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Transmittion

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MC

The President of the Council of Ministers  
Minister of the Interior

n. 36260

Rome, 15 September 1945

Dear Admiral,

to draw your special attention on the problem of the surveillance and watch of the prisons, which is becoming particularly serious because of the numerous evasions of groups of prisoners, I take the liberty of including a copy of the letter which I sent today to the Minister of War.

I beg you to intervene with the Allied Military Authorities to have this matter settled satisfactorily, according to the wishes of the Italian Government, which, as you will see, are determined by an urgent necessity.

I remain, my dear Admiral,

Yours sincerely,

s. Ferruccio Parri

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone  
Chief Commissioner  
Allied Commission  
Rome

*Handwritten notes:*  
D.V.G.  
trans. s/o

EC DIST - 20 SEP 45

Action: CA Sec (2)  
Info: Chief Commr  
Exec Commr



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Interior Department

Rome, 16 September 1945

n. 36260

TO the Minister of War  
and for the attention of  
The Minister of Justice

R o m eSubject : Evasion of prisoners from the prisons

Political and common offenders go on escaping with regrettably frequency from the prisons, especially in Northern Italy.

I realize that the scarcity of the police forces and G.P.R., put at the disposal of the surveillance services are not the least important cause of such incidents, and therefore, conscious of the importance, at the present moment, of the internal and external surveillance of the prisons, to my great regret, I must ask for the collaboration of the units of the R. Army to complete the surveillance services.

I therefore ask this Ministry to contact the Allied Authorities, without failing to point out to them the extreme importance of this matter, also from the political point of view, keeping in mind that, while the Italian Government is being blamed because such incidents keep on happening, it isn't allowed to make use of all the means which should be at its disposal to be able to eliminate these deplorable happenings.

I am waiting to hear about the result of this intervention and the decisions which will be made.

THE MINISTER

S. Parri

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Exec Comr~~

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APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 3636/27/33

23 August 45

SUBJECT: Illegal Stocks of Arms and Civil Disturbances in Italian Government Territory

23 AGO 1945

TO : Civil Affairs Section

1. Enclosed is copy of a letter received from AFHQ, Office of the Chief of Staff, with reference to the above subject.

2. The Executive Commissioner directs that a letter be drafted for the Chief Commissioner's signature to the Italian Government embodying the terms outlined by Lt. Gen. Morgan; also that a letter be drafted acknowledging General Morgan's letter.

acknowledgement drafted by CAS.  
WSSH

*J. H. Stueder*  
Chief Staff Officer

To Executive Commissioner.

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as above

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Ref: 3626/35/NO.

1 SEP. 1945

30 August 1945.

**SUBJECT: Illegal Stocks of Arms and Civil Disturbances  
in Italian Government Territory.**

**TO : Allied Force Headquarters.  
Attn: Office of Chief of Staff.**

Receipt is acknowledged of the letter dated 21 August  
1945 instructing the Chief Commissioner to approach the Italian  
Government in regard to measures to be taken for dealing with civil  
disturbances and for the collection of illegal stores of arms.

**For the Chief Commissioner:**

**M. S. LUSH**

**Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.**

Copy to: CA Section. ✓

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Ref : 4/353/CA

24 August 1945

SUBJECT : Illegal Stocks of Arms and Civil Disturbances  
in Italian Government Territory.

TO : AFHQ Office of the Chief of Staff

Receipt is acknowledged of the letter dated 21 August 45 instructing the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, to approach the Italian Government in regard to measures to be taken for dealing with civil disturbances and for the collection of illegal stores of arms.

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HENRY W. SIKRE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

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AUGUST 14/1945

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ACTION : RE ALCOM FOR SENIOR COMMISSIONER GREEN FOR GILBERT MILLER

**SECRET.**

Further disturbances anticipated in 2 communes TARANTO Province. LACRIZIA (BENEDICIA MAN) and GROTTAGLIE. Communists issued secret orders for occupation of public buildings and seizure of lands privately owned. No dates given for action. Major REVELLY contacted second in command carabinieri BARI who states that 30 reinforcements have already been sent to increase establishment making total actually centralized a hundred. Total of TARANTO Province now 200. Major REVELLY recommended col TUCARI contacts prefect TARANTO to apply for help through Italian military command BARI. Also he has requested col TUCARI to accompany him tomorrow to places of unrest to see that all necessary precautions are taken to safeguard public and private property. Those impossible will keep you advised on any developments

**LAST**

ACTION : COL MILLER (3122-4 (B))

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
EX COMMISSIONER (2)  
CA SEC  
PUBLIC SAFETY  
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14 AUG 1945

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SWL/lo ALLIED COMMISSION Liaison Office BARI Tel. 14152

7 AUG 1945

Ref : LB/65.a. 5th August, 1945

SUBJECT : Civil Disturbance - MATERA Province.

TO : Executive Commissioner,  
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.

The following is a report on the recent civil disturbance at MATERA:-

1. On 1st August, 1945 about 1,000 people (many patriots and unemployed labourers) suddenly rioted in MATERA and demanded of the Prefect

- a) The abolition of ration cards
- b) the cancellation of orders for the amassing of grain
- c) the requisitioning and control of mills by the people
- d) the allocation of uncultivated grounds to labourers
- e) lastly a dole of 200 Lire a day to each unemployed person.

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The Prefect stated he could not meet their request.

2. The crowd then commenced the destruction by fire of the following buildings and offices:- Dazio, SERVAL, UPSBA, Consorzio A-grario, Conciliazione, together with furniture and records contained in them.

3. The crowd also demanded of the Procuratore del Regno the release of certain prisoners awaiting trial. This demand was refused. The prison was then forced and 49 of the 70 prisoners were released. (Four have since been recaptured. 21 refused illegal release). **3131**

4. Meanwhile reports of the disturbance had reached BARI, and 150 Carabinieri were sent by road to MATERA where they arrived just before midnight on 1st August.

5. During the night 1-2nd August the Prefect of MATERA requested help from the Comando Territoriale Militare di BARI and at 0800 hrs. on 2nd August one battalion (214 men) of the GARIBOLDI Regiment left TRANI by road for MATERA, whilst two more battalions

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6. On 2nd August the presence of the GARIBALDI Regiment and the CC.RR. reinforcements had a deterrent effect in MATERA, but the trouble had then spread to PERRARDINA where some 1,500 rioters (50 of whom are reported as armed) had cut communications and destroyed the Ufficio Annonario, the UPSEA and the Pretura;

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Para. 6 cont'd.

Of 6 alleged fascists arrested by the leaders of the Socialist and Christian Democrat parties, one named Vincenzo CAPULLI, aged 63, ex Podesta of the town, was first shot and wounded and afterwards killed by the crowd. This is the only case of its kind reported.

7. The disposition of the 300 Carabinieri and 700 men of the GARIBALDI Regiment in the area is as follows:-

<u>MATERA</u>	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	284 250
FERRANDINA	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	60 250
MONTESCAGLIOSO	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	12 50
FISTICCI	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	12 50
IROSINA	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	12 50
Mobile patrol	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	20 50

8. Avv. Michele BIANCO of MATERA was one of the leaders of the mob.

9. The Prefect of MATERA assumes no "visitors" from the ANDRIA-MINERVINO area took part in this disturbance.

10. Yesterday, 4th August, the Minister of Communications, Sig. SCALBA talked with Party leaders and asked them to use their influence to pacify the people.

11. On 3rd August Sig. PARRI sent the following telegram to the Prefect of MATERA:- "Notify rioters Government will try to meet their needs and will help them as soon as possible, but calm because Government cannot stand imposition by a mob and will not accept demands unless they are made in a sensible, reasonable and quiet way, by representatives."

CONCLUSIONS

1. This disturbance took place suddenly and without warning.

2. There cannot be sufficient police in any town to meet such abnormal circumstances.

3. It follows there should be a highly

MATERA

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-	Garibaldi R.	50
-	CC.RR.	20
-	Garibaldi R.	50

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- 1. This disturbance took place suddenly and without warning.
- 2. There cannot be sufficient police in any town to meet such abnormal circumstances.
- 3. It follows there should be a highly mobile central police reserve to cope with such emergencies.
- 4. In the present case 10 hours elapsed between the request for and the arrival of police reinforcements. MATERA is but 30 odd miles away.

5. Twelve Italian tanks sent to the Commandant, CC.RR. BARI, nearly a month ago, are lying idle, as neither crews, petrol nor ammunition have yet been made available for them.

The effect of tanks on morale is known, and they would have been invaluable in this and previous disturbances. Can action please be taken to put this matter right?

6. The 25 trucks promised as a priority for internal security duty have not yet arrived. The need for them is shown in this and in previous reports.

*Shubler*

E. W. MILLER, Colonel,  
Liaison Officer, A.C.,  
BARI.

Copies to : V.F., Civil Affairs Section, (2) (1 Copy to PS 7 (C) 94L)  
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.  
HQ, 52 Area.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Ref: 1/35 B/CA. ✓

8 AUG 45

SUBJECT: Situation Report - Monte S. Angelo.

TO: AFHQ, G-5 Section.

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Reference our 1/35 B/CA dated 7 Aug 45.

The following report was received from the Allied Commission Liaison Officer at BARI on 8 August 45:

"Situation at Monte S. Angelo now normal. Riot was against the payment of taxes."

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

  
G.H. UPTON, Brig.,  
VF G-5 Section.

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REPORT received from Col. Miller, AC Liaison Officer at BARI.

Received 0900 hrs on Wednesday, 8 Aug 45.

Situation at Monte S. Angelo now normal.

Riot was against the payment of taxes.

Copy to: Public Safety Sub-Commission,  
Executive Commission.

Letter to: A.M.H.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Ref: A/35 B/OA.

7 AUG 45

SUBJECT: Disturbance - MONTE S. ANGELO.

TO: AFHQ, G-5 Section.

The following report was received from Liaison Officer, Allied Commission, BARI on 7 Aug 45:

- 1 "Fragmentary reports received last night that unknown number of people rioted yesterday at MONTE S. ANGELO (Foggia Province) and set on fire the Offices of the Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths, and Tax Collections and surrounded the Municipio.
- 2 "First Carabinieri reinforcements already reached Monte S. Angelo.
- 3 "Further particulars when known."
4. "P.S. Monte S. Angelo is an isolated village 3,000 feet high and I cannot think much will come from this disturbance."

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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

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Report received from Col. G.W. Miller, Liaison Officer, Bari.

Received 0945 hrs on Tuesday 7 Aug 45.

"Fragmentary reports received last night that unknown number of people rioted yesterday at Monte S. Angelo (Foggia Province) and set on fire the Offices of the Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths and Tax Collections and surrounded the Municipio.

"First Carabinieri reinforcements already reached Monte S. Angelo.

"Further particulars when known."

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TO: Executive Commissioner  
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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Ref this Hq signal HAF1051 of 3rd August 45.

1. You will proceed as a matter of urgency with the reorganisa-  
tion of the Italian Army on the lines of para 5 of the above signal.  
In particular this will include the formation of 10 internal security  
brigades. To assist in this an immediate investigation is being made  
by this Hq as to availability and date of release of Italian guard  
battalions now employed by Allied Forces.

2. Existing arrangements regarding the maintenance of the Ita-  
lian Army will at present remain unchanged.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 4/35 B/OA.

7 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Disturbance at MEDERVINO MURGE.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

I refer you to letter LB/65.a dated 31 Jul 45 (copy to you) addressed to me by Colonel Miller.

You will see from his letter and annexed reports that the situation is far from satisfactory. The Government have refused to use the Italian Troops given to them and have left it to the Carabinieri in collaboration with the Communist Party to tidy the matter up.

No one has yet been arrested and only 200 of the persons concerned have turned in their arms. In other words, as usual, the Italians from Parri downwards have done little or nothing to remedy a serious situation, a situation which, while calm on the surface, is thought by all observers, to be full of dynamite for the future. If for no other reason than the personal interest taken in this matter by S.A.C. I do not think we can let the matter rest and if we did I believe, in view of the signals that have passed, the Chief Commissioner might incur the severe displeasure of S.A.C.

However, action herein some time ago passed to the Chief Commissioner's Office and therefore I am referring the matter to you to take up again with him.

I recommend that we bring the strongest pressure to bear on Parri to use the troops at his disposal and to organise house to house searches for arms, to order the immediate arrest and trial of those already listed and generally to tackle the problem energetically and courageously.

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

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TRANSLATION OF A REPORT BY THE PREFECT OF ANZI  
TO A.C. LIAISON OFFICER, BARI

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L. MONTAUDA, BARI

DIV. ANI. No. 05468

29th July, 1945

SUBJECT: Situation in MINSIVINO-ANZIA area.  
TO: Liaison Officer, ALLIED COMMISSION, BARI.

In accordance with your request I am now able to notify you that although arms have not been headed in as directed in the MINSIVINO-ANZIA area the situation, though far from normal, gives no cause for alarm. Since disturbance in June no untoward incidents have taken place in the area and this is chiefly due to the activity of the CC. RR. and to the collaboration of the Communist Party. The latter are endeavouring to separate their flock into a) political adherents, b) criminals.

Clear instructions have been issued to the CC. RR. throughout the area to identify and arrest the chief offenders in the case of thefts and murders etc. last June. Fourteen people have already been denounced in MINSIVINO, and two of the murderers of the family De PRO have been identified. These, together with others already listed, will shortly be arrested as it is desired to make all arrests in one single police operation. So far efforts to discover the murderers of two Carabinieri have failed but enquiries are still going on.

Most of the 46 prisoners illegally released from ANZIA prison have returned and surrendered. The search continues for those still at large.

In order to control movement in the MINSIVINO area a system of road blocks and patrols has been instituted which is proving effective. The recent allocation of Allied Commission lorries will improve the situation and from July, 30th it is intended that motorised patrols shall operate in this area.

I am glad to have this opportunity of expressing to you my great gratitude for your hearty and willing help which has enabled us to carry out our job in trying to normalise this situation. This work is still going on and will improve as it has done since the institution of our activities during July.

I believe this improvement will continue, and working under instructions issued to me by the Italian Government I feel convinced that, provided the political parties continue to collaborate, excellent results will eventually be achieved without the employment of too much force, which might incite people to a new burst of violence.

This could be made possible by the fact that the heading in of arms has been unsatisfactory. Up to date fifteen hundred arms have been collected, of which 1500 had long since been declared by owners who took no part in the disturbance.

Therefore follows that only 300 belong to people concerned. The remaining weapons are hidden away in places unknown to the Police and I do not consider that for these arms by force would achieve a satisfactory result.

As to the particular political importance of ANZIA, where it is known that the Communist leader, Vincenzo Di GABRIANO, is the main spring of these disturbances, it is hoped that in the forthcoming elections another leader will be found, who may perhaps normalise the situation in a very short time.

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TRANSLATION

Restricted and Personal

LEGIONE TERRITORIALE dei CARABINIERI di BARI

No. 84/60 di Prot. R.P. Bari, 29th July, 1945  
SUBJECT : Situation in the SURGE Area.  
TO : Col. MILLER, Liaison Officer, A.C., BARI.

Reference your verbal request for a report on the above subject, I notify you the following:-

1. In the MINERVINO-ANDRIA-CORATO area the situation, though far from normal, appears calm. No incidents occurred since the disturbance of June.
2. Nevertheless dangerous elements still exist and a new burst of violence might suddenly take place. Moreover, unemployment, and bad conditions of living, together with increased delinquency and restlessness, do anything but help in this matter.
3. Political parties have promised to eliminate all dangerous subjects, and not to defend them for political reasons, and apparently are doing their utmost to keep their promise.
4. Handing in of arms is unsatisfactory. Of the 1,472 arms collected
 

761	at	ANDRIA
408	at	CORATO
303	at	MINERVINO

 1,270 (guns, rifles, pistols, revolvers, knives) had previously been declared by the owners. The more important arms, owned by criminals and bands are well hidden in unknown places.
5. Squads of CC.RR. are patrolling and searching the area, and thanks to them no thefts, violence, or murders occurred recently. Criminals prefer to remain in their nests in the towns, where search is more difficult and defence easier.
6. The Government issued instructions not to employ too much force in large operations, which might cause the disturbance to spread to other areas, but to wait for the trucks recently allocated to the CC.RR. by the Allied Commission.
7. When it is certain that in one single operation <sup>31 sep</sup> arrest all persons responsible for the disturbance and violence and murder, then action will be taken. Meanwhile enquiries are being made to identify and denounce them.
8. The 12 tanks allocated to the CC.RR. will help very much provided driving teams, petrol and ammunition are produced in order to enable us to use them.
9. The CC.RR., however, will continue to make all possible efforts to carry out their job and achieve the best result.

/s/ Francesco TUCCARI, Comdt CC.RR., BARI.

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HEADQUARTERS ALBERT GOVERNMENT  
AND  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SERVICE

REF: 4/35 R/CA

7 AUG 45

SUBJECT: MEMORANDUM - SECURITY

TO: ASST. Dir Section

Reference our letter 4/35 R/CA dated 3 August 45.

- 1. Reference para 9 - Report received on 7 Aug 45 - with para 1. Please amend to read - "The number of rooms is estimated to be 200."

FOR THE CHIEF GOVERNMENT:

G.R. BRON, Major,  
VI CA Section.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
Col. S.S. Miller,  
IC Liaison Officer  
SAC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: H/358/CA ✓

6 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Relief of Folgore Division.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

Reference your 585/ED dated 26 Jul 45.

As a result of my trip to Bolzano I am convinced of the necessity for the relief of the a/m Division from that area, and took the matter up with A.M.G. 5 Army when I was there.

I believe Col. Fiske has also approached Gen. Truscott, asking that the Friuli Division (which is stationed just to the South of Bolzano) and the Folgore Division be interchanged.

I agree that it is desirable to reinforce the Bolzano CO.BR. but in A.M.G. territory all CO.BR. Stations are at their proper strength and no more and so the Bolzano detachments can only be strengthened from A.M.G. CO.BR. by reducing below strength some other detachments, a course to which I am entirely opposed.

The CO.BR. are, however, over strength in Sardinia and Sicily and I recommend that Sig. Marri be invited to reinforce the Bolzano Division from those sources.

*G. R. H. H. H.*  
G. R. H. H. H., Brig., 3119  
VP CA Section

Copy to: M.M.I.A.  
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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Ref: 585/20.

26 July 1945.

27 LUG 1945

SUBJECT: Relief of Folgore Division.

TO : G.O.C.,  
Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.L.A.)

1. Reference the attached letter 557 dated 20 July 1945, subject as above, from the Prime Minister.
2. I am directed to request you to consider the above letter, to prepare a draft reply thereto for signature by the Chief Commissioner, and to submit same on your file through this office.

*W. H. H. H.*  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Civil Affairs Section.  
(For comment, with particular reference to the ultimate paragraph of enclosed letter).

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers  
P1  
n. 557

Rome, 20.7.1945

Dear Admiral,

considering the delicate situation in Alto Adige and the necessity for the government action, on the part of the Allied Authorities and in agreement with the Italian Government, to take place in the best conditions of order and public spirit, I draw your attention on the incidents caused by the 'Folgore' Divisions and on the danger caused by the fact of having these units stay on in this zone.

Their attitude of contempt towards the German speaking population, the looting, the singing of fascist hymns, the organized trade of spare parts for cars, arbitrary perquisitions and requisitions, caused towards the end of June the intervention of the provincial A.M.G., which deprived the Division of all tasks of town police. At present the Folgore is rounding up the SS and German soldiers scattered on the mountain and watches deposits and military and civilian warehouses.

Considering these facts, I cannot but approve the opinion expressed and the request made by the Prefect of Bolzano for the 'Folgore' Division to be replaced. I think it is essential that the Italian military forces stationed in the province during the delicate period when the electoral lists are being revised and a rapprochement made with the German element, should keep a perfectly correct and impartial attitude.

According to the informations I obtained, I think the 'Friuli' Division which is now stationed in the Veneto would prove adequate. However, I leave this point to the judgement of the Allied Authorities and War Department.

I also take this opportunity to suggest reinforcing the detachment of the Bolzano Garabineers.

Truly yours,

s. Ferruccio Patti

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Admiral Stone  
Chief Commissioner  
Allied Commission  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
AND 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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REF: 4/25 B/3A.

5 AUG 45

SUBJECT: MATERA.

TO: AFHQ, G-5 Section.

The following telephone reports have been received from Allied  
Commission Liaison Officer BANI:

1 Report received on 1 Aug 45. - "Reports just received from (nature  
of rioting in MATERA; Municipal and Food Offices burnt down. All  
telephonic communication with MATERA is cut. Have informed Carabinieri  
and reinforcements are en route from BANI. Commander 52 Area informed  
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"Riots believed to be a protest against Provincial Orders regarding  
the amassing of grain but there is no proof of this and it is not certain  
when verification can be obtained.

"Developments will be reported from time to time."

2 Report received on 2 Aug 45. - "MATERA - riot last night. Large crowds  
tried to seize all mills and grain stores. Demands are abolition of  
ration and free permission to buy and sell own grain.

"Crowd broke into the prison and released some 50 prisoners some of  
whom have already returned. Others refused release.

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"150 CO.FR. reinforcements are already in the area. Italian Govern-  
ment have authorized 2 Companies to move from TRANI to MATERA today. They  
are fully armed and the situation is believed to be in hand.

"There has been no shooting or bloodshed."

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\* See Report received 3 Aug 45.

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3 Report received on 3 Aug 45. - "MURRA order. Minor trouble at FERUGLIA, where communications are cut, and reported burning of buildings.

\*500 Garibaldi Troops plus 250 Carabinieri are already there and are going to restore order.

\*Sig. SOLBA (Minister of Communications) is expected to arrive from Rome to speak at MAGGIATA today.

800 R. 37a

\*The number of victims is estimated to be 100. They are named as far as is known.

\*The report that the Municipio was destroyed was untrue. Only the outbuildings were involved."

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

G. H. LEVITT, Brig.,  
VP CA Section.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner,  
Public Safety Sub-Commission,  
Col. S. W. Miller,  
A.S., Liaison Officer,  
BARI.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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2 August 45

Ref 4/332/CA

SUBJECT : Situation in Matera

TO : CC Room 303 MSHA  
Ext. C. RFD Ref.

Following message from Col MILLER was received this morning:

"Matera quiet last night. Large crowds tried to seize all mills and grain stores. Demands are abolition of ration and free permission to buy and sell own grain.  
Crowd broke into the prison and released some 30 prisoners some of whom have already returned. Others refused release.  
150 GUR re-inforcements are already in the area. Italian Government have authorized 2 Companies to move from TIRI to MATERA to-day. They are fully armed and situation is believed to be in hand.  
There has been no shooting or bloodshed."

*A. D. Benthall-Carter*

A. D. BENTHALL-CARTER  
Lt Colonel,  
for VP CA Section

*Sent to MASH*

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Telephonic message from COLONEL MILLER.

Received 1600 hrs. 1 August 45.

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Reports just received from Questura, Bari of rioting in MATERA; Municipio and Food Offices burnt down. All telephonic communication with MATERA is cut. Have informed Carabinieri and reinforcements are en route from BARI. Commander 52 Area was informed and he is ascertaining situation from Polish Headquarters located in MATERA.

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Col. Miller will report developments from time to time.

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HQ ALCON LABOR SC

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1. Demonstration and partial work stoppage occurred THIRTY  
1 August.
2. Trams, some stores, part of cantieri Simiti but not  
Magazini Generali stopped work during afternoon only.

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- Action - Labor SC
- Info - Chief Commissioner
- Exec Commr 2
- Exec Sec
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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM  
MINISTRY OF DEFENSE  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 4/322/CA

27 Jul 45

SUBJECT : Security in Northern Regions.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

The attached is a summary of reports from Security Officers in  
Regions.

It is forwarded for information.

A.D. BQHIAN - Captain 1st Col,  
CSO CA Section

Copy to : Point (A)  
Point (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION  
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/645.12 26 July 1945

SUBJECT : Unrest in Northern Regions.  
TO : V.P. Civil Affairs Section.

1. After the liberation of Northern Italy and the capitulation of the German armies, killings on a large scale were reported, particularly from industrial centres, such as Milan. In the early days the greater proportion of those killed were well known fascists and it can be said that in most cases the action taken was inspired by patriotic motives, and the number of murders for gain was proportionately small.

2. After the first month, the number of "executions" decreased very considerably, but continued throughout the North on this diminished scale. These murders were usually accompanied by robbery and looting.

3. It is the unanimous opinion of the Security Officers in the North, that the perpetrators of these offences, which include blackmail, robbery with threats or violence, threatening of witnesses, etc., etc., are mostly communists. These persons are communists in so far as they hold the party card and wear red scarves and other emblems. Their knowledge of communism is very small and they are for the most part composed of undesirable elements of the population, who have found that a red scarf gives them a certain immunity, and a party card gives them priority over non party members.

4. The similar methods adopted by these persons in widely separated districts would tend to show that there may be a certain amount of co-ordination arranged by the leaders of the communist party, but there is at present no evidence to show that the offences are committed at the order of the party, or that they form part of a concerted scheme with some political end as the motive. It is believed that the persons responsible act as small groups or individually, on their own responsibility.

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26 July 1945

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5. While it cannot be said with certainty that the communist party leaders have ordered these illegal acts, security officers are agreed that the party makes no effort to put a stop to these practices, and appears to condone them.
6. It is known that the communist party is spending very large sums on propaganda, the welfare of its members, etc., and it is suggested that many local party offices are financed through the proceeds of robbery and extortion.

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7. It is also stated that persons attached to the Russian Delegation to the advisory Council have been contacting communist leaders and supplying them with large sums of money drawn through the Allied Financial Agency.

8. The conclusions to be drawn are:-

- (1) The Communist Party leaders are probably not, at the moment, ordering the commission of these acts of violence.
- (2) They are almost certainly condoning them.
- (3) There is no evidence to show that, at the appropriate time, they will not order a general outbreak involving the destruction of public order.

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

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23 July 45

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ROUTINE

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SUBJECT IS REGINA CORLI PRISON ROME PD

PARSH TO Q FIVE AHRQ FROM ALCON GIZA AGEE PARSH

REFERENCE YOUR MORN MESSAGE OF EVEN DATE PD SEVERAL COMMON PRISONERS  
 BROKE LOCKS FROM CELLS AT ONE SIX THREE ZERO HOURS ON TWO ONE JULY AND  
 OVERCAME PRISON GUARDS CHA SETTING FIRE TO BEDDING AND FURNITURE PD  
 CIVIL POLICE AND VIGILI FUOCO CALLED OUT PD NO REQUEST FOR ALLIED  
 AID PD NO PRISONERS ESCAPED PD CASUALTIES ONE SUPPOSED POLITICAL  
 PRISONER DEAD CHA ONE SERIOUSLY BURNED AND ONE INJURED PD ITALIAN  
 POLICE AUTHORITIES IN CONTROL TOGETHER WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF MINISTRY  
 OF GRACE AND JUSTICE PD ASCERTAINED THAT PASSAGE HAS BEEN CUT THAT LED  
 INTO POLITICAL WING PD HIGHERS BEING DENIED FOOD AND WATER UNTIL THEY  
 DESIST PD  
 THIS SITUATION HAS IMPORTANT BEARING ON RELEASE OF OTHER PRISONERS IN  
 OCCUPATION BY ARMY WHICH WOULD MEAN EXCESS POPULATION IN REGINA CORLI  
 AND OTHER PRISONS TO BE TRANSFERRED PD

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Copy : ~~Reg. Comm.~~  
S.A. Sec. ✓

Public Safety S/C

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W. BOHRTY COLONEL

NICHOLAS FIGGINSO  
CWO USA  
Asst. Adjutant.

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MSG 13 CORPS  
HQ AIDCM

23 LUG 1945

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Refer to this HQ no 19/40 dated 19. 24 hours general strike in TRINIDAD commencing 2400 hrs 18 July. 1 arrest on 18 July for distribution of strike pamphlets. 2 arrests on 19 July for distribution of anti communist pamphlets. no charges and all prisoners released.

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ACTION PUB SAFETY  
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
INFO COMMISSIONER 2  
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General strike took place TRIDENT and GORILLA commencing 2400 hrs 18 July terminating 2400 hrs 19 July. Reason for strike.

- 1. Food.
- 2. Wages.
- 3. Recent arrests by FBI of suspected persons. No untoward incidents. All quiet.

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ACTION - PUB SAF TX  
 INFO - CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
 AS COMMISSIONER 2  
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20 JULY 1945

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21 JUL 1945  
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REFERENCE YOUR FOX TWO FOUR FIVE FOUR FOUR OF ONE EIGHT JULY PD  
 ALTHOUGH REPLY TO MY LETTER OF ONE ZERO JULY HAS BEEN RECEIVED CMA  
PAREN TO AFHQ CITE FROCT FROM ALCOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE AGSOC PAREN  
 PRIME MINISTER IS HAVING COMPLETE DETAILED INFORMATION COMPILED ON ALL POINTS  
 COVERED IN YOUR FOX TWO ONE THREE THREE ZERO OF ONE TWO JULY PD  
 PRIME MINISTER APOSTROPHE SUGAR OFFICE EXPECTS TURN OVER HIS COMPLETE REPORT  
 ON MONDAY CMA TWO THREE JULY PD  
 WILL FORWARD TO YOU IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT

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ELERY W. STONE  
 Rear Admiral, USNR  
 Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Tel: 478201

Ref: 3629/58/BC.

19 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Disturbances in the BARI Area.

21 LUG 1945

TO : U.S. Ambassador.  
Br. Ambassador.  
Political Adviser (A)  
Political Adviser (B)  
~~VP Civil Affairs Section~~  
Chief Commissioner.

1. With reference to the Chief Commissioner's letter to the Prime Minister CC 3601 dated 13 July 1945, attached for your information is translation of a letter from the Prime Minister dated 14 July, together with its enclosure.

2. Clearly this letter has crossed with the Chief Commissioner's letter of 13 July and is not therefore a direct reply thereto.

For the Chief Commissioner:

*E. Horden*  
Brigadier  
Executive Commissioner  
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Incl:  
ltr fr the President of the  
Council of Ministers, No.25530  
dtd 14 Jul 45, with enclosures.

*already on your file.*

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Ref :

July 45

SUBJECT : Public Security in the North.

TO : AFHQ, G-5 Section.

*Not sent*

- 1 At a meeting of Regional Commissioners held in Rome on the 24 Jul 45 the subjects of Public Safety as a whole, and the illegal retention of arms in particular, were very fully discussed.
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For that reason, all Regional Commissioners were opposed to the suggestion that Allied military control should on account of the Public Safety problem, be extended from the date now proposed for termination, i.e. 1 Sep 45.

(d) It was felt very strongly that, besides such steps as were now being taken to improve the police forces, the Italian Government should have the means of calling on troops for security purposes. <sup>of Italian</sup> They should, in fact, be given control of the Italian Army with all speed so that the troops can move into their "security stations" in time to be there before Allied military government is withdrawn.

3. This Commission is in agreement with the views expressed by Regional Commissioners.

The collection of arms, the selection of suitable questori (the supply of good non-fascist professional questori is very small), the training of the CC.FF. in a mobile role with new weapons, and the weeding out of partisan police are all matters presenting problems which can only be solved given time, patience and hard work. There is no quick and easy road to improvement.

In one respect, however, the situation can be materially improved very quickly and that is by putting Italian troops under the operational command of the Italian Government forthwith. It will then be possible for the Government to dispose its own troops through its Territorial Commands in the manner best calculated to re-inforce the forces of law and order; only in this way can the Government be expected to establish and maintain a regime of law and order.

Detailed proposals for a reorganisation of the Italian Army to effect this have already been submitted in my B251/180/KC of 7 Jan, and it is strongly urged that this matter be urgently reconsidered.

4. In conclusion, <sup>it is considered</sup> ~~this Commission~~ agrees that no useful purpose would be served by continuing A.S.C. in the North beyond 1 Sep 45. Apart from the strong <sup>in fact</sup> ~~in fact~~ <sub>of the fact</sub>

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Chief Comr

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**INCOMING MESSAGE**  
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: SMI/103/PTV/C/03.4

Message Centre No: 2/9923

Date/Time of Origin: JULY 16/1430Z

Date Time Rec'd: JULY 16/2040Z

17 LUG 1945

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: LEGAL DIVISION AND VENEZIA REGION

TO : AIDOM ACCAS

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Reference AMHQ signal FE 20293 dated 19 July. It is understood that both number 1 district and 36 AFMA are requesting express authority from AMHQ to hand over to Allied custody two fascist personnel not required for trial in Italian courts but now in Italian custody. This headquarters strongly supports such request in the interests of public safety. It is feared that if two fascists not required for trial are released grave disorders may result. Considered most desirable that such persons be removed from this part of ITALY and be held in Allied custody.

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INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
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# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

CHAS 24A

Originator's Reference: FE 18930 Message Centre No: 2/2576  
 Date/Time of Origin: JULY 15/1945 Date Time Rec'd: JULY 14/2100H  
 FROM: AFR. STAFF SAMPED CIVIL FOODS Precedence: ROUTINE  
 TO : DIYWHREE, IPRIS, ROLES AREA, MOV ROME, REG BANI, INFO: DISTURBANCE MOV LO, MOV BARI  
MOV NAPLES, ROMA (ROLES AREA PLEASE PASS)

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Subject is move of carabinieri regt. Reference FE 18951 dated 7 July not to all.

1. Carabinieri regt strength 2000 all ranks 150 tons stores will move by rail VIESTE to TRANI in 2 special trains under arrangements MOV ROME on 10 and 12 July. Timings as follows. VIESTE depart 0700 10 and 12 July ROME arrive 1200 depart 1400 ROCCASPIGA arrive 2100 depart 2200 CASERTA arrive 0600 depart 0700 11 and 13 July BENEVENTO arrive 1130 depart 1230 CERVARO arrive 1830 depart 2030 TRANI arrive 0012 and 14 July.

2. Meals by types under arrangements MOV APOSS at ROLES "C" ROCCASPIGA "B" BENEVENTO "C". Forty eight hours rations will be carried.

3. On arrival TRANI personnel will remain in stock and detrain first light

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# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

CAS

Originator's Reference: FX 22214  
Date/Time of Origin: JULY 13/2037D  
FROM: AMHQ SIGMED SACMED CITE FRICT  
TO : ALGEM INFO: 3 DISTRICTS

Message Centre No: E/9574  
Date Time Rec'd: JULY 14/0850H  
Precedence: URGENT

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1. Reference your 1653 of 11 July para 3.
2. Confirming telephone conversation General ISENHARTZ-Admiral STONE on 11 July. Move of GABRIELLI Regt will be completed in accordance with instructions laid down in our FX 18943 of 6 July and FX 19530 of 7 July.
3. Reply to para 5 of ref signal will be subject of separate communication

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HEADQUARTERS  
14 JUL 1945  
A. A. C.

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ACTION : CAS  
INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
SO TO CC  
EX COMMISSIONER  
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POLAD (B)  
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CC 3601

13 July 1945.

*E. M.*

13 LUG 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Supplementing my letter of 10 July on the Puglia incidents, I have just received an urgent communication, as quoted below, from the Supreme Allied Commander, Field Marshal Sir Harold R.L.G. Alexander, which I am instructed to pass to you:

- "1. I take a very serious view of the recent civil disturbances in the Andria and Minervino areas and do not consider the action taken to be adequate.
- "2. It is directed that I be informed urgently what action the Italian Government has taken:
  - (a) To clear up the situation in the Andria and Minervino areas and to ensure there is no recurrence in the future;
  - (b) To hunt down, disarm, and speedily bring to justice the instigators and those who took part in these disturbances.
- "3. I expect that persons convicted of taking part in the disturbances will be severely punished and I wish to be informed of the sentences meted out in each individual case."

I shall be grateful for your reply to my letter of 10 July, as supplemented by the Supreme Allied Commander's communication, at the earliest possible moment.

Professor Ferrucci Parri  
President of the Council of Ministers  
Italian Government  
Rome

Very truly yours,

/s/ Elmer W. Stone

ELMER W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNA  
Chief Commissioner

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reference our EX 14947 of 29 June and F 18113 of 5 July and your 1137 of 4 July and 1157 of 5 July.

The Supreme Allied Commander takes a very serious view of the recent civil disturbances in the ABBADIA and BENEVENTO Areas and does not consider the action indicated in your cables quoted above to be adequate.

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- A. To clear up the situation in the ABBADIA and BENEVENTO Areas and to ensure there is no recurrence in the future.
- B. To hunt down, disarm and speedily bring to justice the instigators and those who took part in these disturbances.

The Supreme Allied Commander expects that persons convicted of taking part in the disturbances will be severely punished and he wishes to be informed of the sentences noted out in each individual case

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ACTION : 50 TO CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
INFO : CHIEF COMM. IN COMM.  
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TO: AFHQ GEORGE FIVE SECTION

1653

11 Jul 45

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS MOVE OF GARIBALDI REGIMENT TO TRANI PD

PARA TWO PD SEE PARA FOUR OF MY ONE ONE FIVE SEVEN OF FOUR JULY FOUR FIVE AND YOUR FOX XRAY ONE EIGHT NINE FIVE ONE OF SEVEN JULY FOUR FIVE PD ON THE ADVICE OF MY POLITICAL ADVISERS I HAVE NOT YET ASKED THE PRIME MINISTER TO USE TROOPS IN THE BARI AREA BUT I HAVE WRITTEN TO HIM ASKING FOR A FULL REPORT ON THE SITUATION AND FOR A STATEMENT OF THE STEPS WHICH THE GOVERNMENT IS TAKING OR INTENDS TO TAKE TO PREVENT A REPERITION PD

PARA THREE PD I AM INFORMED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS SENT A SIGNAL TO THE PREFECT OF BARI STATING THAT THE GARIBALDI REGIMENT SHOULD NOT BE EMPLOYED IN THE PRESENT EMERGENCY IN THE BARI AREA PD UNOFFICIALLY I BELIEVE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS MADE PLANS FOR THE HANDLING OF THIS INCIDENT WITHOUT USING TROOPS PD IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND PENDING AN OFFICIAL REPLY AS TO THE PRIME MINISTERS INTENTIONS OMA IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE MOVE OF THE REMAINDER OF THE GARIBALDI REGIMENT TO BARI BE POSTPONED PD IN VIEW OF THE TIME FACTOR INVOLVED I HAVE TEMPORARILY POSTPONED THIS MOVE WHICH IS DUE TO TAKE PLACE TOMORROW PENDING YOUR DECISION PD

PARM TO AFHQ GEORGE FIVE SECTION FROM ALCOM CITE AGSOC PARM

PARA FOUR PD NEW SUBJECT IS SECURITY IN ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY PD

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PARA FIVE PD THE PRIME MINISTER HAS RECENTLY ASKED ME IN GENERAL TERMS FOR  
 ADDITIONAL INTERNAL SECURITY TROOPS UNDER ITALIAN OPERATION <sup>AL</sup> COMMAND FOR THE  
 SOUTH PD THIS WHOLE QUESTION IS BOUND UP WITH YOUR DECISION ON MY PROPOSALS  
 IN MY EIGHT TWO FIVE ONE SLANT ONE EIGHT ZERO SLANT RASY CHARLIE DATED SEVEN  
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 BRIGADE PER ITALIAN MILITARY TERRITORIAL REGION PARMEN EXCLUDING SICILY PARMEN  
 AND WOULD REQUEST AN URGENT DECISION ON MY PROPOSALS AS ABOVE PD IN VIEW OF  
 THE BARI INCIDENT I STRONGLY URGE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MY PROPOSALS AS SOON  
 AS POSSIBLE

Internal Distribution: Executive Commissioner,  
 Civil Affairs Section,  
 Public Safety Sub-Commission  
 Land Forces Sub-Commission  
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Civil Affairs Section

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NICHOLAS FIOMBINO  
 CWO USA  
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54 AREA TERRITORIAL HQ BARI, ACCOM INFO: 127 ITALIAN ADMIN DIV,  
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Further by CO 511 of 7th July and to our D 530 of 8th July neither  
to all. On arrival TRAVE CARIBALDI Regt is placed under operation  
command territorial HQ BARI for such internal security duty as Italian  
Government may direct. Acknowledge.

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1. GARIBOLDI Regiment under command 3 DISTRICT forthwith for employment in BARI area on such internal security duties as may be directed by Italian Govt.
2. Move orders follow separately.
3. For 5 ARMY and 2 DISTRICT. This cancels our 17838 of 5 July. Leading Regt MANTOVA Gruppi will arrive MIAN area 9 10 and 11 July. Details follow.

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- Action - P Safety SC
- Info - Chief Commissioner
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ACTION ALCOM

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Reference your 1157 of 5 July.

1. Your proposed line of action is strongly supported.
2. Possibility of making GARIBALDI NEXT available for internal security duties in BARI area is under urgent consideration.

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ACTION: SO to Chief Commissioner  
 INFO: Chief Commissioner  
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PARA TO AFEL CITE FROM ALCON CITE ACXAS PABSI

PARA TWO PD THE THREAT DISTURBANCES IN AFRICA ARE THE SUBJECT OF THEIR LEAD IN THE MEDITERRANEAN THIS YEAR PD I TAKE A MOST SERIOUS VIEW OF THEM AND WISH TO URGE THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO TAKE VERY STRONGEST LINE OF ACTION PD

PARA THREE PD I AM DISCUSSING WITH THE AMBASSADORS THE DESIRABILITY OF MOVING ITALIAN TROOPS INTO THE AREA TO SEARCH FOR ARMS AND TAKE A VERY FIRM HAND ON THE WHOLE SITUATION PD

PARA FOUR PD I REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS MATTER REGARDING THE USE OF TROOPS AND THAT YOU CONSIDER POSTPONING THE MOVEMENT OF GARIBOLDI REGIMENT NOW SCHEDULED

THE DISTRICT  
Chief Comm  
Exec. Comm  
Pub Safety S/C  
Land Forces S/C  
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Polav H/B on 10/2/45  
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MILNEY W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
NAPLES COMMUNE  
APO 394

Ref: PS/9.26

Date 3 July 1945

SUBJECT: Curfew - Naples Commune.

- 4 LUG 1945

TO : See Distribution.

Effective 0001 hours 4 July 1945, the curfew is abolished in the Commune of Naples.

*J.A.C. Pennyquick*

J.A.C. PENNYQUICK  
Colonel,  
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 4/35 B/CA ✓

19 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Sabotage - Telephone wires.  
TO: Public Safety Sub-Commission.

- 1 It was reported at the Executive Commissioner's meeting, by the Director Communications Sub-Commission that sabotage of telephone cables between NAPLES, ROMA and FLORENCE is particularly serious.
- 2 He cited instances where the cable has been dug up, cut, and rewired to show that the incidents are unquestionably sabotage and not mere theft.
- 3 Will you please point out to the Italian police what a very serious state of affairs this is.

A.F. RONHAM-CARTER,  
Lt. Colonel,  
CSO CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 391  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: L/35 B/CA. ✓

19 Jun 15

SUBJECT: Points from the Executive Commissioner's Meeting.

TO: Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1 The following points were raised at the Executive Commissioner's meeting:

(a) I was instructed to have, by tomorrow morning, a brief report on the incidence of mob law taking charge in the North since the date of our occupation. Would you kindly arrange for me to have this by 0930 hrs tomorrow morning (Wednesday, 20 June) together with any comments you may wish to make.

Incidents specifically mentioned were:  
The IMOLA murders, of which I believe there were two sets;  
The murder of 2 Italian soldiers in BOIZANO;  
The murder of the Marchese,  
some of which were listed in today's Italian press.

(b) Would you examine the possibility of taking over S.O.M. officers as Public Safety, to work under us with trained police officers.

The Executive Commissioner is agreeable to using this possibility to enable not more than 6 trained police officers to be released for service in Venezia Giulia, but that does not necessarily limit the use of S.O.M. Officers to that number.

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A.E. BONHAM-CARTER, Lt. Col.,  
CSO CA Section.

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15 June 1945.

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SUBJECT: Redeployment of Allied troops in Italy.

TO : Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater. *gma*  
Attention: Chief of Staff.

Confirming the position taken by me at your operational conference yesterday on the subject of redeployment of Allied troops in Italy, I desire to place formally before you the following recommendations:

1. In examining the question of the redeployment and distribution of Allied troops in Italy, consideration must be given to external and internal security and the undoubted duty of the Allied Governments to ensure so far as possible that free elections are held so that the population may express its opinion on (a) the institutional question; and (b) the constitutional government of the country, without fear.
2. Consideration must also be given to the size and location of the Italian land forces.
3. If the proposals for the maintenance of an interim Italian Army of 140,000 submitted in HQ AC memorandum 321/180/AC of 7 June 1945 are approved, then the following distribution of the troops is recommended:

Combat Groups: One each in TURIN, MILAN, BRESCIA, GENOVA and BOLOGNA.

Internal Security Divisions (Strength 2500 each): 2 Divisions in SICILY.  
1 Division in SARDEGNA.  
1 Division in each of the Military Regions; viz, PALERMO, BARI, NAPLES, ROME, FLORENCE, BOLOGNA, GENOVA, TURIN, MILAN, BOLZANO, VERONA.

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4. The primary functions of the Combat Groups are for frontier defence and control. The Group at BOLOGNA could be used as a reserve.

5. If the above distribution of the Italian Army is approved, then the maintenance of five Allied Divisions is recommended in addition to the administrative and service units employed in redeployment of personnel and material and exclusive of any Allied forces in

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15 June 1945.

Subject: Redeployment of Allied troops in Italy.

VENEZIA, GIUBIA. Consideration has been given to the fact that Italian troops will not be contained within 15 miles of the French frontier.

6. It is recommended that one division be placed in each of the following areas: MILAN, PAVIA, FLORENCE-ROSCONA, ROME-NAPLES, NINI.

7. The distribution of troops within these areas is a matter for military consideration. It is obvious, however, that a small force will be needed on the Franco-Italian frontier and possibly in the Southern Tyrol and UMBRIA. Mobility would be a prerequisite and during the weeks preceding the elections it would be expedient to allow a very wide distribution of troops in order to cover the larger towns and some of the more important rural areas. This would naturally take the form of a special exercise or operation and need not be considered in detail in this memorandum.

8. It is considered that it would be retrogressive to station Allied troops in SARDINIA or SICILY even during the election period. SARDINIA can very well be left to Italian troops and in SICILY, particularly during election times, the employment of Allied troops would be unwise.

9. The role of the Allied troops at all times and especially during the election period would be as representatives of the democracies, and it would be necessary to arrange for special instruction and even training to this end. Intervention in Italian affairs except in the gravest emergency would have to be avoided and the greatest care would have to be taken in the handling of such administrative problems as accommodation, requisitioning, etc. The troops would be not so much forces of occupation in a defeated country but forces of assistance provided by the Allies in order to give confidence to the population and the Government; to strengthen by their presence the authority of the Italian machinery of law and order (but only in exceptional cases to supplant it) and to be used in a last resort to prevent the imposition of radical methods by force. 3087

10. The Allied troops should be maintained in this country until such time as the Italian Army and the forces of public security in Italy can play a competent role in the preservation of security. It is estimated that at the earliest this cannot take place before September 1st, 1946.

cc: J. S. Ambassador  
British Ambassador  
Exec Commissioner  
CA SECTION  
Col. FISKE (2)

/s/ Ellery W. Stone  
ELLERY W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In order to clarify the exact position and responsibilities of the Italian Government in regard to local defense plans, the following will serve as your guide:

The Italian Government is responsible for defense against sabotage and the preservation of law and order in all territory in the rear of the Army Areas excepting that under AMG.

As you know, the right is reserved by SACMED to declare specific areas of Italian Government territory to be Military Zones. By the issue of such declaration, the exercise of the powers of Military Government in the area in question is asserted by SACMED.

To carry out its responsibility for the maintenance of law and order, Italian civil authorities have under their control the Carabinieri. If the Carabinieri are unable to deal with the situation, the local Italian authorities should appeal to the nearest Italian military headquarters. If there is still need for additional troops, the Italian civil authorities should request the nearest Allied District/Base Section Commander or his local representative, for assistance. For this reason it is essential that close liaison be maintained between Allied static headquarters and local Italian civil and military authorities.

Should local Italian authorities ask Allied commanders for military assistance in quelling civil disturbances, the local Allied commander has orders to point out that the quelling of civil disturbances is the responsibility of Italian authorities and to refuse such assistance, unless he is of the opinion that it is necessary for the protection of Allied military interests. Further, the Italian authorities will be warned that the territory in question will be immediately liable to be made an Allied military zone. If assistance is granted, the first troops to be used will be such Italian troops as may be under command of Allied District/Base Sections.

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Where it is necessary for Allied troops to assist the Italian authorities, all Italian troops thus engaged will come under command of Allied District/Base Section Commanders.

In any case where Allied or Italian troops are employed to quell civil disturbances, NO smoke, tear gas, or chemicals of any kind will be employed. It will be noted from the foregoing that this is the only restriction as to arms and armament of Italian troops employed to quell civil disturbances.

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Yours very truly,

WILHELM W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivance Bonomi  
The President of the Council of Ministers  
Italian Government  
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3. District Operational Instruction No. 10

Amendment No. 1

- 1 Para 3 - Amend locn of 151 Sub-Area to road CHIARCIANO 426
- 2 Para 9 - Amend locn of HQ SMIC in Region to road CAGLIARI

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HEADQUARTERS, JAMES CO. DIVISION  
Avil Affairs section  
A.P.O. 394

19 February, 1945

Ref : SD/376.07

Subject: Military Security

To : See Distribution

1. The number of permits issued to civilians to visit ANCON, and ITCORP must be restricted to a minimum.
2. Similarly any applications made in the restricted zone for permits to visit ITCORP should be refused in all but the most exceptional cases.
3. The reason for this request is the urgent requirements of military security, but A.P.O. officers in refusing permits should give no indication of why they are being refused.
4. As soon as it is considered that the necessity for increased security has passed you will be informed.

For the Chief Commissioner:

C.R. UPTON, Brig.  
V.P. CA Section, A.C. 3083

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19 February, 1945

Ref : 89/378.07

Subject: Military Security

To : See Distribution

1. The number of permits issued to civilians to visit MICONA and LEHURI must be restricted to a minimum.
2. Similarly any applications made in the restricted zone for permits to visit MIPES should be refused in all but the most exceptional cases.
3. The reason for this request is the urgent requirements of military security, but M.C. officers in refusing permits should give no indication of why they are being refused.
4. As soon as it is considered that the necessity for increased security has passed you will be informed.

For the Chief Commissioners:



G.F. GUNN, BRIG.  
M.C. Section, A.C. 3083

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section) area and sub-area headquarters with the local Italian civil and military authorities.

6. Within areas which are still under Allied Military Government control, the local Allied Military Government authority is responsible for the maintenance of law and order. The local Carabinieri are under the control of Allied Military Government for this purpose. Should additional assistance be required, the local Allied Military Government authority will appeal to the local district (base section) area or sub-area commander. It is essential that close liaison exist between the local Allied Military Government commander and the local district (base section) area and sub-area commander.

7. The above responsibilities as outlined apply to civil disturbances, a disturbance in which military personnel are involved is a military responsibility and will be dealt with by the appropriate military authority.

8. Immediate reports will be made through normal channels in all cases of riots or civil disturbance, whether or not it has been necessary to employ Allied troops.

9. In any case where Allied or Italian troops are employed to quell civil disturbances, the following instructions will apply:

- a. Troops will be moved to the scene of the disturbance with weapons unloaded.
- b. Weapons will be loaded only on command of an officer.
- c. Only small arms will normally be borne by troops. Commanders are advised that the carrying of automatic weapons by troops in a civil disturbance is most undesirable and will only be allowed in the army areas where they will be kept to a minimum and used only as a last resort. Grenades are specifically prohibited.
- d. No smoke, tear gas, or chemicals of any kind will be employed.
- e. No troops will open fire upon rioters except on the express order of an officer.

10. Within the army areas, the Commanding General, 15th Army Group will issue such instructions as are considered necessary to implement the general principles outlined above.

11. Commanders concerned are responsible for the preparation of local defense schemes for the protection of Allied government property and to insure the security and efficiency of the Lines of Communication. Addressees who have not already forwarded copies of their local defense plans will do so without delay. Changes or amendments will be submitted immediately on publication.

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12. All addressees will acknowledge receipt of this order.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

/s/ C.W. CHRISTENBERRY  
C.W. CHRISTENBERRY  
Colonel, ASD,  
Acting Adjutant General

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3. DISTRICT SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO 2.

GENERAL.

1. This general instruction has been prepared in order to recapitulate the Security policy which will be observed by all Field Security and Post Security Sections within 3 District, with particular reference to those sections which have recently come under comd of this HQ.
2. Reports will be rendered fortnightly and in duplicate, dispatched on the 15th and 30th of each month, in conformity with the proforma attached (Appendix A).
3. Reports will be addressed to this HQ, with copy to Area where section is located and other formations concerned.
4. All matters of particular or immediate importance or interest will be forwarded in the form of special reports to this HQ. These should include cases of espionage and sabotage, significant riots, incidents or disturbances, subversive activity, leakage of information, etc.

ARRESTS.

5. 3 District Security Instruction No 1 (Copy at Appendix B) lays down the procedure to be observed in the case of arrests, detention and internment of civilians on security grounds. Sections are reminded that :
  - (a) previous authority must be obtained from this HQ for interments.
  - (b) arrest slips must be made out and a copy passed to this HQ <sup>30 days</sup> arrests. Arrest slips must show name, address, date and place of arrest, reason for arrest, category of offender (A, B, or C)\* and where held.
    - \* Category A = Arrest for a specific offence.
    - " B = Arrest with a view to internment.
    - " C = Detained pending further investigation.
  - (c) Details of all persons arrested by or through sections will be included in fortnightly reports, and it will be stated whether these persons have been interned or where they are held pending investigations or trial. Sections should follow up court cases in which they are interned and report to this HQ any instance where the culprits have not been adequately dealt with.
    - Full details will be given in these letter reports as to when, where, and by whom the case was tried.
  - (d) All arrests of enemy agents will be notified to this HQ by signal.
  - (e) Sections are reminded that as they are operating in Italian Government

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ESCAPES.

6. The procedure laid down in Appendix ('C') will be observed in reporting escapes of PW.

FUNDS.

7. This HQ holds funds at the disposal of Sections in order to meet minor expenses incurred in the course of duty. These expenses will not exceed 4000 lire per month. Sections will render statements of expenditure to reach this HQ by the 30th of each month.

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN SECURITY AND SIM/CS.

8. SIM/CS have proved themselves efficient and willing to co-operate, and sections are encouraged to make full use of the existing Italian security organization.

The importance of establishing an effective system of liaison with the local CS will become increasingly evident as sections have more territory to cover.

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN SECURITY AND ACC.

9. Particular emphasis is laid on the need for co-operation between ES personnel and ACC in all matters involving Security action affecting civilians, particularly civil officials.

10. Such co-operation is of special importance in 3 District, which is territory administered by the Italian Government. Political considerations must not be overlooked, and the prestige and authority of the Italian Government and administration should be respected as far as possible.

11. Except in cases of emergency, therefore, where the need for speedy action is the overriding factor, the Regional or Zone Commissioner will be consulted before an Italian official is arrested on security grounds. If urgency prevents such prior consultation, the Commissioner concerned will be informed of the action taken as soon as possible thereafter.

*M. E. Harari*

( M E HARARI ) Major  
for Lt Col  
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Appendix 'A' to 3 Dist Security Instr No 2  
Dated / 7 Oct 44.

PRO-FORMA FOR FOREIGN SECURITY REPORTS

PART I.

GENERAL SURVEY.

General appreciation of the military and civil security situation in the area covered.

1. MILITARY SECURITY.

(a) Security of Information.

Leakage of information: important cases, potential causes, and special precautions.

(b) Security of Personnel.

Attempts to influence the morale of Allied Forces by propaganda or other subversive activities.

(c) Security of Material and Installations.

Sabotage or suspected sabotage, security of vulnerable points and of access to military establishments.

(d) Security of Ports and Coastline.

Matters concerning safeguarding of port installations, access to ports, security of coastline, control of fishing etc.

2. CIVIL SECURITY.

(a) Analysis of Arrests.

Tabulated summary of categories of arrest and types of persons arrested, as in attached proforma

(b) Important Individual Cases.

- (i) Persons Arrested.
- (ii) Suspects.

(c) Subversive Movements

Political Organisations of Security Interest.

(d) Control of Movement.

3. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) Italian Armed Forces.

Any aspect of security interest, including morale and co-operation.

(b) Civil Populations

Morale and relations with Allied Forces etc.

(c) Reincurs.

Among both troops and civilians. Enemy-inspired, defeatist, over-optimistic, suggesting leakage of information. Particular trends to be noted.

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in the area covered.

PART II.

1. MILITARY SECURITY.

(a) Security of Information.

Leakage of information: important cases, potential causes, and special precautions.

(b) Security of Personnel.

Attempts to influence the morale of Allied Forces by propaganda or other subversive activities.

(c) Security of Material and Installations.

Sabotage or suspected sabotage, security of vulnerable points and of access to military establishments.

(d) Security of Ports and Coastline.

Matters concerning safeguarding of port installations, access to ports, security of coastline, control of fishing etc.

2. CIVIL SECURITY.

(a) Analysis of Arrests.

Tabulated summary of categories of arrest and types of persons arrested, as in attached proforma.

(b) Important Individual Cases.

(i) Persons Arrested.  
(ii) Suspects.

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(c) Subversive Movements

Political Organisations of Security Interest.

(d) Control of Movement.

3. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) Italian Armed Forces.

Any aspect of security interest, including morale and co-operation.

(b) Civil Populations

Morale and relations with Allied Forces etc.

(c) Rumours.

Among both troops and civilians. Enemy-inspired, defeatist, over-optimistic, suggesting leakage of information. Particular trends to be noted.

(d) Any other matters of General Security Interest.

4. LOCATION OF ES SECTIONS.

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Analysis of Arrests (See Part II 2 (a) ).

	For trial for a Security Offence (Category A)	For Internment (Category B)	For Detention pending further investigation. (Category C)	TOTAL
Italian Armed Forces.				
Civil Officials including CC.RR.				
Miscellaneous civilians				
TOTAL				

NOTE: Of the above (a) were ex-Fascist Party Officials (b) were ex-MVSN.

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Appendix 'B' to 3 District Security Instr No 2  
Dated 7 Oct 44

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20 May 44.

3 District Security Instruction No. 1.

Arrest, detention and internment of civilians on security grounds.

GENERAL.

1. These instructions are issued as a reminder to FSOs on the subject of the correct procedure for the arrest, detention and internment of civilians on security grounds.

In order to avoid injustice, confusion and delay, the greatest care must be exercised by all concerned in each individual case involving the arrest of a civilian from the time of arrest until the final disposal of the case.

CATEGORIES OF ARREST.

2. There are three categories of civilians who may be arrested on security grounds.

(a) Those who have committed, or are alleged to have committed, in the territory occupied by our forces, a security offence under international law or the provisions of our proclamations. These should be charged with the offence and tried by a military court.

(b) Those who are not chargeable with a security offence, but who appear on reasonable evidence to constitute a threat to the security of our forces, operations or military Government, by virtue of their positions, personality, sentiment, **3057** record. These should be interned.

Sections are reminded that previous authority must be obtained from this HQ for internment.

It will be seen that the right to intern can only be used in respect of a particular category of persons, and that it must be based on certain definite principles or grounds. For example, a person who is found acting suspiciously or appears vaguely or generally suspect from the security point of view should not be interned. Instead, he should be interviewed and the case investigated. If necessary, sub para (c) can be applied.

(c) Those against whom there is insufficient evidence to charge with an offence or to intern, but whom it is desirable in the interests of security to detain pending further investigation.

An example of the type of person referred to here is the man who questions troops or who tells conflicting stories regarding his movement.

3 District Security Destruction No. 1.

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DISPOSAL OF RECORDS AND DOCUMENTATION.

3. (a) Whenever a civilian is arrested by military personnel on security grounds a record of such arrest must be made. This record will include the following items:-

(i) Particulars.....

- (i) Particulars of individual arrested.
  - (ii) Date and place of arrest and by whom arrested.
  - (iii) Where confined.
  - (iv) Reason (in brief) for arrest and category of arrest.
- (b) One copy of such record will be handed over with the prisoner to the authority in charge of the prison in which he is confined. One copy will be submitted to the local Civil Affairs Officer. One copy will be sent to this HQ, and one copy will be retained by the FSO making the arrest.
- (c) Such records must always be signed. Arrest slips have reached 371 PW Camp bearing no signature whatever.
- (d) The personal papers and belongings of the person concerned should be handed over by the escort to the authority in charge of the prison against receipt. If, for security reasons, it is necessary to remove personal belongings from an arrested person, a receipt must be handed over for the articles taken.

DETENTION PENDING INVESTIGATION.

- 4. (a) A civilian detained security rounds pending further investigation will be placed in the local civil prison, but will not be sent to 371 PW Camp.
- (b) The nearest Civil Affairs Officer should be informed of any such detention and when possible his agreement should be obtained.
- (c) Such cases should not be allowed to drag on or remain pending for an indefinite period. They should be handled and disposed of as quickly as possible. Delays have sometimes been caused through uncertainty as to which agency is actually in charge of the case when several agencies are involved, i.e. a FS Sec; a CIC Unit; the French Securite Militaire; etc. In such cases it must be ensured that all concerned are clear as to who is responsible for the conduct of the investigation.

INTERMENT.

- 5. (a) Civilians arrested with a view to interment, will be permitted to take with them a bag or suitcase of personal effects, spare clothing etc. It should be borne in mind that internees are not criminals, and they must at all times be treated with reasonable consideration.
- (b) This HQ will be notified of the day of arrival at 371 PW Camp.
- (c) Only persons recommended for interment should be evacuated to 371 PW Camp.

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Signed M E HARARI Major  
for Lt Col G S

Appendix "C" to 3 Dist Security Instr No. 2  
Dated 17 Oct 44

ESCAPES OF PW

1. When an enemy PW escapes from custody, every effort will be made to recapture him.
2. Immediately an escape is detected, the unit responsible for the PW will notify the local Carabinieri by the most effective means. Unit will also send out patrols in the immediate neighbourhood. If escape occurs while PW is in transit, escort will report escape to Movements who will undertake procedure outlined above.
3. Report will be made to "G", Area/Sub Area/Garrison or after office hours to Duty Officer, giving as many as possible of the particulars shown on the attached pro-forma. These particulars will be telephoned or sent by special IR.
4. Area/Sub Area/Garrison on receipt of the information will notify :-
  - (a) Provost - who will notify road patrols, traffic posts and American Mil Police
  - (b) Field Security - who will notify CIC and any check posts in operation at the time.
  - (c) GSI 3 District - who will notify neighbouring formations.
5. The recapture of a PW will be notified by signal to Area/Sub Area/Garrison and GSI 3 District. 3016
6. The above procedure in no way supersedes any orders covering the reporting of escapes for record purposes.

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PROFORMA

REPORT - ESCAPED ENEMY PW

(Immediate Report by telephone)

- 1 - PW Number \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 - Rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 - Name \_\_\_\_\_
- + 4 - Nationality \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 - Height \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 - Colour of eyes \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 - Complexion \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 - General Appearance and characteristics \_\_\_\_\_
- + 9 - Dress in which presumed to have escaped \_\_\_\_\_
- + 10 - Place from which escape made \_\_\_\_\_
- + 11 - Time found to have escaped \_\_\_\_\_
- + 12 - Time when last seen \_\_\_\_\_
- + 13 - Whether local Carabinieri informed by military authority losing Prisoner \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 - Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Headings marked + are absolutely essential. The remaining headings will be completed if available.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel: 608

Ref. 435/E/CA

30th January, 1945.

SUBJECT: Security Requirements - Communications.

TO : Economic Section.

*re: 13 Bureau  
31/1/45*

Reference your O.01/ES, dated 25th January, and attached papers.

1. At Endorsement 2 is the view of the Public Safety Sub-Commission regarding the security angle in this matter, which raises the whole question of communications with AME. This question, as you are aware, has been discussed at the last two Chief of Staff meetings.

2. Meetings of any description are not at present allowed in any areas and to allow Labour Unions to be an exception to this regulation can only lead to serious difficulties. Furthermore, communications from organisations in Italian Government territory direct with representatives in AME territory are, it is maintained by this Section, most undesirable unless made through the Sub-Commission concerned. Sub-Commissions are then in a position to note what is being passed forward and to scrutinise such communications from the security angle.

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*R.R.*

R.R. CRIPPS, Col.,  
CSO CA Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Security Report.

FILE No. 4/35B/CA

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28 Jan 1945 194

TO : COS  
PIO  
Political Sec

CC HR report raid on office of Partito di Unione Proletaria where they found and seized a small quantity of arms and ammunition:  
1 case of hand grenades  
4 LMG  
1 HMG  
and a large quantity of documents.

This was the office of SALVOZZA who was connected with the hunchback gang and of whom there has been considerable mention in the Press recently. He was to have given a press conference today but has disappeared.

*R.R.*

R.R. CRIPPS Col.  
CSO CA Section

Ext 608  
CA Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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25 Jan 45

SUBJECT : Security

TO : Legal S/C  
Local Govt S/C  
P. Health S/C  
Pat. Branch  
LPH S/C  
Pub Sat S/C *622*

RAAC has convened a meeting to discuss Security and instructions have been received from COS that your Sub-Comen will detail one representative to attend. The place and time of the meeting are

Teatro delle Arti - Via Sicilia 59  
at 1030 hours on Saturday 27 Jan -

Please to inform Major Harvey by phone (Ext. 506) of the name of the officer you detail to attend.

*S.H. White Lt Col.*  
S.H. WHITE Lt Col,  
for VP CA Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Chief of Staff  
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Ref: 3620/41/COS.

25 January 1945.

Subject: Security Conference.

To: VP Economic Section  
VP Civil Affairs Section  
VP Establishment Section.

RAAC are holding a Security Conference on Saturday 27 January at 1030 hours at Teatro delle Arte, Via Sicilia 59, ROME.

The object of this Conference, which is more in the nature of a lecture on security rather than a conference, is to draw the attention of all military units in this area to the vital importance of good security.

RAAC have allotted 20 places in this Conference to HQ AC, and I am directed by the Chief of Staff to request you to arrange for a number of officers from your Section to attend. Details can be arranged with Major HARVEY, Security Division, who bears this letter.

*E. Galbraith*  
Colonel,  
Chief Staff Officer.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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30 Sept. '44

Dear Captain Stone,

Presumably in accordance with existing practise SACRED will expect his Civil Affairs Branch (and therefore A.C.C.) to be responsible for the exercise of such civilian powers as we may require.

G.R. URSSEN, Brigadier.  
V.P. Admin. Section.

Captain Melery W. Stone, USNR,  
Acting Chief Commissioner,  
H.Q. Allied Control Commission.

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25th Sept, '44

Dear Captain Stone,

Thank you for your letter of the 24th September on the construction of Admin. Instruction No. 48 of 8th August, '44.

You will appreciate that this instruction is purely a directive issued by C. in C. to his own officers and is not the governing document as between the Allied Authorities and the Italian Government.

The rights of the Allies are contained in Article 9 of Document "A" which reads as following:-  
"The right to reoccupy the whole or any part of the Unoccupied Territory at any time or to take such other steps or exercise such other powers in any part of such territory as may from time to time be deemed necessary for the proper prosecution of the war."

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The position may be summed up I think as follows. In his Admin instruction (he lays down one instance (use of troops in aid of the civil power) in which the powers conferred by Article 9 of Document "A" are to be invoked.

Accordingly to circumstances we might lay down in the area any degree of military government that we choose, i.e. from complete A.M.C. to the issue of ordinances dealing mainly with policing, hours of curfew and other law and order regulations leaving the whole of the remaining administration in the hands of the Italian administration.

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G. E. URJOIN, Brigadier,  
V.E. Admin. Section.

Captain Ellery W. Stone, USAR,  
Acting Chief Commissioner,  
H.Q. Allied Control Commission.

