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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/27/16/LG.

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: SITREP 12 Sept. 45.

13 September 1945

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. Reference your 6/16.B/CA dated 22 August 1945 concerning reports on matters of special interest.

2. Appointment of Provincial Commissions for Disfranchisement of Fascists:

(a) After considerable discussion with the Italian Government, the method to be followed in appointing the Provincial Commissions for Disfranchisement of Fascists has been defined in a Directive issued by this Sub Commission on 3 September 1945 (reference AG/45/N/LG).

(b) The presiding officer of the Commission (by virtue of Article 8 of D.L. 159 of 27 July 1944, as modified by article 2 of D.L. 2 of 4 January 1945, both of which have been duly implemented and are in effect in AMG Territory), is a magistrate appointed by the President of the Council of Ministers after consultation with the Minister of Grace and Justice and the High Commissioner for Sanctions against Fascism. The Italian Government is at present selecting the Presidents of the said Commissions for each province, whose names will be published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale and duly implemented so that they are to be effective in AMG Territory.

(c) Inasmuch as it is not specifically indicated who should actually appoint the other 2 members of the Provincial Commissions, it has been agreed that the Provincial Commissioner should request the First President of the Court of Appeals to nominate the members; the appointment of such members to be made legal by formal order of the Provincial Commissioner.

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SUBJECT : Weekly Siraps

TO : All Sub-Commissions

- 1 Attached for your information and guidance is a copy of Executive Commissioner's letter Ref : 190/57/83 of 24 Aug 45.
- 2 Please consider this Section's letter Ref : 6/16.B/UA of 17 March 45 as cancelled.

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DISTRIBUTION

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Pub Safety S/C
DE & R S/C
Legal S/C
Local Govt S/C
MAYOR S/C
Patriots Branch
Rear S/C

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 284

Ref: 150/37/EC.

21 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.
Economic Section
Communications Sub-Commission
War Material Disposal & IPW Sub-Commission
Navy Sub-Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission (MIA)
Air Forces Sub-Commission
Public Relations Branch

Routine weekly sitreps will not be submitted in future,
but matters of special interest or importance will be reported to
this office as and when they occur.

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D. Jewell
for Chief Staff Officer,
To Executive Commissioner.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16 B/CA.

15 Aug 45.

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - week ending 14 Aug 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & RECEPTION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 37,608 Italians have been received, 36,117 through the Brenner and Swiss Routes and 1,571 by sea from Livorno and Cagliari. 9,958 Italians have been dispersed to the South from 1943 and 7,406 were received from the North including 2 train loads from Germany.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

(a) The Director of Education Sub-Commission spent a week on a mission in SWITZERLAND. Sample textbooks for elementary and lower schools in German were brought back to be reprinted and used in the schools of BOLOGNA Province.

(b) Contact was made with the European Student Relief Fund in GENEVA and arrangements were discussed for help to Italian Universities.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

NIL

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4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

NIL

5 PATRICKS BRANCH

IMPR - Instructions have been issued to Regions that on the hand-over of territory in North Italy, IMPRs will become part of the Prefectural Staff and be under the administrative control of Prefects.

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6 INTERALLIED, FINANCIAL & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

- (a) Checkover begun of contents of the 2 crates containing North African antiquities recently recovered.
- (b) Investigations are in progress on the reported cache of important French paintings, illegally exchanged for Italian works of art between a Florentine dealer and the Rosenberg art-looting organization in Paris.
- (c) Major W. T. Newton arrived at this Headquarters as Deputy Director Monuments & Fine Arts Sub-Commission.
- (d) Archives - Agreement has been reached with the Foreign Office representative as to the desirability of establishing a repository for those Italian Archives likely to be of interest to Allied agencies. The repository shall be under Allied control but with an Italian archivist and his staff and to be open also to Italian Ministers.

7 HEALTH MATTERS SUB-COMMISSION

- (a) The High Commissioner for Public Health has been put in touch with the A. and M. Liquidation Committee with a view to obtaining surplus medical supplies.
- (b) Health Disease - A special study is being made of a new and prevalent poultry disease.

8 MILITARY MATTERS SUB-COMMISSION

10,000 pairs of new boots received for the 3rd Brigade of OC. 4th. at FLORENCE. The re-organization of Carabinieri strength is continuing - some older classes being released to make room for younger men recuperated in the North.

Prisons - Disquieting reports continue to be received from the North concerning the overcrowded conditions of all jails and the slowness of Italian courts.

Lagera Coeli - 1,400 prisoners have been transferred to other prisons. Less than 1,000 inmates remain.

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APO 324
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16 E/CA.

8 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 7 Aug 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. DISPLACED PERSONS & REHABILITATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 25,106 Italians were received in the North through the Brenner Pass and Switzerland. In addition 691 were received at Taranto, 44 at France and 795 at Bari or Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia making a total of 36,592 received.

11,442 Italians were evacuated to Rome from the North and 4170 directly from the North to the South. From Rome 13,794 Italians were evacuated to the South for dispersal.

2. EVACUATION SUB-COMMISSION

Three Schools have been derequisitioned by the Allies in Rome ~~and~~

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Non-Career Prefects are to be replaced in four of the Northern Provinces. Prefects for Ferrara and Modena have already left for their new seats of office and nominations have been requested and received from the Ministry of the Interior for Cremona and Lucca. 4761

4. MONUMENTS, ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

The safe recovery is confirmed of two crates containing precious archaeological material from North Africa, notably classical coin-collections, the treasure from the Temple of Artemis at Cyrene, and the remarkable Udden treasure. They had been removed to PALLANZA in North Italy, and are now safe back in ROME.

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5 POLISH HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

The Swiss Red Cross has offered care for three months in Switzerland to 1,000 Italian children in poor health.

No new cases of Typhus have been reported for the past week.

6 POLISH SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Continuing reports from areas where Polish or New Zealand troops are billeted indicate disorders and lack of control of the troops. Polish incidents seemed to be based on political differences with the local Italians, and New Zealand incidents to general ribaldry and disregard of Italians.

4 arrests have been made in Genoa, by ~~British and American agents~~ ~~and some 10,000,000 lire worth of~~ counterfeit 500 and 100 lire notes confiscated together with some 21,000,000 lire worth of counterfeit 500 lire bank drafts on Cassa di Risparmio of Genoa.

27 Jul 45 at Imbrosolo (Uffizi) 15 to 20 armed men overpowered guards at the prison possibly with some connivance from inside and released all prisoners, some 211 persons many of them partisans. All but 70 prisoners had returned voluntarily or had been picked up during succeeding two days.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 34
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref : 6/16.3/CA

1 Aug 45

SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 31 July 45.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPARATION SUB-COMMISSIONa) Italian Refugees.

Approximately 35,000 Italian refugees have been received from FRANCE and Switzerland during the period 23 - 28 July 1945. During the week 15,000 Italian refugees were evacuated from the North to Rome and the South by rail and sea for dispersal with 21,000 being dispersed to their homes in the Northern Regions. 10,000 Italian refugees were transported by rail to the South from Rome, for dispersal.

b) Hospital Trains

An ambulance coach with 30 cases of T.B. was attached to a refugee train arriving Verona. The first ambulance train is said to have arrived BOLLANO for MEDANO on 29 July, four days before it was expected.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

- a) The Italian Federation of Girl Scouts and Girl Guides was finally formed by the signing of a constitution by the heads of the (Catholic) Associazione Guide Italiane and the non-confessional Unione Nazionale Giovani Esploratrici Italiane, on 27 July.
- b) Word comes from Lens, Austria, that 150 cases of physics laboratory equipment, shipped from Milan, have been found in a school there. The school claims they were a legitimate purchase, but AMI suspects they were looted from Italian universities and technical institutes.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

On recommendation of the Legal Sub-Commission the summer holidays of Italian judicial personnel have been reduced. This will help to reduce the case list.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

NIL

5 PATRIOTS BRANCH

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Ceremonial

Ceremonial parades were held on 24 July in several towns of Venezia Giulia. There were no incidents.

Meeting

A meeting was held with the Post War Assistance Ministry. The handing over of responsibility for patriots was discussed.

6 MONUMENTS FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Relations with the Central Italian Government

The Italian Government are anxious for MFAA to collaborate in the publication of a well illustrated book on War Damage to Monuments, to be produced in Italian and English with a view to obtaining funds.

HQ and Field

Proposal made to ERB that MAAF be asked to join with MFAA in issuing detailed publicity as to work done in protecting monuments where possible from air-damage.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

A case of typhus resulting in death was reported from a refugee camp in Milan.

AFHQ has submitted plans for furnishing medical supplies and personnel to Italian VD Hospitals.

The Italian Government has been notified that beginning 15 August 1945 all medical supplies will be delivered to Istituto Nazionale per il Commercio Estero (I.C.E.) at ship side on behalf of the Italian Government.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

The control of "Polizia Controllo Economico" will pass to the Public Safety Sub-Commission on August 1.

Misuse of FOL

The Ministry of Interior issued a notice to the press stating that action would be taken in the case of any motor vehicle found circulating in an irregular manner.

Travel to and from Italy

Discussions have taken place with the Italian Government as to the possibility of transferring to the Government responsibility for the control of travel into and out of Italy.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is prepared at any time to reinstitute the visa system for entry into Italy.

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Overcrowding - Prisons

The evacuation of Regina Coeli prison is progressing, with approximately 1000 inmates already transferred to outlying jails.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16.B/CA

25 July 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 24 July 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. DISPATCHED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSIONRepatriation Italian Refugees.

- a) During the week 9340 refugees with homes in the South were repatriated. 10155 refugees arrived in Rome from the North. 42637 were repatriated by other organized movements by rail, sea and air.
- b) The repatriation from "WASP" of Italian refugees has increased to 4500 per day i.e. 3000 North Italians and 1500 South Italians; and from Switzerland to 2500 per day.

Allied and other Nationals.

On 15 July 1945, 327 Allied and other Nationals left Averna for France. 710 Greeks were repatriated to Greece by sea on 21 July 1945.

2. EMIGRATION SUB-COMMISSION

The Italo-American labour unions of New York have sent a 4,600 new dresses (manufacturer's samples) and an equal number of stockings for distribution. UNICEF has decided that the clothes are so good that they should be distributed to teachers in the large cities.

The British Boy Scouts have offered to pay all expenses for twelve youth leaders from Italy - six from the Catholic Boy Scouts and six from the non-confessional Boy Scouts, to come to England for a training course for Scout Leaders.

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

NIL

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4. LEGAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

NIL

5. PATRIOTE BRANCHPatriot Medal.

The Gazzetta Ufficiale of 7 July contains a decree authorising the issue of a medal ribbon to Patriots.

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Disbandment of Maiella Band.

At the final parade of the Maiella Band 188 decorations were presented.

Centres.

By the 20 July the number of Patriot Centres had been reduced to 15; it is intended that these shall be closed by the end of the month.

6 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

IS and Field

- a) On 21 July 45 there reached Florence by rail the costly collections of art-objects removed from Tuscan deposits to the Alto Adige.
- b) Authorisation received from AFHQ to take into custody and have returned to the Abyssinian Government the crowns of the Abyssinian Royal House, now in the custody of the Ministry of Italian Africa.
- c) Steps being taken to expedite the reconstruction of the vaults of the refectory of S. Maria delle Grazie, Milan (urgently necessary to protect the "Last Supper" of Leonardo da Vinci), and first-aid repair to the choir of the Eremitani Church, Padua, where there still survive 14th-century frescoes of Guariento.
- d) Announcement received that on 21 July 45 there would open in Venice the third state art-exhibit inaugurated since Allied occupation.-- An exhibition of Five Centuries of Venetian Painting.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

A case of small-pox in the person of a repatriate from Germany has been reported from Verona.

Ten million multi-vitamin tablets were released during the past week for the Italian Government by American Quartermaster AFHQ. These tablets represented surplus stocks.

No new typhus cases were reported during past week.

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8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Military Travel Authorisations.

Approval has been given for 200/300 Italian women to travel from Northern Italy to Switzerland for work during the summer in the Engadine hotels.

Prisons

Reports from Northern Regions describe a static prison situation, with the greatest overcrowding and slowest Italian judicial processes occurring in Lombardy and Venetian Regions.

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Practically the entire population of Regina Coeli, numbering 2360, participated in a riot starting at 1000 hrs Saturday 21 July and continuing throughout Sunday. Reportedly led by recently arrested, self styled Partisans, the rioters overpowered guards and attempted a mass escape. Thwarted by CC RR, they set fire to the roof of the first rotunda which later collapsed. The CC RR fired first for intimidation, then for effect, and one prisoner was killed and two wounded.

The situation is under fair control by Italian authorities. The Ministry of Grace and Justice plans to evacuate the prison entirely in order to institute a program of repairs.

At Malmate a crowd of unknown persons armed with grenades and machine guns stormed the entrance to a concentration camp but were repulsed by the guards without casualties.

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Ref: 6/16 B/CA.

18 July 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep; Week ending 17 Jul 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 11,243 Refugees with homes in the South were repatriated.

9,620 Refugees arrived in ROME from the North.

8,047 Refugees were repatriated by other organized movement by rail and sea.

Arrangements are well advanced for the reception of 4,500 sick Italians from SHAEF (previously reported as 10,000) at Merano hospitals.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

The long, detailed study of the Italian educational system, has now been presented to the Minister of Public Instruction. It is the only comprehensive report in existence of Italian Education from its beginnings through the Fascist "reforms". It brings the story right down to the present. The report consists of 199 foolscap pages of single space type-writing.

The House of Commons library requested a set of the great 35-volume Encyclopedia Italiana. The Minister of Public Instruction decided to make this a gift from the Italian Government and formally presented it to Mr. Hopkinson of the Political Section A.C. on 16 Jul 45. 1753

One very large school, and part of another school in ROME have been released from requisition.

"Newsweek" has offered free subscription to this weekly news review to all third and fourth year students of English in Italian Universities. The Minister of Public Instruction has accepted the offer with appreciation.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

NIL.

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4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Conditions in BOLZANO Province: Two meetings concerning problems arising from the Germanic element (e.g. nationality, registration of voters, education, etc.) have taken place in this Rg and were attended by the Political Advisers and the Prefect of BOLZANO.

Electoral Lists - 21 year olds: The Italian Government has prepared a Decree which will give the power to vote to those persons who will become 21 years of age by 31 December 1945. At present only the 1944 class is included.

The compilation of Electoral Lists was unofficially commenced in these zones at the same time as in Government territory. These unofficial dates of commencement are to be ratified by an order of the CGAO which will legalise the work already completed.

5 PATRIOTIC MILITIA

It is considered necessary to retain for a little longer 3 "skeleton" centres and a few feeding centres in Lombardy, but all other Patriot establishments in this Region were closed on 10 Jul 45.

On 7 Jul 45 a stand down parade was held at Udine for the Italia Patriot Division, which was composed almost entirely of Italian troops and had operated in Yugoslavia. The Emilia Brigade which had operated for many months with the 8 Army stood down at a similar parade on 17 Jul 45.

6 MUSEUMS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Deputy Director returned from VENEZIA GIULIA and GALLIARATE. Reports the theft of two important libraries from ISTRIA, one of which has been recovered in the hands of a member of SS General Globotschnik's entourage near KLAGENFURT. A valuable historical archive stolen from GORIZIA has also been recovered; its removal was part of an ambitious project for cultural exploitation of VENEZIA GIULIA. No important works of art appear to be missing and war-damage is virtually restricted to POLA (Roman Temple and Cathedral); but there is great administrative confusion.

Arrangements being taken in EMILIA Region for return to ROME of gold objects from TAVATO deposited for safety during the war in that region.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

During the past week one suspected case of typhus was reported from the Verona evacuation camp and one case at Parma, Emilia Region.

A preliminary meeting has been held with representatives of the Italian Government to discuss the proposed plan of accepting Allied medical supplies at port side.

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An additional 14,000 confinement bags, making a total of 70,000 have been turned over to ONMI (Opera Nazionale Maternita' ed Infanzia) for distribution throughout Italy.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Carabinieri Clothing: Meetings have been held with Land Forces Sub-Commission to agree a programme for supply of clothing to Carabinieri.

The clothing of the 55,000 Carabinieri in the Italian category is impossible from present stocks of Italian uniforms. AFHQ have been approached and have agreed to issue dyed British Battledress. However, the change in the appearance of Carabinieri that will result from the use of British style uniforms is a matter of considerable importance when public opinion is considered.

Frontier Control: AFHQ are prepared to consider handing over to the Italian Government a greater control over the movement of persons over the frontier. The matter has been taken up with the Minister of Interior who are anxious to co-operate.

Prisons: 99 of the main Judicial and Penal prisons of the 5 Northern Regions are still overcrowded, with the overload running from 50 to 300%. This situation is unparalleled in AHC history and is presenting critical problems to Allied personnel in the North. The single cause of this overcrowding is the number of political prisoners in custody at the disposition of Italian Judicial agencies.

Disturbances: Sporadic instances of invasion of prisons and illegal evacuations of prisoners continue to be reported. At Schio, Venetia Region, a particularly vicious massacre of political prisoners occurred 6-7-45 in which 49 people were killed and 23 were wounded.

Jail Break: 70 ex-partisans held on criminal charges escaped from the Military Prison at Torino on 14 Jul 45.

On 9 Jul 45, the 'House of Partisans of the North' was surrounded by tanks, armoured cars and 400 soldiers of P.S. and D.O.R.R. and about 50 men and women habitues arrested.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16 E/CA.

11 Jul 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - week ending 10 Jul 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 12171 Refugees with homes in the South were repatriated.

11860 Refugees arrived in Rome from the North.

6105 Refugees were repatriated by other organized movements.

2. EMULATION SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return.

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Discussions have taken place with the Minister of Justice regarding the drafting of a directive on forwarding of petitions for pardon in cases where death penalty has been inflicted by Extraordinary Courts of Assize.

Also, discussions with the Minister of Justice on proposed modification of the law on Extraordinary Courts of Assize tending to expedite the execution of death penalties.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

A letter has been sent to Signore PARDI, President of the Council of Ministers, in which a new attempt is made to persuade the Government to revise the present Electoral Law which were passed in 1915 and are considered by the United States and British Governments in many respects to be undemocratic. It is hoped that the reaction of the New Government will be more responsive than that of R.E. BONOMI's Government.

5. PATRIOTS BRANCH

Instructions have been issued to all Regions for German nationals (including deserters) who were members of armed Patriot Bands to be reported to G.I.O. or F.S.S. after being supplied with a report by his Band Leader.

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Patriots Cont.

Alexander Patriot Certificates have been issued as follows up to 5 Jul 45.

GENOVA	4,900
SAVONA	2,500
LA SPEZIA	3,112
IMPERIA	1,700
APUDRIA	1,000
LUGA	Report not yet received.

6 MEMORANDUM, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

More than 100 autograph letters, many by the distinguished Italian statesman Francesco Crispi, were passed, for eventual disposal, to the Commissary for State Archives. These letters, forming a collection hitherto unknown to students of Crispi, had formed part of the private papers of Mussolini and were passed to this S/C shortly after the HQ of the ex-Duce fell to the Allies in May.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

A new case of typhus has been reported at ALESSANDRIA.

Military authorities are lending 5 Medical Officers and 3 ambulances to assist in the campaign against small-pox in NAPLES.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Approval has now been given to the raising of the ceiling of CC.RR. to 65,000. Rations, clothing and arms will be supplied. Effective date for Rations is 1st July but some delay will be inevitable before clothing and arms can be issued. 1749

Margherita Belice (Agrigento) - Riot of about 200 workers, protesting division of cereal products, ran through streets, set fire to Archives and furniture in seats of UNSEA Esattoria Municipale and Garibaldi Club. Municipale building successfully defended by CC.RR. barricading themselves in. Hand Grenades and automatic arms used by rioters wounded 1 CC.RR.

45 partisans in jail for murder of 11 prisoners and awaiting AMB trial released from Quastore Genoa by a guard who escaped with prisoners.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Ref: 6/16 B/CA.

4 Jul 45.

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 3 Jul 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During this week 12,441 Refugees with homes in the South were repatriated.

22,947 Refugees arrived in Rome from the North.

11,331 Refugees were repatriated by other organized movements by rail and sea.

The repatriation of 500 Greeks from BARI by air has been completed.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

The estimated number of text-books to be printed for the school year 1945-6, for the whole of Italy is as follows:-

Elementary Text Books	10,000,000
Secondary Text Books	4,000,000
University Books	1,000,000

More paper and school supplies have just arrived from the United States: 160 tons of printing paper and 2 tons of erasers besides other minor school items.

From LOMBARDIA come reports of teachers strikes, caused by discontent with the system and rate of pay.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

A meeting was held on 30 June 45 with the First Presidents and Procuratori Generali of the Northern Courts of Appeals and a representative of the Minister of Justice on the functioning of the Extraordinary Courts of Assize.

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4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUBCOMMISSION

2721 The Chief Commissioner has fixed the date for elections in the Northern Provinces under Allied Military Government, excluding Venezia Giulia, to commence on 15 Jul 45. About 50 tons of material has been sent to Regional Headquarters for distribution to Provinces to be broken up once more for distribution to all Communes.

In Central and Southern Provinces under Italian control the completion of the Electoral Lists is expected by the end of July.

This will have taken about 6 months.

5 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

132 projects for repairs of monuments and removal of air-raid protection were passed to the one D.G. for their attention. All had been approved by MFAA, TOSCANA and the Genio Civile, but awaited financial approval when the provinces in which the work would be done passed to the Italian Government.

First official notification has been received that cases believed to come from MONTECASSINO are at ANF AUSSEE (AUSTRIA), checking, however, remains to be done.

6 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Nil.

7 PATRIOTE BRANCH

Nil.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Almost 1,000 Partisans from the North are reported to have set up barracks and a mess in Rome. They have perpetrated several armed holdups and blackmail attempts. About 20 of them entered the Spada Club, 25 June armed with pistols and grenades. P.S. Agents arrested 14 including one woman. 3 Partisans in officers uniforms fled with stolen property valued at 1 million lire.

At CERVIGNARA (Avellino) one British MP killed and other wounded by two unknown persons, whom the M.P.'s had ordered to stop.

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12 prisoners at Sinele Ligure penal jail were released on a forged release letter. Prison director and 2 others suspected.

9521 At MINERVINA and ANDRIA (Bari) CC.RR. arrested 11 armed men. Other armed men attacked CC.RR. barracks, blocked roads and fired on relief detachment of CC.RR. Two days later Communists broke into ANDRIA jail, released 47 prisoners, forced CC.RR. to release 11 men at TRANI jail, occupied the Municipio Post Office and Telephone Exchange at ANDRIA and sent an ultimatum to the CC.RR. that unless 200 CC.RR. reserves were withdrawn the local CC.RR. would be disarmed. At HQ of Communist Party, ANDRIA, CC.RR. were disarmed and undressed, losing 20 rifles, 22 pistols, 6 machine guns and uniforms. 3 Companies of Italian pioneers heavily armed were made ready at Bari but not used. Communists armed with machine guns and grenades. Communists arrested over 100 people for alleged fascism, many public buildings were fired, including Public Security and Industry buildings. The Preture was looted and evidence destroyed. At least 17 civilians and police were killed or wounded by the Communists. Situation reported as quieted, 30 June on arrival of Vice Chief of Police Italy, and Scoccimarra, Minister.

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27 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep. Week ending 26 Jun 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 16,651 refugees with homes in the South were repatriated.

18,559 refugees arrived in Rome from the North.

11,329 refugees were repatriated by other organized movements.

Repatriation of Greeks - Arrangements are completed for sending 600 Greeks to Greece from BASI by air in batches of 100 per day commencing 25 Jun 45.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

The apuration of the University of Bologna has been completed and Prof. Riccardo Volterra has been elected rector by a close vote of the defascised staff. The University of Modena was formally opened 18 Jun 45. Col. Bowman, RC, delivered an address.

3 PATRIOTS BRANCH

With the change of Government, the Ministry of Occupied Italy has been abolished, and it is believed that the responsibilities in connection with Patriots, previously held by that Ministry, will be assumed by the new Ministry of Assistance.

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4 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Nil.

5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

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6 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Subsequent to the formation of the new Cabinet, the creation of a new Sottosegretariato was announced - that for Monuments and Tourism. Head is Dr. Carlo RAGGHILANTI. The Direction General for Antiquities and Fine Arts will pass from the Ministry of Public Instruction to the new Undersecretariat.

From the Chief Commissioner was received copy of a Resolution of appreciation and thanks from the Society of American Archivists, commending the work done for European archival collections by the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sections of the Allied Commission and of SHAEF.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

First Aid Kits have been secured from E.N.D.S.I. (Ente Nazionale Distribuzione Soccorso all'Italia) to be delivered to Italian mine clearance teams.

Three cases of typhus were reported on 18 Jun 45 to have occurred at Greppine in Pisa Province, Toscana Region. Two of the cases have been confirmed as being of endemic form while the other case is still doubtful. All three cases have been hospitalized and the entire commune consisting of three thousand people is being dusted.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

The increase of Carabinieri strength to 65,000 which will include both rations and clothing from British sources, will enable Carabinieri Headquarters to organize the 12 mobile battalions considered necessary to ensure Public Safety throughout Italy.

In Naples Commune, five persons have been imprisoned, a U.S. truck recovered and 101 sacks of sugar, 14 quintals of lard and 10 quintals of lubricating oil taken from these groups of thieves during the past week. In Milan, a demonstration by 7,000 people, protesting the lenient sentence against Basile, was dispersed by CC, RR, and P.S. agents. Sabotage of phone lines between Naples and Rome and Florence continues.

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20 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 19 Jun 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 10,959 Italians were repatriated to the South. 15,548 reached Rome from the North, and 181 from the South.

6,001 were repatriated by other organised movement by rail, sea and air.

Arrangements were made for UNRRA to extend its financial assistance to the whole of Italy. These payments will commence in July.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Arrangements were made for the Italian Ministry to take over the direct responsibility for educational matters in the Ancone and Livorno Zones which remain under AMG. This is in accord with the arrangements already made in Naples. Most urgent requirements for scientific and technical books and periodicals have now been forwarded to USIS and the British Council.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

The trial of Basile by a Special Court of Assize in Milan instead of by the High Court of Justice in Rome took place against the advice of this Sub-Commission. The 20-year sentence was considered inadequate by the people and was followed by demonstrations. The case is now being considered by the Court of Cassation who have the power to increase the sentence.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Material for forthcoming elections was dispatched to Emilia and Liguria Regions. It is expected to complete this distribution on 27 Jun 45. The date for commencing the preparation of the lists will be decided on the advice of Regional Commissioners.

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5 PATRIOTS BRANCH

A Patriot is now defined by Decree as "a permanent member of an organized band who has taken active part in actions or sabotage or one who has performed outstanding acts of gallantry and bravery."

5,000 men will be clothed in Venezia Region from the salvaged garments allotted to 5 Army.

2 S.O. (M) Officers have been assigned to Venezia Giulia for duty as Patriot Officers.

6 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Agreement reached with the Director General of Antiquities and Fine Arts (Italian) as to procedure regarding works of art given or sold by prominent Fascists to prominent Nazis.

Leonardi de Vinci's "Last Supper" is now on public view after removal of air-raid protection. Deterioration is very slight.

Mr. L.A. Sheppard of the British Museum arrived to arrange book purchases and exchanges.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Decision reached at a conference between Sub-Commission, Rockefeller Foundation, Malaria and Typhus Unit, D.P. & R. Sub-Commission, and the Ministry of Interior to decline the kind offer of the Swiss Government. It was considered that thorough dusting and immediate return home would be better than a stagnation of movement.

20,000 blankets are being delivered to Emilia Region immediately.

The veterinary report for Northern Regions is good and there are ample technical personnel.

The hygienic condition of Bologna continues to improve.

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8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Two light utilities, 4 trucks and 40 armored cars have now arrived in Northern Regions. With the assistance of Rome RESE 44 trucks are being repaired rapidly. 6 Armored vehicles in Naples are being prepared for the North as are 50 Italian Army Recce Cars.

CIN appointees to positions as Questore in the North are not proving successful and many are being replaced.

Overcrowding in prisons continues to cause grave anxiety. AFHQ has been

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asked to examine the possibility of releasing some requisitioned institutions. The position has been slightly ~~xx~~ alleviated at Regina Coeli by the transfer of 80 political prisoners.

There is a serious shortage of guard personnel.

Clothing for prison guards is difficult but 1,000 pairs of boots were recently made available.

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13 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep. Week ending 13 Jun 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION.

During the week 6,173 Italians were repatriated to the South. 11,653 reached Rome from the North.

1,337 refugees were moved by sea from Piombino to Messina and about 1,400 by sea from Venice to Ancona.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION.

The visit of Lady Baden-Powell gave great stimulation to the Girl Guide Movement in Italy. There were many meetings with Guide and Scout leaders in Rome and Florence. On 10 Jun 45 a rally of 2,000 Guides and Scouts, both Catholic and non-denominational, was held in Rome. A decision was taken to form a Federation of Catholic Girl Guides and non-denominational Girl Scouts patterned after the Federation of Catholic and Non-denominational Boy Scouts.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

5 persons were sentenced to death by the Emilia Court of Assize.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Some success with 'persuading' career Vice-Prefects to leave Rome appointments in the North was reported. Two definite departures for Modena and Ferrara and three expected departures within a few days were reported.

Full attention is being given to the preparation of electoral lists.

5 PATRIOTS BRANCH

A new procedure has been instituted by which Regional Commissioners take local Patriot Officers into immediate employment in this capacity.

In Udine, patriots have been employed in the movement of 5,000 horses from Austria to Emilia Region.

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PATRIOTS BRANCH - CONT.

In Milan, 7 Patriot Centres are now operating. 4,077 out of a total of 4,334 patriots have dispersed and 2,018 weapons were handed in.

Disbandment of patriots not required operationally has been almost completed in the cities of Venice, Padua, Rovigo, Vicenza and Verona.

All Patriot Centres in Emilia with the exception of Modena are being closed as has been the Centre at Pavia. At La Spezia, 2,000 patriots have been dispersed to date and a special hospital has been opened owing to lack of accommodation elsewhere.

In Piemonte, IV Corps are endeavouring to absorb Patriots into civilian labour on reconstruction work.

1,600 weapons have been handed in at Alessandria and 9 trucks were employed for an entire day in removing arms that had been handed in at Casaglio and Vergoglio.

6. MINISTERIAL, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Ministerial Archives carried away to the North of Italy are in generally good condition. A plan for their removal to Rome is being worked out.

Two small exhibitions have been opened in Venice for the benefit of Allied Troops.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

No further cases of Typhus have been reported. The smallpox figures for Naples continue to decrease but are still causing some concern to the military authorities. Improvement is reported in the hygienic condition of Bologna and the dysentery, formerly reported, is on the decline.

Increases in the prices of Italian manufactured medicinals have been approved. The new level is still below the level allowed in liberated Italy in October 1944.

4,000 salvaged tyres have been obtained for Malaria Control and other Public Health organisations.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

40 Armoured Vehicles have been put in good condition and sent North.

Restrictions on travel from Italy to places abroad have been further relaxed. The prison situation in the North is extremely critical. Over 90% of the prisoners held are political prisoners.

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6 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 5 Jun 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS SUB-COMMISSION

During the week, 11,876 Italians were repatriated to the South. 13,131 Italians reached Rome from the North.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Lady Baden-Powell, International head of the Girl Guides, arrived in Rome.

Reports from the North are of satisfactory progress.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Nil.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

The decree enabling electoral lists to be compiled in Allied Military Government territory was passed and will shortly be implemented.

The Prime Minister's reply to the Chief Commissioner's criticisms of the Italian voting machinery has been received and is being considered.

5 PATRIOTS BRANCH

The Italian Government made substantial increases in the rates of bonus payable to Patriots.

Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia has been recognized as the official Veterans Association of the Patriots.

The clothing situation has been relieved by a substantial release of salvaged material. The total is 75,000 garments, 25,000 boots and 11,800 blankets.

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Patriots Branch - Cont.

17,882 Patriots were demobilised in Lombardia up to 26 May 45.
45,600 weapons and 15,500 hand grenades were handed in.

26,400 weapons were handed in from Emilia up to the same date.

6 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

King Commander Cooper arrived from CHAEF to assist in the examination of Kunstschutz personnel.

Arrangements for return to Florence of treasures found in Alto Adige are well advanced.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

No further typhus reported from Sicily or Aosta.

Substantial decrease in Naples smallpox returns in May against April. City figures fell from 126 to 51. Province from 148 to 133.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Approval received to raise CC.RR. ceiling to 65,000.

First 3,000 of the increase allotted to Northern Regions where large numbers of recuperated Carabinieri are awaiting to be re-engaged.

CC.RR. arrested 2 Allied soldiers who were alleged to be selling flour to civilians. Accused were handed over to Military Police.

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Ref: 6/16 R/CA.

30 May 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep. Week ending 29 May 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week 8,317 refugees with boxes in the South left ROME.

At the R.A.A.C. Conference on 26 May 45, the question of Russians arriving in ROME was settled - all are to be treated as ex-POWs and sent to POW Repatriation Unit.

During the week 59,000 Red Cross messages have been received by the Record Bureau from Northern Italy and have been passed to the International Red Cross for distribution.

2. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

A conference of the Directors of the Education Sub-Commission and the UNIS with former Minister of Public Instruction De Ruggiero resulted in two concrete plans - one for developing a central systematic catalogue of the highly important but scattered and badly catalogued libraries of ROME so that ROME may become an international centre for historical and archaeological research, it having Europe's best source material in this field; the other for furnishing free room, board and tuition at the University of Rome to selected students from American and other foreign universities which will offer similar facilities to an equal number of advanced Italian students.

Reports from Northern Regions indicate that the opening of schools and universities on a non-fascist basis is proceeding rapidly and, on the whole, smoothly.

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

The Special Courts of Assize have started to operate in the North; more than 3,000 denuncie have been received against persons in MILAN.

Discussions with Procuratore Generale Militare on the subject of immediate regularization of the Italian Military Tribunals at MILAN and TURIN trying offences of collaboration.

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4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

The anticipated requests from the North to be supplied with career Vice Prefects are beginning to arrive. Up to date, the Sub-Commission has been asked to supply them for FERRARA, BOLOGNA, PIACENZA and IMPERIA; the possibility of requests from one or two other provinces has also been indicated.

Minor developments have taken place on the question of local elections. A further supply of forms for the preparation of electoral lists have been consigned to RC Toscana for distribution to the provinces of ANCONA, FLORENCE, LIVORNO, LUCCA, PISA and PISTOIA. The APN directive as to the assistance to be furnished to the Italian authorities in order to make polling places available (if and when local elections are held) has been distributed to all RCG and PCs.

5 PATRIOTE BRANCH

Disarming progresses slowly but considerable headway has been made in the agricultural areas and in provinces not adjacent to large cities. In other areas, particularly in the large cities, notably MILAN and TURIN, and in the mountain areas adjacent to the frontier, patriots very disinclined to disarm. Commander, IV Corps, taking vigorous action to enforce disarmament.

The immediate enlistment of 4,000 Patriot volunteers into the Italian Army has been sanctioned, which should help to ease the situation in LOMBARDIA, LIGURIA and PIEMONTE. The three Screening (Recruiting) Agencies under control of AMG are to revert to Italian Army Control, for use, if required, in connection with the above intake.

6 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Reports received from all the northern Regions, among them detailed reports on both monuments and archives-libraries in FERRARA (Province and city). First general report received on the art-deposit at ISOLA BELLA (Lago Maggiore) and another nearby island deposit, both of which appear to be intact. Report from MILAN on safe custody there of all English art property sent to the Leonardo da Vinci Exhibition held there shortly before the war.

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7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

A conference has been held with representatives of the Ministry of Interior, the Italian Red Cross and the Swiss Red Cross regarding an offer made by the Swiss Red Cross of medical assistance to Southern Italy. The Swiss Red Cross representative is leaving on a tour of devastated areas at the conclusion of which he will, in the light of his experiences, make specific proposals concerning the assistance to be rendered by the Swiss.

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A report from CARRIZZI in SICILY says that there have only been 37 cases of Typhus instead of 39 as previously reported, with 9 deaths. No more cases have been reported from RABICCO. One case of Typhus has been reported from ASTA in North Italy.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

The Restricted Line has been abolished as from 23 May 45.

Reports from Northern Italy are all to the effect that prisons are generally filled, and critical overcrowding is expected to again reflect the failure of Italian judicial processes to expedite trials.

Ministry of Interior records believed to be hidden in the North, have now been found intact at VALDAGNO and VENEZIA.

On 20 May 45, prisoners at Regina Coeli staged a demonstration in protest against the contemplated transfer of eighty of their number to outlying jails. Guards were held as hostages and some damage done by fire and violence. The rioters were brought under control with the aid of CC.RR. and the 80 prisoners were transferred.

At FRANCOVILLA FONTANA, a public celebration of the end of hostilities objected to by two strong Fascists, resulted in the death by burning in the town square of the two fascists, and death to two communist members of the rioting crowd, and partial destruction by fire of the Fascists' home. Police quelled the riot and are investigating to determine persons responsible.

Toscana Region reports indicate reduced numbers of political murders and lawless acts during past weeks.

83 Officers and 2,806 CC.RR. who were in Lombardia prior to liberation have been retained for service.

10 Counterfeiters were sentenced to 4 to 15 years in NAPLES AND Courts. Another 11 counterfeiters responsible for making 8,000,000 Lire have been apprehended and arraigned.

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Ref: 6/16 B/CA.

23 May 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - Week ending 22 May 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week, 10,060 Italian refugees with homes in the South of Italy, left Rome and 18,323 Italian Refugees arrived in Rome from the North.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

The number of non-fascist elementary school text books printed and distributed has now reached two million. Printing in Liberated Italy has come to a close but is beginning in the five northern Regions, mainly from new manuscripts available there.

EMILIA reports that schools are open or about to be opened in all provinces except FERRARA and MODENA.

VENETIA reports that Provveditori, appointed by CIN, are functioning in all provinces so far visited.

A cable from LONDON states that Lady Baden-Powell, International Head of Girl Guides and widow of the founder of Boy Scouts, accompanied by Mrs. Leigh White, head of British Girl Guides is on her way to Italy to inspect the Scout and Guide Movements here.

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3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Selection of members of the Special Section of the Court of Cassation for Northern Italy and arrangements for their travel to MILAN have been carried out.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

The Ministry of the Interior have arranged to resume the holding of the examination necessary to qualify candidates for appointment to the position of Communal Secretary. Before the war, this examination usually took place every two years, the last occasion being in 1939

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Prefects for six provinces in VENETIE Region have been appointed; each appointee was the candidate proposed by the CLN. The political parties of these Prefects are as follows: 2 Christian Democrats, 2 Action Party, 1 Liberal and 1 not named.

5 PATRIOTS BRANCH

In North West Italy small numbers of Patriots continue to be used for police duties in the big towns, e.g. MILAN, GENOVA and TURIN, and general disarmament is proceeding satisfactorily. In VENETIE, however, there are still many armed Germans and groups of Italian Fascists, and considerable numbers of Patriots have therefore been retained in their formations for mopping up purposes.

6 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Most of the art treasures removed from the FLORENCE area have been found at S. LEONARDO and CAMP TURES in the Tyrol.

A committee of art experts connected with the CLNAI had been active throughout the north and had the situation well under control.

Damage to monuments in GENOVA extensive and often severe. Situation well in hand by Italian Superintendents.

TURIN - badly damaged. Large loss of books at University Library.

TREVISO - Monuments suffered badly.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

38 cases of Typhus with 10 deaths are reported from the village of CAPRIZZI in SICILY. 10 cases are reported from the village of RAMACCO. UNRRA has sent a team of workers to organise disinfection.

7 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Disturbances. 1 May 45 - Prison Break at Santa Teresa prison (FLORENCE). 69 prisoners escaped, of which 26 have been recaptured.

20 May 45 - Disturbance at Regina Coeli. General unrest of the past month culminated in fires being started against the roof of 2 wings, with an undetermined amount of damage.

Frontier Control. 5 Army have now called forward the personnel for Frontier Control. The contingents comprise 350 Carabinieri, 600 Guardia di Finanze and 60 Customs Guards.

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Carabinieri for the North. The movement of the second wave of CC.NR. comprising 4,000 men is now complete. 500 CC.NR. comprising the mobile battalion for VENETIA are standing by at Senigallia and will move forward when transport is available.

Ceiling of Carabinieri. AFHQ have approved an increase in ceiling of Carabinieri to 65,000.

Control of civilian movement. The instructions issued by AFHQ modifying the present restrictions on movement control have not yet been implemented by this Headquarters. Land Forces Sub-Commission, however, took independent action with regard to the movement of the Italian Army. Similar action has since been taken by Navy Sub-Commission and Air Forces Sub-Commission in connection with the Italian Navy and Air Force.

Meanwhile, AFHQ instructions have been implemented by Districts and this has created a good deal of confusion in Regions.

Prisons - Northern Italy. Reports from Northern Regions indicate that large numbers of prisoners are being taken into custody. Most arrests are for political offenses and are being made by Partisans, CLN personnel and other Italian agencies.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16 B/CA.

16 May 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep. Week ending 15 May 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week, 2,345 Refugees with homes in the South or SICILY were repatriated. 5,184 refugees arrived in ROME from the North. 1,495 of these came from the RIMINI area.

A conference at No. 1 District was attended by the Deputy Director regarding the disposal of some 12,000 Yugoslavs who had collaborated with the Germans. It is essential that they be moved from the present area and the matter is being carefully considered.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Report from Emilia: Pro Rectors appointed for all four universities. Provveditori appointed in all eight provinces. Most schools reopened 13 May 45. 30,000 text books being printed on local paper to carry schools through summer session.

Report from Liguria (Genoa City and Province): Of 122 schools in Genoa City, 45 are occupied by Allies or Partisans, 52 are unusable because of damage - but only 11 of these are destroyed or nearly destroyed.

Report from Piemonte: CUN had been very active, reopening schools. Apparently suitable non-fascist text books found already printed. Four colleges of the University of Torino destroyed, all others damaged. 1731

Report from Venezia: Conditions better than expected as regards damage, previous functioning of schools, and initiative in getting things started.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Discussions have been held with the Minister of Justice as to the composition of the Special Section of the Court of Cassation for Northern Italy.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

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5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

From information from the North it appears that few senior appointments have yet finally been made, but are in process of settlement.

Arrangements have been made to enable representatives of the Ministry to proceed North for the purpose of searching for the complete records of the administration personnel, which were removed by the Fascist Republican Government.

6 PATRIOTS BRANCH

Report from Venetia: Four hundred patriots at VERONA are being temporarily retained for police duties, while a further four thousand laid down their arms at a parade there on 5 May 45.

Reports from all regions indicate that it is being found necessary to retain certain numbers of Patriots for temporary police duties. The disarming of the rest is in process.

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Thirty-five tons of salvaged canvas were made available to the Sub-Commission during the past week for distribution by R.N.P.C.I. to prisoners of war.

Up to the present time there have been 33 cases, with 3 deaths, of typhus reported in the province of Messina.

8 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

5 May: An armed band held up a train at the RR station of TORMO GAFER, near Licata, and robbed approximately 100 passengers. Many shots fired but there is no report of injuries.

7 May: A clash between Italian and Yugoslav soldiers occurred at TORMO, near Bari. The Yugoslav soldiers reportedly fired pistols and threw grenades. Four Italian soldiers wounded and an unknown number of Yugoslavs also injured. 1730

A review and inspection of the Carabinieri of Rome was held by Field Marshal Alexander at CC.RR. Headquarters, Via Legnano, on 12 May 45. Approximately 1,650 CC.RR. were on parade, including two mounted squadrons of 120 men. During the ceremony Field Marshal Alexander was presented, by Minister of War Casati, with a bronze plaque, a replica of the Carabinieri memorial in Turin.

Reports from newly liberated territory in the North are to the effect that penal establishments are almost entirely undamaged, and empty, the retreating enemy or the prisoners themselves affecting releases en masse.

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9 MUSEUMS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

MILAN: General situation may be judged from the fact that of the 27 churches listed as National Monuments, only five remain undamaged. Severe damage to S. Ambrogio and S. Pietro in Gossate. Cathedral virtually unharmed. S. Fedele destroyed. Leonardo's painting 'The Last Supper' still under its heavy protective covering; conditions uncertain. Refectory in which it stood severely damaged. High Renaissance Capella Mantova one-third destroyed. Doldi-Cazzoli Museum building and La Scala Opera House completely gutted. Bad damage to Castello Sforzesco, Brera Gallery and Ambrosian Library buildings. Art, library and archives collections reported in large part safe.

MONTECASSINO: Abbey intact.

VERONA: Responsibility for blowing bridges has been laid to charge of Col. Moser, Platooncommander.

ART DEPOSITS: Reports from N. Italy report very little damage or loss Alto Adige deposits housing treasures from Central Italy, especially Florence, undergoing inspection. Prospects for full recovery favorable. Responsible German personnel being held for questioning; offer co-operation. Sketchy preliminary reports show presence in Alto Adige of at least four of the seven missing Tuscan deposits. Other valuables discovered, including King of Italy's Coin Collection (safe at BOZEN).

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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16 May 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep. Week ending 15 May 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week, 2,345 Refugees with homes in the South or NORTH were repatriated. 5,136 refugees arrived in HOME from the North. 1,693 of these came from the RUHR area.

A conference at No. 1 District was attended by the Deputy Director regarding the disposal of some 12,000 Yugoslavs who had collaborated with the Germans. It is essential that they be moved from the present area and the matter is being carefully considered.

2. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Report from Emilia: Pro-Rectors appointed for all four universities. Provveditori appointed in all eight provinces. Most schools reopened 13 May 45. 30,000 text books being printed on local paper to carry schools through summer session. CLN and school officials energetic, active and co-operative.

Report from Liguria (City and Province of Genoa): Schools had all closed 23 Apr 45. CLN had appointed temporary provveditori and pro-rectors; offered full co-operation with AMO Education Officer. Of 127 schools in Genoa city, 45 are occupied by Allies or Partisans, 52 are unusable because of damage - but only 11 of these are destroyed or nearly destroyed. Co-operative plan worked out between Regional Education Officer and 92nd Division Special Officer for protection, defascism and use of opera, symphony orchestra, etc.

Report from Piemonte: CLN had been very active, had set up a Regional education office and superintendent, and reopened schools. Co-operating well with Regional Education Officer. 31 school buildings destroyed in TURIN; so schools run on double shifts in remaining buildings. Apparently suitable non-fascist text books found already printed, possibly in sufficient quantity of immediate needs. Four colleges of the University of Torino destroyed, all others damaged. Pro-Rector (Vincini) named by CLN and recommended by

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Minister of Public Instruction not present because appointed a governor of Bank of Italy in Rome. Vice rector temporarily in charge.

Report from Venezia: Conditions better than expected as regards damage, previous functioning of schools, and initiative in getting things started. Venice: Suburb of Mestre most damaged but schooling can recommence at once. Rovigo Province: City little damaged and work in secondary schools can begin soon. Many elementary schools, especially along Po and in Adige, Udine and Belluno, destroyed or badly damaged, and there has been little schooling. Temporary provveditore appointed by CIN doing well. Treviso: Temporary provveditore appointed by CIN and ordered by them to open schools 11 May 45. Two thirds of elementary schools in city destroyed; remainder can function with slight repairs. Padova: Schools can function at once. CIN appointed provveditore who is good and will probably be retained. Four university buildings badly damaged - engineering, pathology, chemistry and letters - but all instruments saved. Former rector tentatively retained. Attendance has been very low - students hid from Germans.

2. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Discussions have been held with the Minister of Justice as to the composition of the Special Section of the Court of Cassation for Northern Italy.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Information from the North regarding local government arrangements is now being received. It appears that few senior appointments have yet finally been made, but are in process of settlement. The RC, Venezia is "convinced that any attempt to impose imported career Prefects from the South would be a political blunder on the part of the Rome Government." He states that the calibre of CIN nominees in that Region is impressive and superior to and more suitable than the qualifications of Government candidates.

Arrangements have been made to enable representatives of the Ministry to proceed North for the purpose of searching for the complete records of the administration personnel, which were removed by the Fascist Republican Government.

6. PATRIOTS BRANCH.

Report from Venezia: Four hundred Patriots at Verona are being temporarily retained for police duties, while a further four thousand laid down their arms at a parade there on 5 May 45.

Disarming of Patriots at Treviso was to commence on 5 May also.

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In Bolzano the Patriots are reported well under control and co-operative, and no difficulties are anticipated. Two hundred and fifty Patriots have been engaged as a temporary police force.

In Udine the Gaspari and Garibaldi Groups are being retained for the moment in their present form; they are not operational units and are assisting A.S.G.

At Venice and Padua disarming has commenced and parades are to be held shortly.

Reports from all regions indicate that it is being found necessary to retain certain numbers of Patriots for temporary police duties. The disarming of the rest is in process.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Thirty-five tons of salvaged canvases were made available to the Sub-Commission during the past week for distribution by S.N.S.M.I. to prisoners of war.

Information from recently liberated areas in the North has been meagre but no special public health or welfare problems have been reported from this area.

Up to the present time there have been 33 cases with 8 deaths of typhus reported in the province of Messina.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

5 May: An armed band held up a train at the RR station of TORRE ALFIDE, near Livorno, and robbed approximately 100 passengers. Many shots fired but there is no report of injuries. Commanding General of CC.RR. reports investigations in progress.

7 May: A clash between Italian and Yugoslav soldiers occurred at TRANI, near Bari. The Yugoslav soldiers reportedly fired pistols and threw grenades. Four Italian soldiers wounded and an unknown number of the Yugoslavs also injured. 1726

8 May: Two Italian civilians, brothers, reportedly former fascists and recently released from jail, were mobbed by a crowd of approximately 3,000 civilians at Francavilla Fontana, 30 miles west of Brindisi. Report states that the two civilians fired on the approaching mob, after which the house was fired, the two brothers killed and quartered. Two of the crowd were killed and several wounded. CC.RR. at Bari making further investigations.

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The outstanding event of the week was a review and inspection of the Carabinieri of Rome by Field Marshal Alexander at C.C. Headquarters, Via Legnano, on 12 May 45. Approximately 1650 C.C.'s were on parade including two mounted squadrons of 120 men. During the ceremony Field Marshal Alexander was presented, by Minister of War Casati, with a bronze plaque, a replica of the Carabinieri memorial in Turin.

Reports from newly liberated territory in the north are to the effect that penal establishments are almost entirely undamaged, and empty, the retreating enemy or the prisoners themselves affecting releases en masse.

9 INTER-CHIEF, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES, SUB-COMMISSION

MILAN: General situation may be judged from the fact that of the 27 churches listed as National Monuments, only five remain undamaged. Severe damage to S. Ambrogio and S. Pietro in Cassate. Cathedral virtually unharmed. S. Fedele destroyed. Leonardo's painting "The Last Supper" still under its heavy protective covering; condition uncertain. Refectory in which it stood severely damaged. Huge Renaissance Spedale Maggiore church destroyed. Palazzo Sforza building and La Scala opera house completely gutted. Bad damage to Castello Sforzesco, Brera Gallery and ambrosian library buildings. Art, library and archives collections reported in large part safe.

MONASTERY: Abbey intact.

VERONA: Responsibility for blowing bridges has been laid to charge of Col. Meier, Platzkommandant.

ART DEPOSITS: Reports from N. Italy report very little damage or loss. Alto Adige deposits coming, treasures from Central Italy, especially Florence, undergoing inspection. Promise for full recovery favorable. Responsible German personnel being held for questioning; offer co-operation. Sketchy preliminary reports show presence in Alto Adige of at least four of the seven missing Tuscan deposits. Other valuables discovered, including King of Italy's coin collection (safe at BOZZANO).

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16 R/CA.

10 May 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep. Week ending 8 May 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION.

MANOVA - In general, little damage was done to monuments. The following were destroyed or nearly so: S. Francesco, Casa della "Cervetta", and Ponte del Molino.

BRESCIA. The situation generally is good. The major losses are: S. Maria del Miracoli and the fine Salvadego Palace.

BOLOGNA - In the recent swift occupation no damage was caused from ground fighting. Severe bombing damage during March 1944 to important Church of Eremitani, already signaled to AFHQ.

VERONA - The damage is serious and extensive. Only two listed churches remain undamaged; Santa Maria della Scala is slight. Ponte Castelvecchio and Ponte Pietra blown contrary to Kesselring's orders.

VICENZA - As in VERONA, the situation is bad. The damage is great to buildings and churches. Basilica Palladiana has its roof burnt but is apparently repairable.

COLLECTIONS - In the above cities - generally safe. DEPOSITS - In the far north, representing in part the removals from TURIN, now the subject of field investigation by Army and Regional Officers, supervised on the spot by Deputy Director.

2. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION.

Six hundred tons of medical supplies from the United States are being unloaded in Leghorn this week. In this shipment are 210 tons of confinement base. 1724

Approximately 750 tons of medical supplies for Southern Italy are being released to EMBISA at Naples this week.

Twenty six cases of alleged typhus with 5 deaths have been reported from a small village near Macina. Seven cases of suspected typhus with 1 death have been reported from Palermo. Dr. Bean of U.N.R.R.A. has left

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for Sicily to investigate and report on these suspected cases of typhus. U.N.R.R.A. has obtained 500 lbs of insecticide from the local military authorities.

Fifty tons of War Green have been borrowed from the Army on promise of repayment. Thirty tons of this amount have been released to the Italian Government and 10 tons each to Emilia and Venezia Regions.

3 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION.

1 May, War Veterans and students held an authorized demonstration in Rome to protest against possible annexation of Trieste by Yugoslavia, and clashed with an unauthorized procession of Communists. Some shots were fired and cudgels were used, several persons injured.

7 May, Students again demonstrated in Rome without authorization and clashed with police.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Very few requests have yet been received from the Provinces and Regions for officials, but cable enquiries have begun to arrive. Whilst initial reports suggest a somewhat different state of affairs in the North from what was anticipated, it is nevertheless thought that within a short time a number of letters in connection with the administration generally and with personnel in particular will arise, necessitating contact with the Ministry.

5 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

School children in America, through the Junior Red Cross, have made up 20,000 gift boxes for needy children in Italy. Each box contains pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, pens and penholder, modelling clay, toilet soap, tooth brush and paste, comb, buttons, needles and thread, hardboard, marbles, etc. The Minister of Public Instruction has been requested to plan method of distribution, using, as far as possible, the Italian Junior Red Cross.

First reports on schools in the newly liberated part of Italy come from Emilia. Capt. RATT (Regional Education Officer) stating that in Bologna a new provveditore agli Studi has been appointed, screening of key personnel begun, and directives and programmes of study distributed. Schools have been ordered to reopen on or before 1 May. Many school buildings are occupied by refugees, hospitals, etc., preliminary figures indicating that over a third of the class rooms are so occupied. Only two buildings of the University of Bologna were requisitioned and one of these is already released. The University operated more or less normally until a month ago: it will therefore be possible to complete the academic year by continuing the session into the summer.

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The University of Bologna was one of the most fascist in Italy. Its Rector was executed with Mussolini, and two of its professors have also been executed by Partisans. The new Rector has not yet been appointed, but a Prof. Battaglia, selected by the GIN, has been asked to act temporarily.

5. PATRIOTS BRANCH

Disarming parades have been held at :

MODENA	-	8,000 - 10,000 Patriots
VICENZA	-	7,000 "

The Italian Government has authorized a daily payment of 50 lire per head to Patriots in hospital or in a centre.

All Italian Military Patriot Representatives, totalling 77, have now gone forward.

The provisional authority for the issue of a Military ration to Patriots in Centres and Hospitals, granted by AFHQ, has not been confirmed by the Combined Chiefs of Staff beyond 18 May. Steps are now being taken to prepare for the issue of civilian rations in lieu.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/16 B/CA.

2 May 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrap: Week ending 1 May 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

Approximately 1,000 refugees with homes in the South or Sicily were repatriated during the week. A further 965 refugees arrived in Rome from the Northern Areas.

Posters concerning the Red Cross Message/Inquiry Service undertaken by the Bureau were distributed throughout Italy.

D.P.R.S.C. Teams are moving or have moved forward into Regions liberated from enemy domination. Forward echelons of the Sub-Commission are at: GENOA, REGGIO and VERONA.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Nil.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

The following major points of interest have arisen in this Sub-Commission during the 7 days ending 1 May 45:

Special decree for the creation of popular courts for the trial of German collaborators.

Implementation order has been published to put into effect the policy of the economic line.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Further conversations have taken place with the Italian Government regarding the appointment of Prefects (and other senior officials) in the North of Italy. As a result, it was agreed that AMG, before filling such appointments would consider not only nominees of the CLN but also the names of any persons proposed by the Italian Government. The Government's nominees for consideration under this arrangement have been received and forwarded to SCAG/RCs. 1721

5 PATRIOTS BRANCH

With the rapid advances of the Allied Armies during the last week, a very large number of Patriots have passed through the lines into AMG territory; at the same time however, the liberation of territory has already

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enabled many Patriots on this side of the line to return to their homes, and many more will be able to do so as soon as the army restrictions on movement are lifted.

Centres and Collecting Points.

(a) Established Centres.

- (i) FLORENCE - The numbers have been reduced to 90 and it is hoped to close the centre very shortly, or to hand it over to the Ministry of Occupied Italy.
- (ii) PISTOIA - will continue for the present, administered by two Italian Military Patriot Representatives under Toscana Region.
- (iii) RAVENNA - The numbers are reduced to 9 and the Centre is to be closed.

(b) New Centres, and Collecting Points.

- (i) BOLOGNA - A centre has been opened in the Bersaglieri Barracks, Via Magrotti, under command of Lt. McLaughlin.
- (ii) MODENA - Capt. Desmond has gone forward from Florence and was to open a centre at this place last week-end.
- (iii) FERRARA - Lt. Barker has gone forward from Ravenna to open a centre here, but the numbers of Patriots encountered during the first few days indicate that an office only will be adequate to deal with the Patriots here.
- (iv) MASSA and LIGURIA - Major Marshall (Regional Patriot Officer Liguria) has been dealing with Patriots in the Mediterranean coastal sector, but in view of the rapid liberation of their homes he has not found it necessary to open a proper centre up to date.

Disarming

(a) 5th Army report as follows:

"At 1530 hrs today, ceremonial parade of partisans held in square Bologna in presence of Generals ARNOLD, CLARK, THURGOOD, FRYER, CRUTHFIELD, JONES and others and before large gathering of populace. Ceremony passed off well and without incident. 1,000 rifles and 8 6x6 truck loads of ammunition, grenades, etc., were collected and certificates presented."

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(b) Large parades are being organised elsewhere, and the Allies are optimistic of the results.

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6. MINISTERS, FINE ARTS & MONUMENTS SUB-COMMISSION

Report on conditions of monuments in BOLOGNA, MODENA, FERRARA received. No damage to REGGIO EMILIA. At PAVIA, S. Teresa and the Palazzo Pilotta the chief damage. All the Correggio frescoes are intact. Deposits located in VIOLA, where most of art-objects removed from FLORENCE have been sent. Army 2-Force informed so as to seize and guard them.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

All information received from the North so far, indicates that health conditions are good, water supplies are intact, hospitals are largely undamaged, essential services are operating and that the danger of any widespread outbreak of infectious disease is remote.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

70,000 attended labour meeting, 1 May 45 at the Piazza del Popolo, ROME. No disorder. Reports from South ITALY and SICILY indicate no disorder in connection with similar meetings in those areas.

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6/16.B/CA

25TH APRIL 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep : Week ending 24 April
TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

- a) During the week 830 Italian refugees arrived from Northern Army areas ~~(and it is reported that there are 70,000 refugees at DADA, of which 9,000 come from the South.)~~
- b) 12 Persons were repatriated and 13 MTA granted. 175 Persons were registered for repatriation.

2. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Two General Orders have been prepared :

- a) GO No. 41 - Economic rates in Northern Italy.
b) GO No. 42 - Transportation rates in Northern Italy.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Allied Commission has sent to the Italian Government an earnest recommendation that the voting methods intended to be used in Italian Government Territory, based on the 1915 Law, be revised to ensure an independent, free and secret vote.

The Italian Government has also been informed that the Commission could not countenance the holding of elections in AMG Territory under the 1915 system unless it was appropriately amended.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION (PATRIOTS BRANCH).

TOSCANA REGION has taken over from V Army the control of Nos. 1 & 2 Patriot Centres at FLORENCE and PESOLA; these centres are now being administered by Italian Military Patriot Representatives.

6. MONUMENTS AND PUBLIC ARTS SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

7. INTELLECTUAL HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

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8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

300 Carabinieri entered BOLOGNA on its liberation and public order is reported to be "tranquil".

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Ref: 6/168/CA.

18 April 45

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1 DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

During the week, 7 American citizens were repatriated to U.S.A. and 1 British subject to U.K. 25 M.T.A. were granted.

596 Italians with homes in South or Sicily were repatriated.

819 Italian refugees arrived in Rome from Northern Army Areas.

2 EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

The first educational operation committees under DCL 149 have been named in AQUILA and CHIETI provinces. The Minister is being urged to follow through with similar commissions for all provinces under AMG.

3 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Nil Return.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Nil Return.

5 MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

The Monuments at IMOLA are only slightly damaged; library and archives are intact. Art deposit at nearby front-line town of DOZZA (with objects from IMOLA and principal galleries of MILAN) reported evacuated a year ago.

6 PATRIOTS BRANCH

Three courses have been organised by Patriots Branch in conjunction with 5 Army, G-5 Section, to give Provincial Officers some knowledge of Patriot work and problems before they move into the Northern Regions. The courses comprise a visit to HQ, Special Ops (M) and two days at Patriot Centres; the numbers attending are as follows:

1st Course - 11 April 7
2nd Course - 15 April 9
3rd Course - 19 April 12 (Estimated).

Twenty-four Italian Military Patriot Representatives for the Northern Italy have now been called forward to Army and Regional HQ.

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The Ministry of War has allotted a 50 Bed Mobile I.R.C. Hospital to 5 Army for Patriots. Unfortunately it has no transport permanently attached which reduces its mobility, and consequently its value, considerably.

The numbers at present in Centres are as follows:

No. 1 Centre	FLORENCE	190
No. 2 Centre	PERCIA	1125
No. 3 Centre	RAVENNA	31
Total		<u>1666</u>

7 PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

The typhoid outbreak in the refugee centre at FLORENCE has been brought under control.

The outbreak of typhoid in AREZZO is now over.

Courses of instruction for Italian veterinarians in bovine artificial insemination and bovine sterility have been conducted in ROMA province and a similar course will begin in Viterbo province immediately.

Vaccine for bovine brucellosis is now being produced and utilized in the ROMA province.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Ref: D.O. 2/3.1/01.

15 Apr 45.

SUBJECT: Discussions with the Italian Government
and other matters of interest.

To: See Distribution below.

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Further to this Section's letters 2/3.1/42 dated 15 Feb 44 and
6/16/01 dated 17 Mar 45.

- 1 In order to comply with the Executive Commissioner's letter, reference: 156/26/EC, dated 15 Mar 45, all Sub-Commissions please render a short weekly report to reach this office by 1500 hrs each Tuesday (instead of Wednesday morning). Heads of Sub-Commissions' attention is drawn to the Executive Commissioner's letter, reference above, as it is felt no Sub-Commission should render a nil return.
- 2 To enable the Vice President to send out an interesting, concise report to Regional Commissioners and Advisors, on the work of the Civil Affairs Section, Sub-Commissions will render weekly, on a Wednesday morning (instead of Tuesday) a short, interesting, light sketch of the result of any discussions they may have had with the Italian Government during the preceding week, or any other points of interest arising out of their work. These reports are compiled into a D.O. Letter, and are also sent to Public Relations Officer, who uses these reports for information in the AWeekly Bulletin.

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6/16.B/CA

11 April 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO: Executive Commissioner

1. DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

No further cases of typhoid have been reported from A.M.G. No.27 Evacuation Camp at Florence.
Four hundred and fifty eight Refugees arrived in Rome from the Northern Areas.

2. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Subcommissions and Regional Commissioners have been circularized to see whether any of their personnel or other Allied Officers would be willing to give lectures on specified topics to scholars at the Universities of Rome and Florence, as an immediate form of cultural interchange. Similar lectures by Italian scholars for Allied personnel are contemplated.
The situation on the number of schools in Rome occupied by refugees, etc has improved. Now only 61 schools are wholly occupied and 28 partly occupied (against 64 and 16 on 25 Jan.45). On the other hand, occupancy by Allied forces has risen to 15 wholly occupied and 8 partly (from 12 and 6 respectively on 25 Jan.45). An additional 18 schools are wholly unavailable and 37 partly so, because necessary repairs have not been made. Altogether 73 elementary schools and 72 secondary schools are wholly functioning, and 108 elementary and 17 secondary schools are functioning in parts of their buildings.

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return.

5. MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return.

6. PATRIOTS BRANCH

The number of Patriots at present at Centres is as follows:

No.1 Centre FLORENCE	162
No.2 Centre PESCIA	1058
No.3 Centre RAVENNA	25

During the last week an assignment of salvage clothing (sufficient to clothe approx. 1000 men) has been collected from Naples and is being forwarded to Patriot Centres on S Army Front.

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7. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

On the 5 April there was a jail break at Regina Coeli Prison, Rome. 100 prisoners were involved, 25 are still at large.

An Allied Ship exploded in the Port of Bari on 9 April causing many injuries, possibly deaths and considerable damage to other ships and property in the town. Cause unknown at time of writing.


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APO 324
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

6/16.R/OA

4 April 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO: Executive Commissioner

1. DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

Typhoid outbreak reported in 27 AMG Camp, FLORENCE.
34 cases and suspects, 1 death. Precautions taken.
Public Health Sub-Commission informed. Matter in hand.

2. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

The University of New York has offered Fellowships to
graduate Italian students in the field of Fine Arts.
The Minister of Public Instruction is exploring the
possibility of offering Fellowships to British and
American students.

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

- a) The Italian Government are preparing a Decree as to
the conduct of local elections. It is intended to
revive the pre-Fascist law. An outline of the Govern-
ment's proposals has been communicated to Allied Commission.
- b) As the electoral procedure proposed to be re-introduced
is in several respects not adapted to ensure freedom and
security of voting, it has been decided to tender advice
as to improvements that might be made.

5. MEMBERS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

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6. PATRIOTS BRANCH

a) The number of Patriots at present at Centres is as follows:

No.1 Centre	PIOMBINO	500
No.2 Centre	PIACENZA	950
No.3 Centre	RAVENNA	44

b) The Italian Red Cross has offered the hospital at PRATO to the M.O.C.I. as a Convalescent Home for Patriots.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

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8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

General Giovanni CHILIA, previously Under Secretary of State for War, has been appointed Commanding General of the Finance Guards, replacing General ARDENGO.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel : 735

30 March 1945.

Ref: 150/29/EC.

SUBJECT : Weekly Sitreps.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

Reference 150/26/EC. of 15 March 45, information received from your Section has been of the greatest assistance in the compilation of the Weekly Sitrep.

S. Galt & Duff
Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

6/16.B/CA

30 March 1945

TO: PATRIOTS BRANCH

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps

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1. Reference your letters 106/PAT and 106/2/PAT, both dated 27 March 1945.
 2. For your future guidance please note that 106/2/PAT was a nil return for week ending 27 March 1945, in spite of which this Section considered paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 of 106/PAT to be of sufficient interest to be included in the weekly sitrep.
 3. Please include such items of general interest in your weekly sitrep returns.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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PATRIOTS BRANCH

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Ref : 106/PAT.

27 March 1945,

To : Civil Affairs Section.

REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF PATRIOTS BRANCH
FOR WEEK ENDING 26 MARCH

1. The number of Patriots at present in Centres is as follows :

No. 1 Centre - FLORENCE	376
No. 2 " - PESOLA	975
No. 3 " - RAVENNA	72

2. Lt. Col. A. B. De Garston has been selected as Regional Patriot Officer for Lombardia.

3. Planning is still held up awaiting the issue of the 15 Army Group Plan and authority for food, clothing, etc. from CCS dated 8. 3. 45.

4. The Italian Government has agreed to take responsibility for all expenses connected with Patriot Centres as from 1 Apr 45, and has also officially approved the following payments to Patriots and their dependents

- (a) 1,000 lire demobilisation bonds;
(b) 5,000 lire to wounded patriots;
(c) 10,000 lire to dependents of patriots killed in action.

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W. J. Lee
P. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.



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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

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Ref : 106/2/PAT.

27 March 1945.

Subject: Weekly Sitreps.

To : Civil Affairs Section.

Ref your 6/16B/CA dated 17 Mar 45.

This Branch furnishes a full return for week ending 27 March 1945.

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R. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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6/16.B/CA

23 March 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps
TO: Executive Commissioner

1. DISPLACED PERSONS & REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

- a) Approximately 900 Jewish Emigrants embarked for Palestine on 22 March 1945. Over 11,000,000 lire was collected from them, which will be converted into Palestinian currency by the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.
- b) A mixed group of Arabs, Greeks, Maltese and others, numbering about 200 embarked for Tripolitania and Cyrenaica on 25 Mar 45.
- c) 878 Italian refugees arrived in Rome from Army areas in the North.

2. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

3. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

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Legislative provision regarding treatment of patriots having committed an offence during their underground activities is under discussion with Ministry of Justice.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Exemption: The report given in Sitrep for the week ending 21 Mar 45 dealt only with the expropriation of local authorities.

The overall position for all State Departments in liberated Italy, (other than the three services and the Foreign Ministry) is :

that nearly 1000 Grade I-IV officials are subject to expropriation that cases of all but 75 have been investigated that nearly 300 of these have been sent for trial and only 60 trials are unfinished.

The 240 cases concluded resulted in 100 persons being dismissed and 100 appeals outstanding, of which over half are against non-dismissal

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5. MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION

- a) The Galleria Borghese, Rome, which temporarily houses works of art from PALERMO, NAPLES, URBINO, MILAN, VENICE, besides its own collection and others from Roman galleries, was regularly opened to the public on 25 March 45.
- b) On 28 March 45 the sum of 1,589,660 lire will be handed to the Italian Government for deposit in the Regia Tesoreria Centrale by the R.O. LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. This sum represents the net receipts from the Exhibition of Masterpieces of European Painting put on in the Palazzo Venezia during Sept. 44-Feb. 45 by the MFAA Officer LAZIO-UMBRIA Region. The sum is to be used exclusively for war-repair projects on Italian national monuments of art.

6. PATRIOTS BRANCH

- a) The number of Patriots at present in Centres is as follows:

No.1 Centre	-	FLORENCE	376
No.2	"	PESOLA	975
No.3	"	RAVENNA	72

- b) Planning is still held up awaiting the issue of the 15 Army Group Plan and authority for food, clothing, etc., from COS.
- c) The Italian Government has agreed to take responsibility for all expenses connected with Patriot Centres as from 1 Apr 45, and has also officially approved the following payments to Patriots and their dependents:

2,000 lire demobilisation bonus;
 5,000 lire to wounded patriots;
 10,000 lire to dependents of patriots killed in action.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

Nil return

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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21 March 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION.

Nil return.

2. PATRIOTS BRANCH.

The number of Patriots at present in centres is as follows:

FLORENCE	317
PESCIA	300
RAVENNA	95

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION.

- a) Expiration of Local Government officials (Grades I to IV) in Italian Government Territory has been completed. Of the 34 officials sent to trial, 6 were dismissed from office while 16 others received minor punishments.
- b) Examination of the cases of officials of Grades I to IX in Italian Government Territory is 82% complete.

4. PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION.

Nil return.

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5. MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION.

Valuable ANCONA Museum objects, buried under bomb-debris since August 44, have been recovered substantially intact.

6. DEPLACED PERSONS & REPARATION SUB-COMMISSION.

151 Italian refugees arrived in ROM from Northern Army areas.

7. EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION.

Nil return.

/S. PUBLIC SAFETY S/C....

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8. PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION.

- a) Crime generally satisfactory. In forward AMG areas, good.
 - b) Strength of CC.RR now 53,528 officers and men.
 - c) Morale and efficiency of police agencies, particularly CC.RR, greatly improved. Receipt of uniforms and clothing inspires confidence immediately.
 - d) Coordinated Italian and Military Police action against organised gangs continues and is producing excellent results.
 - e) Planning for policing North Italy proceeding.
 - f) It is reported that CC.RR and British officers were fired on by unknown persons in Minervino Murge (Bari) on 18 March; 3 CC.RR reported killed, several wounded; no British casualties.
9. Above constitutes Civil Affairs Section Weekly Sitrep for week ending 20 Mar 45.

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R. R. CRIPPS, Col.
CSO CA SECTION.

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HEAD PETERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

6/16/02

17 March 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps

TO: All Sub-Commissions

1. Attached for your information and guidance is Executive Commissioner's letter Ref: 150/26/EC dated 15 March 1945.
2. In order to comply with the instructions contained therein Sub-Commissions will render to this Section a short weekly sitrep to reach this office by 0900 hours each Wednesday.
3. Nil Returns will be required.

R. R. Griggs
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CSO CA Section

Distribution:

Public Health Sub-Commission
Public Safety Sub-Commission
Displaced Persons & Repat. S/O
Legal Sub-Commission
Local Government Sub-Commission
Monuments and Fine Arts S/O
Patriots Branch
Education Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 735

Ref: 150/26/EC

15 March 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps.

TO : VP, Economic Section (11)
VP, Civil Affairs Section (10)
Dir, Communications Sub-Commission (1)
Dir, War Material Disposal (1)
& Italian PW Sub-Commission
Public Relations Officer. (1)

1. I have received a complaint from AFHQ that the material contained in the Weekly Sitrep is not satisfactory.

2. The purpose of this sitrep is to provide AFHQ with material to give a concise weekly national picture of conditions in ITALY for the Combined Civil Affairs Committee of the Combined Chiefs of Staff in WASHINGTON. I gain the impression that this is not appreciated and the object of this memorandum is to give directions which will ensure that the activities of this Commission are adequately reported.

3. Previously the basis of this sitrep has been reports from Regions, but since Sub-Commissions receive all regional information of importance from their specialist officers in the field I have decided to rely on HQ to provide this basis. Vice Presidents will give special attention to the provision of material for the sitrep. Two or three lines are all that are required from each Sub-Commission, containing only material which is general in character and is likely to be of value to the CCAC in WASHINGTON: commencing 21 March 1945 this information, or a nil return, to be submitted to this office not later than 1200 hours on Wednesday of each week.

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J. T. Miller
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission (LFLA)
Air Forces Sub-Commission

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AIO 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref D O 9/3.1/CA

13 Dec 44

SUBJECT: Items of Interest for Inclusion in
weekly Sitrep from the CA Section.

TO : COS Section.

1 Displaced Persons. The High Commissioner for Italian Refugees has two
refugee camps in preparation at SABUDIA and GASTA both in LITTORIA to hold
respectively 500 and 1000.

The total number of Partisan Yugoslavs repatriated by the 4th December was
4,685. At the request of the Yugoslav Government no further shipments have
taken place and about 1500 Partisan Yugoslavs remain in the camps in Southern
Italy.

2 Public Safety. The 5000 Soldiers to be attached to the COS have mainly
reached their stations.

A new scale of rations for Prisoners has been approved with the following
changes. Bread is increased from 500 grams to 350 grams per day and 100 grams
of tinned meat per week is now added. Other changes are anticipated.

3 Public Health. A Conference has been held to plan for the 1945 Malarial
Campaign. Sufficient vaccines and serums for veterinary purposes are now either
in stock or in sight.

4 Patriots Branch. Requests have been made to AFHQ
1 for boots, clothing and blankets
2 for improved ration scale for patriots on front areas with troops
3 for accommodation stores
4 for treatment of wounded Patriots in Military Hospitals.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

Ref: D O 9/3.1/Ca.

16 Nov 44.

SUBJECT: Items of Interest for inclusion in
weekly Sitrep from the CA Section.

TO: COS Section.

1. It was suggested that a number of sindaco were suffering great hardships through their office carrying no salary. A questionnaire was therefore addressed to Regional Commissioners and 5th and 6th Armies. From replies received, it appears that only 8% of the Communes have presented any difficulty, and for that reason it has been decided to take no further action, it being left to PCs to deal locally with individual cases of hardship.

2. 700 Yugoslav agriculturalists were repatriated on 6 Nov 44.

3. Five UNRRA Representatives are in Lecce, understudying the administration of Accommodation Centres. (D.O. 1836)

4. On Sunday, 12 Nov 44, an open air meeting was held by the Communist Party to celebrate the 27th Anniversary of the Russian Revolution. A crowd of 15,000 people assembled at Palatine Hill and were addressed by Communist and Socialist Party Leaders including Fogliatti and Nenni. No inflammatory remarks were issued and the crowd dispersed without incident.

5. Dr. Niccolosi (Questore) has left Benevento and assumed his new post in Pisa.

6. Ten officers and 50 EMs CC RE and 10 officers and 300 EMs Pinarco Guards, former P.O.s, is North Africa have been repatriated and attached to Bari Region. After training they will be distributed throughout Southern Italy.

7. It has been agreed with the Minister of Public Instruction that an order would be issued in both Italian Government and Military Government territory forbidding the making of the study of German compulsory in any school.

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8. Patriot Representatives with the crimes and in the Regions and Provinces are now being paid by the Italian authorities through Allied Agencies as a matter of routine. This system is working well.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: D O 2/3.1/CA

8 Nov 44

SUBJECT: Items of interest for inclusion in weekly Sitrep from the CA Section.

TO: COS Section.

1. The Italian Minister of Public Instruction has approved the appointment of a provisional committee to work out plans for organizing teachers all over Italy into small groups. Each small group will receive a series of bulletins, each bulletin containing one problem confronting Italian Education which will be discussed. After thorough discussion a vote will be taken on the various alternatives. Through a hierarchy of group representatives these grass-roots decisions will be collected, discussed and passed on up with recommendations to the Minister's National Commission on Educational Reconstruction as advice. If this plan can be made to work it will

- (a) stimulate educational thinking of a high order among teachers everywhere;
- (b) give the minister and his commission direct contact with the thought and experience of the teachers in the field, and
- (c) democratize the whole educational system of Italy.

2. The Red Cross week in Rome (that was extended to 12 days owing to bad weather) got quite good results:- 100 tons of clothing and supplies and over 4,000,000 lire in cash.

3. On 1 Nov 44 all Public Safety Agencies were placed on an increased ration scale equivalent to that enjoyed by the Italian Army.

4. Monetary allowances will be paid to all fighting patriots. Infirmities and pensions equal to those of the Italian regular army will also be paid to the families of the wounded and dead.

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 6. The target date for assumption of responsibility by UNRRA of Southeast Italy Accommodation Centres is 1 Jan 45.

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VP CA Section,
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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

FILE 7A

Ref: D O 9/3.1/Ca

1 Nov 44

SUBJECT: Items of interest for inclusion in
weekly Sitrep from the CA Section.

TO: CAC Section.

- 1 The Patriots Branch has been placed under the Local Government Sub-Commission but will function as a separate entity.
- 2 A decree on the dissolution of the Government of Rome is before the Council of Ministers.
- 3 225 Fascist professional appointments are to be invalidated and the vacancies filled by competitive test.
- 4 Fascist appointments of School Inspectors and Provincial directors of Education will be similarly dealt with.
- 5 No repercussions have followed the incident at Palermo on the 19 Oct 44 when 26 persons were killed and 156 injured. The situation is now normal. The high casualties are due to the fact that both sides threw bombs in a confined, densely packed space.
- 6 Strength of Carabinieri is being increased by the transfer of 5,000 Italian troops. 500 will be sent to each of the ten headquarters in Southern Italy. The date on which they will return to Military duties is under discussion with AFHQ.
- 7 National Police Guard. A Decree has been passed renaming the Corps of Agents of Public Security: "Guardia Nazionale di Polizia". This body is to be increased by recruiting from the disbanded militia.
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- 9 Exhibition of works of art at Siena and at Florence are being arranged.
- 10 Registration to Proserpine Province is still blocked due to food and accommodation shortage.
- 11 Evacuation of Ancona Area will probably mean 3,000 people per week arriving in Rome.
- 12 ~~A new roll of patriots will be drawn up in three classes:~~
 - (a) Patriots who have fought.
 - (b) Patriots who have aided the war of liberation by means other than fighting.
 - (c) Families of fallen patriots.
- 12 INEC has approved the creation of civil employment agencies and has sanctioned the setting up of a welfare organization.

Not confirmed yet

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref:- D.O. 3.1/CA

25 Oct 44.

SUBJECT: - Items of interest for inclusion in weekly
Sitrep from the C.A. Section.

TO:- COS Section.

1. It is hoped that arrangements can be made to repatriate 11,745 refugees North from Sicily and Southern Region. They are agriculturalists and are required to cultivate their land.
2. Palermo disturbances were directed against the Italian troops. 9 soldiers were wounded, 16 civilians killed and 104 wounded. Situation was at no time out of control.
3. Arrangements have been made for the rations of all Italian Public Safety Organisations to be increased from the heavy workers' scale to the Italian army ration scale from the 1 Nov. 44. It is hoped to arrange that the additional cost will not be borne by the personnel.
4. The central directorate of prisons at Naples will be abolished on the 15 Nov 44 by agreement of the Ministry of Grace and Justice.
5. The election of a Rector for the University of Rome will take place in about three weeks time.
6. Secondary schools have held their examinations recently, and will open when available the first week in November.
7. ~~From reports on the conditions of monuments in Greece, it is possible to say that the museums and monuments have suffered practically no damage.~~
8. Representatives of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Typhus Control Unit began a tour of Southern Italy and Sicily during the past week to instruct the Medici Provinciali in dusting technique for typhus control. Small amounts of DDT powder with dusting guns are being left in each province for emergency use.
9. A school for instructing Italians in mine clearance has been opened in Pisa and two more are in the process of being opened at Spoleto and Chieti.

G.R. UPJOHN, Brigadier,
VP CA Sec.,
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17th QUARTER
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Civil Affairs Section.

Ref: DO/3.1/CA

18 Oct '44.

SUBJECT:- Items of interest for inclusion in weekly Sitrep from CA Section.

TO:- C. of S. Section.

1. UNRRA have agreed in principle to taking over Southern Refugee camps, with the exception of Bari.
2. The Germans are removing more and more art treasures as they move northwards.
3. A Commissario for GIL has been appointed.
4. Mr. Logan a representative of the International Boy Scout organisation has come to Italy from Africa hoping to effect a federation between the non-confessional Italian Boy Scouts - Corpo Nazionale Giovani Esploratori Italiani and the Catholic Boy Scouts - Associazione Giovani Esploratori Italiani, for contacts with the outer world, while leaving each autonomy in Italy.
5. The Tempio Matatestina the most important church in Rimini, previously reported as badly damaged, but of which the facade and six chapels still stand, has been inspected by engineers for bracing and repairs.
6. Steps are being taken to regularize the circulation of motor vehicles by the French Forces and the Sovereign order of the Knights of Malta.
7. Arrangements have been cleared with the Finance Sub-commission for the payment of Patriot Representatives and for the hiring of motorcars for Patriot Reports by the IMC.

G.R. UPJOHN. Brigadier.
VP CA Sec.
Dep. C. of S.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref:- D.O. 3.1/GA

11 Oct. '44.

SUBJECT:- Items of interest for inclusion in
weekly Sitrep from the C.A. Section

TO:- C. of S. Section.

1. Sir Frank Brook, D.S.O., M.C., H.M. Inspector of Constabulary for England & Wales and Advisor to the Civil Affairs Directorate, is at present touring Regions in Italy to visit British Police Officers.
2. Arrangements are in hand for the appointment of a new Director for the Regina Coeli prison. The entire staff of the prison is to be changed and the Central Prison Directorate disbanded.
3. The Italian Red Cross week is postponed until 22 Oct '44.
4. Vehicles registered by the Republic of San Marino will be permitted to circulate in Italian territory providing they carry certificates of Registration issued by the R.P.C.O. Emilia Region.
5. Italian Port Sanitary officers are taking necessary precautionary measures against bubonic plague that has been reported to be in Algiers.

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11 Oct

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APO 394
CA SECTION

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4 Oct 44

SUBJECT : Items of interest for inclusion in weekly Sitrep
from the Civil Affairs Section.

TO : C of S Section.

- 1 The Director of the Public Health Sub-Commission Brig G.S. PARKINSON has been appointed ACC Liaison Officer between the Allied Red Cross Organisation and the Italian Red Cross. Brig. PARKINSON has also been appointed Liaison Officer between ACC AFHQ and the National Agency for Distribution of relief Supplies in Italy.
- 2 The Malaria Control Branch has been discontinued and all Malaria Control functions will in future be dealt with through the Public Health Branch of ACC. The Rockefeller Demonstration Unit will continue its functions with the Public Health Branch under the direction of Dr. Henry W. RUMEL.
- 3 MMIA have agreed to issue clothing and equipment in sufficient quantities to properly equip 43,000 CC HR. A long term policy has been agreed upon which will ensure that in future old Army uniforms and boots are supplied to the CC HR for repair in their own workshops.
- 4 The Italian Red Cross are holding a Red Cross week starting 15 Oct 44 for the purpose of collecting all they can for Refugees including old clothing blankets etc. All possible assistance is being given to them by Civil Affairs Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
CA SECTION.

DO/9/31/04

4th October, '44.

SUBJECT:- Discussions with the Italian Government.

TO:- Patriots Branch.
Displaced Persons and Repatriation.

Will the above mentioned Civil Affairs Sub Commissions submit so as to reach this Section by 1600 hrs every Tuesday, commencing 10th October '44, a short interesting light précis of the result of any discussions that they may have had with the Italian Government during the preceding week, or any other points of interest arising in their work during that week.

These items of interest are for inclusion in the R.O. letter to Regional Commissioners and the weekly sitrep.

G.R. UPJOHN. Brigadier.
V.P. Civil Affairs Section.

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APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

DQ/9/3.1/AS

27 Sep 44

SUBJECT : Items of interest for inclusion
in weekly Sitrep from Admin Sec.

TO : RC&MG.

- 1 Progress is being made in planning details for a Typhus Demonstration Unit to tour centres in Italian Government Territory.
- 2 A certain amount of unrest developed into a riot on Saturday night in Regina Coeli Prison, Rome. The situation is now under control.
- 3 Vatican State registered motor vehicles bearing the registration letters "S.C.U." and a number will not carry standard circulation permits. They will, however carry a Certificate of Registration, printed in the Papal colours - white and yellow.
- 4 Diplomatic motor vehicles will carry standard circulating permits over printed with the letters "C.D.". These permits will be issued by the Italian Foreign Office.

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