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CA, POLITICAL MEETINGS
APR. 1944 - SEPT. 1945

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Please see folio 8A for information.

CH Sec

24 Jan 45

A.D. BONHAM CARTER LRL
for 8A

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AFHQ INFO MOV BARI DEPDOCKS ROME MOV TARANTO

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29 September 45

PRIORITY

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RESTRICTED PD

SUBJECT IS POLICE PERSONNEL FOR BARI DOCKS PD

PAREN TO AFHQ INFO MOV BARI DEPDOCKS ROME MOV TARANTO FROM ALCON CITE

ACPST PAREN

EX-45981 F40101 26-27-45

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR FOX XRAY FOUR FIVE NINE SIX ONE CITE

FHGDW DATED TWO SEVEN SEPTEMBER FOUR FIVE PD

PARA TWO PD THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SECURITY CMA MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

NOT MINISTRY OF MARINE CMA HAS BEEN APPROACHED AND STATES ADEQUATE

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR DOCK GUARDS IN BARI PD THE PROBLEM

OF ACCOMMODATING THE PERSONNEL IS IN HAND BY THE QUESTORE CMA BARI PD

PARA THREE PD MINISTRY OF MARINE IS BEING INFORMED OF THE ACTION

TAKEN PD

INT DIST : Chief Commissioner
Exec. Commissioner
CAS
Navy

Public Safety Sub-Comm.

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F.J. WILSON LT.COL.

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G.J. LEONE 6102
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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AFHQ G FIVE

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1 October 45

PRIORITY

1 OCT. 1945

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PARA ONE PD THE FOLLOWING SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED FROM ALGER TO BARI PD
PARIS TO AFHQ G FIVE FROM ALGER CITY AGENT PAREN

PARA TWO PD OPERATIONS IN ALGERIA AND MINERVING HAD EXCELLENT REPORT
PD POPULATION WERE PD PLANS IN HAND FOR CAPTURE OF ARMED BAND
TWO ZERO ZERO STRONG WHO ESCAPED TO COUNTRY WEST OF MINERVING PD
PARA THREE PD SITUATION IS NOW NORMAL PD

INT. DIR :

Chief Commissioner
Exec. Commissioner
Civil Affairs Sec.



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Public Safety 8/8

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V.P. DOMISCHER MAJ.

G.J. LEONE
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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FX 28252
JULY 261210B

F/1458
JULY 271000B
ROUTINE

ALEXANDER GITE PHDSC

JUL 27 1945

AGWAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF AND TO AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS
OF STAFF INFO ALCON

28 LUG 1945

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Pursuant to policy permitting political meetings in AMG territory NENNI, Italian vice Premier and minister responsible for preparation of the Constituent Assembly, was allowed to address large meeting in MILAN 22 July purpose of which was announced as Treasury bond campaign and wheat amassing. This is NGE 1048. In fact NENNI campaigned for a Republic.

Such action contravenes the oath taken by NENNI on taking office.

I instructed the Chief Commissioner Allied Commission to protest to the Italian Prime Minister emphasising that Signor NENNI has violated his oath and that such action by an Italian Minister is not likely to induce confidence in the Italian Govt on the part of the UNITED STATES and BRITISH Govts.

Above reported for your information.

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Info - Chief Commissioner

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POLAD B

→ File C A Sec

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27 JUL 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

TO: AFHQ FOR G-5, US POLAD, BRITISH RESMIN

REF. No: 2358

23 JULY 1945

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

23 JUL 1945

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PURSUANT TO POLICY PERMITTING POLITICAL MEETINGS IN AMT TERRITORY CMA, NENNY
 ADDRESSED LARGE MEETING IN MILAN TWENTY SECOND IN WHICH IT IS REPORTED BY
 ABLE PETER THAT HE CAMPAIGNED VIGOROUSLY FOR A REPUBLIC ALTHOUGH ANNOUNCED
 PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS TREASURY BOND CAMPAIGN AND WHEAT AMASSING PD
PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE CMA UNCLE SUGAR POLAD CMA BRITISH RESMIN
FROM HQ ALCOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE ACSCC PAREN

PARA TWO PD YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH FORM OF OBLIGATION ON INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION
 SIGNED BY PARTI ON BEHALF OF QUOTE THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT UNQUOTE PD IN
 ADDITION CMA PURSUANT TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT DECREE DOG LOVE LOVE ONE FIVE
 ONE OF TWO FIVE JUNE ONE NINE FOUR FOUR ON THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION CMA EACH
 MINISTER TAKES THE OATH SET FORTH IN ARTICLE THREE THEREOF WHICH WAS QUOTED
 IN MY FOUR FIVE FOUR OF THIRTEEN JULY ONE NINE FOUR FOUR TO GEORGE FIVE IN
 REPLY TO FOX XRAY SEVEN ZERO SEVEN SIX THREE OF TEN JULY ONE NINE FOUR FOUR PD
 FOLLOWING OUR GENERAL PRACTICE CMA THIS DECREE HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED CMA OR
 GIVEN THE FORCE OF LAW CMA IN ALL AMT TERRITORY PD

PARA THREE PD IF ABLE PETER DISPATCH IS CONFIRMED CMA REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS

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AS TO PAREN ABLE PAREN WHETHER THIS ACTION BY MEMMI CMA A SINGLE MINISTER CMA
IN CAMPAIGNING FOR A REPUBLIC IS CONSIDERED A VIOLATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S
OBLIGATION TO THE ALLIES AND IF SO WHETHER THE COMMISSION SHOULD PROTEST PD
PAREN BAKER PAREN WHETHER COMMISSION SHOULD REQUEST PARI TO PROTEST TO MEMMI
HIS VIOLATION OF HIS OATH UNDER DOG LOVE LOVE ONE FIVE ONE AND TO POINT OUT
THE SERIOUSNESS OF A REPETITION THEREOF

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BR Ambassador
US POL ADVSR
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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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URGENT

BROWN PINEWIDE REGION FROM BULLOCK
AC HQ ALCOH BOMB FOR DESEN

IN CLEAR.

MARSHALL at TURIN reports damage at LA STAMPA plant negligible. Publication all papers resumes Saturday under complete accord between all parties interested. GAZETTA DEL POPOLO will resume with slight change in title. Situation under complete control. Officer FRANTINI will be in ROME tomorrow with full details. MARSHALL informs me he does not anticipate any outward manifestations but says subversive elements are strong and determined nevertheless.

NEW SUBJECT:

Representatives of parties, newspapers and press agencies in MILAN have decided to form a press commission for northern ITALY first to collaborate with AP as consultants secondly to take over functions of APB later thirdly to prepare for ultimate fusion of that commission with press commission in ROME fourthly to help draft the new Italian press law and fifthly to advise press officers of "prefetture" on issue of permits to publish newspapers and magazines. Commission will be made up of 1 CLMAI representative, 1 representative each party of CLN, 1 representative of the independent parties and 1 representative of Association of Journalists

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Ref: 454

Message Center No. F/531

Date/Time of Origin: 20 July 45

Date Time Rec'd: Jul 20 1945

21 LUG 1945

Precedence: URGENT

From: HULLOCK, from HQ PIERMONT from MARSHALL

To: ADMIRAL STONE

1. Damage at LA STAMPA plant negligible.
2. Publication of all papers will resume Saturday morning under complete accord with all parties in interest. GAZETTA EL POPOLO with slight modification in title will resume very shortly.
3. Officer this Headquarters reporting home tomorrow will furnish additional details upon arrival.
4. Situation under complete control.

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21 JUL 1945

ANG 13 CORPS CHIEF LABOR OFFICER
LABOR SUBCOMMISSION ALLIED COMMISSIONF/550
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ROUTINE

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1. Strike ended 2400 hours July.
2. Advise by wire if labor and/or Finance officers can fly to TRIESTE with necessary detailed information and documents for application of both private and public wage increases on principles of NORTH ITALY agreements.
3. Single copy needed of announcement of social security coverage for employees of Allied Forces.

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ACTION: Labor 30
 INFO: Chief Commissioner
 Ex Commissioner
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

20 July 1945

21 LUG 1945

Subject: Dispute at Office of 'LA STAMPA'

To: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission

Following is telephone message from Captain Hatcher,
ANG Lombardine; 1630 hours:

"I am relaying message from Colonel Selby, Regional
Commissioner of Piemonte, and he is referring to message from
Admiral Stone.

"Admiral Stone addressed two questions to the Regional
Commissioner of Piemonte.

1. How much damage was occasioned by the
dispute at the office of 'LA STAMPA'?

Answer: No damage to plant or property,
but a number of archives of the paper were
thrown into the street and burned. There
was no other public disturbance.

2. Has publication been resumed?

Answer: No, as the matter is under con-
sideration by Regional Commissioner."

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
SO to CC

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AMC PIRMONE
ALCOM ATTENTION LABOUR SC

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Subject is disturbance in TORINO. Reference is made to your cable No 1942 on results of meeting between Camera Del Lavoro and Unione Industriale regarding the demonstration organised by the Unione Donne Italiane.

2. FIGRIO Industrial representative signed agreement conceding equal treatment to women in respect of CARO VIDA indemnity. FIGRIO signed under pressure of disorderly demonstration and in that he was told by Italian authorities present that he would be responsible for any eventual disorders that might ensue if his signature was not forthcoming.

3. Regional Commissioner has been informed of situation and your LSC/412 dated 14 July 45 has been brought to his notice. It is intended to take a stand over this issue and an official press statement now being prepared to declare the agreement null and void and to make it known that any agreement overshooting the MILAN wage ceilings would require Italian Government approval.

4. Detailed reports on events and action taken will follow at earliest possible time.

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- INFO: Chief Commissioner
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15 JUL 1945

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AME PIEMONTE REGION

ALCOM ATTN DIRECTOR LABOUR SC

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Subject is labour demonstration in TORINO.

At 0900 on 14 July an unauthorized demonstration was organized by the Unione Donne Italiane (Communist Organisation). Some 5,000 women from leading factories like Fiat Miraflore Lancia Riv Maras were involved.

Reasons for demonstration were 1. elimination of differential between men and women heads of families in connection with TORINO industrial agreement for high cost of living bonus 2. elimination of differential between male and female bonus for juveniles 3 insistence that Unione Donne Italiane should be allowed controls over sepral and on the economic situation in general.

The demonstration first went to Camera Del Lavoro where FLESCHEIA Communist Joint Secretary addressed them saying that labour representatives had done their utmost to obtain the most advantageous terms for workpeople.

From the Camera Del Lavoro demonstrators proceeded to the premises of the Unione Industriale where they remained until 1100 hours ingeniore FIORIO Chief Industrial Exponent decided to receive a deputation. When FIORIO was presented with points aforementioned he explained that industrialists had met all requests presented by the Camera Del Lavoro and that it was not possible for him to deal with demonstrations or with individual workers but was prepared to contact official Labour Representatives.

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An appointment was fixed for 1500 hours between FIORIO and FLESCCHIA but this did not meet with the approval of demonstrators who then broke into the industrialists building causing some damage and scattering such documents as were within reach. FIORIO was taken to the balcony from where he gave public assurance that he would contact FLESCCHIA immediately.

On leaving the building FIORIO and AVVOCATO CODIGNI principal executive of the Unione Industriali were subjected to considerable abuse and threats. They were afforded police protection as they moved away but the latter was later accompanied under police escort to the Questura. The demonstration broke up at 1315 hours.

Joint secretaries of Camera Del Lavoro are holding meeting of womens Commissioni Interne evening and at 1900 hours will be meeting FIORIO with more specific requests and suggestions. FIORIO has protested vigorously with joint secretaries over undisciplined and aggressive action of demonstrators. Joint secretaries beginning to feel that the situation is not altogether under their control. CARMAG NOLA Socialist Joint Secretary expressed disappointment and concern over demonstration while RAPNELI DEMO CRISTIANO Joint Secretary referred sarcastically to the organised "Spontaneity" of the agitation.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

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CA SEC 9A

21 GIU. 1945

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION)

14 June 1945

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1. The Allied Commission and the Army have given to this Region the authority to permit public meetings.

2. Request for public meetings should be made through the Questura of each province. The Questore can submit to Public Safety Officer of the province any request that it approves. The final decision should be made by AMG.

3. Where possible, parades prior to the public meetings should be discouraged. No open air meetings should be held in places which would interfere with regular traffic. Above all, a pledge must be obtained from those holding the meeting that law and order will be respected.

CC: EX COMM.
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P. SAFETY SIC
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CHARLES IOLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

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17 June 1945

SUBJECT: Political Activities in North Italy.

TO : Office of the British Resident Minister.

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With reference to your memorandum 21/150/5 of 15 June there is no objection to your informing the Foreign Office that the general principle enunciated in signal FX 89032 of 7 June (MC OUT 2188) may be released to the press. In so doing it should however be made clear that it is subject to the reservation that the right to withhold permission for political meetings is reserved in special areas where it is considered that it would be unwise for them to be allowed to be held.

(5A)

23 JUN 1945

W. D. MORGAN,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff

Copy to:

USPOLAD (1) With copy of memo from British
Hq 15 Army Group (1) Resident Minister 21/150/5 of
Hq Allied Commission (1) 15 June

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OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT MINISTER
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN
A.F.H.Q.

15th June, 1945

21/150/5

TO : G-5.

FROM : Mr. A. Russell.

Reference your telegram FX 89032 of the 7th June regarding the holding of political meetings.

The Foreign Office have instructed us to arrange for SACMED to be asked to authorise the release of this information to the press. We shall be grateful to know what decision is taken in this matter.

/s/ A. RUSSELL

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INCOMING MESSAGE 1901U. 1945 7A

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 1981

Message Centre No: E/5659

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 181828B

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 190800

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: HQ IV CORPS SIGNED SCAO

TO : RC PIEMONTE REGION, AMG; RC LIGURIA REGION, AMG; RC LOMBARDIA REGION, AMG FOR ACTION, HQ ALCOM FOR INFORMATION.

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Ref NR 150.

Subject: Meetings and Assemblies.

HQ IV CORPS has no objection to meetings and assemblies so long as conducted in conformance with Article 4 Proclamation 3 of the Allied Military Government.

2. This pertains to residents of northern ITALY as well as to residents of southern ITALY who may come to northern ITALY.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: GAS/601
Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 09 1045Z

Message Centre No: 3/4479 GA
Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 09 1324Z
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: HQ 15 ARMY GROUP 10 GIU. 1945
TO: ACTION: 2 ARMY, 3 ARMY, INTC: AICOM HOME AHCQ

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Public Info
to see

See 11/11/45
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HEADQUARTERS
10 JUN 1945
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1. The following signal PK 89032 cite EWING dated 7 June received from AFHQ signed SACRED with information copy to AICOM.
2. Consider that now hostilities have ceased permits to hold political meetings should be granted in Army areas as matter of course provided such meetings not likely to cause public disturbance or interfere with normal Allied military activities. This policy in force considerable time in areas under Regional AHC administration and is in line with policy laid down by CCS directive which was sent FILPOB 8 January 1944 and is repeated below for information.
 1. Within your discretion Italian people may be permitted to participate in such political activities (other than Fascist) as do not lead to plotting and disorder.
 2. These will include the right of peaceful assembly, attendance at meetings of political committees, publication 6086 distribution of political works and other such activities of similar nature as you may determine to be advisable. HQ 15 ARMY GROUP (or Army Commanders) may exclude any areas (provinces etc) in which the holding of political meetings would in his opinion be liable to inflame international disputes in those areas or in areas immediately adjacent to them.

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3. Pursuant to this policy you are accordingly authorized to approve the grant of permits to hold political meetings in accordance with the above.

4. Such authority will be exercised by you at your complete discretion in all respects in the light of and having regard to the particular conditions and considerations prevailing in or affecting any given area from which an application for a permit may be made.

5. Relevant A's proclamation and/or general order relating to public meetings and assemblies apply.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

=7 JUL 1945

CIA Sec

Originator's Reference: EX 89032
 Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 07 1945

Message Centre No: E/4003
 Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 07 1945
 Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ARMY STORMED SACRED SITE RUSKINGTO: 15TH ARMY GROUP INFO: ARMY HQ

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Considered that now hostilities have ceased permits to hold political meetings should be granted in Army Areas as matter of course provided such meetings not likely to cause public disturbance or interfere with normal Allied Military activities. This policy in force considerable time in areas under Regional AMB Administration and is in line with policy laid down by CCS Directive which was sent FILPOT 8 January 1944 and is repeated below for information:

"1. Within your discretion Italian people may be permitted to participate in such political activities (other than Fascist) as do not lead to rioting and disorder.

2. These will include the right of peaceful assembly, attendance at meetings of political committees, publication and distribution of political works and such other activities of similar nature as you may determine to be advisable."

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
A.P.O. 464 U.S. ARMY

C.A. Section

(HA)

7th October 1944.

203/16

Subject: Political Meetings.

To : H.Q., A.C.C.
Administrative Section.

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Reference your 6/6A/AS of 30 September permission was neither requested or granted for any of the meetings referred to.

E.B. Mayne

E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, U.D.F.,
Chief of Staff.
AMG FIFTH ARMY.

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*Transferred to Headquarters
of the White.*

From: Lt. Col. S.H. White,
Administrative Section,
H.Q. A.C.C.
APO 394

30 Sep 44

Dear Nicholls,

Brigadier Upjohn has asked me to let you know that he has made enquiries of A.M.G. 5 Army with regards to the public meetings being held in that Army area.

You are of course entitled to permit the holding of public meetings in your territory either under Article IV of Proclamation 3 or under General Order 25.

yours sincerely,

Lt. Colonel E.H.J. Nicholls D.S.O., M.C.
Sierra.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

(3A)

30 Sep 44.

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SUBJECT : Political Meetings

TO : S.C.A.O. A.M.G. 5 Army.

My attention has been drawn to the enclosed reports of
meetings in Peretola Sesto Fiorentino and Florence.
Will you please say whether permits for these meetings were
granted under Proclamation 3 Article IV.

Ext :469
SHW/jw

S.H. WHITE,
Lt. Colonel.
for CSO Admin Section.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/266/20/CA

20 June 1944

SUBJECT: Political Meetings.

TO : R.C.'s Regions II, IV, V, VIII and Rome.
S.C.A.O.'s 5 & 8 Armies.

1. This Headquarters letter 266/12/CA of 26 May 1944 is hereby cancelled together with all previous instructions issued by AMG/ACC and AMG 15 AG relating to holding of Public Meetings, and the following is substituted.

2. Permits to hold Public Meetings in Military Government territory will be issued only in accordance with General Order No. 25. The permits will be in the form contained in Exhibit "A" attached. Proper records of all such permits issued will be maintained by P.C.'s and SCAO's.

3. Arrangements will be made for important meetings to be reliably reported in order that the trend of public opinion may be assessed. A reference to this matter will be made in the monthly reports under the heading "Political Reactions and Popular Opinion".

4. Whenever an application to hold a public meeting is refused, this Headquarters will be informed by cable without delay of:

- I. Nature of the banned meeting.
- II. Auspices under which it was to be held.
- III. Date, time and place proposed.
- IV. Brief reasons for prohibition.

such cables will be followed by a full report.

5. Regional Commissioners and SCAO's will note that under these instructions any statements given to the public stating the reasons for the banning of a meeting must be issued by R.C. & M.C. Section of HQ. Allied Control Commission.

M.S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Exhibit "A"

No. _____

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Permit to hold a Public
Meeting _____+ Region _____
+ SCAO _____th ArmyDate _____
Province of _____

The person or persons named below are authorized to hold a public meeting in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 25 and the terms and conditions detailed below:

TERMS

Name of Person (or Persons) authorized to hold meeting _____

Identity Card No. _____

Address _____

+ Name of Party, Society or Group _____

Authorized date of meeting _____

Time meeting is scheduled to commence _____

Place where the meeting is to be held _____

Object of the Meeting _____

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CONDITIONS

1. The meeting shall be conducted throughout in an orderly manner, and no person shall do or say anything:

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(c) Which causes or may cause, or encourage or may encourage any other person to cause, any interruption of or interference with the military effort of Italy or any of the United Nations.

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+ Region _____
+ SCAO _____th Army

Date _____
Province of _____

The person or persons named below are authorized to hold a public meeting in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 25 and the terms and conditions detailed below:

TERMS

Name of Person (or Persons) authorized to hold meeting _____

Identity Card No. _____
Address _____
+ Name of Party, Society or Group _____
Authorized date of meeting _____
Time meeting is scheduled to commence _____
Place where the meeting is to be held _____
Object of the Meeting _____

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4. (Insert any additional conditions required) _____

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+ Provincial Commissioner
+ Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

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SUBJECT: Political Meetings.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.

1. The matter of labour meetings held during working hours which is the subject of your 2062/2/42 of 2nd April has been given careful study by my political advisers and my Labour Sub-Commission who are in close touch with the Labour organisations.
2. The paramount importance of maintaining a regular supply of Italian civilian labour is fully appreciated, and I agree that every effort should be made to prevent such meetings from being held during working hours on week days.
3. I believe, however, that better results can be obtained by appealing to the good sense of the Labour organisations rather than by enacting legislation in AMG territory and advising the Italian Government to enact legislation in liberated Italy which would not only be unpopular but politically undesirable in view of the declared policy of the Allied Nations which has taken the form of instructions to us from AMHQ. Public opinion in the Allied Nations is, as we have already experienced, very susceptible to restrictions on public meetings, however reasonable they may seem locally.
4. I therefore propose directly and through the Italian Government to induce the Labour organisations to appreciate that public meetings during working hours jeopardise the war effort and must not be organised. In AMG territory permits will not be issued for meetings except after working hours. I believe that the Labour organisations will give their full support.
5. As regards Labour Day which is normally held on 1st May, it has been arranged with the Italian Labour Leaders that Sunday, 30th April, shall be declared Labour Day and that appropriate celebrations may be arranged by workers on that day. Essential services will, of course, be continued and details to ensure this will be discussed with the more prominent of the leaders.

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6. 30th April will not be regarded as a public holiday and anyone absenting himself from work will not receive payment for that day.

7. In my opinion the probable loss of working time as a result of making 30th April Labour Day will be small in fact, and negligible compared with the psychological gain.

(Sgd) NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner.

Copies to: Economic Section.
Adm Section.
Political Section.

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