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DISTRIBUTION: (Cont'd)

- 1 In (Main) BOMB
- 1 W. R.
- 1 Postal (B)
- 1 D. Salva
- 1 WTC
- 1 Army Fire Service (B)
- 2 Camp Comd (Ex) AMHO
- 1 JFIF Manning Unit (B)
- 1 G-3 (JMO)
- 1 G-3 Trg
- 1 G-4 (A)
- 1 G-4 MATC
- 1 USFET
- 1 Ldg Plans
- 2 G (Maint)
- 2 G (AS)
- 2 G-2
- 1 RHC
- 1 E. W. (B)
- 2 G-10 C Med
- 1 W. Accounts Office CM
- 1 Welfare (B)
- 1 JET (for ACC)
- 2 G(AS) SD2 (Specs)
- 2 G Records
- 1 T1 (B)

Information Copies:

- 1 G. Middle East (For G(AS)4)
- 1 G. Middle East
- 2 The Under Secretary of State for War,
The War Office, LONDON

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ALSO ADVISE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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27 October 1945

SUBJECT: Organization and Administration of German Service Units Under British Control in ITALY and AUSTRIA.

TO: All Concerned.

Paragraph 3, letter this headquarters, file AG 386.3/163-0, dated 24 September 1945, subject as above, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

10. Postal Service - GERMAN

a. General. A two way mail service is instituted for the use of PW/SEP of German nationality, to those areas of GERMANY occupied by BRITISH, US and CANADIAN Forces.

b. Addresses.

(1) The postal address of PW/SEP held in PW Camps will be:

Number Rank Name
Designation of Camp
AG PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

c.g.

10002 Off. BRAN, W.
625 PW Camp
AG PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

(2) The postal address of SEP working in German Service Units or permanently working in British Units or hospitals will be:

Number Rank Name
Unit Designation
AG PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

c.g.

A 90000 Off. SCHMITZ, E.
802 German Gen Inf Coy
AG PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

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TO	Ink	Date
VP CA Sec		
Public Safety		
Public Health		
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Local Govt		
Personnel IAW Div		
Dispers		
Education		
MFA & A		
Ca Sec		

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1st AFM, HQ USF, 3-0, dtd 27 Oct 45 (Cont'd)

c. OUTGOING MAIL. GSC P Camps, German Labour Units and British Units and Hospitals holding P or S will despatch outgoing correspondence from P/S under official cover to -

AD P Camp
Naples
ITALY.

d. INCOMING MAIL.

- (1) Incoming mail will be conveyed to the nearest British APO to the camp, hospital or unit of addressee.

GSC Camps, hospitals or units will arrange to collect the correspondence from the British APO concerned; the most suitable time for collection should be ascertained from the HQ i/c of the APO.

- (2) If the addressee is not with the unit to which correspondence is addressed the GSC Camp, hospital or unit should redirect it to his new camp, hospital or unit, or to any hospital to which he has been admitted if the necessary particulars are known. Redirected correspondence should be included with out-going mail and forwarded to AD P Camp in accordance with the arrangements outlined in paragraph c above.

- (3) In cases where the new address is not known letters will be forwarded to HQ 2nd Echelon enclosed in bags, covers or official packages marked "For attention of German Tracing Section", such mail will be re-directed by the German Tracing Section, and forwarded to the addressee through AD P Camp.

e. Instructions for the use of official buff post cards and the subsequent use of UN 3494 are at Appendix "I" attached.

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL ASGAR:

D. C. Kiley
D. C. KILEY
Captain, ASD

Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl
Appendix "I"

DISTRIBUTION:

100 - 1st British Troops in AMERICA	25 - 1st 21 Arm'd Bde	1 - 1st (2)
10 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	10 - 1st 21st Sub Area	12 - 1st (2)
10 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	2 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - 1st (2)
10 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	10 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - 1st (2)
100 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	1 - 1st 21st Sub Area	25 - D. Labour
80 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	1 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - SACB
120 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	1 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - SAC
80 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	1 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - SAC
10 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	1 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - SAC
10 - 1st 1st 21st Bde	1 - 1st 21st Sub Area	1 - SAC

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Appendix "I" to AFHQ letter AG 388.3/103 - 9, dated 2 August 1945.

ALLIED POWS IN JAPAN
 AND OF JAPANESE PRISONERS OF WAR
 PART III AND IV

1. On receipt of this instruction every Prisoner of War/Captured Enemy Personnel will be permitted to complete and dispatch to his next of kin one buff postcard. This will contain prisoner of war authorized address. (See Paragraph 10). Upon receipt of this card the next of kin may tear off the bottom half of the card and post it back to his sender with a message not exceeding 25 words. If the buff card cannot be delivered, due to the absence of the addressee, it will be automatically forwarded to a Central Enquiry Bureau in the appropriate zone of occupation.

2. The supply of these buff cards is limited. Only one card will be issued to each prisoner of war. The prisoner will be required to show his pay book or other documents as evidence that his registered next of kin resided in the BRITISH, US or RUSSIAN zone. Buff cards will NOT be issued to prisoners whose next of kin reside in the JAPANESE occupied Zones of GERMANY.

3. On 15th September any GERMAN civilian in the BRITISH, US or RUSSIAN Zones who had not received a buff card and who had reason to believe that a near Wehrmacht relative was in BRITISH, US or RUSSIAN zones or in prisoner of war camps under AFHQ control, may write a message not exceeding 25 words on a special green coloured postcard and dispatch it to the Central Enquiry Bureau, Hamburg.

4. The Central Bureau will, wherever possible, effect contact between the member of the Wehrmacht and his next of kin by the interchange of addresses and redirection of the green and buff cards.

5. Both the member of the Wehrmacht and the civilian having once received the address of their relative, may conduct future correspondence by ordinary postcard not exceeding 25 words once per week in accordance with the existing Postal and Censorship arrangements. This card is AF 3494. Each PW is permitted to have one AF 3494 per week.

6. For the purpose of this scheme the term near relative will cover:

Wife	Brother	} where no other near relative is living.
Mother	Sister	
Father	Son	
Legal Guardian	Daughter	

7. In cases where Part (iii) of the buff card is addressed to a destination in the US or RUSSIAN zones, the sender will delete the word "Hamburg" from Part (iv) and insert "American Zone" or "Russian Zone" whichever is appropriate.

8. On receipt of a reply from next of kin the prisoner may proceed as in paragraph 5.

9. Prisoners will be informed that any attempt to mutilate or disfigure the buff cards, or to send messages in code may result in this privilege being withdrawn.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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C. A. Lee

15 NOV 1945

2 November 1945

SSA

SUBJECT: Organization and Administration of German Service Units in Italy and Austria

TO: All Concerned

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1. Reference is made to letter, this headquarters, file AF 306.3/163-0, dated 3 August 1945, subject as above.

2. In view of the shortage of troops available for escort duties, the escorts laid down in paragraphs 6 f and 6 g of the above cited letter, may be reduced to 2% at the discretion of the District Commander from whose area the move emanates.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:


 EDWARD R. MORGAN
 Colonel, USA
 Asst Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:

100 - Hq British Troops in AUSTRIA	1 - G-1 (B) .1	1 - Log Plans
10 - Hq Rear Hq British Troops in AUSTRIA	1 - G-1 (B) .2	1 - Central Stats
10 - Hq British Military Mission in GREECE	1 - G-1 (B) .3	2 - J(Infantry)
100 - Hq XIII Corps	1 - G-1 (B) .5	2 - J(L.S.)
50 - Hq No. 1 Dist	2 - G-2	2 - G-5
125 - Hq No. 3 Dist	1 - G-3 (Ops)	1 - R.C.
60 - Hq RASC	1 - G-3 (Org-2)	1 - Survey (B)
10 - Hq RASC	1 - G-3 (Org-3)	1 - Tr (B)
45 - Hq 21 Army Bde	25 - Hq, R.F., Italy	2 - G-in-C Fed
10 - Hq 21st Sub Area	1 - Arty Sect	25 - Copies to G-3
2 - Head Forces Sub Com, APO	2 - Engrs (B)	1 - Hq Accounts
10 - Hq 21st Echelon	1 - Prints (B)	Office of
1 - Hq (Main Rome)	1 - DV & RS	1 - Welfare (B)
250 - Hq No. 2 Dist	1 - Postal (B)	1 - HST (for AF)
1 - Signals (B)	1 - D. Salvage	2 - AG Records
1 - Hq RASC	1 - DPIC	
1 - HST	1 - Army Fire Service (B)	
1 - Hq (B)	2 - Camp Comdt (Br) AF	
12 - G-2 (B)	1 - AFHQ Messing Unit (B)	
1 - Hq	1 - G-3 (Org-4)	
1 - Hq (B)	15 - G-3 (APO)	
25 - D. Labour	1 - HST	
1 - G.S.S.	1 - G-4 (A)	
1 - G.O.	1 - G-4 H & Tr	
1 - D/O.O.	1 - USNET	
1 - AGOS (B)	1 - Sala (SHAF)	
1 - G-1 (A)	1 - G-4 (B)	



INFORMATION COPIES:

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 1 - AFHQ, Middle East
 1 - The Under Secretary of State for War, The War Office, LONDON

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ALLIED FORCES TRANSPORTS
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AG 386.3 - 0

27 October 1945

SUBJECT: Organization and Administration of German Service Units Under British Control in ITALY and AUSTRIA.

All Concerned.

Paragraph 3, letter this headquarters. File AG 386.3/163-0, dated 24 September 1945, subject as above, is reminded and the following substituted instruction:

16. POSTAL SERVICE - GERMANS

a. GENERAL. A two way mail service is instituted for the use of PW/SGP of German nationality, to those areas of GERMANY occupied by BRITISH, US and FRENCH Forces.

b. ADDRESS.

(1) The postal address of PW/SGP held in PW Camps will be:

Number Rank Name
Designation of Camp
AJ PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

c.g.

10002 Cpr. SCHMIDT, E.
325 PW Camp
AJ PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

(2) The postal address of SGP working in German Service Units or permanently working in British Units or hospitals will be:

Number Rank Name
Unit Designation
AJ PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

c.g.

A 90000 Cpr. SCHMIDT, E.
500 German Gen Tpt Coy,
AJ PW Camp
Naples
ITALY via HANNOVER

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c. OUTGOING MAIL. O&C Camps, German Labour Units and British Units and Detachments Holding P or S or T will despatch outgoing correspondence from P or T under official cover to -

AD P Camp
Naples
ITALY.

d. INCOMING MAIL.

- (1) Incoming mail will be conveyed to the nearest British APC or to the camp, hospital or unit of addressee.

O&C Camps, hospitals or units will arrange to collect the correspondence from the British APC concerned; the most suitable time for collection should be ascertained from the IRO i/c of the APC.

- (2) If the addressee is S&C with the unit to which correspondence is addressed the O&C Camp, Hospital or Unit should redirect it to his new Camp, hospital or unit, or to any hospital to which he has been admitted if the necessary particulars are known. Redirect correspondence should be included with out-going mail and forwarded to AD P Camp in accordance with the arrangements outlined in paragraph c above.

- (3) In cases where the new address is not known letters will be forwarded to GIL 2nd Echelon enclosed in bags, covers or official envelopes marked "For attention of German Tracing Section", such mail will be re-directed by the German Tracing Section, and forwarded to the addressee through AD P Camp.

e. Instructions for the use of official buff post cards and the subsequent use of AFM 3004 are at Appendix "I" attached.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL DROWN:

P. C. Kinley
P. C. KINLEY
Captain, ADC
Asst Adjutant General

1 Encl
Appendix A

DISTRIBUTION:

100 - Hq British Troops in S&C Zone	25 - Hq 21 Armd Bde	1 - Fed (3)
10 - Hq 11 Bde by British Troops	10 - Hq 21st Sub Area	12 - Ord (9)
in S&C Zone	2 - Land Forces Sub	1 - FIE
10 - Hq British Military Mission	Com, AC	1 - FM (3)
in S&C Zone	10 - GIL 2d Echelon	25 - D. Labour
100 - Hq AD Camps	1 - Hq (Main Camp)	1 - SACB
30 - Hq No. 1 District	250 - Hq No. 2 District	1 - CAO
125 - Hq No. 3 District	1 - Signals (B)	1 - D/CAO
50 - Hq 2nd Area Allied Comd	1 - Hq Inf	1 - ADX (3)
10 - Hq Allied Collection	2 - GIL	1 - G-1 (A)

Discussion: (Case 3)

Chief Commissioner	1
Executive Commissioner	1
CA Section	2
Economic Section	2
AC L.O. Bologna	1
Lombardia Region	1
IPW Sub-Commission	1
Navy Sub-Commission	1
Air Forces Sub-Commission	1

- HYPOTHESIS 2:**

- 1 - The War Ministry of State for War, The War Office LONDON.
1 - GCHQ, Middle East
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Appendix "I" to AUSA letter AG 305.3/1.3 - G, dtd 8 August 1945.

ALLIED FORCE COMMANDERS
US 17 AIR FORCE - 1000 - AF 1894
POST OFFICE - LUDWIG

1. On receipt of this instruction every Prisoner of War/Surrendered Enemy Personnel will be permitted to complete and dispatch to his next of kin one buff postcard. This will contain prisoner of war authorized address. (See Paragraph 18). Upon receipt of this card the next of kin may tear off the bottom half of the card and post it back to the sender with a message not exceeding 25 words. If the buff cards cannot be delivered, due to the absence of the addressee, it will be automatically forwarded to a Central Inquiry Bureau in the appropriate zone of occupation.

2. The supply of these buff cards is limited. Only one card will be issued to each prisoner of war. The prisoner will be required to show his pay book or other documents as evidence that his registered next of kin resided in the BRITISH, US or FRENCH zone. Buff cards will NOT be issued to prisoners whose next of kin reside in the GERMANY occupied Zones of GERMANY.

3. On 15th September any GERMANY civilian in the BRITISH, US or FRENCH Zones who had not received a buff card and who had reason to believe that a near Wehrmacht relative was in BRITISH, US or FRENCH zone or in prisoner of war camp under BRITISH control, may write a message not exceeding 25 words on a special green coloured postcard and dispatch it to the Central Inquiry Bureau, Ludwig.

4. The Central Bureau will, wherever possible, affect contact between the member of the Wehrmacht and his next of kin by the interchange of addresses and redirection of the green and buff cards.

5. Both the member of the Wehrmacht and the civilian having once received the address of their relative, may conduct future correspondence by ordinary postcard not exceeding 25 words once per week in accordance with the existing Postal and Censorship arrangements. This card is AF 3494. Each KW is permitted to have one AF 3494 per week.

6. For the purpose of this scheme the term near relative will cover:

Wife	Brother	} where no other near relative is living.
Mother	Sister	
Father	Son	
Legal Guardian	Daughter	

7. In cases where (iii) of the buff card is addressed to a destination in the US or FRENCH zones, the sender will delete the word "Ludwig" from Part (iv) and insert "American Zone" or "French Zone" whichever is appropriate. 1873

8. On receipt of a reply from next of kin the prisoner may proceed as in paragraph 3.

9. Prisoners will be informed that any attempt to mutilate or disfigure the buff cards, or to send messages in code may result in this privilege being withdrawn.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
AFO 512

23 OCT 1945

16 October 1945

AG 336.3/163 - 0

SUBJECT: Organization and Administration of German Service Units in ITALY and AUSTRIA.

TO: All Concerned.

The instructions issued under cover letter, this Headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 5 August 1945, are amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 10 d is amended by the deletion of so much thereof as reads:

"The above will be reported on a new Casualty Form which will be prepared by GHQ 2d Echelon and distributed. Until this Form is available casualties will be reported by units on the British Form AF W3011 if available, and if not available, by letter or other document which clearly shows:

The name of the unit making the return
The nature of the casualty
The name and Wehrnummer of the individual to whom the casualty relates"

and by substituting the words:

"The above will be reported on GMP Form 97 (G25/SEP 1) - Report of Casualties occurring in German Service Units."

2. Paragraph 10 is further amended by the addition of sub-paragraph i and j as follows:

"i. Units will forward to GHQ 2d Echelon for retention the PW/Surrendered Enemy Personnel Form of any person who having escaped or deserted is not located after 21 days."

"j. His personal property should accompany an individual wherever he moves. Should he die his effects will be securely packed by the unit in whose charge he was at the time of his death. Two copies of AF W3190 (Personal Effects Certificate) will be enclosed in the parcel which will be labelled with AF W3419 (Label for personal property of enemy dead) and sent

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 Attd 8 August 1945, (Cont'd)

to GHQ 2d echelon by registered post. In the event of the dispatch by unit of more than one package of effects at a time each package will be made up and labelled separately, the whole then being enclosed in a sack or box securely sealed and dispatched as one registered package. A list of the various packages will be enclosed in the sack or box."

BY COMMAND OF THE ACTING SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Edward R. Sargent
 EDWARD R. SARGENT
 Colonel, AGO
 Asst Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:

100 - Hq MFA	2 - G-2
10 - REGUL Rear Hq MFA	1 - G-3(Cpm)
10 - Hq Br Mil Miss to GREECE	1 - G-3(Org-2)
100 - Hq XIII Corps	1 - G-3(Org-3)
50 - No 1 District	1 - G-3(Org-4)
150 - No 2 District	10 - G-3(INO)
125 - No 3 District	1 - DMT
60 - Rear Area, MFOUSA	1 - G-4(A)
10 - Allied Commission	1 - G-4 M & Tn
25 - Hq 21 Army Bde	1 - USFET
10 - Hq 214 Sub Area	1 - G-4 (SHAPE)
10 - GHQ 2d Echelon	1 - G-4(B)
1 - Tn (Main Force)	1 - Log Plans
2 - Land Forces S&B-Com, AG	1 - Central Stats
1 - S&B	2 - Q(Maint)
1 - CAO	2 - Q(AS)
1 - D/CAO	3 - G-5
1 - G-1(A)	2 - AG Records
1 - G-1(B) A1	
1 - G-1(B) A2	
1 - G-1(B) A3	
1 - G-1(B) A5	

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Logistics Reg.	1
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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

16 OCT 1945

AG 386.3 720-6

24 October 1945

SUBJECT: Organization and Administration of German Service Units in Italy

TO: All Commanders

Letter, this Headquarters, File AG 386.3/163-6, dated 6 August 1945, subject as above, is amended by the addition of the following paragraph 14:

14. PAY

a. All currency in possession of surrendered enemy personnel should be withdrawn and converted to DM for safe custody & receipt should be given to each individual surrendered enemy person. The redemption of such receipts in subject to such treatment as is considered appropriate by the Zone Commanders in Germany and Austria and if they authorized release, it will be effected by German Disbursing Agencies at the same time they pay the Wehrmacht on discharge.

b. No payment in cash whatever will be made to surrendered enemy personnel before discharge and no receipts of cash lent, into of clothing, etc. need be submitted for PAY purposes.

c. On discharge in Germany or Austria payment by German or Austrian Disbursing Agencies will be made for Wehrmacht from 1 August 1945 plus discharge pay of 20 Reichsmarks to Officers and 40 Reichsmarks on enlisted personnel.

d. In view of the foregoing no receipt will therefore be kept of charges against the man such as baggage damaged, hospital charges, charges for loss of kit, forfeiture of pay through detention, hospitalization, etc.

e. These instructions will apply to all prisoners of war who are transferred to surrendered enemy personnel status on posting to a Service Unit.

BY COMMAND OF THE ACTING SUPPLY ALLIED COMMANDER:

of several Companies in Germany and Austria and in any further extension it will be effected by German occupying authorities at the same time they may then be held on parole.

2. The proposed bill is intended to amend the provisions of the act of 1907, relating to the registration of voters, and to provide for the registration of voters in the several counties of the State.

On discharge in Germany an Austria payment by German or Austrian Disbursement Agency will be made for Wehrmacht from 1 August 1945 plus discharge pay of 60 Reichsmarks to Glatton and 40 Reichsmarks to Volstead.

d. In view of the foregoing we need not therefore discuss of Hanson against the use such as French language. Hanson directed, charging for loss of life, suspension of pay through detention, hospitalization, etc.

c. Those institutions will apply to all institutions of which they are transferred to membership under reciprocal station on condition of a similar

BY CHAIRMAN OF THE ACTING JOINTS COMMITTEE, 1904-1905.

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 Edward P. Hays, Jr.
 LIEUTENANT, INFANTRY
 10th Maine, 1862
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SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

1. AFHQ will accept, through the ALGERIA, an average of 4,500/5,000 Italians per day including one trainload for destinations in the SOUTH of ITALY.
2. AFHQ will take up, with the BRICS authorities, the question of repatriation via the ALGERIA route in accordance with the BRICS Agreement.
3. AFHQ will investigate the possibility of accepting 1,200 GERMANS from the European Theatre.
4. USFET(CDPX) will examine the possibility of repatriating GERMANS by air using returning MEDLOC aircraft.
5. There is no possibility of using MEDLOC Shipping, returning from MESSINES to MEDLOC, for the repatriation of GERMANS.
6. Several of the decisions reached at the MEDLOC Medical Conference are unworkable and will have to be reversed. USFET(CDPX) will re-examine.
7. Returning MEDLOC B trains may, under authority of HAS PARIS, be used for conveyance of DPs.
8. Northern Italians ought not to move by sea from MESSINES to NAPLES, but should move overland direct into NORTH ITALY.

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

(a) Statement of Figures by Nationality of Personnel to be Repatriated (Min 4).

LT COL GARRELL quoted the following figures of personnel still requiring repatriation from the European Theatre to the Central Mediterranean Theatre: -

TELEGRAMS	276,000
GRAMS	90,000

LT COL GOODMAN quoted the following figures of Displaced Persons still requiring repatriation from the Central Mediterranean Theatre to the European Theatre:-

	<u>ITALY</u>	<u>AUSTRIA</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
BELGIANS	110	-	110
BRITISH	652	-	652
LUXEMBOURGERS	14	-	14
DANISH	151	-	151
DUTCH	83	-	83
FRENCH	900	-	900
CZECHS	192	431	623
GERMAN	64	182	246
LITHUANIAN	6	182	188
LITHUANIAN	28	-	28
MONTENEGIAN	2	-	2
SWISS	41	-	41
ESTONIAN	71	-	71
POLES	559	506	1059
	7932	5821	13703

(4) The Documentation Problem (Min 4)

Col L. Wertz and Lt Col B. J. DODGE agreed that the documentation

	<u>ITALY</u>	<u>AUSTRIA</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
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NETHERLANDS	2	-	2
RUSSIAN	41	-	41
SPANISH	71	-	71
POLES	556	526	1082
	7882	5821	13703

(b) The Documentation Problem (Min 4)

Col L. LUTHE and Lt Col R. LUTHE agreed that the documentation problem was now solved except for some difficulty with regard to inter-zone transfers.

A small Sub Committee was established to pursue this point. 1866
Their findings are attached hereto as appendix 'A'.

(c) The BOLZANO Route (Min 5)

The BOLZANO Route is now functioning.

(d) Restoration of JUGO-SLAVS by air (Min 9)

Lt Col G. GALL reported that there is now no possibility of repatriating JUGO-SLAVS by air.

(e) Priority of Movement for PW over DPs (Min 11)

Brig de MLE PHILIPS pointed out, in connection with the second paragraph of this minute, that his previous statement was "it was the intention to repatriate all Italians before the end of September" and not "before September".

2. POSSIBILITY OF INCREASING CAPACITY OF REINER ROUTE AND OPENING OF
REINER ROUTE

At Col CARROLL outlined the unsatisfactory state of repatriation within CDFX territory. On 1 JUL 45, he said, the situation appeared good. Up to 35,000 ITALIANS per day were being repatriated and a flow of 5,000 ITALIANS per day had been agreed. Unfortunately, RUSSIA suddenly closed her borders to incoming repatriates but continued to send out large numbers of refugees, GERMANS, POLISH, CZECHOSLOVAKIANS and etc. Moreover, the capacity of the REINER route reached only 3,000 per day, and later dropped to 2,000 per day whilst the REINER route had not opened as expected. He therefore, asked if AFHQ could increase their rate of acceptance from the European Theatre.

Brig de MAZ PHILIPS replied that the problem in ITALY is one of internal distribution rather than rate of acceptance. Limitations are imposed by the fact that there is only one rail connection between NORTH and SOUTH ITALY, namely, LINE 69, VERONA - BOLOGNA. The effect of this bottle neck is such that, with the extensive movements required in connection with redeployment, MEDLOG and redistribution of military stocks, AFHQ had failed, during the past month, to meet the minimum AC disease and unrest programme. In about six weeks time, added Brig de MAZ PHILIPS, it is hoped to open another line across the River PO, but in the meantime it is not possible to accept through the REINER more than one trainload per day of DPs destined for the SOUTH of ITALY.

Col F. HEDLEY stated that AC were prepared to accept one additional train load per day of ITALIANS for destinations in the NORTH of ITALY.

Brig de MAZ PHILIPS summarized the position by saying that AFHQ would, therefore, accept, through the REINER, an average of 4,500/5,000 ITALIANS per day including one train load for destinations in the SOUTH of ITALY.

Major SCHAEFER drew attention to the fact that the present average is only 2,300 per day and this rate of flow is too low to

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ations are imposed by the fact that there is only one rail connection between NORTH and SOUTH ITALY, namely, LINE 59, VERONA - BERGAMO. The effect of this bottle neck is such that, with the extensive movements required in connection with redeployment, MERLCO and redistribution of military stocks, AFHQ has failed during the past month, to meet the minimum AC clearance and unrest programme. In about six weeks time, Allied Brig de LEE PHILIPS, it is hoped to open another line across the River PO, but in the meantime it is not possible to accept through the BERGAMO more than one inland per day of IGH destined for the SOUTH of ITALY.

Col FIDELAY stated that AC were prepared to accept one additional train load per day of ITALIANS for destinations in the NORTH of ITALY.

Brig de LEE PHILIPS summarised the position by saying that AFHQ would, therefore, accept, through the BERGAMO, an average of 4,500/5,000 ITALIANS per day including one train load for destinations in the SOUTH of ITALY.

Major SCHAFER drew attention to the fact that the present average is only 2,300 per day and this rate of flow is too low to affect the complete movement before the winter.

Brig de LEE PHILIPS, therefore, pointed out that with 278,000 ITALIANS to be moved, a daily average flow of 4,500/5,000 will complete the task before the end of SEPTEMBER. Day to day fluctuations were, of course, inevitable but examination of movements over weekly periods would indicate where the authorised rate was being accomplished.

Col FIDELAY confirmed that AC could deal with this rate of flow providing that not more than one train load per day were for destinations in the SOUTH of ITALY.

With regard to the BERGAMO route, Major WISHART reported that the SWISS authorities state they have only sufficient coaching stock available to repatriate 1,000 ITALIANS per day at the present time, and are unwilling to accept box cars or GERMAN rolling stock. They wish to complete the movement of ITALIANS out of SWITZERLAND before commencing the cross-country journey over the BERGAMO route. This would be effective about 1 AUG.

Brig de LEE PHILIPS stated that this was not in accordance with the BERGAMO agreement and arrangements will be made for AFHQ reps to take the matter up with the SWISS authorities.

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3. REPARATION OF GREENS VIA ITALY

Lt Col CAGGIOLI reported that the agreement by AFM to accept 2,000 GREENS over a period of two weeks from 15 JUL had not been fulfilled.

Brig de MIE PHILIPS apologized for this failure but pointed out that there is still no prospect of any sea lift across the ADRIATIC. There are already 800 GREENS in BARI awaiting repatriation and Brig de MIE PHILIPS undertook to investigate the possibility of accepting a further 1,200 as a token arrangement.

Arising out of this, G/Capt PATEMAN pointed out that Lancaster aircraft which will shortly provide the MEDLOC air lift will be empty on the return journey for about the first fortnight. If GREENS could be concentrated on the line of route, say PARIS, they could be flown direct to ATHENS (HELISNI Airport). Major WISHART added that the rate of acceptance at PIRAEUS has previously been established at 5,000 per month.

Major de HAAS stated that he was aware of this potential air lift and CDF are pursuing the matter.

Brig de MIE PHILIPS added that the effective commencing date would not be before about 5 AUG.

In reply to a question from Major de HAAS, Brig de MIE PHILIPS stated that there was no possibility of using MEDLOC ships, returning from MANSHILLAS to KINROSS, for the repatriation of GREENS.

4. AMBULANCE TRAINS

Lt Col WILLIAMS outlined the decisions reached by the MEDICAL authorities at the WEISBADEN Conference on 12 JUL as follows:-

- (a) The suggestion that terminal points should be established in ITALY and GERMANY and a shuttle service of Ambulance Trains should run in between was not accepted.
- (b) It was decided that independent movement should take place direct between British Zones in both Theatres and direct between American Zones in both Theatres.

(c) On the British side it is desired, commencing 1 AUG, to move

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- (c) On the British side it is desired, commencing 1 AUG, to move 600 hospital cases per week in two trains. This will require six trains, of which FOUR and 21 ARMY GP will provide three each. Three trains per week to run commencing about the end of AUG.
- (d) On the American side it is proposed that FIFTH ARMY shall send three trains weekly to THIRD ARMY for the first fortnight and thereafter one train daily alternately to THIRD and SEVENTH ARMIES.
- (e) Figures in British Zones were:

5,000 ITALIANS in 21 ARMY GP Area
7,500 GERMANS in ITALY.

Brig de VIRE PHILIPPE ruled that several of the decisions reached at WEISBRADEN were unworkable and would have to be reversed. In particular, the proposal that British-held GERMANS could only move to 21 ARMY GP area and American-held GERMANS only to USFET area was wasteful and seemed quite unnecessary. It bore no relation to the areas in which

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the GERMANS lived or apparently to availability of hospital accommodation in GERMANY. Moreover, arrangements for separate provision of hospital trains by "ARMY" and by "NAVY" would be unworkable in ITALY where all railway equipment is pooled.

Col MCKENZIE pointed out that movement of ambulance trains from the SOUTH of ITALY must also be considered in relation to the capacity of LINE 69 BOLOGNA - VERONA.

Lt Col RUSSELL confirmed that the sorting of patients according to their areas of origin in GERMANY presented no difficulty.

Brig de ARM PHILIPPE directed that the subject must be re-examined and requested C.F.K. to undertake this in conjunction with G-4(Mov & Tr) and G-4 representatives.

5. JUGOSLAVS via JESSENICE and TRIESTE

Lt Col CARROLL asked for confirmation of a report that the JUGOSLAVS were prepared to accept 6,000 Nationals per day via JESSENICE. ARMY will check and inform C.F.K.

Brig de ARM PHILIPPE explained that repatriation of JUGOSLAVS via TRIESTE was not possible at the present time.

6. JEWS

Col PHILLIPS reported that, contrary to agreement, 3,000 JEWS recently arrived in ITALY via the RAILWAY route. They are believed to have come from SALZBURG.

Lt Col CARROLL disclaimed all knowledge of this movement but expressed regret that it had occurred.

Brig de ARM PHILIPPE pointed out that this movement was irregular for two reasons:-

- (i) It is forbidden to move homeless persons.
- (ii) Previous acceptance must always be obtained for other than ITALIAN nationals.

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Lt Col CANNOLL disclaimed all knowledge of this movement but expressed regret that it had occurred.

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7. TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS - CONTROL POINTS

Representatives were requested to exchange information regarding telephone numbers of control points.

The following number is now available:

Capt. R.G. HAYTHORN

Br Rep HENNE

Tele 24943

8. RETURNING MEDLOC "B" TRAINS

Col FINDLAY referred to the suggestion made at the HENNE Conference that returning MEDLOC "B" trains could, in the early stages, be used for repatriating DEs via POMERANIA.

Brig de MIE PHILIPS stated that MEDLOC "B" would commence with one train daily on 25 JUL and two trains daily as from 31 JUL. The capacity of each train is 600 and use could be made of return capacity under the authority of British Army Staff, FRANCE. The

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trains must not be diverted from their established routes or delayed on route.

Col FINLAY confirmed that the PWs could be accepted in ITALY over this route.

9. BOX CARS - RUSSIAN ROUTE

Col MCKENZIE referred to the BOLZANO agreement that box cars for use on the L. JENNER route would be provided on a 50/50 basis by the two Theatres and would be confined to this shuttle service. In practice AHHQ have already lost 350/400 box cars and would have to stop supply of cars if the agreement was not observed.

Brig de RE HILLIE directed that the terms of the original BOLZANO agreement must be obeyed and requested all MRS and Transportation authorities to take immediate action to this end.

10. GERMAN PWs

In reply to a question by Col LAUREN, Lt Col BARSDORF explained that it was War Office policy to replace ITALIAN ex-PWs with GERMAN PWs as military labour in the WAR EAST and MIDDLE EAST. Until detailed figures had been worked out for the distribution of GERMAN PW and surrendered personnel, there would be no repatriation movement of British-held GERMANS, except for small numbers in certain special classes.

11. CZECHOSLOVAKIANS

Lt Col CARROLL stated that CZECHOSLOVAKIANS could be accepted from ITALY at the rate of 2,000 per day.

Col LAUREN objected to such movement on the grounds that the BOLZANO conference gave first priority to PW.

Col HIDE stated that the movement of PW and SP will be completed by 15 AUG and it had already been decided to accept the CZECHS concurrently with the PW movements.

12. ITALIANS BY SEA - MURSEYLLAS to NAPLES

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Col HYDE stated that the movement of PW and GP will be completed by 15 AUG and it had already been decided to accept the CZECHS concurrently with the PW movements.

12. ITALIANS BY SEA - MARSEILLES to NAPLES

In reply to a question by Lt Col WITTE, Brig de REE PHILIPS ruled that NORTHERN ITALIANS ought not to move by sea from MARSEILLES to NAPLES, but must move overland direct into NORTH ITALY. There are about 3,000 NORTHERN ITALIANS at MARSEILLES.

13. POLISH MILITARY RECONDEL

Lt Col HARSDOERF stated that 25,000 POLISH Military Personnel will eventually require repatriation from ITALY.

Brig de REE PHILIPS replied that this movement would probably be effected via AUSTRIA, but the decision would obviously depend on RUSSIAN agreement and cooperation.

14. TRANSIT CAMP CAPACITIES

The capacities of the following transit camps were quoted as under:

MARCH	-	10,000
VERONA	-	2,000 being developed to 8,000

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15. NEXT MEETING

It was decided that the next meeting would be held in PARIS in about one month's time, USREF, CDPX will arrange details.

J. G. Shaw

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J. G. SHAW, Capt RE,
Staff Capt to DQMG (Nov 45 to).

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ATTENDED "A"

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DOCUMENTATION SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD AT 1400Z 20 JULY 45 - 1430 HOURS.

PRESENT

Major A. G. de MONTMORENCY	3-1 (Br) AFHQ (Chairman)
Colonel P. S. LAUREN	3-1 USFET
Lt Col W. N. C. COGSWELL	MTUSA PW Command
Major G. R. FRIE	
Major J. L. LEWIS	AG 21 Army Group

1. Documentation on transfers to and from British Austrian zones of PW and Surrendered Personnel.

- (a) Germans transferred from British Austria to either US or British zones in GERMANY will be documented on and accompanied by:
 - (i) SHARP Area Control form 24 (2 copies)
 - (ii) SHARP Discharge Certificate D2, where possible.
 - (iii) Part III of the D2 will be left blank.
 - (iii) Nominal rolls.
- (b) Austrians transferred from US or British zones in Germany to British Austrian zones will be documented and accompanied by:
 - (i) SHARP P4
 - (ii) Nominal rolls
 - The SHARP D2 is not required but may accompany if already prepared or more convenient to despatching zone or command.
- (c) Austrians transferred from MTUSA PW Command to British Zone Austria. Documentation to be as in (b) above.
- (d) Austrians transferred between British Austrian and US Austrian zones
Colonel LAUREN pointed out that he could not speak for USPA. He suggested that documentation of Austrians transferred

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(b) Austrians transferred from US or British zones in Germany to British Austrian zones will be documented and accompanied by:

- (1) SHARP R4
- (11) Nominal rolls
The SHARP R2 is not required but may accompany if already prepared or more convenient to despatching zone or command.

(c) Austrians transferred from KOMUSKA FM Command to British Zone Austria.
Documentation to be as in (b) above.

(d) Austrians transferred between British Austrian and US Austrian zones
Colonel LAUFER pointed out that he could not speak for USFA. Recommended that documentation of Austrians on transfer between these zones should be by local arrangement between USFA and Eighth Army.

(e) The SHARP list of Occupational Categories
will be used in all cases for entering the occupational categories on the SHARP R4 and R7 (CHOCASS) form.

(f) FM (CHOCASS) Form
In all cases under (a) to (d) above, the FM form will be completed before transfer and sent to CHOCASS in respect of each person.

2. Availabilities for transfer
It was agreed that forms P5 showing personnel available for transfer and discharge would not be exchanged between British and U.S. Zones in GERMANY and British Zones in AUSTRIA. It was considered that interchange of statistics as to availability for international transfer between GERMANY and AUSTRIA was a matter for the Allied Control Councils in BERLIN and VIENNA to decide together.

(SIGNED) A.C. de MONTMORENCY,
Major,
Chairman.

C. A. Sec.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 304

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

25 JUL 1945

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12 JULY 45.

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SUBJECT: EVACUATION OF ITALIANS FOR GERMAN POW.

TO : ZONE COMMISSIONER, LIVORNO.

1. STATEMENTS HAVE APPEARED IN THE ROME PRESS TO THE EFFECT THAT OVER 30,000 ITALIANS IN LIVORNO HAVE BEEN EVACUATED FROM THEIR HOMES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION FOR GERMAN POW. THE MATTER HAS CAUGHT THE ATTENTION OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY.

2. OF COURSE THE STATEMENT IS GROSSLY EXAGGERATED, BUT I WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD FURNISH ME - QUITE BRIEFLY - WITH THE TRUE FACTS.

BY DEMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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15/ A.O. BONHAM CARTER, LT. COL...
FOR
S.R. SPJOHN BRIG...
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HEADQUARTERS, LIVORNO ZONE A.M.G., 20 JULY 1945. CIV/HA/4654

TO: HEADQUARTERS.
ALLIED COMMISSION,
APC 304.
(ATTN: CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION).

1. THE STATEMENTS APPEARING IN THE ROME PRESS REFERRED TO ABOVE ARE INDEED GROSSLY EXAGGERATED.

2. SIX REFUGEE FAMILIES WITH A TOTAL OF 25 PERSONS ARE ALL THAT HAVE BEEN EVACUATED TO MAKE WAY FOR GERMAN POW ACCOMMODATIONS. THESE FAMILIES WERE "QUARTERS" AND CONSEQUENTLY WERE NOT EVACUATED FROM THEIR HOMES.

3. THE CENTRAL ON "BLACK" ZONE WHERE MOST OF THE GERMAN POW'S QUARTERED IN BUILDINGS ARE LOCATED WAS EVACUATED AND CLOSED TO CIVILIANS BY GERMAN ARMY COMMAND ON 12 NOV 43 AND NO FAMILIES WERE EVACUATED FROM THERE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE OR TWO ILLEGALLY LIVING THERE SINCE THAT TIME. THE ZONE HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY OCCUPIED BY GERMAN TROOPS, ITALIAN TROOPS, ITALIAN POW'S AND NOW BY GERMAN POW'S.

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HEADQUARTERS, LIVINGNO ZONE A.M.G., 20 JULY 1945. LIV/HA/4654

TO: HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED COMMISSION,
APO 394.
(ATTN: CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION).

1. THE STATEMENTS APPEARING IN THE ROME PRESS REFERRED TO ABOVE ARE INDEED GROSSLY EXAGGERATED.
2. SIX REFUGEE FAMILIES WITH A TOTAL OF 20 PERSONS ARE ALL THAT HAVE BEEN EVACUATED TO MAKE WAY FOR GERMAN POW ACCOMMODATIONS. THESE FAMILIES WERE "SQUATTERS" AND CONSEQUENTLY WERE NOT EVACUATED FROM THEIR HOMES.
3. THE CENTRAL OF "BLAG" ZONE WHERE MOST OF THE GERMAN POW'S QUARTERED IN BUILDINGS ARE LOCATED WAS EVACUATED AND CLOSED TO CIVILIANS BY GERMAN ARMY COMMAND ON 12 NOV 41 AND NO FAMILIES WERE EVACUATED FROM THERE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE OR TWO ILLEGALLY LIVING THERE SINCE THAT TIME. THE ZONE HAS BEEN SUCCESSIVELY OCCUPIED BY GERMAN TROOPS, ITALIAN TROOPS, ITALIAN POW'S AND NOW BY GERMAN POW'S.
4. PRIOR TO THE 1943 GERMAN ORDERED EVACUATION 1588 PERSONS USED TO LIVE IN THE A/N CENTRAL ZONE. THERE HAS BEEN MUCH WAR DESTRUCTION AND IT IS ESTIMATED THAT UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS 1200 CIVILIANS MIGHT BE HOUSED THERE IF THE PROPERTIES WERE DEREGULATED.
5. THE "SUSOLE BENDI" (SCALI (LANDESI)) IS BEING USED FOR POW'S. THESE PREMISES, IT WOULD SEEM, SHOULD BE RETURNED FOR CIVILIAN USE AS THEY COULD BE USED IMMEDIATELY AGAIN FOR ELEMENTARY AND COMMERCIAL SCHOOLING OF APPROXIMATELY 2000 STUDENTS FOR WHOM NO PROPER SCHOOL FACILITIES EXIST.

Harold V. Reilly
HAROLD V. REILLY
MAJOR A.M.S.,
COMMISSIONER,
LIVINGNO ZONE A.M.G.

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1. Reference AFHQ Instructions for the Administration of Surrendered Enemy Forces in ITALY, AF 386.3/163 LOC.O dated 7 July 45, para 5(a)(2).
2. all enemy personnel held in British custody who at the date of the above Instructions were classified as Prisoners of War will remain so classified until further directions are issued by this Headquarters.

A. S. BALDRE, Lieut-Colonel, A.A.C., for Major General, MG, G.1(Br).

Copy to:- Chief Coordinator, Allied Commissions.

Commanding General, Fifth Army.

Commanding General, Pontinzier Base Section.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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16 July 1945

SUBJECT: Discipline Surrendered German Personnel. 18 LUG 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Further to our letter of 9 July and your 1591 dated
11 July, G-1(B) have agreed all four amendments.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

William H. H.
W. Y. ANDERSON,
Lt. Colonel, R.A.

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 : Date: 7 July 1945
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SUBJECT: Administration of Surrendered Enemy Forces in Italy

11 LUG 1945

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 324
 Commanding General, Fifth Army, APO 404
 Commanding General, LTCUSA POW Command, APO 03
 Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 702
 Headquarters, Eighth Army
 General Officer Commanding, Number 1 District
 General Officer Commanding, Number 2 District
 General Officer Commanding, Number 3 District

1. References

- a. 15th Army Group Administrative Directive Number 3, 18 April 1945, subject: "Control and Administration of Surrendered Enemy Forces".
- b. Eighth Army Administrative Directive Number 2, subject: "Surrender of Enemy Forces".
- c. AFHQ letter, AG 356.3/163 LCG-0, 18 May 1945, subject: "Administration of Surrendered Enemy Forces in Italy".

2. Object - The object of these instructions is to incorporate in one document current policies for the handling of surrendered enemy forces in Italy.

3. Previous Instructions - The instructions contained in references a and b above remain in force except as modified by this letter. Reference c is hereby rescinded and the provisions of this letter substituted therefor.

4. Scope of Instructions

- a. The instructions contained herein are applicable to enemy forces taken or surrendering in Italy.
- b. Enemy personnel, except those of Italian Nationality, taken or surrendering in Austria will be held in that country pending repatriation, and not removed to Italy.

5. Generala. Status of Enemy Forces

- (1) All enemy personnel, including those of the Luftwaffe, who had not passed through Army cages before 1400H hours 2 May have been termed "Surrendered Enemy Forces", and have not been regarded as prisoners of war except on the specific authority of AFHQ/LTCUSA.

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- (2) All enemy personnel remaining in Italy who have been taken and classified as prisoners of war are reclassified as "surrendered enemy forces" retroactive to 2 May 1945 and will be treated as such. Exceptions to this policy will be published separately by AFHQ/AGCSA as required.
- (3) All personnel of whatever nationality who surrendered or were taken while serving with the enemy will be regarded initially as surrendered enemy forces. Instructions concerning segregation are given in paragraph 7b.
- (4) SS Personnel will be confined separately, and will be classed as recalcitrants (see paragraph 7d below).
- (5) Enemy personnel at present in hospitals will, on discharge, be treated as surrendered enemy forces, and sent to final concentration areas. Those who cannot be disposed of in this manner will be classed as recalcitrants and confined.

b. Policy

- (1) Surrendered enemy forces and prisoners of war will be divided equally between British and US forces. Guard and administrative functions are the responsibility of the force having custody of the surrendered enemy personnel and prisoners of war.
- (2) Insofar as practicable consistent with their employment by the Allied forces, surrendered enemy forces will carry out their own administration and maintenance using their own administrative organizations under Allied supervision. To this end, enemy forces will be formed in 'ad hoc' formations and unit organizations as far as is necessary to enable them to be self-administering. This policy does not absolve Allied military authorities concerned from the ultimate responsibility for the administration of surrendered enemy forces.
- (3) The policy regarding the use of specially qualified technical troops will be furnished as required. Under no circumstances will any enemy personnel be regarded as co-operators.

c. Concentration and Accommodationa. Concentration Areas

- (1) The British main concentration area will be as shown at trace at Appendix "B". This does not preclude subsequent removal of enemy personnel to other locations as required.

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- (2) Surrendered enemy forces controlled by the US will be concentrated in an area or areas conveniently sited for supply and administration. Enemy personnel employed by AFHQ's major commands will be held in areas conveniently located to places of employment.

b. Scale of Accommodation - Surrendered enemy forces will be accommodated under field conditions. A guide to the British scales of accommodation which will be provided is at Appendix "A". The US scale has been announced in Administrative Memorandum Number 4, Headquarters AFHQ, 20 May 1945, subject: "Scale of Accommodations and Standards of Construction for Enemy Personnel in Labor Camps". In all cases maximum use will be made of enemy stores in accordance with allocations made by AFHQ/AFHQ.

c. Evacuation of Civilians - Civilians within the final concentration area will not be evacuated unless it is essential for their safety, and at the instigation of AG/AFHQ.

d. Buildings

- (1) Buildings, or portions thereof, will not be used for the accommodation of surrendered enemy forces unless surplus to Allied and civil requirements and then only with the authority of the appropriate Allied Military Commander, and with the consent of the Allied Commission.
- (2) Buildings presently used as hospitals for surrendered enemy forces may continue to be so used at the discretion of Allied Commanders.
- (3) Buildings may only be requisitioned if they are to be used for hospitals or offices. Such requisitioning will be subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) There will be no eviction of civilian inhabitants.
 - (b) Permission must previously have been given by the appropriate Allied Commander and by Allied Commission.

e. Action to be taken Prior to Assembly in the Final Concentration

Areas

- (1) Primary disarmament of enemy personnel.
- (2) Preliminary concentration and formation of enemy personnel into units for administrative purposes. Such units should be capable of carrying out all internal administration.
- (3) Segregation and dispatch to concentration area of SS and other recalcitrant troops. These will be moved as soon as possible.

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- (4) Movement of surrendered enemy forces to the final concentration areas.
- (5) Administration of surrendered enemy forces.

f. Action to be Taken Inside the Final Concentration Areas

- (1) Reconnaissance of the areas and allocation of localities to enemy forces.
- (2) Reception and segregation of SS troops.
- (3) Reception of surrendered enemy forces other than SS troops.
- (4) Provision of guards.
- (5) Administration of surrendered enemy forces.

g. Allocation of Responsibilities

- (1) The MTOUSA POW Command will be responsible for any action remaining to be taken in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 6 above, and for all surrendered enemy forces and prisoners of war under US control.
- (2) Eighth Army will be responsible:
 - (a) For administering all enemy personnel in hospitals in the Army area.
 - (b) Arranging for the disposal of all enemy personnel discharged from hospitals in the Army area in accordance with paragraph 5 a (5) above.
- (3) The MTOUSA POW Command and 1 District each will be responsible within their own spheres of responsibility for all actions to be taken in accordance with paragraph 6 of above.

h. Movement to Main Concentration Areas - Details of movement between the British main concentration area under Number 1 District and the MTOUSA POW Command will be arranged locally by the Number 1 District and the MTOUSA POW Command. Movement between the major commands of MTOUSA and the MTOUSA POW Command will be arranged by the MTOUSA POW Command. Any differences which may arise will be adjusted by AFHQ/MTOUSA.

7. Administration

a. General

- (1) The US final concentration areas will be the responsibility of the MTOUSA POW Command.

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- (2) The British main concentration area will be the responsibility of Number 1 District.

b. Segregation of Enemy Personnel

- (1) Italian Nationals will be concentrated separately. The number so held will be taken into consideration in adjusting the total holdings of enemy personnel by the US and British in accordance with the policy established in paragraph 5 b (1) above.
- (2) As far as practicable other personnel will be segregated by nationalities.
- (3) While the surrendered enemy forces are being held in the concentration areas the following directives will apply:

(a) Russian Nationals

Headquarters MTOUSA letter, file AG 383.7/414 D-C, 31 May 1945, subject: "Disposition of Soviet Citizens" as amended by Headquarters MTOUSA letter, same file and subject, dated 4 June 1945.

AFHQ letters, file CG/3491/2 G-1 (Dr), 6 March, 7 March and 15 March, all 1945.

(b) Other Nationals (exclusive of the Italian Republican Army)

Headquarters MTOUSA letter, file AG 383.6/326 MEX-C, 26 February 1945, subject: "Administrative Instructions for the United States Prisoner of War Enclosures in MTOUSA", Chapter XVIII, paragraph 7.

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 60, 14 December 1944 except:

1. Where specific instructions to the contrary have been issued.
2. Chetniks will be retained in the British concentration area and segregated into a separate enclave, to await disposal instructions which will be issued by AFHQ.

- (4) Separate instructions have been issued regarding the disposal of senior enemy officers.

c. Technical Troops - Technical troops used as such in accordance with paragraph 5 b (1) above will be distributed between the US and British in accordance with instructions from AFHQ/MTOUSA.

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d. Recalcitrant Enemy Personnel

- (1) Personnel named by Counter Intelligence Staffs as dangerous to security, or who prove troublesome, will be termed "recalcitrant".
- (2) Such personnel will be separated from the remainder of the surrendered enemy forces as early as possible, and held in confinement when specified by AFHQ/STOUS. They will not be given PW status.
- (3) Recalcitrants will be segregated from any personnel granted PW status by competent authority.
- (4) All SS troops will be considered recalcitrant and treated in accordance with sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) above.

e. Employment - Instructions regarding the employment of enemy forces have been issued separately. (AFHQ letter, AG 386.3/163 GCI-O, 15 June 1945, subject: "Employment of German Prisoners of War and Surrendered Personnel - Priority List Ten").

f. Documentation

- (1) Detailed documentation will be carried out by Allied military headquarters concerned for:
 - (a) Recalcitrant personnel.
 - (b) Personnel of Allied nationality.
- (2) Instructions concerning the documentation and maintenance of records for all surrendered enemy personnel held in this theater are contained in AFHQ letter, AG 386.3/163 GCP-O, 13 June 1945, subject: "Instructions for the Documentation of Enemy Surrendered Personnel".

g. Bounds

- (1) Concentration areas will be placed off limits to all Allied military personnel except those concerned in the administration of the areas.
- (2) No fraternization will be allowed between surrendered enemy personnel and Allied or co-belligerent personnel. In their respective areas, FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies, through JAG, will be responsible for insuring that civilians comply with this non-fraternization order. Headquarters Allied Commission will be similarly responsible in other areas.

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dtd 7 July 1945 (C. A. G.)

h. Guards - FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies will be responsible for the provision of guards for enemy forces while under their control. The MTOUSA, POW Command and Number 1 District similarly will be responsible for the provision of guards in the concentration areas under their respective jurisdiction. The necessary troops will be allotted by AFHQ/MTOUSA to Number 1 District and the MTOUSA POW Command for this purpose. Arrangements for guarding when enemy forces are employed in accordance with letter referred to in paragraph 7c will be in accordance with paragraph 11 of above reference letter.

i. Discipline

- (1) Surrendered enemy forces will be responsible for maintaining a high standard of discipline.
- (2) All Allied commanders will insure that the persecution of non-Nazis, non-Germans and non-Fascists is prevented.
- (3) Such summary jurisdiction as may be necessary to maintain discipline in the final concentration areas may be left to enemy commanders within the discretion of Allied commanders concerned. Enemy courts martial may be permitted to function under Allied supervision.
- (4) All crimes, of whatever nature, may at the discretion of the appropriate Allied commanders be tried in AMG courts established for the purpose or by courts martial, notwithstanding any powers of summary jurisdiction which may have been given to enemy commanders.
- (5) Available enemy military police and provost personnel will be distributed as necessary among concentration areas.

j. Maintenance

- (1) Enemy Service Units - Such units as are required to enable forces to maintain themselves will be formed by the headquarters concerned. The MTOUSA, POW Command will make available to MTOUSA major commands and Number 1 District such service units as are required, if available, to maintain enemy forces. The obligation of the MTOUSA, POW Command to provide enemy service units to Number 1 District ceases when the principal adjustment in holdings of enemy forces by the British and US has been made as provided in paragraph 5 b (1) above. Co-ordination and allocation of enemy service units between the US and British will be the responsibility of AFHQ/MTOUSA.
- (2) Enemy stocks of maintenance supplies - FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies will obtain details of locations and quantities of enemy stocks of maintenance supplies located in their areas. Surrendered personnel required to operate enemy dumps or depots may continue to be so employed subject to the provisions of paragraph 7 c above.

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Mr. HQ, AG 386.3/163 100-0,
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(3) Use of enemy maintenance stocks

- (a) Maximum use of enemy stocks will be made for the maintenance of surrendered enemy forces. Overall allocation of enemy stocks will be the responsibility of AFHQ/AFCSA.
- (b) Subject to particular circumstances which may arise, Allied stocks of rations (Class I Supplies), Engineer and Ordnance stores (Class II and IV Supplies of all Technical Services) will not be used for this purpose, until enemy stocks have been exhausted.

(4) Allied assistance in the maintenance of surrendered enemy forces - In the interim stage, pending the locating of enemy stocks and the organization of the necessary service units, Armies, AFCSA, PGF Command and Warbur 1 District will perform such maintenance activities for surrendered enemy forces as are necessary.k. Transport

- (1) In order to economize in motor transport, enemy forces will be maintained as far as practicable by animal transport.
- (2) Animal, in preference to motor, transport will be used for local details within the concentration areas. This is desirable for security reasons as well as to economize on motor fuel and vehicles.
- (3) Subject to the limitations of (1) and (2) above, surrendered enemy forces will be allowed to retain minimum scales of motor transport as laid down by Allied military headquarters concerned. Enemy units required to work under Allied supervision will be allowed to retain such transport and equipment as are necessary to carry out their task.
- (4) Enemy transport units in excess of requirements for enemy administration, may be used in relief of Allied administrative resources and for the movement of civil supplies. Allocation of this transport will be the responsibility of AFHQ/AFCSA.

1. Rations - Surrendered enemy forces whether fed from enemy or Allied stocks will be provided with a ration of approximately 2000 calorific value. A ration of approximately 3000 calorific value will be allowed for heavy workers. (Heavy workers are those working more than 4 hours daily for the Allied armies). Detailed scales have been issued separately.

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b. Forage - The scale to be issued for captured animals will be as follows:

Animals in work - full scale.

Animals not in work - scale to be governed by the condition in which animals are found. Normally this will be fifty per cent (50%) of usual scale.

c. Surrendered Enemy Material - Separate instructions have been issued in AFHQ letter, file AG 386.3/163 LOG-O, dated 22 June 1945, subject: "Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in Italy".

d. Medical - In view of the danger of malaria:

(1) Personal and unit anti-malarial precautions will be enforced.

(2) General anti-malarial precautions throughout the concentration areas will be carried out as required.

e. Welfare - Enemy welfare services may be permitted to function under supervision. No Allied material or entertainment will be provided.

f. Postal Facilities - Initially no postal facilities will be provided for surrendered enemy personnel. Further instructions will be issued later if required.

g. Pay of Enemy Forces - Separate instructions will be issued.

h. Local Purchase and Use of Currency

(1) Surrendered enemy forces will not be permitted to make any local purchases on their own account. Should it be found economical to supply them with such local products as may not be required for civilian or Allied military use, such products will be purchased by Allied military authorities, in conformity with existing AFHQ/STCUSA instructions as to method of procuring local resources. For the purpose of accounting, separate records will be maintained of all such purchases.

(2) Accounts outstanding against the enemy in respect of purchases made previous to surrender will be forwarded to AG/AFHQ for such investigation or other action as may be considered appropriate.

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8. Allowances of Rasala/EFI Items - Separate instructions are being issued to provide the minimum allowance of Rasala/EFI items necessary for sanitation and health.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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

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- 1 - Appendix "A" - Suggested scales of accommodation.
- 2 - Appendix "B" - Trace showing British concentration areas for surrendered enemy forces.

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1st, AFHQ, TC
386.3/163 LOC-0,
dtd 7 July 1945.SUGGESTED SCALES OF ACCOMMODATION

(German scales may be used but will NOT exceed those given below).

1. General area to be 50-sq yards per man.
2. Staging Camp or Bivouac scales for all ranks will be all tents except as follows:

Deep Trench latrine seats.....	5%
Field Urinals 10' long.....	1%
8-ft Double Sided Ablution Benches.....	2%
Kitchen Wash-up Benches.....	1%
Duck Board 6'6" long.....	5%
Incinerator.....	0.1%
Litter Cages.....	1%
Grease Interception Boxes.....	1%
Showers.....	Nil
Mobile equipment to be used.	
Static water reserve storage.....	2-gals
per head	
Water supply to give 5-gals per head per day	
Flyproofed food store and food preparation room, at 1-f-s. per	
head	

NOTE: Screen surrounds are required to Ablution Benches and to latrines and urinals, and Proof cover is required before October. Water points should be established for mobile showers, near kitchen wash-up in food preparation room and near ablutions.

3. Water supply to be 5-gals per head per day for all purposes with 2-gals per head storage.

4. HOSPITALS IN AREA

Scale as for Bivouac/Staging camps above.

5. VEHICLES

100 - sq yards per vehicle. No hard standings or wash down points will be constructed.

6. ANIMALS

7. 50 - sq yards per animal. No hard standings will be constructed and only the minimum construction to give paddocks and uncovered lines. Water supply - 10 gals per animal per day.

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APPENDIX "A" (Cont'd)

7. DEPOTS AND WORKSHOPS

To be existing covered accommodation where authorized, standing and roads. Covered accommodation will only be used for goods that would deteriorate if stored in the open.

8. AUXILIARY BUILDINGS

Bath-houses, laundries, bakeries, cookhouses, etc, are not authorized for initial occupation to Bivouac/Staging Camp scales in final concentration area.

9. LIGHTING

Lighting will be only that which can be made available from surrendered forces mobile equipment. Firstly for hospitals, secondly Workshops Depots and Offices.

10. TRANSIT CAMPS FOR RECALLOTTING PERSONNEL

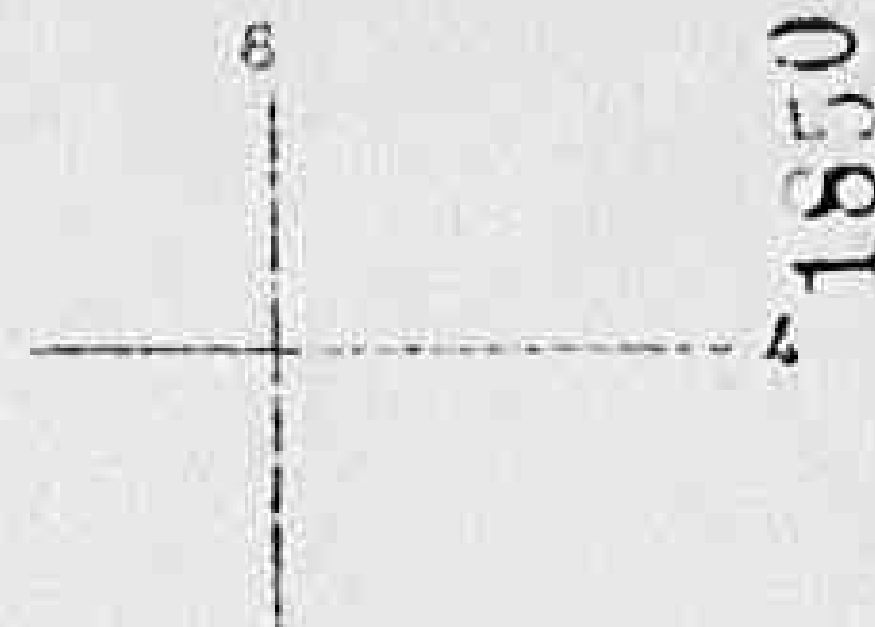
These will be required for 5,000 in British and US areas. They should be constructed to Bivouac/Staging Camp scales and fenced with guard-walks as PW compounds, divided internally into 1,000-man pens.

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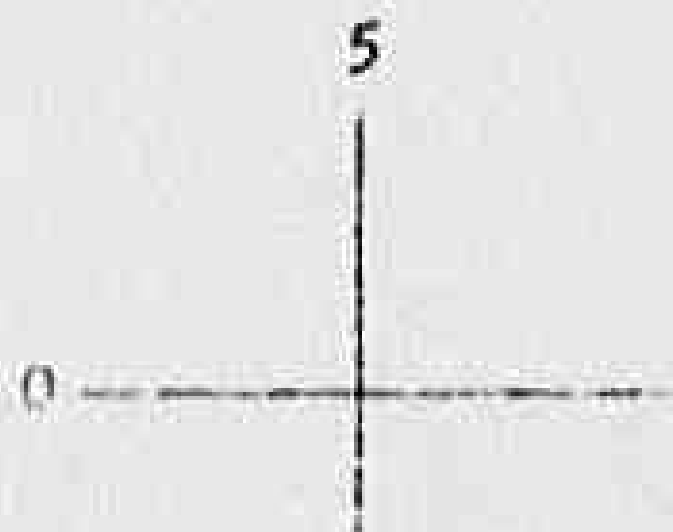
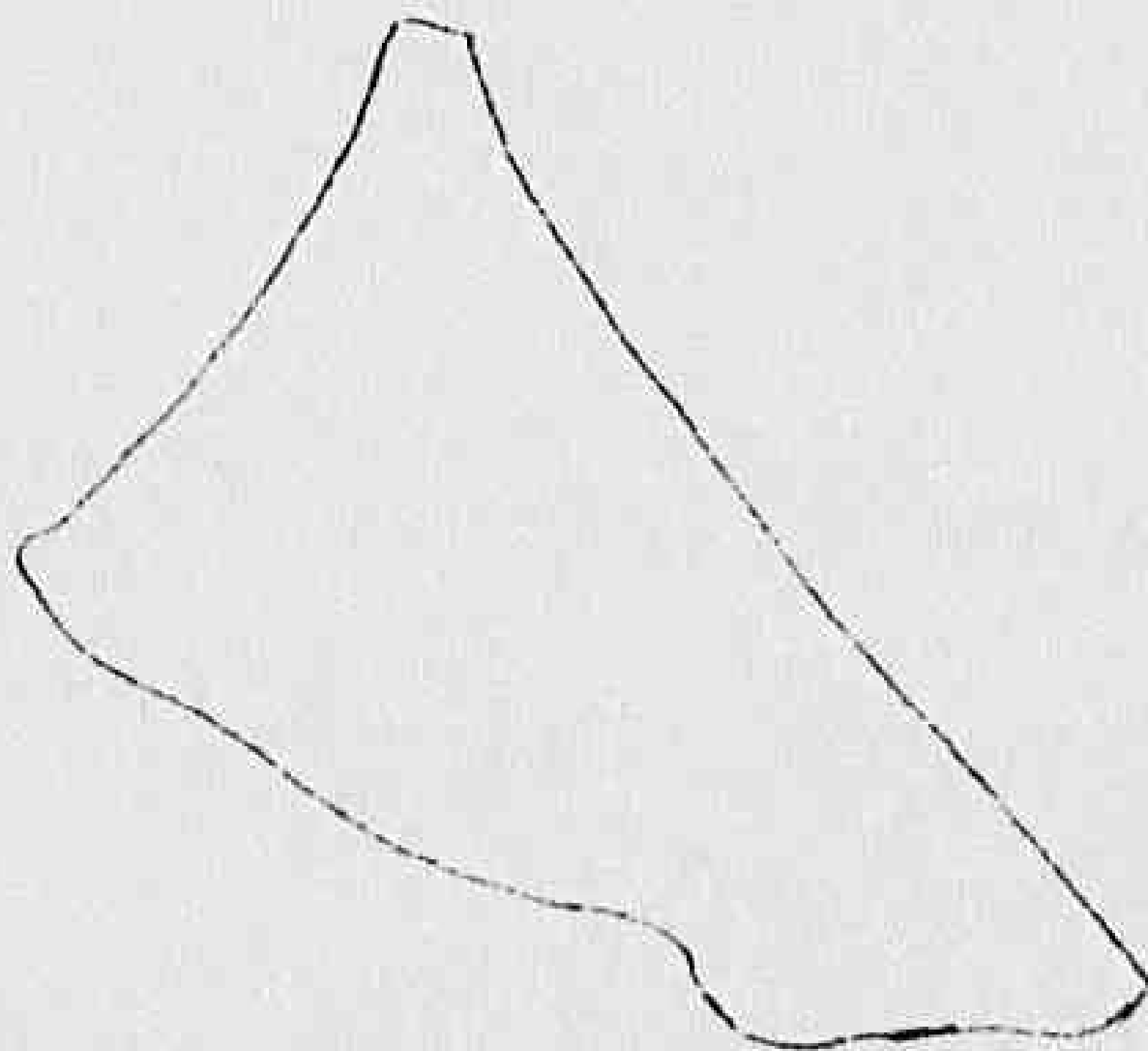
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TRACE showing BRITISH CONCENTRATION AREA
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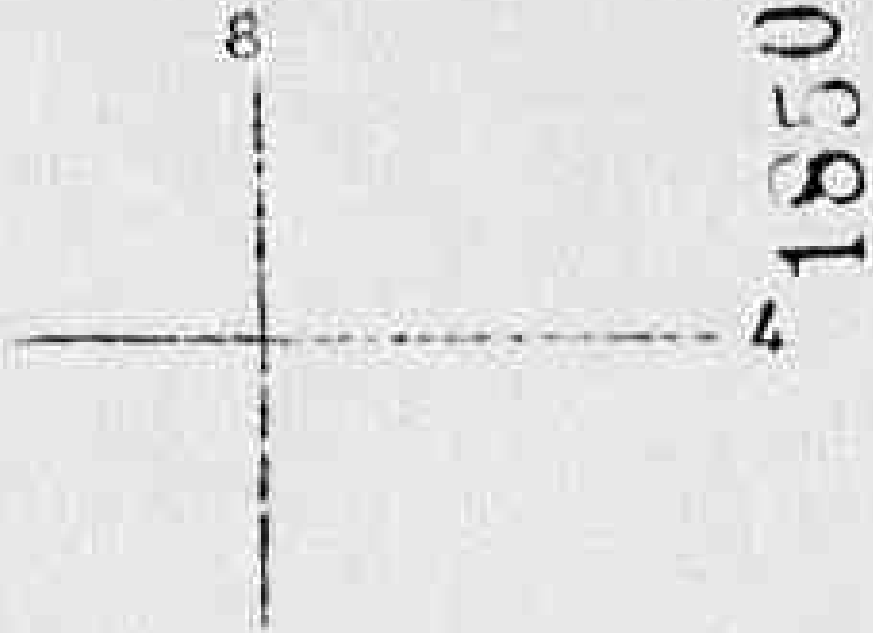
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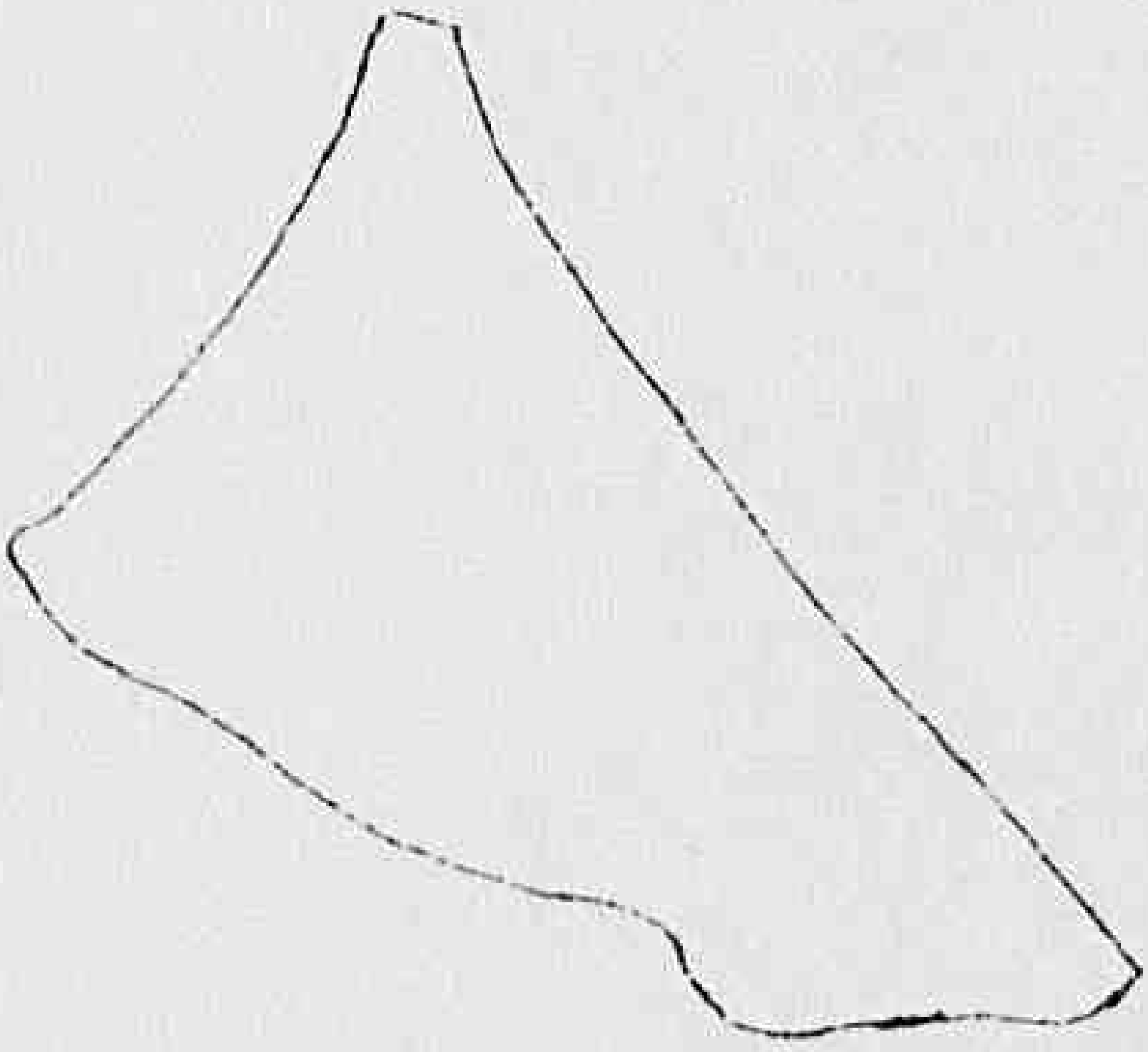
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ATO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

6/17.3/CA

12 July 45

SUBJECT : Evacuation of Italians for German POW.

TO : Zone Commissioner, Livorno.

- 1 Statements have appeared in the Rome press to the effect that over 30,000 Italians in Livorno have been evacuated from the houses in order to provide accommodation for German POW. The matter has caught the attention of the American Embassy.
- 2 Doubtless the statement is grossly exaggerated, but I would be very grateful if you would furnish me - quite briefly - with the true facts.

BY ORDER OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER :

AB
C.F. BRIDGE Brig,
W. CA Section

Copy to : Liaison Officer to P.S.S.
FOCAD (A)
FOCAD (B)

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TO: AFHQ GEORGE FIVE

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11 Jul 45

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CONFIDENTIAL PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS DISCIPLINE GERMAN SURRENDERED PERSONNEL GMA
ENCLOSURE TO YOUR LETTER OF NINE JULY FOUR FIVE PD

PARA TWO AFHQ GEORGE FIVE FROM ALCOM GIVE ADDAS PAGE

PARA TWO PD REQUEST FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS COLON CLAUSE FIVE FIRST LINE
FOR QUOTE WILL UNQUOTE READ QUOTE MAY UNQUOTE PD ADD AT END OF CLAUSE
QUOTE SUCH OFFENSES WILL BE CHARGED UNDER ITALIAN LAW OR GMA DURING THE
CONTINUANCE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT GMA UNDER THE PROCLAMATIONS GMA AS MAY
BE APPLICABLE UNQUOTE PD

PARA THREE PD CLAUSE SEVEN DASH DELETE SECOND AND THIRD SENTENCES PD
SUBSTITUTE QUOTE HEADQUARTERS ALCOM GMA UNLESS IT IS OF OPINION THAT UPON
THE FACTS A TRIAL SHOULD NOT BE HELD GMA WILL CONVEY THE NECESSARY COURT PD
SUCH COURT WILL PROCEED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURE LAID DOWN IN
CONSOLIDATED INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALLIED MILITARY COURTS GMA COPIES OF WHICH
WILL BE SUPPLIED TO COMMANDERS CONCERNED PD UNQUOTE PD

PARA FOUR PD DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE QUOTE THE BRIGADE AREA OR SUB AREA
COMMANDER CONCERNED WILL BE REQUIRED TO RENDER ALL ASSISTANCE REQUESTED
BY HEADQUARTERS ALCOM PD THIS WILL NORMALLY INCLUDE THE

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DETAILING OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE COURT CMA OTHER THAN THE PRESIDENT CMA AND
PROSECUTING AND DEFENDING OFFICERS CMA ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PROVISION OF
ACCOMMODATION AND COURT ORDENLIES AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR ATTENDANCE OF WITNESSES
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Executive Commissioner, *PS*
Legal Sub-Commission.

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NICHOLAS POMBINO,
CFO USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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5TH ARMY INFO: 8TH ARMY, 15 ARMY GRP, ALCON ROME.

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1. Your para 1 first sentence agreed only in so far as persons in question have expressly been accorded PW status. Rear 2825. Under AG 383.6/107 GB1 - of 18 May 45, however, surrendered personnel are not to be accorded PW status except on express instructions of AFHQ.
2. Concerning balance your para one, NEO-Fascists will be taken from Italian custody into Allied custody only in accordance with express direction from AFHQ. The fact that Neo-Fascists now in Italian custody were formerly in Allied custody will not in itself require their removal to Allied custody.
3. Agree your para two. See our F 96751 - *no trace*

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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

28 GIU. 1945

Office of the Deputy Regional Commissioner.

22nd June 45.

PR/DRC/383.6

SUBJECT: 2/Lt. SERGIO TIGLIE.

TO : Civil Affairs Section,
H.Q. Allied Commission.

Reference your 6/17B/CA dated 6 June 45.

I forward below a copy of a verbal report with regard to the above named person from P.C. NOVARA Province:-

***** Rejoined the Republican Fascist Party known as GNR on 29 Nov 43. Promoted to grade of officer (2/Lt) 10 Sep 44. His duties were to be a Supply Officer in ammunition and food branch. He operated in NOVARA area and was wounded by Patriots in the NOVARA area on 23 April 45. Taken to local hospital in NOVARA where he was arrested by Questura at the hospital on 28 April of this year. He is now in plain clothes. He is not a P.O.W. but considered to be at the disposal of the Procuratore del Re as a war criminal. He is now in prison and will shortly appear before the Court of Assize *****

For the Regional Commissioner.

J. G. Selby
Colonel.
Deputy Regional Commissioner.

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 THIS INITIATIVE INCREASES UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG WORKERS CAUSING GREAT ECONOMIC MISERY
 WITH THREATS OF TROUBLE OF THE PUBLIC ORDER STOP DRAWING YOUR ATTENTION, I THINK
 YOU AND AIT FOR NEWS STOP

PRESIDENT COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MINISTER INTERIOR BONDI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/17 B/CA

19 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Points from the Executive Commissioner's Office.

TO: Legal Sub-Commission

- 1 The following point arose at the Executive Commissioner's meeting this morning:
- 2 General Robertson told the Executive Commissioner that under the surrender terms, neither the German Army or the neo-fascists fighting against us, are prisoners of war.
- 3 In his view the Italian Government has, therefore, the right to deal with any Italians who were serving in the Fascist Republican Army under their own laws unless they are required as war criminals. This, I understand, agrees with your view but not with that of AFHQ. Would you kindly tell me how this matter now stands.
- 4 I was also given the attached which I think has already been dealt with by us but I would be glad of your comments as to whether anything further is considered necessary. You will notice that the date on which it was sent to the Stato Maggiore Regia Aeronautica was 12 Jun 45 which would appear to be after the time at which you gave your advice.


A.D. BONHAM-CARTER, Lt. Col.,
CSO Civil Affairs Section

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15 JUN 1945

AG 386.3/163 GAP-O

SUBJECT: Instructions for the Documentation of Enemy Surrendered Personnel.

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

1. These instructions apply to the documentation and maintenance of records in respect of all surrendered enemy personnel held in this theater. Paragraph 7 (f) (2) of letter this headquarters, file AG 386.3/163 LOC-O, dated 18 May 1945, subject: Surrendered Enemy Forces in ITALY, is superseded.

2. British and United States authorities will each be responsible for the documentation and records of all surrendered personnel under their control, in conformity with the following provisions:

a. PW/Surrendered Person Form CR 1, as approved by this headquarters, will be used for the personal documentation of all the above personnel;

b. One signed copy of Form CR 1 will be forwarded, immediately after completion, to SHAEF Central Registry of War Criminals and Security Suspects (CROW/CASS) APO 387, United States Army;

c. The British and United States Authorities will each maintain personal records in respect of all the above personnel. Such records will:

- (1) Include a completed copy of Form CR 1;
- (2) Record casualties, locations and changes as they occur.

3. Detailed instructions for the implementation of paragraph 2 will be issued by AFHQ and MTOUSA.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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

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Executive Commissioner

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SUBJECT IS EMPLOYMENT OF GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR PD
 PARA ONE PD REFERENCE GENERAL SPOFFORD'S LETTER OF THIRTEEN MAY PD
 PARA TWO PD THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS INFORMED US THAT THEY HAVE USE
 FOR TWENTY ONE THOUSAND GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR AS STATED BELOW COLON
 THREE THOUSAND IN LOWER PART OF PO VALLEY TOWARD SOMACCHIO AND TWO
 THOUSAND IN THE FIUMICINO ZONE IN TIBER VALLEY FOR REMOVING BOMBS PD
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 NICHOLAS POMBINO
 CWO USA
 ASST. DIR.

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Translation

C. A. Sec.
(37a)

The President of the Council of Ministers

n. 36069/19.5

Rome, 9 June, 1945

11001...

My dear Admiral,

In my letter of May 15th, I told you I had received the memorandum about the employment of German prisoners, as long as they will be detained in Italy, and I also told you that the Italian Government agreed on general principles to the proposals made by the Allied Commission.

I said I would make certain of the number of units which could be usefully employed in Italy, and also give the name of the places where they ought to be sent.

After consulting the Departments concerned, I want to draw your attention on the following facts:

The recent liberation of North Italy, and the difficulties for communications, have not yet enabled us to determine with precision the areas in which it would be possible to make use of German prisoners.

However, we believe that a suitable number, which can already be approximately fixed at three thousand, might be used in the lower part of the Po valley, towards Comacchio, for rearing earth.

Another group of about 2000 prisoners might be used for the same end in the lower part of the Tiber valley, in the Fiumicino zone.

These elements could be used to a larger extent for mine-clearing works.

You will know that the territory of the peninsula is scattered with mines, placed by the Germans, and the difficulty of finding expert workers with the necessary instruments to remove them has delayed this vital clearing up, making the agricultural rehabilitation of the country more difficult and causing frequent and serious accidents.

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On this subject, agreements have been made between this Commission and the War Department, for a contingent of 3,000 prisoners, which can be increased up to 10,000 units, to be sent to the following places:

Pescara, Ghisti 300 - Ancona 200 - Pesaro 200 - Rimini, Cesena, Pienza, Forlì, 1000 - Firenze 100 - Pisa 100 - Livorno 200 - Siena 100 - Viterbo 100 - La Spezia 100 - Genoa 200 - Venice 200.

I beg you to examine the possibility of facilitating the employment of these units, supplying the necessary means of transport, fuel and lubricant.

More prisoners could be employed in the mines according to the following plan:

Number of prisoners who could be employed: 6,000 (six thousand)
Place where they could be employed: Carbonia Mines (coal), Montevucchio (lead and zinc), Monteposi (lead and zinc) in the province of Cagliari (4,000).
Lignite and pyrites mines in the Grosseto province (2,000); this if the said mines can resume their normal rhythm of production, and if the present difficulties for supplying electric power and transport can be overcome.

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work which they should have to do: mine work, underground as well as outside.

Considering that the harvest promises to be bad, it will not be possible to use the prisoners in the agricultural sector.

In the same way, at present at least, it is not possible to make use of them for what concerns the State Railways.

These informations can vary, mostly for the motives which I told you at the beginning: such changes however, cannot increase the number of the prisoners to be employed so as to reach a hundred thousand, figure which is mentioned in the memorandum of the Allied Commission, this also because most of them would remain unemployed with the return of the Italian prisoners and interned persons.

I shall send you more informations on this subject as soon as possible.

I remain, my dear Admiral,

Yours very truly,

S. Ivanoe Bonomi

Admiral Ellery S. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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Admiral Allery S. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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HEADQUARTERS
15 ARMY
JUNE 1945

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1. Reference your EX 87168.
2. Following reported by 5th ARMY:

Further Reurad 047/589. Additional and complete investigation discloses purchases except fresh vegetable for diabetic hospitalized patients stopped over 2 weeks ago. BOLZANO all shops marked off limits to Germans. Provincial Commission BOLZANO Province reports as follows: Three and one half weeks ago Germans in 2 towns in question were purchasing considerable amounts merchandise. All shops were immediately closed for period 2 weeks. Upon opening were placed off limits to Germans. No purchase by Germans since that date. Commanding General 88 Division confirms no purchase by Germans in BOLZANO and MERANO or elsewhere in this area. Provost Marshall reports no purchases by Germans in BOLZANO or MERANO. No Germans allowed to circulate between hospitals in town MERANO without proper pass. Germans found in either BOLZANO or MERANO without pass are arrested. No Germans allows (allowed?) in shops and cards in shop windows indicate off limits to Germans. Hospitals town MERANO necessitate traffic by Germans between facilities which cover most of town.

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2. Report cited of large purchases by Germans is considered either outdated or erroneous. Action being continued to insure to unauthorized purchases will be made by Germans."

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

(35a)

Ref:

6/17B/CA V

6 Jun 45

SUBJECT: 2nd Lt. SERGIO TIGLIER

TO:

R.C., PIEMONTE Region
(Copy to P.C., NOVARA.)

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The attached memo regarding the above is forwarded for such action as you may think fit.

(B)

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

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Office of the Chief Commissioner
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5 June 1945

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TO: Col. Bonham-Carter, Civil Affairs Section, Hq A.C.

Referred to you for necessary action.

[Signature]

J. LANNIN
Lieut, USNR
Flag Lieut

Miss ELIANE CHALANDON

With my compliments!

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Translation

Memorandum

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Second Lieutenant SERGIO TIGLIE' of Mario - NOVARA

- 1) Tiglie' Sergio of Mario, born in Rome on September 9th 1924
- 2) Studied medicine (2nd year)
- 3) Drafted on 30/11/1943
- 4) Required to attend the Officer School
- 5) At the end of the course, in August 1944, was made a Second Lieutenant in the G.N.R.
- 6) At the time of the surrender, Second Lt. Tiglie' was in the hospital of Novara. Taken by the partisans, he was sent to the Novara jail while the members of his unit stationed in the Tamburini barracks in Novara, were declared to be prisoners of war of the Allies.

We ask for the intervention of the Allied Command for Lt. Tiglie' to be handed over to the Allied Command of Novara (Lombardia), in accordance with the communique published by the newspapers.

Rome, June 9th, 1945

S. M. Tiglie'

Istituto Poligrafico dello Stato

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Translation

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Ministry of Treasury

Division 1.
n. 391

4.2.1945, Rome

To: Cav. Rag. Mario Tiglie' - Capo Servizio of the Treasury of the
Istituto poligrafico dello Stato - Rome

Subject: Istituto Poligrafico dello Stato -

From a report on the investigations made to ascertain what had been done by some of the officials of this Institute during the Administration period of the so-called republican government and German occupation to hide, protect and defend the important patrimony of the Institute, it appears that you efficiently supervised all that was done in the building to hide materials, machinery, valuables and objects belonging to the Institute, to prevent their being taken away to North Italy, or requisitioned, appropriated or destroyed by the enemy.

I am very glad to recognize this.

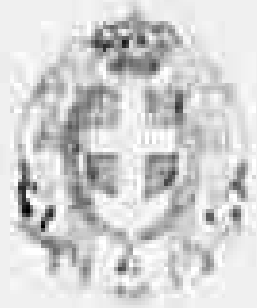
THE MINISTER
S. SOLERI

s.c.

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Ministero del Tesoro
PROVVISORATO GENERALE DELLO STATO

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Roma 4.2.

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Cav. Reg. MARIO TIGLIE
Capo Servizio-Tesoriere
dell'Istituto Poligra-
fico dello Stato-R OMA-

Allegato a nota del
1°

Oggetto Istituto Poligrafico dello Stato -

Da una relazione sulle indagini fat-
te esperire per accertare quanto era stato com-
piuto da taluni dipendenti di codesto Istitu-
to durante il periodo dell'Amministrazione
dello pseudo governo repubblicano e della oc-
cupazione tedesca per occultare, cautelare e
difendere l'ingente patrimonio dell'Istituto
stesso, è risultato che la S.V. ha diretto
con accortezza quanto venne attuato negli sta-
bilimenti per l'occultamento di materiali,
macchinari, valori ed oggetti di pertinenza
dell'Istituto allo scopo di sottrarli al tra-
sferimento in Alta Italia e a qualsiasi forma
di requisizione, appropriazione o distruzione
da parte del nemico.

Ho preso atto con compiacimento di
quanto sopra.

IL MINISTRO
F.to Soleri

p.c.c.
l'archivista

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P R O M E M O R I A

Sotto Tenente SERGIO TIGLIE' di Mario - NOVARA

- 1) Tiglie Sergio di Mario, nato a Roma il 9 settembre 1924
- 2) Studente II anno medicina
- 3) Chiamato alle armi di leva il 30/11/1943
- 4) Inviato a frequentare un corso Allievi Ufficiali.
- 5) Alla fine del corso, agosto 1944, fu assegnato quale Sotto Tenente alla G.N.R.
- 6) Al momento della resa il S.T. Tiglie trovavasi in ospedale a Novara e venne catturato dai partigiani e consegnato alle prigioni di Novara, mentre i componenti del suo reparto che risiedeva presso la caserma Tamburini di Novara, vennero invece dagli Alleati dichiarati loro prigionieri di guerra.

Si chiede l'intervento del Comando Alleato affinché in relazione al comunicato diramato dai giornali, anche il S.T. Tiglie sia consegnato al Comando Alleato di Novara. (Lombardia)

Roma li 5 Giugno 1945

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Total number evacuated entire AMRIATIS Coastal Area to make room for surrendered German troops is 264 persons. Great credit due to understanding cooperation of DISTRICT I. Provincial Commissioner informed that unless area required to accept additional commitments this job is done.

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1. AFHQ reports German personnel making large purchases local shops in HOLZANO and MEZANO areas.
2. Please investigate immediately and take necessary preventative action forthwith.
3. Directive issued 18 May by AFHQ states enemy forces will not be permitted to make any local purchases on their own account.
4. Request report and action taken earliest.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief Commissioner

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18 June 45

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

My Political Advisers have drawn my attention to the fact that, on a recent visit to Rome, Dott. de Angelis, who is the Prefect of Bolzano, brought with him a proposed decree relating to the position of Germans who have been introduced into the area since 1939. Dott. de Angelis went so far as to say that this proposal had the approval of your Government.

I am sure, my dear Mr. Prime Minister, you will agree with me that this is a matter which cannot yet be decided and that this is not the time for considering a decree to deal with it.

Yours very truly,

Sgt E.W.S.

ELMER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN,
Chief Commissioner.

His Excellency Ivanoe BONOMI
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
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Copy to: Pol Adm (A)
 " " (B)
 " Comm
 " CC
 " Carlo Liguori

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Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section.

The Prefect of Bolzano Province, Dr. de Angelis, came to see me this morning.

2. The first problem which the Prefect wished to discuss related to prisoners of war in German uniform now held by the Allied Military authorities who are in fact Italian subjects. The Prefect held that in accordance with the policy of the pacification of both the German and Italian elements in Alto Adige it was desired to arrange the early return of such prisoners of war to their homes. German Germans and local Italians who had volunteered for service with the German army were of course not under consideration for such treatment. After consulting Colonel Herbert Carter, I told the Prefect that the problem was primarily a military one and that I had no doubt that the competent military authorities in the prisoner of war cages were already sorting out prisoners of war according to their genuine nationality. The Prefect was most anxious however that the Allied authorities should distinguish between the Italians who had volunteered and those who had been forced into the German army and enquired whether the lists which had been prepared by his office could be forwarded to the authorities concerned. I said that I saw no harm in his passing these lists to the Provincial Commissioner with the request that they be forwarded to the 5th and 8th Army Commanders for their information. The Prefect seemed quite satisfied with this suggestion.

3. The other matter concerned the removal of the superfluous German population from Bolzano Province. I attach a copy of the Decree which the Prefect has prepared and which has been approved, according to him, by the Italian Government. It relates, as you see, to Germans who have been introduced into the area since 1933 and does not, so far as I can see, prejudice the frontier question. However, I pointed out to the Prefect that the problem was extremely complicated and would not be susceptible of an early solution both on account of the international aspect (a matter really for the Peace Conference) and on account of the need for coordinating the movements of displaced persons with commands other than UNR. Nevertheless I undertook to forward the Decree to the competent authorities here for their consideration and suggested that if any decision were taken on it, the Prefect would be informed in due course through the channel of the Provincial Commissioner.

4. Doctor de Angelis also left with me the attached copy of the Bolzano newspaper which contains the text of the agreement recently reached by the German and Italian political leaders in Bolzano Province. I think you might be interested in this.

Decreto di allontanamento dei cittadini germanici presenti in Alto Adige.

Art. 1

Tutti i cittadini germanici presenti in Alto Adige devono lasciare il territorio italiano entro tre settimane da oggi. I trasgressori saranno espulsi dallo Stato.

Art. 2

Coloro che, in applicazione degli accordi italo-tedeschi del 1939, avendo optato per la cittadinanza germanica hanno comunque perfezionato l'opzione con l'acquisto di terre o di case, sono soggetti alle disposizioni dell'Art. 1°.

Art. 3

A coloro che, avendo optato nel 1939 per la cittadinanza germanica, non hanno successivamente perfezionato l'opzione con l'acquisto di tale cittadinanza, è concesso di rinunciare alla cittadinanza italiana. La rinuncia dovrà essere espressa con dichiarazione scritta indirizzata al Comune di residenza, entro il termine di 60 giorni dalla data di pubblicazione del presente decreto, e avrà come conseguenza l'obbligo di uscire dallo Stato entro tre settimane dalla data

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Art. 4

Alle disposizioni degli art. 1 e 2 possono es

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sere consentite eccezioni soltanto in determinati casi e per i seguenti motivi:

- a) per chi abbia fissato stabilmente la sua residenza nell'Alto Adige da almeno un periodo di 25 anni;
- b) per gravi motivi di salute;
- c) per chi sia in età di 65 anni o più;
- d) per ragioni di lavoro o professionali, quando esse siano tali da richiedere, nell'interesse pubblico, l'ulteriore permanenza dell'interessato;
- e) per benemerite acquistate nella collaborazione con il Governo della nuova Italia o con i Comandi Alleati, o per avere tenuto un contegno di particolare favore nei confronti della popolazione italiana durante il periodo dell'occupazione germanica;
- f) per ragioni di umanità.

Questa eccezione potrà essere concessa soltanto dalla decisione di una Commissione di nomina prefettizia, presieduta dallo stesso Prefetto. Il giudizio della Commissione sarà inappellabile.

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Al Prefetto della Provincia di Bolzano sono accordati tutti i poteri necessari per l'esecuzione del presente decreto.

do essi siano tali da richiedere, nell'interesse pubblico, l'ulteriore permanenza dell'interessato;

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Extract from Alto Adige 29c
2 June 1945

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Una copia L. 2

Accordo fra i partiti politici dell'Alto Adige per la collaborazione democratica dei due gruppi etnici

Su proposta dei Partiti italiani, che hanno espresso l'intendimento di iniziare una seconda collaborazione su basi esclusivamente democratiche, lasciando da parte ogni questione nazionalistica che turberebbe sicuramente l'opera di ricostruzione dell'Alto Adige e richiamerebbe posizioni e motivi superati dal corso della storia rassicurando odi e amari ricordi.

Si sono riuniti oggi in Bolzano gli esponenti dei Partiti democratici italiani rappresentati nel Comitato Liberazione Nazionale di Bolzano e gli esponenti del Südtiroler Volkspartei.

L'intendimento espresso dai partiti italiani è stato senz'altro pienamente condiviso dagli esponenti del Südtiroler Volkspartei. Premesso che gli esponenti dei Partiti italiani hanno chiesto a quelli del Südtiroler Volkspartei di assumere un formale impegno nel senso che anche la sua politica si svolga esclusivamente su basi democratiche.

Considerato che il programma politico di tutti i partiti dell'Alto Adige ha per fine la pacifica convivenza dei due gruppi etnici in uno stato di eguaglianza, di rispetto e di autonomia di lingua e di insegnamento, gli esponenti del Südtiroler Volkspartei convengono di accogliere e rispettare il seguente accordo:

1) Evitare qualsiasi manifestazione materiale, di riunione e di parola, che possa comunque offendere o turbare la popolazione dei due gruppi etnici.

2) Non impedire la libera manifestazione di nuove organizzazioni politiche, quando tali organizzazioni intendano affermarsi nella concezione democratica e sociale a cui tende la nuova Europa.

3) Determinare, mediante una pronta, radicale e sistematica epurazione di tutti gli elementi nazisti e fascisti dell'Alto Adige e degli altri elementi compromessi nella collaborazione col nazismo e col fascismo, una totale distinzione fra le nuove forze democratiche che i partiti dell'Alto Adige intendono rappresentare ed esprimere e la precedente situazione politica.

Secondo la proposta del C. L. N. di Bolzano all'epurazione si procederà mediante la costituzione di organi misti i quali controlleranno a vicenda la profondità dell'epurazione dal nazismo e dal fascismo. La parte di epurazione scambievolmente

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4) Il Südtiroler Volkspartei collaborerà con i Partiti Italiani al fine di procedere alla costituzione di comuni organizzazioni per il lavoro, la cultura, la gioventù, le donne che allineando in una stessa opera di educazione sociale e morale i migliori uomini dei due gruppi etnici, tenda a quella libera formazione di istituti e di coscienze alla quale sarà affidata anche nell'Alto Adige la garanzia delle libertà fondamentali.

Il presente accordo viene redatto nei due testi italiano e tedesco, che hanno entrambi valore di originale.

Bolzano, 11 maggio 1945

Firmato:

Per il Partito Comunista Italiano: Rinaldo Dal Fabbro; per il Partito d'Azione: Luciano Bonvicini; per il Partito della "Democrazia Cristiana": Ugo Zillner; per il Partito Liberale: Raimondo Villa; Per il Partito Socialista Italiano: U. P.; Bruno de Angelis; per il Südtiroler Volkspartei: Ulrich Amann.

L'accordo firmato in Bolzano fra gli esponenti dei Partiti italiani rappresentati nel Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale e il Südtiroler Volkspartei segna una data importante nella storia politica di questa regione.

Il contenuto di questo accordo può essere sintetizzato in una espressione: la pace dei nazionalismi per lo sviluppo della democrazia.

Siamo certi che la popolazione dell'Alto Adige attribuirà il suo stesso valore a un patto che, dopo tanti dolori e sofferenze, apre finalmente la via allo sviluppo delle istituzioni democratiche in un ambiente di pacifica convivenza nel quale a ciascuno dei due gruppi etnici è assicurato il libero e sicuro sviluppo delle proprie istituzioni e attività in uno stato di reciproco rispetto e di autonomia di lingua e di insegnamento.

Nella nuova Europa democratica non è ammissibile che qualsiasi minoranza sia assoggettata alla maggioranza in forme nazionalistiche che ne pregiudichino i diritti morali, i costumi e la cultura.

Non abbiamo fiducia che dalla più stretta collaborazione che ora si stabilisce fra la popolazione italiana e quella di lingua tedesca, per lo sviluppo politico ed economico dell'Alto Adige, derivi gradualmente una comprensione mutua e profonda capace di dare una struttura totalmente nuova alla vita sociale e politica di questa regione.

I capi dei diversi Partiti hanno tracciato con decisione e chiarezza la via da seguire; è ora compito di tutti i cittadini di procedere per tale via, per le fortune avvenire dell'Alto Adige.

Sabato, 2 giugno 19

LA SCUOLA MEDIA E IL SUO ORDINAMENTO

L'educazione attuale della nostra gioventù è morale, concitata e vagheggiata nei lunghi anni di preparazione clandestina o nascosta, ha perduto, infatti, i suoi ordini e gradi. Essa tende ad eliminare uomini ed istituzioni che più o meno consapevolmente vi hanno introdotto o alimentato uno spirito inferiore di ambizione nazionalistica, di orgogliosa sicurezza fatta di suggeriti degli altri, che di fatto maltrattava troppo spesso una sostanziale debolezza di carattere ed un amore piccolo-borghese per rapidi successi (non solo scolastici) con poca fatica.

In queste prime settimane dell'attività del C.L.N. per la scuola, in quella conferenza dei Provveditori agli Studi, in riunioni d'ispezione, nelle discussioni sul giornale, il tema dominante è stato quello dell'epurazione: morico agitato con particolare accanimento con accuse e difese di calata disciolte in cui non si dissimulavano le preoccupazioni personali di individui o gruppi.

L'epurazione

L'epurazione non deve però assurgere a motivo predominante e, ancor meno, a questione preliminare in via assoluta. L'atto che può deve essere interrogato senza incertezze e riguardi personali, non può esser fatto né d'impulso né integralmente. L'esperienza insegna quanto soccorra ai fatti la capacità dei trasvalutamenti al tempo giusto, e l'abilità di procurarsi alibi di beneintenzione inteso a neutralizzare la sofferta lacerazione contestabile. D'altra parte è più da riconoscersi agli uomini il diritto di convertirsi (naturalmente) in spirito d'unità, senza pretendere di negare e distruggere il proprio passato, e tanto meno di contestare agli altri il diritto di rammentarlo. Sono bello essere anche in comunicati ufficiali parole grosse nei primi giorni: si è portati ad es. di "indignità" per una certa categoria di presidi come d'un giudizio sociale, mentre in realtà si trattava solo di un sospetto per certi aspetti non senza giustificazione, diviso da larve e cerchie di insegnanti, e pubblico il quale minando il prestigio dei capi d'istituto, non avrebbe permesso loro di ripresentarsi senza inconvenienti al loro ufficio. Però tutto non venga chiudendosi in un'atmosfera di equità. La questione dell'epurazione, almeno per quanto riguarda le scuole elementari e medie, va risolvendosi con la collaborazione del C.L.N. della scuola, dei Provveditori agli Studi e delle autorità alleate con criteri di equità e spirito d'unità.

Il centro di gravità delle norme attuali scolastiche, quello di stabilire punteggi, per scritti ed esami, si è purtroppo, su interesse prevalente, studenti e famiglie. A noi sembra che gli esami debbano essere rivisti al giugno condizionati dalla frequenza nell'ultimo periodo di lezioni, con tutti gli effetti di severità, non solo per fermare subito il processo di decadenza negli studi, ma anche dalle continue e molteplici sversazioni di potere dal passato regime, ma pure per impedire fin da ora la formazione di una classe di prepotenti che si sposti alla caccia di diplomi senza sostanza e di postumi ad uffici pubblici e privati con mezzi ordinari di preparazione effettiva.

In particolare si ritiene indispensabile annullare con effetto immediato tutte le norme che autorizzano a saltare le classi, tanto per gli alunni delle scuole pubbliche, quanto per quelli delle scuole private o di istruzione cosiddetta paterna, non consentendo nessuna esenzione a tale provvedimento. Le circostanze attenuanti in difetto di preparazione e qualità della vita disallineate degli scorsi mesi, della scarsa alimentazione, ecc., non possono evidentemente applicarsi a quelli che, in epoca in cui è già un gran successo assimilare il programma normale, pretendono di fare assai di più, come non esiste per gli istituti superiori, questa possibilità di abbreviare i corsi di studi deve esser tolta anche nelle scuole medie. L'assimilazione del sapere esige il suo tempo e misura non facit alius.

Il prestigio dei diplomi

Non escluso per motivi gravi per mantenere anche nel corrente anno le disposizioni relative alla maturazione ed abilitazione senza esami degli alunni degli ultimi corsi dei licei, istituti magistrali e tecnici, perché non vengano ristabiliti, sia pur con modalità particolari per quanto riguarda la composizione delle commissioni e specialmente il loro presidente, gli esami di maturità ed abilitazione con le norme vigenti fino al 1938. Se le autorità scolastiche, in vista della situazione del trasporto, edilizia ed alimentare non ancora normale, vorranno decidere diversamente, stabiliscano però cantele tali da restaurare il prestigio dei diplomi e da permettere il differenzamento di chi ha frequentato la scuola da chi non l'ha frequentata. Le lauree e i titoli di studio debbono essere riservati a quelli che hanno parteci-

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in questa maniera, senza preoccuparsi di ingarbi e di strappare il proprio passato, o tanto meno di contestare bell'altri il diritto di commentarlo. Sono certe cose anche in comunicati ufficiali, parole cruente nei primi giorni si è parlato ad es. di "indignità" per una certa categoria di presidi come d'un giudizio sardonico, mentre in realtà si trattava solo di un sospetto per certi aspetti non senza giustificazione, diviso da larghe cerchie di insegnanti e pubblico, il quale minando il prestigio dei capi d'istituto, non avrebbe permesso loro di smentirsi senza inconvenienti ai loro uffici. Però tutto ciò non veniva chiarendosi in impudenza di equità. La questione dell'epurazione, almeno per quanto riguarda le scelte elementari e medie, va risolvendosi con la collaborazione del C. I. N. della scuola, del Provveditorato agli Studi e delle autorità allegate con criteri di principio e metodi d'applicazione che non possono dirsi dati, giacché il nome quotidiano, per quel che sembra non è messo in pericolo, per nessun momento senza motivo.

Quello che urge

Quel che più urge è la ripresa della serietà scolastica, la ripresa delle lezioni nella misura permessa dalla disponibilità umana e fisica di locali scolastici. Essa è stata rallentata dalla questione della "sospensione" dei presidi (in cui a mio parere si è dolosamente confuso il concetto di "epurazione", a carattere punitivo, da applicarsi in un secondo tempo, con quello di semplice sospensione dalle funzioni, attuabile amministrativamente anche mediante un congedo inteso e dato pure sensibilmente l'intercessione che nella scuola s'instaura un nuovo regime). Comunque codesta ripresa delle lezioni, che sarebbe auspicabile durasse qualche settimana, non è vista opportunamente per ragioni didattiche (come sarebbe lo svolgimento intellettuale, anche se schematico, del programma stabilito per ogni classe, proprio per completare le interrogazioni in vista degli scrutini), ma soprattutto per ragioni educative, perché alunni e famiglie abbiano vista la sensazione che la scuola ha intenti sostanziali di formazione, non diretta soltanto al discente e docente e degli alunni tra loro, che essa non va considerata solo come un'istituzione che fa esami e dà diplomi in tale maniera, e verrà data modo agli insegnanti che hanno atteso, con tanto desiderio l'evento della liberazione, di illustrare "ex abundanti cordis" ai loro alunni lo spirito nuovo che ha da animare il paese, i tremendi problemi che sostituiscono la sua ricostruzione, la maniera in cui pure i giovani e i giovanissimi possono concettuali nella loro attività di studenti.

Un problema delicato e non azzero

Non esistono poi motivi gravi per mantenere anche nel corrente anno le disposizioni relative alla maturazione od abilitazione senza esami degli alunni degli ultimi corsi del liceo, istituti magistrali e tecnici e perciò non vengono ristabiliti, sia pur con modalità particolari per quanto riguarda la composizione delle commissioni e specialmente il loro presidente, gli esami di maturità ed abilitazione con le norme vigenti fino al 1948. Se le autorità scolastiche, in vista della situazione dei trasporti, edifici ed alimentare non ancora normale, vorranno decidere diversamente, stabiliscano però norme tali da restaurare il prestigio dei diplomi e da permettere il differenzamento di chi ha frequentato la scuola da chi non l'ha frequentata. Le frequentazioni ai istituti debbono essere ristrette a quelli che hanno partecipato alle formazioni militari e sarebbe bene consistessero in speciali sessioni d'esame con criteri particolari solo ad essi applicabili, in modo che sicuramente non ne approfittino, anche altri.

Altra questione urgente è quella di stabilire il valore di scrutini ed esami nelle scuole non governative. Senza pregiudicare la questione, in questa fase necessariamente transitoria, in attesa della reintegrazione del principio dell'esame di Stato, anche per non aggravare l'organizzazione della scuola pubblica con troppi esaminandi, si può mantenere agli alunni diseredati dall'impulso ecclesiastico ed a quelli diseredati da tutti pubblici (Comuni e Province, Enti morali) il privilegio degli esami interni coll'assistenza di un Comissario alternativo. Gli altri istituti privati, anche se associati al ben defunto C. I. N. I. M. S. dovrebbero lasciare alle scuole pubbliche i candidati alle maturità, abilitazioni ed ammissioni.

I mesi estivi daranno tempo di studiare attentamente, tenendo conto dell'esperienza fatta, nelle provincie del Sud, il problema della revisione dei libri di testo e quella, connessa, della revisione dei programmi. Fin da ora è da affermare che in essa il principio della direttiva statale ha da combinarsi con quello della libertà spirituale dell'insegnante nello svolgimento del programma, nella scelta dei libri, il testo che lo deve affiancare.

Molti e complessi dunque i problemi di fronte ai quali non è da stupirsi che si presentino posizioni diverse in gruppi e luoghi diversi. Sembra nell'ordine superiore, specialmente al Comissariato regionale dell'Istruzione, combinare i punti di vista dei gruppi del C. I. N. del Provveditorato, perché la scuola mantenga la sua unità di spirito e d'ordinamenti.

Mario Bendiccoli

Numerosi pescherecci

posti a disposizione della marina italiana

ROMA, 1. — Il Ministero della Marina comunica che le autorità politico-americane hanno deciso di

Il prossimo congresso della gioventù balcanica

BELGRADO, 1. — Si comunica da Belgrado che i rappresentanti della gioventù delle Nazioni balcaniche hanno aderito a una grande conferenza

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

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Ref: 6/17.B/CA.

31 May 45

Dear

Thank you for your letter of 25 May 1945.

As you now know we were compelled to accept the somewhat alarmist deputation from Rimini, as it came from the Italian Government. The unfortunate and misleading publicity, which even Allied papers gave to the situation, did cause great consternation among Italians and some anxiety to us.

It is a very great relief to have such re-assuring news from you and we are all very grateful to all of you up there who have worked so hard to get the right answer.

I understand that the Agricultural Officer has been sent forward.

Yours

Colonel G.G. FEAGHY,
AC Liaison Officer,
HQ. No. 1 District,
(Att. HQ. 21 Tank Brigade Force.

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31 MAY 1945

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Re: - ACS/3

25 May '45

Subject: - Concentration of Surrendered Enemy Troops
Petition from Rimini.

To: - H. Q. ALLIED Commission, Civil Affairs Section.

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APO 394

Reference your 6/17B/CA of 20 May received today, the petition had not been seen before; but everything possible had been, and still is being, done to minimise hardships. The closest touch is kept with the Regional Commissioner, Emilia, and the Provincial Commissioner, Forlì, who were satisfied with the present position when last seen on 23 May.

2/ Recces of possible sites further north have been made. These have not been approved by the Medical Authorities owing to the danger of malaria, and the great difficulty that would be experienced in maintaining them in a proper hygienic condition on account of the nature of the ground. 1822 (622)

3/ The number of people who have had to move does not exceed one hundred and, according to

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P.C. Goli, the 1st of number to be moved from the area may well fall short of one thousand. It is not easy to think of any other area where such a delicate and important operation could have been carried out with so little dislocation of the civilian population.

4 The following brief description may help to remove misconceptions of the state of affairs:-
The enclave is not enclosed - only the cages are wired - but there is a system of control with three posts, one north, one south and one in the centre. These are for the purpose of stopping all military traffic to whom Route 16 (which runs through the enclave) is closed.

5 Hawaiian civilians can move about freely. For instance, the fishermen of Ceceñan can market their catch at Ceceñan or anywhere else they like, the refugees from Birmia living in and around V.C. 16 can come up at will to carry on their businesses. This does not mean that people are encouraged to come in: they are not and all sightseers are discouraged. No persons

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with legitimate reasons for being in, or entering, the enclave are subject to restrictions.

6. Security measures are taken to prevent incidents: so far there have been none. A detachment of 50 C.C. R.R. due to arrive on 27 May to work with the Muktang Police is a further safeguard.

7. Claims and Hinnings in conjunction with the Genio Muktang and in contact with P.C. Ford, are giving sympathetic consideration to the question of compensation; but the promised P.C. Cultural Officer has not arrived. His presence would involve the practicalities of his posting is regarded as a matter of real urgency.

C. C. Yeasey

Cst.

A.C.O. No 1 District

attached 21 Tank Brigade Force.

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INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

C.A.S. 26A

Originator's Reference: E 83185

Message Centre No: E/2595

Date/Time of Origin: MAY 27 1900Z

Date/Time Rec'd: MAY 27 21 15Z

28 MAG 1945

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED NEWS BUREAU

TO: ALCON ROSE

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Reference petition of Municipio 21 BIVIVI dated May 15 requesting revocation of the Provincial Military Govt instructions. It appears that the petition was submitted without a full knowledge of facts. The actual situation is as given in signal message A Q 80 BINTONE to ALCON May 22. No further action contemplated here in respect of the petition.

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ARE EMILIA REGION

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Reference your Mr 3270 of 23 May. Proposed news release roughly as follows:

"It now appears that unless further unforeseen developments occur, total number of Italian civilians to be removed from the RIVINI - CURVIA surrendered - German - troops - internment area will be less than 1000. More optimistic estimates closer to 500. The figure of 10,000 earlier give wide publicity was based on an entirely different projected situation than that which now obtains, but the latest extremely low figure is primarily the result of prime cooperation with ARE EMILIA Region on the part of the Commanding General DISTRICT ONE and his staff officers. In spite of the importance and difficulty of their task of rapidly disposing very large numbers of surrendered German soldiers, the officers of DISTRICT ONE have been extremely solicitous and considerate, their forbearance going to the point of altering the locations of large and important compounds and lessening the size of others, often merely to save one family from the necessity of evacuation. After full explanation of the position to civilian officials and citizen groups from the RIVINI AREA, they have expressed themselves as fully satisfied. EMILIA Region officials have been promised by ALLIED COMMISSION that an agricultural

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specialist will proceed to the area immediately to assess crop and loss - of - land - use damage, and if ARMY authorities can arrange prompt compensation, it is now apparent that now substantial civilian hardship will result from the use of agricultural land for this very vital and necessary purpose."

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C.A. Section
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: Q 32
Date/Time of Origin: MAY 24 1900Z

Message Centre No: B/2237
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 25 0900Z
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: DISTONE
TO: ALICE

IN CLEAR

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Ref your 8240 dated 23. Confirm figure should read 1,500.

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- Chief Commissioner
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AMG EMILIA REGION (ACTION); DISTONE (INFO)

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23 May

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PARA ONE PD AM MUCH ASSURED BY YOUR ROGER ERAY SLASH CHARLIE ABLE
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BY DISTONE PD

PAPER TO AMG EMILIA REGION FOR ACTION USED DISTONE FOR INFO FROM
HE ALDOM CITE AGEXE PAPER

PARA TWO PD WAS OBLIGED TO RECEIVE DEPUTATION HERE AS IT WAS SENT
OVER BY PRIME MINISTER AND LUGOTENENTE PD

PARA THREE PD YOU SHOULD HANDLE PRESS RELEASE AND TELEGRAPH SUITABLE
RELEASE AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE PD REMEMBER THAT ITALIAN PRESS IS
UNCONTROLLED

Copy to: CA Section ✓

Executive Commissioner
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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

NICHOLAS PICCINO
OWO, USA
Asst Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/17 E/CI.

29 May 45.

SUBJECT: Concentration of Enemy Troops.

TO: Economic Section.
(Copy to Agriculture Sub-Commission).

- 1 During the course of a telephone conversation yesterday (Tuesday, 22 May 45) Col. Bowman, Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region, stated that he had been promised a special Agricultural officer who would work in close conjunction with Claims and Hirings in the area where the enemy troops are now being concentrated.
- 2 He stated that Claims and Hirings and the Genio Militare are ready to start work and he is very anxious for this Agricultural Officer to report immediately so that claims can be dealt with and paid with the utmost speed. I undertook to pass this on to you.

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A.D. BYTHAM-CARTER,
Lt. Colonel,
CSD Civil Affairs Section.

Copy to: Establishment Section,
Executive Commissioner,
R.C., Emilia Region.

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INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference RIX/CAB/24

Date/Time of Origin MAY 23 1352

23 MAY 1945

Message Centre No E/2018

Date/Time Recd MAY 23 1530

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FROM AMB BULLIA REGION SIGNED FEASEY

TO HQ AIDOM CITE AC30G

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Your 8117 dated 21 May.

Situation not as outlined therein. For past week have been in close contact Provincial Commissioner and have visited area daily. Nothing has occurred to alter views expressed in my letter dated 19. If I were Regional Commissioner I should be perfectly satisfied with present position and future developments now pending

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PAGE THREE PD SHOULD THIS FIGURE NOT READ ONE 2300 2300 2300 PD PLEASE CONFIRM

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A. D. BOWMAN CAPTAIN Lt Col

NICHOLAS PIGNINO
 CW2, USA
 Asst Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

6/17.R/GA

22 May 1945

SUBJECT: Disposition of Surrendered
Enemy Troops.

TO: Executive Commissioner

1. I spoke to both Colonels Bowman and Feasey on the telephone this afternoon. It was very evident that the urgency of our feelings regarding the apparent situation near RHEMI had been fully appreciated by them, but they were both able to reassure me as to the actual position.
2. The situation is not at all as outlined in the petition which was presented to us and Colonel Feasey stated that he has not had any reason to change the views expressed in his EO letter to you of 19 May 45. He was able to tell me that two particular camps which were expected to cause trouble had been abandoned (Nos 9 & 10) and three others of lesser threat will not be used. Four more will be reduced in size. The result is expected to necessitate an evacuation of not more than 1,000 persons.
3. The principle that no one be moved unless it is absolutely essential for their own safety is being scrupulously observed and the very greatest consideration is being given to farmers. Colonel Feasey added that Brigadier Denny, who is in command, could not be more helpful.
4. I told Colonel Bowman that you would be in Bologna on Friday and Saturday this week, and also gave this information to Colonel Feasey. Colonel Bowman will await you at his Headquarters and I am sure that Colonel Feasey will arrange to see you there if you are not able to visit him.
5. I suggest that as soon as you consider it possible a press release is made to counteract the damage done by the publication of the story that 25,000 would be evacuated from the RHEMI area.

I was asked to take steps about the promised Agricultural Officer and am in communication with Establishment Section on this matter.

A. D. Bonham-Carter, Lt. Col.
C80 Civil Affairs Section.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: *RESEARCH/US*
Date/Time of Origin: *FAT 231000Z*
23 MAG 1946
FROM: *USC H HIA*
TO: *ALICE KING AGONY*

Message Centre No: *1256*
Date/Time Rec'd: *FAT 231240Z*
Precedence: *1000*

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Special communications received overheard and obviously
either based on valid information or deliberately exaggerated. Some
of objections mentioned: Very slight. CITT has substantiated basis
from special sources and contacts own identity. CITT have only
known and will deal with CITT combination but think Commission
should not have entertained it before it came to us and repeat
rapid and unobscured publicity committee about overheard from
Iron source.

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- Chief Commissioner
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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Originator's Reference: AD/80
Date-Time of Origin: MAY 22/1200B

Message Centre No: E/1872
Date-Time Rec'd: MAY 22/1650B
Precedence: IMMEDIATE

22 MAY 1943

FROM: DISTONE

TO: ACTION: AD/80, INFO: ASHQ CITE FHCAG, PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER EMILIA REGION, PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER FORLI, PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER RIMINI, REGIONAL COMMISSIONER BOLOGNA

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Subject is your 5117 dated 21. Five cages to be erected in area south of RIVIGGI each cage approx 850 yds by 850 yds. No question of mass evacuation of civilians as suggested in your message in fact informed by your provincial commissioner less than 100 evacuated to date from whole area final total 10000. Small areas now being occupied do not affect seriously food or labour situation in RIMINI. Much deprecate your signal as likely cause alarm which is entirely unjustified. Nothing known of any radio broadcasts and notices in press and these have certainly not been done with my authority. I am having situation carefully watched and self and my staff have made frequent visits to areas. FA from consternation Italians are carrying on with normal work and many are living within stones throw of cages. Regional and provincial commissioners kept fully informed and agree contents this teleprint. You seem to forget Air Force still occupy ports on CESANATICO and aerodrome just north of it.

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Auth: SAC MT
Initials: *W.H.*
Date: 18 May 1945

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AG 386.3/163 LOG-2

SUBJECT: Administration of Surrendered Enemy Forces in ITALY

22 MAY 1945

TO: Commanding General, 15th Army Group, APO 777
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394
Commanding General, Fifth Army, APO 464
General Officer Commanding, No 1 District
Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 782
Headquarters, Eighth Army

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1. REFERENCE is made to the following:

a. 15th Army Group Administrative Directive Number 3, 1945, subject: "Control and Administration of Surrendered Enemy Forces".

b. Eighth Army Administrative Directive Number 2, 1945, subject: "Surrender of Enemy Forces".

2. OBJECT: The object of this instruction is to define the policy for the administration of surrendered enemy forces in ITALY.3. PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS: The instructions mentioned in paragraph 1a and b above will remain in force except where specifically modified in this instruction.4. SCOPE OF THE INSTRUCTION:

a. This instruction is applicable to enemy forces taken, or surrendering in ITALY.

b. The policy regarding those taken or surrendering in AUSTRIA is that they will be held in that country and not removed to ITALY. Separate instructions will be issued on this subject.

5. GENERAL:a. Status of Enemy Forces

- (1) All enemy personnel, including those of the Luftwaffe, who had not passed through Army cages before 1400 hours 2 May will be termed "Surrendered Enemy Forces", and will not be regarded as PW, except on the specific authority of AFHQ/MTUSA.

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- (2) In principle it has been agreed that enemy personnel who have been taken as PW can be made "Surrendered Enemy Forces". Necessary instructions on this matter will be issued from time to time by AFHQ/MTOUSA.
- (3) All personnel of whatever nationality who surrender or were taken whilst serving with the enemy will be regarded as enemy personnel. Instructions concerning segregation are given below at paragraph 7b.
- (4) SS Personnel will be confined separately, and will be classed as recalcitrants (see paragraph 7d below).
- (5) Enemy personnel at present in hospitals, and estimated to number some 40,000 will, on discharge, be treated as surrendered enemy forces, and sent to the final concentration areas. Those who cannot be disposed of in this manner will be evacuated to PW cages.

b. Extent of the Problem

- (1) The number of personnel in ITALY to be regarded as surrendered forces is estimated at 218,000.
- (2) Enemy stocks of food and clothing etc., are not yet known but are not believed to be substantial.

c. Policy

- (1) Responsibility for guarding and administration of PW or surrendered enemy forces will be divided equally between the British and the US. Adjustments of holdings in each category are being made in accordance with instructions from AFHQ/MTOUSA.
- (2) Surrendered enemy forces will carry out their own administration and maintenance, using their own administrative organization under Allied supervision. To this end enemy forces will be formed into 'ad hoc' formation and unit organizations as far as is necessary to enable them to be self-administering. This policy does not absolve Allied military authorities concerned from the ultimate responsibility for the administration of surrendered enemy forces.
- (3) The policy regarding the use of technical troops will be notified separately. Under no circumstances will any enemy personnel be regarded as co-operators.

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6. CONCENTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

a. Concentration Areas

- (1) Preliminary concentration will be carried out by Fifth Army in or near the present locations of enemy formations.
- (2) The final concentration areas will be as follows:
 - (a) British - as shown at trace at Appendix 'B'.
 - (b) US - as notified by CG MTOUSA (probably SOUTH of the APENNINES in PBS territory).

b. SCALE OF ACCOMMODATION: Surrendered enemy forces will be accommodated under field conditions. A guide to the scales of accommodation which will be provided is shown at Appendix 'A'. In the provision of these, the maximum use will be made of enemy stores in accordance with allocations made by AFHQ/MTOUSA.

c. EVACUATION OF CIVILIANS. Civilians within the final concentration area will not be evacuated unless it is essential for their safety, and at the instigation of AC/NAG.

d. BUILDINGS

- (1) Buildings, or portions thereof, will not be used for the accommodation of surrendered enemy forces unless surplus to Allied and civil requirements and then only with the authority of the appropriate Allied Military Commander, and with the full consent of the Allied Commission.
- (2) Buildings at present occupied by the enemy for hospitals, etc. may be left in their possession at the discretion of Allied Commanders.
- (3) Buildings may only be requisitioned if they are to be used for hospitals or offices. Such requisitioning will be subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) There will be no eviction of civilian inhabitants.
 - (b) Permission must previously have been given by the appropriate Allied Commander, and by Allied Commission.

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e. Action to be taken outside the final concentration areas

- (1) Primary disarmament of enemy personnel.
- (2) Preliminary concentration and forming of enemy personnel into unit and formation organization for administration purposes. These units should be capable of carrying out their internal administration.
- (3) Segregation and despatch to concentration area of SS and other recalcitrant troops. These will be moved as soon as possible to their areas.
- (4) Movement of surrendered enemy forces to the final concentration areas.
- (5) Administration of surrendered enemy forces.

f. Action to be taken inside the final concentration areas

- (1) Reconnaissance of the areas and allocation of formation localities to enemy forces.
- (2) Reception and segregation of SS troops.
- (3) Reception of surrendered enemy forces other than SS troops.
- (4) Provision of guards.
- (5) Administration of surrendered enemy forces.

g. Allocation of Responsibilities

- (1) Fifth Army will be responsible for action to be taken in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 6e above, for all surrendered enemy forces and PW within the Fifth Army area.
- (2) Eighth Army will be responsible:
 - (a) After co-ordination with Fifth Army, for moving all surrendered enemy forces within their area, other than those in hospital, into Fifth Army area.
 - (b) For administering all enemy personnel in hospital in the Army area.
 - (c) Arranging for the disposal of all enemy personnel discharged from hospital in the Army area in accordance with paragraph 5 a (5) above.

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- (3) PBS and 1 District will be responsible, within their own areas, for action to be taken in accordance with paragraph 6f above.

h. Movement to Final Concentration Areas

- (1) Details of movement to final concentration areas, including phasing-in of units, will be arranged between 1 District and Fifth Army in respect of movement to the British concentration area, and between PBS and Fifth Army in respect of movement to the US concentration area. 15th Army Group will keep themselves informed in order to adjust any difficulties which may arise.
- (2) Specialist units required by PBS and 1 District to be moved in to the final concentration area previous to the main body of surrendered enemy forces will be notified by PBS and 1 District to Fifth Army and moved accordingly.

7. ADMINISTRATION

a. General

- (1) The US final concentration area will be the responsibility of PBS.
- (2) The British final concentration area will be the responsibility of HQ 1 District.

b. Segregation of Enemy Personnel

- (1) All Italian nationals will be concentrated separately by Fifth Army within their area and administered by them. Half the number so held will be deemed to be held by the US on British account and a corresponding adjustment will be made in the number of personnel of other nationalities held by the British to provide the equal division of the overall holding.
- (2) Personnel will be segregated by nationalities provided that by so doing the ability of enemy formations and units to administer themselves is not prejudiced. Segregation of nationals other than Italians need not be completed until surrendered enemy forces have arrived in the final concentration areas.
- (3) While the surrendered enemy forces are being held in the Army areas and in PBS and 1 District areas, the following directives will apply:

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(a) Russian nationals

HQ MTOUSA letters, file AG 383.7/414 A-O, dated 9 April 1945 and 9 March 1945, subject: "Disposition of Soviet Citizens"

AFHQ letters, file CR/3431/2/G-1 (Br) dated 6 March 1945, 7 March 1945 and 15 March 1945.

(b) Other Nationals (exclusive of the Italian Republican Army)

HQ MTOUSA letter, file AG 383.6/323 FMG-O, dated 26 February 1945, subject: "Administrative Instructions for the United States Prisoner of War Enclosures, Chapter XVIII," paragraph 7.

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 60, dated 14 December 1944, except that:

1. Poles, Czechs and Austrians will be retained in the British concentration area, segregated by nationalities, and AFHQ informed of the numbers involved.
2. Chetniks will be retained in the British concentration area and segregated into a separate enclave, to await disposal instructions which will be issued by AFHQ.

- (4) Separate instructions will be issued regarding the disposal of senior enemy officers.

c. Technical Troops. Technical troops, used as such in accordance with paragraph 5, c (3) above, will be distributed between the US and British in accordance with instructions from AFHQ/MTOUSA.

d. Recalcitrant Enemy Personnel

- (1) Personnel named by Counter Intelligence Staffs as dangerous to security, or who prove troublesome, will be termed "recalcitrant".
- (2) Such personnel will be separated from the remainder of the surrendered enemy forces as early as possible, and held in confinement when specified by AFHQ/MTOUSA. They will not be given PW status and will be segregated from PW in cages.
- (3) All SS troops will be considered recalcitrant and treated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) above.

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e. Classification of Useful Workers. Classification of useful workers will be carried out by the enemy within the final concentration areas. Separate instructions will be issued regarding detailed procedure and categories of workers classed as "useful". These personnel will be returned to GERMANY first. No indication, however, must be given to the enemy of the purpose of this classification.

f. Documentation

- (1) Detailed documentation as for FW will be carried out by Allied military HQ concerned for:
 - (a) Recalcitrant personnel
 - (b) Personnel of Allied nationality
- (2) Documentation of surrendered enemy forces other than those given in sub-paragraph (1) above will be the responsibility of the German authorities.

g. Bounds

- (1) Preliminary and final concentration areas will be placed off limits to all Allied military personnel except those concerned in the administration of the areas.
- (2) No fraternization will be allowed between the enemy and Allied or co-belligerent personnel. In their respective areas, Fifth and Eighth Armies, through their attached AMG, will be responsible for insuring that civilians comply with this non-fraternization order. HQ Allied Commission will be similarly responsible in PBS and I District territory.

h. Guards. Fifth and Eighth armies will be responsible for the provision of guards within their respective areas. PBS and I District will be similarly responsible for the provision of guards in the final concentration areas within their territories. The necessary troops will be allotted by AFHQ/FOUSA to PBS and I District for this purpose.

i. Discipline

- (1) The enemy will be responsible for maintaining a high standard of discipline among his forces.
- (2) All Allied commanders will insure that the persecution of non-Nazis, non-Germans and non-Fascists is prevented.
- (3) Such summary jurisdiction as may be necessary to maintain discipline in concentration areas may be left to enemy commanders within the discretion of Allied commanders concerned. Enemy courts martial may be permitted to function under Allied supervision.

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- (4) All crimes, of whatever nature, may at the discretion of the appropriate Allied commanders be tried in AMG courts to be set up for the purpose, notwithstanding any powers of summary jurisdiction which may have been given to enemy commanders. Separate instructions will be issued.
- (5) Enemy military police and provost personnel will be distributed as necessary among concentration areas.

j. Maintenance

- (1) Enemy stocks of maintenance supplies. Armies under the direction of 15th Army Group will obtain details of locations and quantities of enemy stocks of maintenance supplies located in their area. Enemy personnel required to operate enemy dumps or depots will continue to be so employed.
- (2) Enemy administrative units. Such units as are required to enable surrendered enemy forces to administer themselves will be formed by Fifth and Eighth Armies. Fifth Army will make available to FBS and HQ 1 District such administrative units as are required to maintain enemy forces in the final concentration area. Coordination and allocation of enemy administrative units between Fifth Army, FBS and 1 District will be the responsibility of AFHQ/ETOUSA on recommendation made by CG 15th Army Group.
- (3) Use of enemy maintenance stocks
 - (a) Maximum use of enemy stocks will be made for the administration of surrendered enemy forces. Overall allocation of enemy stocks will be the responsibility of AFHQ/ETOUSA.
 - (b) Subject to particular circumstances which may arise, Allied stocks of rations (Class I Supplies), Engineer and Ord Stores (Class II and IV Supplies) will not be used for this purpose, until enemy stocks have been exhausted.
- (4) Allied assistance in the maintenance of surrendered enemy forces. In the interim stage, pending the locating of enemy stocks and organization of the necessary administrative units, Armies, FBS and 1 District will perform such administrative activities for surrendered enemy forces as are necessary.

k. Transport

- (1) In order to economize in motor transport, enemy forces, where situated near supply dumps, will be maintained as far as possible by animal transport.

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- (2) Animal, in preference to motor transport, will also be used for local details within the concentration area. This is desirable for security reasons as well as to economize petrol and I.T.
- (3) Surrendered enemy forces will be allowed to retain minimum scales of motor transport as laid down by Allied military HQs concerned. Enemy units required to work under Allied supervision will be allowed to retain such transport and equipment as are necessary to carry out their task.
- (4) Enemy transport units, in excess of requirements for enemy administration, may be used in relief of Allied administrative resources and for the movement of civil supplies. Allocation of this transport will be the responsibility of AFHQ/STOUSA.

1. Rations

- (1) Surrendered enemy forces whether fed from enemy or Allied stocks will be provided with a ration of 2,000 caloric value. An increased scale may be allowed for heavy workers. Detailed scales are being issued separately.
- (2) Local food resources will not be used for the maintenance of these forces without authority from AFHQ/STOUSA.

2. Forage. The scale to be issued for captured animals will be as follows:

- (1) Animals in work - full scale
- (2) Animals not in work - scale to be governed by the condition in which the animals are found. Normally this will be 80% of usual scale.

3. Surrendered Enemy Material.

Separate instructions have been issued in AFHQ letter AG 386.3/163 LAG-G, dated 22 April 1945, subject: "Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in ITALY."

4. Medical

- (1) Available enemy medical units, personnel and stores will be distributed throughout concentration areas. Static hospitals will not be moved without authority from AFHQ.
- (2) All available dressing stations and field hospitals which can be moved will be sent in advance of the main body of the surrendered enemy forces to the final concentration areas.

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(3) In view of the danger of Malaria

- (a) Personal and unit anti-malarial precautions will be enforced.
- (b) General anti-malarial precautions throughout the final concentration areas will be carried out.

p. Welfare. Enemy welfare services may be permitted to function under supervision. No Allied material or entertainments will be provided.

q. Postal Facilities. Initially no postal facilities will be provided for surrendered enemy forces. Further instructions will be issued later.

r. Pay of Enemy Forces

(1) FW

Payment to FW will be made in the usual manner in accordance with standing regulations for FW.

(2) Surrendered Enemy Forces

- (a) No payments in either Metropolitan or Allied Military Lire will be made to surrendered enemy forces while they remain in ITALY.
- (b) The question of any payment which might be made on discharge is being investigated and further instructions will be issued on this subject at a later date.

s. Local Purchase and Use of Currency by the Enemy

- (1) The enemy forces will not be permitted to make any local purchases on their own account. Should it be found economical to supply them with such local produce as may be not required for civilian or Allied military use, such produce will be purchased by Allied military authorities on enemy behalf, in conformity with existing AFHQ/MTUSA instructions as to method of procuring local resources.
- (2) Accounts outstanding against the enemy in respect of purchases made previous to surrender will be forwarded to AG/AMG for such investigation or other action as may be considered appropriate.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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

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APPENDIX "A"

SUGGESTED SCALES OF ACCOMMODATION
(German scales may be used but will NOT exceed those given below).

1. General area to be 50-sq yards per man.
2. Staging Camp or Bivouac scales for all ranks will be all tentage except as follows:

Deep Trench latrine seats	5%
Field Urinals 10' long	1%
8-ft Double Sided Ablution Benches	2%
Kitchen Wash-up Benches	1%
Duck Board 6'6" long	5%
Incinerator	0.1%
Litter Cages	1%
Grease Interception Boxes	1%
Showers	Nil
Mobile equipment to be used.	
Static water reserve storage	2-gals
per head	
Water supply to give 5-gals per head per day	
Flyproofed food store and food preparation room, at 1-f-s. per head	

NOTE: Screen surrounds are required to Ablution Benches and to latrines and urinals, and Proof cover is required before October. Water points should be established for mobile, showers, near kitchen wash-up in food preparation room and near ablutions.

3. Water supply to be 5-gals per head per day for all purposes with 2-gals per head storage.

4. HOSPITALS IN AREA

Scale as for Bivouac/Staging camps above.

5. VEHICLES

100 - sq yards per vehicle. No hard standings or wash down points will be constructed.

6. ANIMALS

50 - sq yards per animal. No hard standings will be constructed and only the minimum construction to give paddocks and uncovered lines. Water supply - 10 gals per animal per day.

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7. DEPOTS AND WORKSHOPS

To be existing covered accommodation where authorized, standing and roads. Covered accommodation will only be used for goods that would deteriorate if stored in the open.

8. ANCILLARY BUILDINGS

Bath-houses, laundries, bakeries, cookhouses, etc, are not authorized for initial occupation to Bivouac/Staging Camp scales in final concentration area.

9. LIGHTING

Lighting will be only that which can be made available from surrendered forces mobile equipment. Firstly for hospitals, secondly Workshops Depots and Offices.

10. TRANSIT CAMPS FOR RECALCITRANT PERSONNEL

These will be required for 5,000 in British and US areas. They should be constructed to Bivouac/Staging Camp scales and fenced with guard-walks as PW compounds, divided internally into 1,000-men pens.

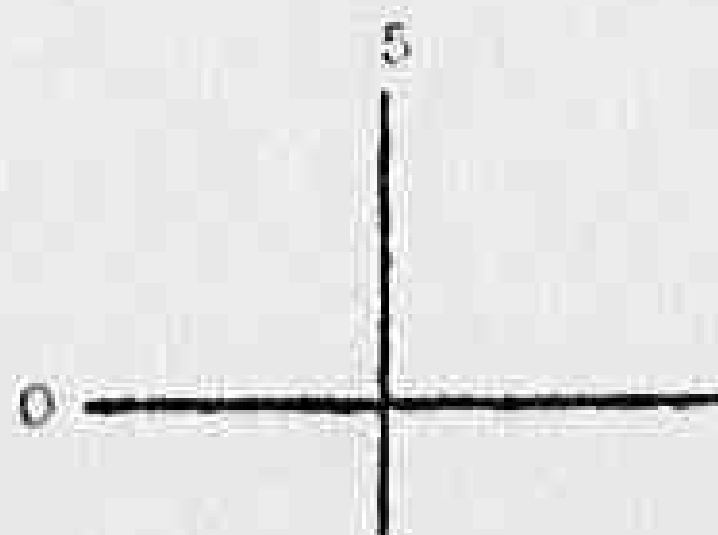
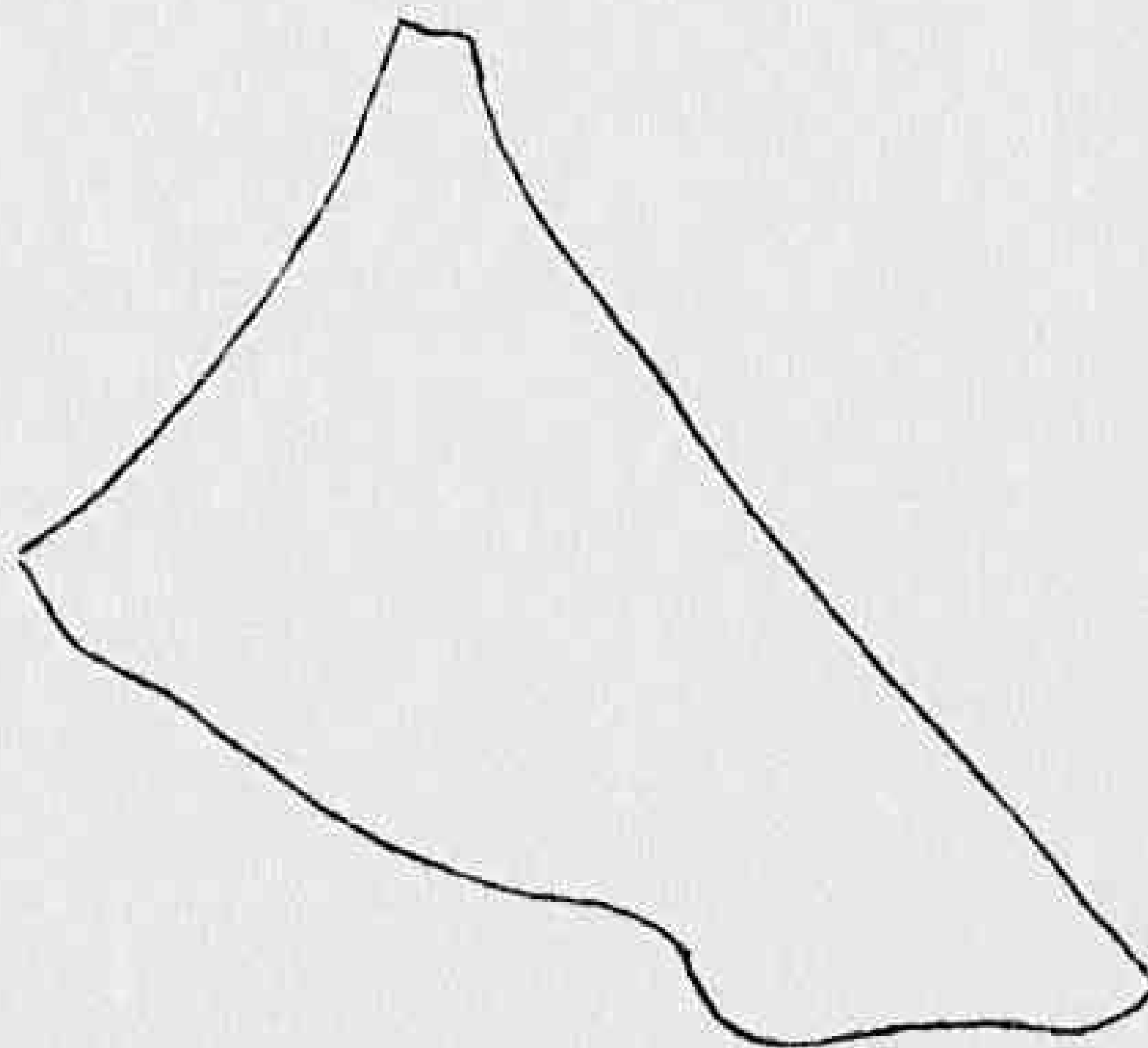
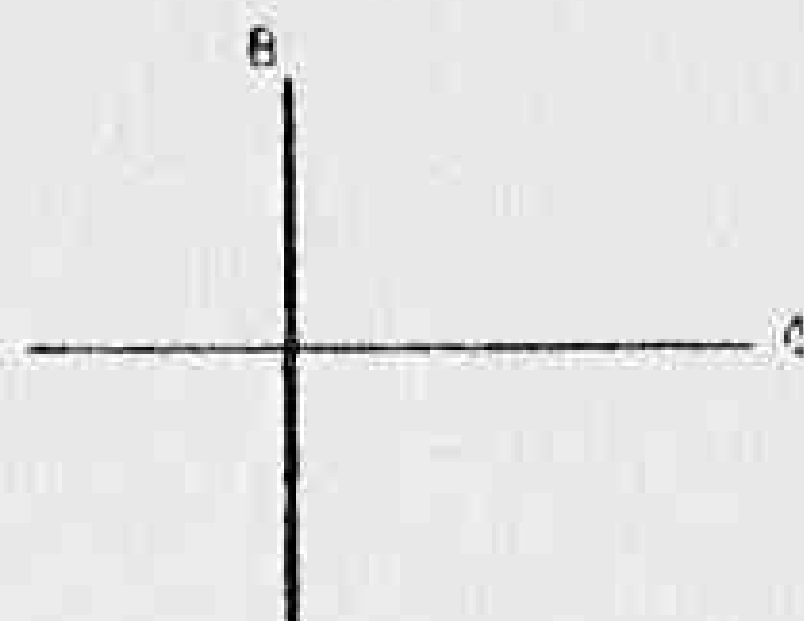
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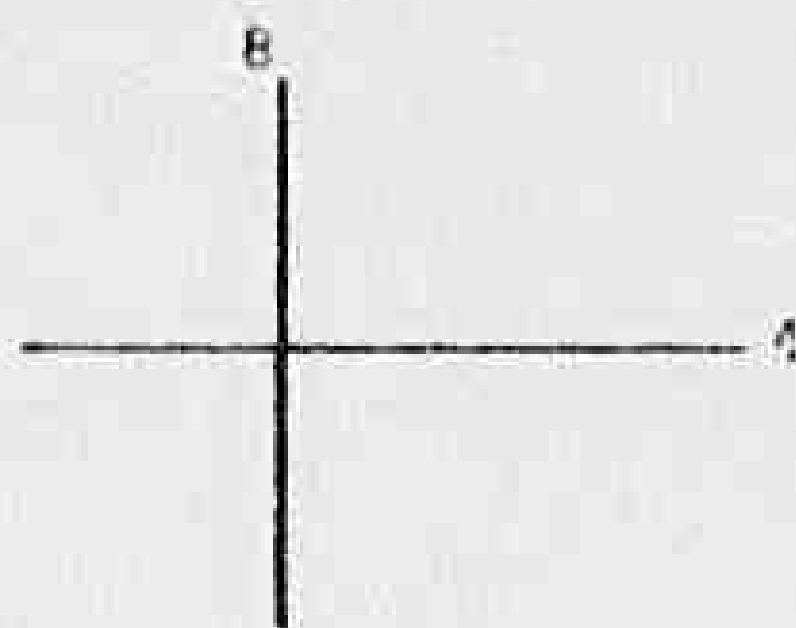
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHGG
TO: ALCON ROME

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Definitive document is AG memo 383.3/163 LOG-O of 18 May. Reur 8052 cite ACCAS (paragraph 6 (D) (3) is in point. This lays down buildings may only be requisitioned if to be used as hospitals or offices and even then subject to following conditions (A) There will be no eviction of civilian inhabitants (B) Permission must previously have been given by appropriate Allied Commander and by you. Para 6 (D) (1) of same document states buildings are not to be used for accommodation surrendered forces unless surplus to Allied and Civil requirements and then only with authority appropriate Allied Commander and your full consent.

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REPUBLICAN ARMY CORPS
38
CHIEF, ARMY SECTION

REF

6/11/45

21 May 45

SUBJECT: Concentration of Enemy Troops.

TO: Regional Commissioner, ITALIA.

1. Prince MONTI and Repetition from MONTI were received by the Executive Commissioner today after they had seen the large reports. You have already had a copy of the petition from MONTI and at a meeting today the main points were again put forward. They claim that the greater part of the inhabitants of MONTI evacuated the town and are living in ITALIA and generally the area between the MONTI and MONTI.

They argued their case extremely well and pointed out that should the people be made to evacuate from this area they have no alternative homes to which to go. This will also result in the labour now employed in the reconstruction of MONTI having to leave and the work itself being stopped.

It is also claimed that the same area is highly cultivated and produces the greater part of the fruit and vegetables for the District.

As a final point it was stated that typhoid, which has been imported from the camp of SAN MONTI where many of the population were in hiding, is liable to spread during the hot weather and further evacuation would increase the danger.

2. As a constructive suggestion it was requested that the area be moved so that the MONTI is the southern boundary and a corresponding increase be made to the northern edge.

3. The Chief Commissioner is very anxious that this should have every possible consideration and if the suggestion now put forward is practicable, it is his wish that the charge should be urged on the Military Authorities so that the disruption to Italian life for the sake of German troops should be reduced to an absolute minimum.

4. The Chief Commissioner wishes to add that although this Repetition should have approached you in the first place, it is a matter on which the people concerned feel very deeply and he knows that you will not pay attention to their petition on account of wrong use of channels. 179

5. Prince MONTI is the bearer of a copy of this letter to you.

Copies to: AMM, G-5.
No. 1 District

A. B. Donah, Carter, Lt. Col.
CBO Civil Affairs Section.

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
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Telegraph and Statistics Office

Telegram in Envelope

Rome, 30 May 1945

21 MAY 1945

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
D O M F

It has been brought to the attention of the Italian Government that the population of the Rimini coast is in a very serious state of discomfort as a consequence of the evacuation order issued by the Allied Military Government. Since this involves an area particularly affected by the war I beg of you, Admiral, to examine with sympathy the possibility of sparing these people from new discomforts and suffering.

I thank you.

For the President of the Council:

Rodino

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

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21 May 1945

The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

With reference to the letter of the Vice President of the Council of Ministers dated 19 May 45, the Executive Commissioner today received the Representatives of the Giunta Municipale of BENE.

You may rest assured that full and sympathetic consideration will be given to their request, although it is not yet possible to give you any definite assurance as to what action will be taken.

The Representatives are leaving immediately in order to see the Regional Commissioner BELLIA, who will do everything in his power to ensure that the minimum disruption to Italian life takes place.

G. R. UFFONI, Brig.
Vice President
Civil Affairs Section

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① Duffin School
② Lodi in R.C.
(11/03)

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers.

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Rome, 19 May 1945

Dear Admiral,

I enclose the request of the Giunta Municipale of Rimini to obtain the revocation of the order to evacuate the coastal region Rimini - Bellaria, order which has been given by the Command of the VIIIth Army.

This request has been handed over to me by two representatives of this Communal Administration who expressed the anxiousness of the population, which after being one of the greatest sufferers in this war, is now threatened by this new danger.

I beg you, my dear Admiral, to ask for the kind intervention of the competent commands, to avoid the evacuation of this zone.

I remain,

Truly yours,

THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

(Giulio Rodino')

s. Giulio Rodino'

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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Translation

Comune of R I M I N I

Rimini, 16 May 1945

Plan for the evacuation of the Rimini - Bellaria coastal zone

Request for

the revocation of the order

Meeting of May 16th 1945

The Giunta Municipale of Rimini, the Presidents of the Committees for Liberation of Rimini and Viserba, the Municipal Delegates of Viserba and Bellaria:

Having seen the order of May 14th, 1945 of the Allied Provincial Government for the evacuation of the coastal region of the territory of the Comune of Rimini, from Rimini to the Northern boundary of the said comune, including the populous centres of Viserba, Viserbella, Torre Pedrera, Igea Marina, Bellaria, of over 25,000 inhabitants, mostly composed of refugees who couldn't go back to the town which has been almost entirely destroyed;

Considering, above all, that the order mentions neither the depth of the coastal zone to be evacuated, nor the delay for the evacuation, nor the absorption zone, nor some beginning of organization for the reception of these people in the said zones.

CONSIDERING:

That the order of the Allies would bring about for defeated Germans the evacuation that armed Germans didn't succeed in obtaining because of the terrible resistance of the population - the human and political conscience of the Allies would certainly object to that;

That the population to be evacuated, which in less than twenty months

Liberation of Rimini and Viserba, the Municipal Delegates of Viserba and Bellaria:

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CONSIDERING:

That the order of the Allies would bring about for defeated Germans the evacuation that armed Germans didn't succeed in obtaining because of the tenacious resistance of the population - the human and political conscience of the Allies would certainly object to that;

That the population to be evacuated, which in less than twenty months had to put up with many disastrous transfers, cannot and mustn't be obliged to new transfers and cannot be made to endure new physical and moral tortures after what it has been through;

That the said population, which has lost its houses, its property, its furniture, because of the war and the looting that took place, cannot without a great injustice be made to lose all (this will be the greatest part) the things that it cannot remove, and which will certainly disappear because of the presence of the prisoners and of the troops, as experience has already shown;

That a large number of people who work and make their living in Rimini live in the zone to be evacuated, and this, besides reducing them to starvation, would paralyze the activity for the organization and reconstruction of the Town;

That all the fruit and vegetable production which supplies the town and most of the neighbouring population comes from this zone; the evacuation would put a stop to this production;

That the exodus of this huge mass of population implies very hard problems and sacrifices which contrast with the aims of humanity and liberation declared by the Allies, who, re-examining the special conditions of Rimini, cannot possibly want to add more suffering to those she already went through, nor delay its rehabilitation

That the population has already stated its firm determination not to obey the evacuation order, which will be accepted neither by the inhabitants of the Municipality, nor by the Political Parties, nor by the popular Organizations, but could only be materially enforced and this with unavoidable and tragical incidents which the Allies certainly do not mean to cause in the case of this long suffering population which wants to live on its own land to heal its wounds;

That the miserable sanitary conditions of this population which is still suffering from typhus, and carries the germs of all kind of epidemics, constitute a danger for the localities where it should be transferred, and for the prisoners and troops;

incoming

That it would be more convenient to instal the prisoners of war in zones where the population is less numerous and suffered less from the war; there are many such zones in Romagna (the pineta of Ravenna, the coastal zone stretching from Ravenna to the mouth of the Po, Apenize, etc);

That the Commune which most suffered in Italy should be spared this last material and moral ruin;

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The Command of the VIIIth Army and the Allied Headquarters to revoke the regulation for the evacuation of any part whatever of the coastal zone and of the territory of the Rimini Commune, this because of their sense of humanity, justice and responsibility.

FOR THE GIUNTA COMUNALE
AND THE OTHER CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES OF THE TOWN
THE SINDACO

s, Clari

THE SECRETARY GENERAL
OF THE COMUNE OF RIMINI

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*Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

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On. Ammiraglio,

Le trasmetto l'accluso voto della Giunta Municipale di Rimini inteso ad ottenere la revoca del provvedimento di sgombero della fascia costiera Rimini - Bellaria disposto dal Comando della VIII Armata.

Il voto mi è stato consegnato da due rappresentanti di quella Amministrazione Comunale i quali mi hanno manifestato a voce l'agitazione di quelle popolazioni che dopo essere state tra le più colpite dalla guerra si vedono minacciate da questo nuovo pericolo.

La prego quindi, caro Ammiraglio, di esaminare benevolmente la possibilità di interessare autorevolmente i Comandi competenti perché possa essere evitata l'evacuazione di quella zona.

Con molti cordiali saluti.

IL VICE PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO

(Giulio ~~di~~ Rodinò)

Al sig. Ammiraglio
Ellery W. STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata

R O M A

Giulio Rodinò

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COMUNE DI RIMINI

SECRETARIA GENERALE

Prot. Gen. N. _____

Rimini, li 16 Maggio 1945

PROGETTO DI EVACUAZIONE DELLA FASCIA COSTIERA RIMINI - BELLARIA

V G T C

PER LA REMOCA DEL PROVVEDIMENTO

(Seduta del 16 Maggio 1945)

La Giunta Municipale di Rimini, i Presidenti dei Comitati di Liberazione di Rimini e di Viserba, i Delegati Comunali di Viserba e Bellaria;

Veduto l'avviso 14 Maggio 1945 del Governo Provinciale Alleato per la evacuazione della fascia costiera del territorio del Comune di Rimini, da Rimini al confine Nord. del Comune medesimo, ove sono compresi i popolosi centri di Viserba, Viserbella, Torre Pedrera, Igée Marina, Bellaria con oltre 25.000 abitanti in notevole parte costituiti dalla popolazione sfollata che non ha potuto rientrare nella Città quasi interamente distrutta;

Rilevato anzitutto che l'avviso non precisa né la profondità della fascia costiera da evacuare, né il termine per la evacuazione, né le zone di assorbimento, né un principio di organizzazione recettive nelle zone stesse;

RITENUTO:

Che il provvedimento Alleato attaccherebbe per i tedeschi vinti quella evacuazione che i tedeschi armati non rinuncerebbero ad eseguire per la tenace resistenza della popolazione: - ciò che certamente ripugna alla coscienza umana e politica degli Alleati;

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Che la stessa popolazione, la quale ha perduto case, beni, arredi per la offesa belliche e le depredazioni non può senza gravissima ingiustizia essere posta in condizione di perdere tutto quello (che sarà la maggior parte) che non potrà esportare e che la presenza di prigionieri e truppa finirà - come l'esperienza ha insegnato - di disperdere;

Che nella zona da evacuare risiede gran numero di persone che lavorano e guadagnano a Rimini e il cui allontinamento, oltre a ridurla alla fame, paralizzerebbe l'industriali attività di sistemazione e di ricostruzione delle

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COMUNE DI RIMINI

SEGRETERIA GENERALE

Prot. Gen. N. _____

Rimini, li _____

Città;

Che dalla stessa zona proviene tutta la produzione orliva che alimenta la Città e gran parte della popolazione circostante: produzione che verrà, colla evacuazione, a cessare;

Che l'esodo di questa imponente massa di popolazione impone problemi e sacrifici di estrema durezza che contrastano coi dichiarati scopi di umanità e di liberazione degli Alleati, i quali, riesaminando la condizione eccezionale di Rimini, non possono certamente voler accumulare su di essa sofferenze su sofferenze e ritardarne ancora il sollievo del lungo calvario;

Che la popolazione ha già fatto conoscere la sua decisa volontà di non ottemperare all'ordine di evacuazione, la quale non potrà mai essere accettata né dagli abitanti né dal Comune né dai Partiti Politici né dalle Organizzazioni popolari, ma potrà solo esser imposta coll'uso materiale della forza e con quegli inevitabili e tragici incidenti che non è certamente proposito degli Alleati far sorgere tra una massa di popolo dolente che vuole vivere nella sua terra per sanare le sue ferite e rinascere;

Che le degradate condizioni sanitarie di questa popolazione, tra la quale infierisce tuttora il tifo e si annidano i germi di epidemie, costituiscono un pericolo per i luoghi ove essa dovrebbe trasferirsi e per i prigionieri e le truppe che dovrebbero subentrare;

Che la sistemazione dei prigionieri di guerra debba più opportunamente disporre in zone meno dense di popolazione e meno provate dalla guerra, le quali non mancano nella stessa regione romagnola (pineta di Ravenna, fascia costiera da Ravenna alle Bocche del Po, Apennino ecc.);

Che sia doveroso evitare al Comune più mutilato d'Italia l'ultima rovina materiale e morale;

FANNO NOTI

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FANNO VOTI

Che il Comando dell'VIII Armata e il Gran Quartiere Generale Alleato, nel loro senso di umanità, di giustizia, di responsabilità, vogliano revocare il provvedimento della evacuazione di qualunque punto della fascia costiera e del territorio del Comune di Rimini.

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PER LA GIUNTA COMUNALE
E LE ALTRE AUTORITÀ CIVILI CITTADINE
IL SINDACO

Dr. Corra

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE
DEL COMUNE DI RIMINI

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RE: FOR INFO AWHQ CITY RUCAS CMA EMILIA REGION

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21 May 45

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IN CLEAR PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS AREA OF CONCENTRATION OF ENEMY TROOPS PD

PARA TWO PD PRINCE RUSPOLI INTRODUCED DEPUTATION FROM RIMINI TODAY PD EVACUATION
WISHED THAT AREA BE MOVED NORTH SO THAT SOUTHERN BOUNDARY IS LINE OF RUBICON AND
CLEAR OF BELLARIA PD.PARA TO DISTRICT FOR INFO AREA CITY RUCAS CMA EMILIA REGION FROM ALPHI CITY ACCORD
21/5/45PARA THREE PD DEPUTATION CLAIMED PAREN AREA PAREN THAT MAJORITY OF DEBILITATED
FROM RIMINI ARE NOW IN BELLARIA AREA AND A SECOND EVACUATION WOULD FIND THEM WITHOUT
ACCOMMODATION TO WHICH TO GO PAREN BAREN PAREN INDIRECTLY THIS WOULD STOP
RECONSTRUCTION OF RIMINI AS LABOUR WOULD BE FORCED TO FIND HOUSES AWAY FROM THE
DISTRICT PAREN CHARLIE PAREN AREA SOUTH OF RUBICON CMA AND AT PRESENT ENCLINED
CMA PRODUCES GREATER PART OF FOOD FOR RIMINI AND IS VERY HIGHLY CULTIVATED PD
PARA FOUR PD PRINCE RUSPOLI AND DEPUTATION NOW GOING TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
EMILIA PD I WISH THAT IF THE PROPOSED CHANGE IS POSSIBLE AND REQUIRES EVACUATION
IT SHOULD HAVE YOUR EARNEST AND SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION PD PUBLICATION OF DETAILS
OF THE EVACUATION IN THE PRESS AND BY RADIO HAS CAUSED CONSIDERABLE CONSTERNATION

Chief Commissioner

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O.R. UPJOHN, Brig.

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Ex Coms (2)

NICHOLAS PLOMBINO

CWO LRA

Ass Adjutant

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This refers your 7871, subject accommodation German surrendered personnel GHD1. Have telephoned your message to General HUBB in MILAN and at his direction sent Lt Colonel MICHIE to look over situation with special reference Italian population. He reports great bulk of land was a disguised airfield, only small portion on one side inhabited from which 50 families displaced. These with their domestic animals are being cared for. MICHIE and Provincial Commissioner are convinced Army using every means to solve difficult problems with minimum disturbance to Italian population.

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MEUSA CMA DISTONE RPTD FOR INFO ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP CMA ABLY FOX HOW QUEEN

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS MINUTES OF CONFERENCE HELD AT HOW QUEEN ONE FIVE
ARMY GROUP ON DISPOSITION OF SURRENDERED ENEMY FORCES PD

PAREN TO MEUSA CMA DISTONE RPTD FOR INFO ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP CMA ABLY FOX
HOW QUEEN FROM ALCOM CITE ACCAS PAREN

PARA TWO PD IT IS ASSUMED THAT PARAGRAPH ONE FIVE ABLE MEANS THAT CIVILIANS
MAY BE EVICTED FROM SUITABLE BUILDINGS WHICH CAN BE USED AS HOSPITALS BUT
NOT FROM CIVILIAN HOSPITALS

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Civil Affairs Section.

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO,
CWO USA,
Asst. Adjutant,

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 994
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/17 R/CA.

20 May 45

SUBJECT: Concentration of Surrendered Enemy Troops -
Petition from RIMINI.

TO: G O C, No. 1 District,
(Attn. A.C. Liaison Officer).

- 1 Attached is a copy of a translation of a petition from RIMINI. The Italian original was not available at this Headquarters and the translation is, therefore, not good. It was left here by the Vice-Simleo yesterday.
- 2 The Vice-Simleo was asked if he had seen the Provincial Commissioner. He replied that he had done so, but that the Provincial Commissioner was unable to assist him. This may, of course, mean that the petition has already reached you through the Provincial Commissioner and that everything possible is being done to alleviate any hardship.
- 3 You will agree, I am sure, that it is essential for any necessary evacuation to be done with as much local agreement as is possible, while it may ultimately be necessary to force an order against strong opposition, every effort to get co-operation should be attempted.
4. This Headquarters is very anxious to be informed of any developments in this and similar matters, and feels that it is very desirable to meet the RIMINI wishes where possible. The alternative which has been suggested - moving the area some 7 miles further up the coast - would meet RIMINI and no doubt you will consider it.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

R.S. Robinson

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FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

H. S. Buchanan
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 W. C. Section.

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 AFM, 0-5 Section (2).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 6/17 B/CA.

20 May 45

SUBJECT: Concentration of Surrendered Enemy Troops -
Petition from RIMINI.

TO: AFHQ, G-5 Section.

I am instructed, in the absence on duty of the Vice President Civil Affairs Section, to request that one copy of the attached Petition from RIMINI be brought to the notice of the Chief Administrative Officer with the compliments of the Chief Commissioner.

AB
A.D. BONHAM-CARTER,
Lt. Colonel,
Civil Affairs Section.

copy furnished Commissioner

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COPY

Rimini, 16 May 45

MUNICIPIO DI RIMINI

Project of evacuation of the Coastal Zone - Rimini-Bellaria.

PETITION

for the revoking of the Order
(Meeting of 16 May 45)

The Giunta Municipale of Rimini, The Presidents of the Committees of Liberation of Rimini and Viserba, the Communal Representatives of Viserba and Bellaria;

Having considered the order of the 14 May 45 of the Provincial Allied Government for the evacuation of the coastal zone of the Comune of Rimini from Rimini to the Northern border of the same Comune, including the populous centres of Viserba, Viacorbella, Torre Pedrera, Igua Marina, Bellaria with more than 25,000 inhabitants, for the most part refugees who have not yet been able to enter the city almost entirely destroyed;

Noticing particularly that the order does not specify either the depth of the coastal zone to be evacuated or the fixed time for the evacuation or the zones where people should be sent or an organised plan for re-establishing the evacuees;

Considering:

That the Allied decision would put into practice for the conquered Germans that plan of evacuation that had been unsuccessful for the armed Germans, thanks to the resistance of the people; - and all this is certainly in contradiction with the humane and political conscience of the Allies;

That the people to be evacuated, who in less than 20 months have been subjected to repeated disastrous uprootings, cannot and must not be obliged to new migrations or subjected to further political and moral tortures after the atrocious torments from which they have suffered;

That the same people who have lost their houses, goods, belongings, through war damages and looting cannot be put in the condition of losing all what they are unable to carry away and which will certainly disappear because of the presence of prisoners and troops, without committing a very great injustice;

That in the zone to be evacuated there live many people who work in Rimini and that their removal, besides driving it to hunger, would paralyze the activity of settlement and reconstruction of the town which has begun just now;

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That from the same zone there comes the production of vegetables for the whole city and for a great part of the neighbouring people; production which will stop after the evacuation;

That the removal of all these people will cause them extremely hard problems and sacrifices, which are in contradiction with the declared purposes of humanity and liberation of the Allies who after examining the particular conditions of Rimini, certainly cannot add sufferings to sufferings and still postpone its relief from its long calvary;

That the people have already shown their determined will, not to comply with the order of evacuation and it will never be possible for either the inhabitants of the Comune or the political parties, or the popular organisations to accept it, but it will be imposed only by main force or with the inevitable consequences of tragic incidents which the Allies certainly do not wish to cause among so many suffering people who want to live in their land, to heal their wounds and to resume normal living;

That the bad hygienic conditions of these people among whom there are still cases of typhoid fever and incipient epidemics, are a danger for the places to where they might be transferred and for the prisoners and the troops who might occupy their houses;

That the distribution of prisoners of war should be more proportionally done in zones less densely populated by civilians, less tried by war, zones which are not lacking in the same Romagna Region (Pinewood of Ravenna, coastal zone from Ravenna to Bocca del Po, Appennines, etc.).

That it is our duty to avoid to the most mutilated Comune of Italy the least material and moral ruin;

MAKE PETITIONS

that the command of VIII Army and the Allied HQ with their sense of humanity, justice and responsibility may revoke the provisions of evacuation of any point of the coastal zone and of the territory of the Comune of Rimini.

FOR THE "GIUNTA MUNICIPALE"
AND THE OTHER CIVIL AUTHORITIES OF THE TOWN
THE SINDACO

THE GENERAL SECRETARY
OF THE COMUNE OF RIMINI.

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CONSEQUENT ITALIAN WORK THAN GREEKS AND SEVERE DAMAGE TO AGRICULTURE AND
EVICTED OF LARGE NUMBERS OF ITALIANS IS TO BE AVOIDED PD GRATEFUL FOR REMOVAL
ON AREA AS SOON AS YOU HAVE MADE RECOGNITION

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SUBJECT: German Surrendered Personnel

FILE No. 6/17B/CA ✓

TO: Executive Commissioner

17 May 1945

Reference Minutes of Conference held at HQ 15 Army Group on 12 May 45 on disposition of Surrendered enemy forces. (2A)

Strongest exception is taken to para 15 a if by this is meant eviction of civilians from existing hospitals.

Shall I prepare a signal to MTOUSA and 1 Dist.

G. R. Urquhart
G. R. URQUHART Brig.
VP OA Section

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HEADQUARTERS OF ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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1730 hrs.
16 May 15

SUBJECT: German POWs.
TO: Executive Commissioner.

Col. Friend-Jones has just telephoned with a message from Brig. Horn re American Army German POWs.

Policy will be to concentrate them at Ghedi, near Brescia. These POW will gradually be withdrawn to form labour units as required until, it is hoped, none will be left at Ghedi. The USITC ceiling will be reduced pro ratio as German POWs are absorbed for work.

British policy not yet decided.

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

Copy to: Economic Section.
Land Forces Sub-Commission.

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14 May 1945

SUBJECT: Minutes of Conference Held at Headquarters 15th Army Group on
Disposition of Surrendered Enemy Forces.

TO: See Distribution.

1. Attached are copies of minutes of a conference held at this Headquarters on 12 May 1945 on the above subject. It is requested that action on each point covered in the conference be taken as indicated in the attached minutes, without further instructions.
2. It is important that surrendered forces be disposed of at an early date. Accordingly, it is requested that prompt action be taken to implement responsibilities accepted at the conference.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL CLARK:

A. N. GRUENTHER
Major General, GSC
Chief of Staff

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Brigadier General, GSC
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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE HELD AT HQ 15 ARMY GROUP

ON 12 MAY 45 ON DISPOSITION OF SURRENDERED ENEMY FORCES

1. PARTICIPANTS.

Presiding - Brig. Gen. R.H. TATE, A.C. of S., G-4, 15th Army Group.

ADJUTANT

- Major Gen. H.M.A. MacLeod, DAG.
Major Gen. H.G. Minto, G-1 (A)
Major Gen. G.B. MacRae, G-4(A)
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2. INTRODUCTION.

a. Brig. Gen. TATZ drew attention to the minutes of the meeting held at BCLAXMA on 7 May 1945, which considered the Final Concentration Area for surrendered enemy forces. These minutes were circulated for preliminary study by all present.

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b. Fifth Army has been charged with responsibility for initial concentration of all surrendered forces of Army Group "C", wef 0001 hours, 13 May 1945. This task was given Fifth Army because the bulk of the surrendered forces is in Fifth Army's sector, and Eighth Army is engaged in occupying VENETIA GULLA and southwestern AUSTRIA.

c. Fifth Army is now engaged in concentrating surrendered forces in initial concentration areas. This task is about completed. It is now necessary to move enemy troops to final concentration areas.

d. Following is estimate of surrendered forces and PW in the area under control of Fifth Army:

Surrendered Personnel

Tenth German Army	34,458
Fourteenth German Army	58,858
Miscellaneous	35,064
In present Eighth Army Zone	<u>5,000</u>
	133,380

Other Categories

PW in Fifth Army Area	33,319
In hospitals (German & Allied)	40,000
Czechs	<u>10,000</u>
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GRAND TOTAL

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c. The 40,000 PW of Eighth Army have now almost completely been evacuated to 1 District. These are largely disorganized and, with the exception of any organized units, will be evacuated to Base on a phased programme to be agreed between AFHQ and 1 District.

ACTION - AFHQ
1 District

d. The principle at b above will be applied to the 33,000 PW held by Fifth Army at MONZA, but MTOUSA are anxious that as many as possible should be treated as surrendered personnel by getting them reorganized into units. MTOUSA agreed to issue a directive on classification.

ACTION - MTOUSA
Fifth Army

e. Personnel in hospitals will be treated as PW but should be returned to organized formations where possible (see a) para 21).

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ACTION - Fifth Army

4. FINAL DISARMAMENT AND DISARMAMENT.

Major General WHITE stated that SHAFF Disbandment Directive No. 1 planned for the early return to Germany of key personnel for industry and agriculture. AFHQ will issue an instruction for registration of such personnel to take place in the Final Concentration Areas. This will not apply to SS or non-German personnel. SHAFF are being informed of our action, but otherwise nothing firm can be stated.

5. SELECTION OF CONCENTRATION AREAS - GERMAN VIEW.

a. Brig. Gen. TATE read for information a memorandum submitted by the German C-in-C Southwest requesting that concentration should take place in the South Tyrol on the principal grounds of:

- (1) Avoidance of move of hospitals.
- (2) Available accommodation.
- (3) Better climate.
- (4) Hostility of PO Valley population.
- (5) Threat of desertion becoming uncontrollable in event of move.

It was decided to ignore this request.

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Only about 3000 Italians are now held. These will be kept separate from Germans and will all be held under US control, but will count against the overall allocation of surrendered forces as between US and British.

ACTION - Fifth Army

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a. DGS will employ some of the Czech Railway battalion on construction work. Limiting factor on employment may be lack of tools.

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- e. AFHQ will issue policy directive on rules of employment, pay, clothing, etc. This will probably be on the same basis as for Italian co-operator units.
- f. There is no policy yet for release and use of other than Czech units, but they should be kept intact.

ACTION - AFHQ
Fifth Army
DRS

8. RESPONSIBILITY OF US AND BRITISH IN FINAL CONCENTRATION AREA.

Agreed this should be on 50-50 basis taking a cross section of all categories as far as possible, except in the case of Italians (see para 6 above).

ACTION - Fifth Army

9. DISPOSITION OF SS AND OTHER SPECIAL CATEGORY PERSONNEL.

a. G-2, 15th Army Group, stated that about 60,000 SS and other Special category personnel were now held, of which approximately 55,000 were SS and a very small proportion Italian. It was agreed that it was most essential that there should be no further delay in evacuating the SS personnel to PW cages out of the Army area.

b. It was agreed that movement would take place approximately as follows:

(1)	To PBS - 14 May	5,000
	15 May	10,000
	16 May	10,000

(2) To 1 District - Commencing 17 May as rapidly as possible at rate of approximately 10,000 per day, dependent on movement facilities and 1 District capacity to accept.

c. GOC 1 District stressed that his ability to accept would depend on his being able to commence building cages immediately on certain sites now occupied by the Air Force. AFHQ agreed that they would press clearance of these sites with MAF as of operational necessity.

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ACTION - AFHQ
Fifth Army
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ACTION - Fifth Army

11. REFORMING SURRENDERED PERSONNEL INTO UNITS PRIOR TO EVACUATION TO FINAL CONCENTRATION AREA.

a. Brig. Gen. TATE stated it had been ruled that:

- (1) In the case of combat troops depleted units could be reorganized so as to make up standard type German units. Details to be worked out with C-in-C Southwest to keep personnel records in order.
- (2) Service units would not be reorganized but would retain their identities. Their strength might, however, be built up by drafting suitable combat personnel.

ACTION - Fifth Army

12. MOVEMENT OF CIVILIANS FROM FINAL CONCENTRATION AREAS.

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a. No evict of civilians to take place except for their own protection and after agreement with AC. In order to avoid delays AC were asked to ensure a reasonable policy would be adopted and that powers of decision on such matters be delegated to Regional Commissioners.

ACTION - 1 District
AC

b. MAS desired to place on record that there was unlikely to be any capacity for movement of civilians by rail.

13. PHASING OF SURRNDERED FORCES INTO FINAL CONCENTRATION AREA.

a. It was agreed that the following priorities should be observed:

- (1) German HQ (probably Corps) with Engineer and Signal Recce parties.
- (2) Engineer units.
- (3) Hospitals and sanitary units.
- (4) Essential Service troops.
- (5) Remainder of Force.

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ACTION - Fifth Army
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c. Fifth Army will furnish escorts. 1 District and US HQ will be responsible for their prompt return. Fifth Army will ensure adequate feeding arrangements made for escort going to 1 District.

d. Disarmament will be completed by 1 District and US Headquarters before entering into the Final Concentration Areas.

ACTION - 15th Army Group
Fifth Army
1 District
MTCUSA

15. USE OF BUILDINGS BY SURRENDERED FORCES IN FINAL CONCENTRATION AREA.

a. No eviction of civilians for surrendered forces except for hospitals.

- b. Any vacant buildings or buildings becoming vacant as a result of movement of tenants out of the area may be used.
- c. Any buildings previously requisitioned by the Allies and not yet derequisitioned may be used.
- d. Otherwise German or Allied tents or improvised shelters must be used.

ACTION - 1 District
ATCUSA

16. DISPOSITION OF SURRENDERED GERMAN OFFICERS.

Fifth Army or other Headquarters concerned will furnish AFHQ with a list of names and appointments of officers of the rank of Colonel and above. AFHQ will decide disposition and issue necessary instructions.

ACTION - Fifth Army
AFHQ

17. PAYMENT OF GERMAN TROOPS, LOCAL PURCHASE BY SURRENDERED FORCES.

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ACTION - AFHQ

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AFHQ stated this project was now dead, and no further action was required.

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a. It was agreed on MES recommendation that German Railway Battalions as required should be employed on an organized basis on the Berlin to Route. MES would be responsible for their technical employment and Fifth Army for their maintenance and for guards.

b. It was agreed that units so employed would count against the overall US allocation of surrendered personnel.

c. CSO, 15th Army Group, stated there would be a requirement for employment of certain signal construction units under CSO L of C. It was agreed that if possible these should not be brought into the Final Concentration Area, but would be counted against the British allocation and be a British commitment. CSO undertook to give further details of the units required.

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d. It was agreed that Mine Clearing personnel and equipment should be divided equally between British and US.

ACTION - Fifth Army
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20. DISPOSITION OF SURRENDERED FORCES IN PRESENT EIGHTH ARMY ZONES OF ACTION.

Eighth Army are holding some 40,000 Germans and 60,000 Cossacks, of which latter 20,000 are women and children, in their present Zone of Action. CAO has been informed and has stated that AFHQ will issue a policy decision on disposal. Meanwhile Eighth Army will be responsible for maintenance of these personnel.

ACTION - AFHQ
Eighth Army

FINAL CONCENTRATION AREA (US)

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b. Responsibility for the administration and guarding of German personnel is being withdrawn from the Provost Marshal General of MTCUSA and is being placed in the hands of General BOLFE, US 34th Div's on Commander. General BOLFE's responsibilities will be two fold. One: To continue control, classification and the formation of required units from German PW and surrendered personnel.

c. It was emphasized that classification of German personnel by civilian occupation must proceed as rapidly as possible. General MCARNEY has directed that conversion of the units must not require longer than six weeks. This time limitation is necessary in order that staging areas at P&S can be cleared for redeployment of troops. Some 90,000 German personnel must be provided for by that time in order to clear these staging areas. The German personnel will take over the equipment and the accommodation now being utilized by the Italian units. When the conversion of an Italian unit has been accomplished so that the personnel can be released, the organization which now has operational control of such a unit will report this fact to G-3, A&HQ, for disposition of the Italian personnel. German personnel will not be used to release Italian civilian personnel. Also it is considered impracticable to work the Germans along-side Italian civilians.

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d. The surrendered personnel may be used on any type of work including clearing of mines, after the proper training and the provision of equipment. For the present, German personnel classified as PWs can only be used on work as provided by the Geneva Convention. Within these limitations General MACGRUDER pointed out that maximum use of the German personnel could be used for units to be redeployed. He cautioned about the use of German personnel in maintenance units at the moment, inasmuch as the maintenance program is critical and it is desired that nothing be done which would retard the progress of the present program.

e. It was announced that the technical service regiments would remain at present under the command of PBS and Fifth Army for the control of the Italian PW and military units which remain, and, for the German units, which are formed.

f. Under this program no change is contemplated in the present instructions for the disposition of enemy captured materials.

ACTION - MTOUSA
Fifth Army
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TO:

Vice President, C.A. Section, H.Q., A.C.

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For the Director.

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NOTES ON CONFERENCE held at BOLIGNA on 7 MAY 45, TO CONSIDER
FINAL CONCENTRATION AREA FOR SURRENDERED ENEMY FORCES

PRESENCE:

Presiding - Brig-Gen R.H. TATE AG of S, G-4, HQ 15 Army Gr.

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Col R.J. O'NEILL	G-4, HQ Fifth Army
Col R.E. LA DUE	G-3 Section, HQ Fifth Army
Major J.H. KEDRON	Brig HQ Fifth Army
Brig G.F.H. STANLEY	DA & QMG, HQ Eighth Army
Capt REDLICK	SO III Works, 17 ACE, Eighth Army
Brig WOOD	Demilitarization, Commissioner att. Eighth Army

Col JACOBRE	do.
Major-Gen G.A. HEDDERGAN	GOC No. 1 District.
Col J.T. RIDGLEY	DA & WAG, No. 1 District
Lt-Col R.R. HUNT	Q(Maint), AFHQ
Major T.C.B. NEOLLE	Log Plans, AFHQ
Lt-Col A.S. HARRISON	G-1 British, AFHQ
Lt-Col D.L.L. REATH	Inspector of PW, AFHQ
Lt-Col A.H. MILLER	AFHQ (TFCO)
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PW Section, AMHQ
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 - (a) Areas must cover long term requirements with which disposal policy of surrendered forces and Allied redeployment were bound up.
 - (b) Maintenance of surrendered forces and guarding troops must be made easy as possible, to conform with communications, transport and services troops to be available in the future.
 - (c) Undue disturbance to agriculture and civil population should be avoided.

PRESENT POSITION

4. It was estimated that in all some 275,000 surrendered troops were due to be accommodated. At the present moment, the bulk of these were either held or being initially concentrated by Fifth Army. At present the maximum liability of Eighth Army was some 5,000 enemy troops now in contact with our forward elements plus some 40,000 who were captured prior to the surrender. Since the Army policy was to distribute surrendered forces approximately equally between US and British Armies, it could be reckoned for planning purposes that each nation would finally have some 150,000 to handle. Since Fifth Army's present hold about 90 per cent of the total commitment, there would have to be a switch to either Eighth Army or 1 District.

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EIGHTH ARMY VIEW

based on present conditions and the opening of VENICE for maintenance, it was considered that the area between TREVISO and BELLUNO was the most suitable, since maintenance would be easy, it was not highly cultivated, was close to the German hospital area of CORTINA and SAN VITO and water supply was adequate. An alternative was Area A in the CATELFRANCO - FADUA - VIGNAZ area. Should a large number of army personnel from Fifth Army to Eighth Army take place, Eighth Army, in view of their present commitments, would not be able to handle the problem and it must revert to 1 District.

FIFTH ARMY VIEW

Initial Concentration Area was no problem, but a split between Armon would be necessary. A final Concentration Area either in the foot-hills SOUTH of LAKE GARDA or AREA CATELFRANCO - GORGO - AQUEDRA - ASOLA, was suitable. In the latter case there was the agriculture and population difficulty. Further, both areas were a considerable distance from MEDENA. There was the question of the 30 bridge bottleneck, but provided PEG could assist in maintenance, it was considered either area would offer good facilities from the American point of view.

1 DISTRICT VIEW

The original area in the vicinity of BOLIGNA was unsuitable because:

- (a) it was densely populated,
- (b) it was undoubtedly the best agricultural area in NORTH ITALY,
- (c) flooding in the area has created a potential malaria problem
- (d) its guard problem was considerable.

Commander 1 District considered it was essential to evacuate civilians since it was almost certain that innumerable serious problems between surrendered forces and the Italian population were certain to arise. For these reasons he considered it was essential to find an area which was not thickly populated or richly cultivated. He had done a preliminary reconnaissance of the area -

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This area had been extensively fought over, was very thinly populated and poor agriculturally. It was well served by railroads, Engineer stores were already accumulated in HUMILI and more were available at ALBARE, and the disturbance to the civilian population would be of the minimum. Evacuation of the latter however, would have to be undertaken. Guarding problems would be considerably reduced because the proposed area was bounded by the sea on one side. A large hospital

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- (c) flooding in the area has created a potential malaria problem
- (d) its gnat problem was considerable.

Commander 1 District considered it was essential to evacuate civilians since it was almost certain that innumerable serious problems between surrendered forces and the Italian population were certain to arise. For these reasons he considered it was essential to find an area which was not thickly populated or richly cultivated. He had done a preliminary reconnaissance of the area -

CERVIA - RIVINI - CERVIA

This area had been extensively fought over, was very thinly populated and poor agriculturally. It was well served by railroads, Engineer stores were already accumulated in RIVINI and more were available at CERVIA, and the disturbance to the civilian population would be at the minimum. Evacuation of the latter however, would have to be undertaken. Guarding problems would be considerably reduced because the exposed area was bounded by the sea on one side. Ample hospital facilities would be made available in adjoining towns, and in general, the area was suitable in every way.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

9. General discussion ensued as resulting from the views of both the Armies and 1 District. The main problems involved in the 1 District proposal were:

- (a) The problem of moving a large number of surrendered personnel from the initial Concentration Areas down to the CERVIA area.
- (b) The necessary bridging and road work in the area.
- (c) The problem of maintenance of the American sector should the surrendered forces in Fifth Army's charge be moved to the area.

10. So far as the move was concerned, it was accepted that this must be faced and that a plan would have to be made for the movement of personnel to the area, either by road or rail, or a combination of both.

The necessary Engineer work would have to be undertaken in any event, and since Engineer stores and facilities are close at hand, it was considered that this point could be satisfactorily covered, utilizing surrendered forces.

So far as maintenance of the US sector was concerned, it was suggested that Adriatic Base Command could undertake this work, especially in view of the fact that the line from FOZZIA to ARDORA was now in reach of completion. Fifth Army registered that Commander Fifth Army would have to be approached with a view to transferring the American commitment to the CERVIA sector, but provided Adriatic Base Command could undertake the maintenance and sufficient service troops were made available from Fifth Army resources, it was thought that this problem could be satisfactorily solved.

CONCLUSION

Taking into account all factors, it was agreed by all concerned, subject to the necessary provision mentioned in paragraph above, that the CERVIA area was the most satisfactory from all points of view, and it was agreed by the representatives of AMHQ present at the meeting, that this recommendation should be passed to higher authority at that HQ, without delay. On receipt of the AMHQ decision, and providing CERVIA area was accepted, the necessary recommendations would be set in motion and plans made for the rapid movement of:

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AGENDA FOR MEETING 12 MAY 1945 REFERENCE

DISPOSITION SURRENDERED ENEMY FORCES

1. Fifth Army has been charged with responsibility for initial concentration of all surrendered forces of Army Group "C", effective 0001 hours, 13 May, 1945. This task was given Fifth Army because the bulk of the surrendered force is in Fifth Army's sector and Eighth Army is engaged in occupying VENEZIA GUILLIA and South western AUSTRIA.

2. Fifth Army is now engaged in concentrating surrendered forces in initial concentration areas. This task is about completed. It is now necessary to move enemy troops to final concentration areas.

3. Following is estimate of surrendered forces and general locations thereof :

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Others	35,064
8 ARMY	5,000
TOTAL	123,380
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5. Points for discussion and decisions required thereon : 1771
a. Status of enemy personnel; i.e., POW or surrendered (AFHQ action in the case of 40,000 held by Eighth Army).

DECISION.

- Individuals whose status cannot be classified will be considered as PW, otherwise surrendered personnel.
Those in hospital treated as PW on release if belonging to a unit return as surrendered personnel.
- AFHQ statement of policy reference final disarmament and disbandment of surrendered forces, to include responsibilities therefor.

DECISION.

S.S. to be returned to Concentration Area first.
Italians and Germans to be kept separate
Italians left believed to be only 3,000.

2880

- c. (1) Separation of Italians and Germans.

DECISION

Separation essential.

- c (11) Employment on a voluntary basis of CZECH, AUSTRIAN and other such troops.

DECISION.

1,700 Czech Rly Troops to be used for work and treated as surrendered personnel.

- d. Responsibilities of U.S. and British for surrendered forces in final concentration areas.

DECISION

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As previously made.

(Colonel N. Montfort's letter G-5/3/59 dated 7 May, 1945 to
Executive Commissioner refers. Subject : Concentration of
surrendered German Forces.)

h. Movement of civilians from areas selected.

DECISION.

Decision of C.A.O., A.F.H.Q. which is binding :-

"No civilians to be moved except for their own protection, and with
agreement of A.C. Desirable that A.C. delegate final authority to Regional
Commissioners in order to expedite action". Requisitioned buildings at present
occupied by Allied Forces are available for enemy personnel. Regional Commission-
ers to decide questions at issue with No. 1 District. Cases NOT to be referred
to ROME.

Movements Rail desired that it be placed on record "that there are no
rail facilities for moving civilians".

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After the meeting Major General Heydeman asked that a small Commission on lines of a CLAIMS Commission be set up at once to work with No. 1 District regarding the Concentration area. R.C. representatives, Agriculture, etc.

- i. U.S. Headquarters responsible for supervision of final concentration areas.

DECISION.

Under discussion.

- j. Reforming surrendered forces into units prior to movement into final concentration areas.

DECISION.

Difficulty of registration and identification of individuals if new units are formed does not make this practical.

- k. Phasing of forces into final concentration areas (U.S. and British)

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- (2) Engineer Troops.
- (3) Hospitals and sanitary detachments.
- (4) Essential service troops.
- (5) Remainder of force.

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DECISION

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- m. Use of buildings in view of short supply of enemy tentage.

DECISION.

No eviction of Italians for surrendered forces except for hospitals. Except requisitioned buildings which have not been derequisitioned and vacant buildings. All other accommodation - GERMAN or Allied tentage or improvised shelter.

- n. Disposition of Senior German Officers (US and British)

DECISION.

War Criminals, nominal roll of high ranking officers to be submitted to AFHQ. Formation H.Q.'s as required will be used for administration of enemy personnel.

- o. Payment of German troops.

DECISION

Book credits, not to use lire with no backing. Reply from AFHQ awaited regarding policy.

p. Local purchase by surrendered personnel.

DECISION.

In final surrender area no local purchase. Under consideration setting up in area shops for small local purchase. AFHQ to settle question what can be purchased.

q. Plan for turning over 25,000 POW from US to British control.

DECISION.

Under consideration.

r. Employment of German Railway battalions in reconstruction of priority rail lines.

DECISION.

12 Railway Construction Bns. and 4,000 labourers. Employment depends on tools, etc. Being considered.

s. Disposition of surrendered forces in present Eighth Army Zone of action.

DECISION.

9 May in Austria 8 Army have :-

40,000 Prussians.

50,000 Russians of which 22,000 are Cossacks.

Disposition under consideration.

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