBJECT : Future Policy in North Italy.

TO : VP., CA Section. *12*

1. Reference to your 4/80/CA dated 24 April 1945 and G-3, 20/5 of 21 April.

2. Public Safety Sub-Commission has neither comments nor suggestions on the answers as prepared. In connection with the answer to question 7 please see AC 303.6/121 CBI-0 dated 6 March 1945, para 2 d.

John W. Chapman

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

C O P Y

AG 383.6/121 GBI-0

6 March 1945

SUBJECT : Disposal of Present and Former Members of the Republican
Fascist Armed Forces Captured by the Allies.

TO : All Concerned.

1. In accordance with the policy approved by the combined Chiefs of Staff, all Italians serving in the Republican Fascist Armed Forces who fall into the hands of the Allies, either during operations or behind our lines, wearing either uniform or a fixed distinctive emblem within the terms of the Hague Convention respecting the Laws and Customs of War on Land, will be treated as enemy prisoners of war.

2. This policy applies not only to personnel of the Republican Fascist Army, Navy and Air Force, but also to such forces as "The Black Brigades" (Brigate Nere) and "National Republican Guard" (Guardia Nazionale Repubblicana) with the exception that members of the GNR drawn from the CC.RR. (Carabinieri Reale) will be treated in accordance with paragraph 3 (d) below.

3. Italians who are encountered in the course of our advance will fall into one of the following classes :

a. Members of the enemy armed forces in uniform. These will be disposed of as military prisoners of war.

b. Men who, although unarmed and in civilian clothes are found on investigation to have been members of the enemy armed forces at the time when they were over run. These will also be disposed of as military prisoners of war.

c. Civilians - including those who are able to prove that, either by dismissal or desertion, they had already ceased to be members of the enemy armed forces at the time they were over run. These will only be arrested if they are considered to be a danger to security in which case they will be disposed of as civilian internees.

d. CC.RR. personnel will normally be instructed to report to the nearest AMG Public Safety Officer, who will arrange for them to proceed to the appropriate CC.RR. reception centre where they will be screened. These centres are at present located at ROME (for officers) and FLORENCE (for enlisted men). Any information which FSP/CIC may obtain concerning such members which would assist the screening officers at the reception centres in deciding how to deal with them, should be passed to the nearest Public Safety Officer. If no Public Safety Officer is readily available, it would be of assistance to AMG if such CC.RR. personnel were despatched to the reception centre concerned. CC.RR. personnel will only be arrested if positive information is obtained indicating that they will probably present a danger to Allied security if left at liberty. In that case they will be disposed of as military prisoners of war.

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4. In order to ensure that such persons who have the status of military prisoner of war are not mistaken for civilian internees, even though they may be wearing civilian clothes, it is important that their escort should be provided with a nominal roll of all prisoners of war in civilian clothes stating they are to be treated as prisoners of war because they have been identified as members of the enemy armed forces and adding when possible, the unit or organization to which they belonged. This document should be clearly distinguishable from the arrest report used for civilian internees.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER :

/s/ R.H. Frese

R. H. FRESE
Captain, AOD

1st Adjutant General

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12 March 1945

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Colonel, J.A.G.D.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/6/12/LG.

Tel: 620.

SUBJECT: Future Policy in North Italy.

25th April, 1945.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

Reference your memorandum of 24th April 4/6B/CA, the following are the comments and suggestions of the Local Government Sub-Commission on the local government phase of the proposed answers:

PART I - POLITICAL

- Q.4. The question of the part to be played by the Italian Government in connection with the appointments has been raised again in a conversation between the Chief Commissioner and the Prime Minister. However, the position ^{up to the date} ~~to date~~ may be expressed as follows:-

Wherever possible, agreement between AMG and the CLN will be obtained. The Italian Government will not be consulted but may be asked to furnish officials who may thereafter be required by AMG.

It is however under consideration.

- Q.5. The old directive on the CLN provided for the dissolution of the CLN by the PC if the CLN persisted in attempting to act in an executive capacity after being warned to desist. If necessary, the assistance of the local Military Commander could be secured for this purpose. Reference will have to be made to the directive which is shortly to be issued in order to ascertain whether that provision is still retained. If it is, the answer to the question should read as follows:-

It is not intended to disband the CLNAI or the CLN. They will be allowed to remain in existence to give any advice that AMG authorities may desire to seek from them. Should they fail to cooperate or insist on being executive, they will be ignored. [As a last resort, to be adopted in cases of absolute necessity, the PC may dissolve the CLN. If necessary the PC may, subject to the concurrence of the SCAO or RC ask the local Military Commander to assist him for this purpose.]

- Q.9. The reference to AC Executive Memorandum should be 67 and not 77.

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Director,
Local Government Sub-Commission.

ALLIANCE ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Public Health Sub-Commission

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PH/PSS/mte
25 April, 1945

AC/3176/1/24

SUBJECT: - Future Policy in North Italy.

TO : - VP, CA Section. — (1w)

1. Reference your 4/28/CA of 2 April, 1945, above subject.
2. This Sub-Commission offers no comments but suggests that your answer to Q.3, Part II, Administrative be amended by adding after the word "may" and before the comma in the 3rd line this phrase "applicable to AND territory".

For Brigadier G. S. PARKINSON:

Paul S. Savage
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Major Spec Res.,
Executive Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

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24 April 1945.

SUBJECT : Future Policy in North Italy.

TO : CA Sec. (13)

25 APR 1945

1. Ref your letter 4/8B/CA dated 24 April 45.
2. I have no comments on the text of your 4/8B/CA of 24 April save to suggest that in reply to QQ 9 and 10 AFHQ might be referred to the comprehensive memorandum recently submitted.

W. E. Behrens

W. E. BEHRENS,
Colonel,
Deputy Chief Legal Advisor.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

438/CA

24th April, 1945.

SUBJECT: Future Policy in North Italy.

TO: Legal Sub-Commission ✓
Public Health Sub-Commission ✓
Public Safety Sub-Commission ✓
Local Government Sub-Commission ✓
Patriots Branch ✓

1. Attached is copy of G-3 20/5 of 21 April under the above heading.
2. The following answers to questions have been drafted by this Section :

PART I - POLITICAL

- Q.1 The Italian Government, which includes the Minister for Occupied Territory, will be allowed no official position in Northern Italy until such time as the territory is handed over to its control. This does not preclude the Government from expressing its views through the Allied Commission, nor from making contacts with the North under the control of the Commission.
- Q.2 No political recognition will be given to the Patriot Movement. OLN, when co-operative, will be accepted in an advisory capacity.
- Q.3 AMG Officers are being instructed to accept the advice of OLN whenever possible.
- Q.4 The Italian Government will not be consulted. Wherever possible agreement between AMG and OLN will be obtained.
- Q.5 It is not intended to disband OLNAI or OLN. Should they fail to co-operate or insist on being executive, they will be ignored. Attempts to disband are considered as unlikely to be successful, and also most undesirable.
- Q.6 Such police will be regarded, as any other Patriots. They may, if necessary, be employed as AMG police.
- Q.7 In all cases Carabinieri will be screened and, subject to ceiling restrictions, re-engaged if found acceptable. If not acceptable, no further action against them will be taken on the mere score of service. If positive information is available to indicate that they are a danger to security they will be disposed of as POW.
- Q.8 Yes.
- Q.9 Epuration will be carried out by AMG Officers (AC EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM 47) and the posting of General Orders 35 and 35a. Ultimately, DLL.159 will be implemented.

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Q.10 Persons found under arrest will, if charged with collaboration, be brought before Special Courts to be established for that purpose. These Courts are set up by a Decree which will be implemented at once, and will consist of a judge with four laymen chosen from a list submitted by CIN.

✓ Q.11 Yes, under strict control of Allied Commission, advised by AFHQ.
✓ and advised by PNA.

PART II - ADMINISTRATIVE.

Q.3 Initially AMG will carry in medical supplies. When practicable the Italian distributing Agency, ENDIMEA, will take over this task. Medical services will be established in the normal way of working through the Medico Provinciale. *(in AMG territory)*

Q.4 Patriots will be given the chance of enlisting in the Italian Army. The Allied Armies have undertaken to give Patriots priority in the matter of work. These matters will be arranged at Patriot Centres.

3. Sub-Commissions are requested to submit to this Section, by 1000 hrs. Wednesday 25 April, 1945, their comments and suggestions on the above proposed answers.

4. Will Patriots Branch please draft replies to questions under PART III - MILITARY.

R.
/s/ A.D. Bonham-Carter, Lt. Col.
CSO Civil Affairs Section.

Absent on duty.

Encl:

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G-3 DIVISION

21 April 1945

SUBJECT: Future Policy in North ITALY.

MEMO TO: G-1 G-4 (B)
G-2 Log Plans
G-3 Ops G-5
G-3 Sp Ops SOM
G-3 Org (A) C-in-C Med
G-3 Org (B) MAAP
G-4 (A) US Polad
G-4 Plans Res Min

For info to: SACs

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2. The attached list, which is intended to be illustrative rather than comprehensive, sets out various matters on which policy has either been decided already, or will be required. General and Special Staff Sections are requested to examine this list, and to forward the appropriate information or their comments, as under:

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On Part II - ADMINISTRATIVE - to Log Plans, copy to G-4 Plans
On Part III - MILITARY - to G-3 Plans

In all cases, consideration must be given to two possible eventualities:

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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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APPENDIX

PART I - POLITICAL

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2. What political recognition, if any, do we propose to give to the patriot movement?
3. What precise instructions are being given as to the selection of Italian minor officials, from Prefect downwards, who are to operate under AMG officers and to what extent are the nominees of CINAI to be acceptable for civic appointments?
4. Are these appointments to be agreed mutually between the Italian Government, CINAI and AMG?
5. Is it intended to require the disbandment of CINAI to in MILAN and of the local Committees in liberated towns and areas? If so, to what extent will AMG be prepared in principle to confirm administrative arrangements made by CINAI for an interim period?
6. To what extent, if any, will AMG recognise partisan police found mounting guard over important points or engaged in preserving order?
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 - c) Served as police in E.O.F.?
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9. What are plans for epuration, having regard to the very bitter feelings in the north due to the concentration of Fascists and their ill behaviour? Will a system of protective arrest be necessary?
10. What will be AMG's attitude to arrests already made by CINAI?
11. Should leaders of political parties in liberated ITALY be allowed to make announcements which might assist in the preservation or order in the North?

PART II - ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Is the amount of food and transport available for import to North ITALY sufficient, and what are the plans for distribution? What is estimated ration scale to begin with?
2. What are the plans regarding electric power and water in populated areas?
3. What are the plans for medical services and supplies?
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6. What is the plan for the economic barrier between the north and south?

PART III - MILITARY.In eventuality a. i.e. the continuance of military operations:

1. What precise role is foreseen for the patriot bands?
2. Under whose orders are they to operate in territory still held by the Germans?
3. What formations are to be available within any territory occupied by us to operate in conjunction with our troops?
4. What arrangements are made as territory is occupied for the demobilisation of patriots or their enlistment into the Italian Army either as individuals or as groups?
5. Are we satisfied with the present arrangements for the future care of demobilised patriots and for their enlistment into the Italian Army?
5. How far are we limited by the ceiling for the Italian Army laid down by the Combined Chiefs of Staff?

In eventuality b. i.e. the total surrender of the German forces in Northern ITALY

7. Is it proposed to require total demobilisation and disarmament of the patriot bands and if so what arrangements will be made for ensuring that demobilisation and disarmament are carried out peacefully? What after care will be given to the demobilised men?
8. Is it proposed to enlist into the Italian Army men of the appropriate age who would normally be called up under the legal age group? If not, are they to be enlisted as individuals and not as groups?
9. Do we propose to give any special recognition of the patriot movement by appointments of officers, non-commissioned officers, etc., into the Italian Army?
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11. Will Germans be instructed not to surrender until the arrival of Allied troops? And will similar instructions be given to the Republicans?
12. What is our attitude to negotiations, between patriots and Germans, aimed at preventing the destruction of installations in Northern ITALY?
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