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TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS
APR. 1944 - JULY 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
APO 394

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Ref: 9/3.1/0A

19 July 45

Dear

Major Mc Naughton-Wright (room 47 in 5th floor annex H & A C building) would like to see you next Monday 23 July 45 between 0900 hrs and 1200 hrs.

Brigadier Upjohn has already spoken to Major Wright about you, and has arranged that you will call and see him anytime between the above mentioned hours. If you cannot call at the time arranged, would you please get in touch with Major Wright, his telephone number is 489081 ext: 391.

Yours

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J.C. HUNTER Jmr/Cdr:
PA to VP CA Section.

Mr Piero Bellini,
Via Monte Parioli 12
R O M E .

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

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Ref: D.O. 9/3.1A/CA.

1 Jul 45

Dear

Thank you for your letter dated 30 June 1945.

I am so glad to have news of my good friend Major Godfrey-East. I am very sorry that each time you called I have been away from my office or have not been able to see you.

Could you please come to see me on Wednesday at 12 o'clock when you can tell me more news of Major Godfrey-East and also discuss the other matter you mention.

Yours

(Signature)

Mr. Piero Bellini,
Via Monte Parioli 12,
R O M E.

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To Brig. General Upjohn
A.C. Commission.

Rome

via Monte Mario 12

June 30th 1945

30 GIU. 1945

Sir,

I called at your Office several times but I wasn't lucky as you were either absent for duty or very busy. Neither can I ring up to you as my telephone has been taken by the Allies.

Major Geoffrey East, assistant commander on board the M.T.H.C., in charge of the Italian P.W., before disembarking us at Suez, handed me your address asking of me to report to you when back in Rome.

I was liaison Officer on board; as such I have been employed three years by E.A.C., and for one year I had a special job at ADPW. HQ Nairobi.

My knowledge of languages, of the British ways of dealing & living, my feelings, my experience technical and of business, might be favourably ²³⁵⁸utilized by the Allies, here or anywhere.

For this and what above you will greatly oblige me could you give me a few minutes of your time

Yours Sincerely
Piero Bellini

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From Brig. G.R. Upjohn.
VR CA Section HQ AG

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Ref: D.O. 9/3.1A/CA.

17 July 1945

Dear

This is to confirm my telephone conversation with you this morning. I hope to arrive in Padua on Sunday, 22 July 45 and stay the night there.

My plan is then to leave for Belluno on Monday, spending one night there and then leaving for Bolzano on Tuesday morning.

Would you please be good enough to let Colonel Farren and Lt. Colonel MacBratney know my plans and also ask them if they would be kind enough to arrange accommodation for Junior Commander Harvey and myself.

I am looking forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Yours

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Brigadier J.K. Dunlop, O.B.E., M.C., T.D.,
Regional Commissioner,
VENETIAN Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

MEMORANDUM

Ref: 9/3.1A/CA.

7 July 1945

SUBJECT: Count Phillip GAUFFIER.

TO: Chief Commissioner.

- 1 This is entirely an Italian matter and I can give no other advice that that you should make no representations in favour of this man.
- 2 All members of the Special Tribunal, of which he was a member at one time, are now held in prison by the Italian Government.

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

Can we not advise on the desirability of bringing early charges. Or is our own record too similar?

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cc

No action

(Signature)

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STATEMENT.

GAUTTIERI. CC/530

Count Phillip Gauttieri, General of a Division, in the Regular Army.
Officer of the National Voluntary Militia of N. Defense. Doctor of Law.
Knight of St John (Jerusalem (Malta)). Served on active service in World War One, with the Allied Forces.

Married to Anglo) Saxon Mary Moss Johnson.

One son Giorgio is secret chamberlain to the Pope.

General Gauttieri with complete lack of evidence of any guilt, was arrested 25th August 1944, on the authority of the self appointed so-called High Commission for punishing Fascist Crimes, under Count Sforza of the Foreign Office, who incidentally was an absentee for over 20 years. He ended into an overcrowded common criminal prison of Regina Coeli, where rioting burning and sacking have repeatedly been taking place, lying on verminous straw, on stone floors, in the foulest conditions, since nearly a whole year, with a family dependent upon him, with no other charge brought against him, other than having served no less than twelve years ago on the Special Tribunal. This charge is in itself, according to all Codes of civilised countries, being retroactive is in itself a judicial abnormality. Further illegality being, that this Special Tribunal on which Gauttieri served twelve years ago, was a properly constituted court of law, not an arbitrary court, but a legitimate organ of the State, whose proceedings were regulated by the military penal code, and the Code of penal Military procedure, voted by universal suffrage, in 1926, appointed by act of parliament, ratified by Royal Decree. The sentences being given out in the King's name. That same king, whose son now first lieutenant of the State is ratifying the present decree! Can this possibly be considered legal?

The fact of being a volunteer in the National Militia for the Defense did not necessarily imply voluntary action as regards the Special Tribunal, whose members were subordinate to military regulations of discipline. Badoglio at the time of 'Armistice' had raised the militia to military standing, whereas now it is deprived of even its pensions.

As far as Count Gauttieri is concerned, he has never taken part in important political cases, nor issued a death sentence. He once refused to assist at a case which in all probability would have ended in a death sentence. He was fully aware of his responsibilities, and endeavoured to conscientiously discharge his task with humane comprehension.

He has acted primarily ~~not~~ not as politician, but as soldier.

He did not assist at the 'march on Rome' nor was he what is called a 'Squadrista' nor a 'sciarpas del Littoria.' It can with truth be said of him that he served his country notwithstanding its government, and when after 23 July 43, the two shades of opinion severed, he acted in his country's interest at the expense of the 'Regime'.

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He was 'shadowed' by the German & Italian S.S. during the occupation as a possible suspect. Instead of going north he remained at his post, confident in the fact of having done his duty to his own conscience as to his country. Signed by his wife: Frances Johnson Moss Gauttieri.

Signature: *Frances Johnson Moss Gauttieri*

Date:

Address:
Tel. No.: 55 604

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

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APO 394

Ref: D.O. 9/3.1A/OA.

11 July 1945

Dear

It has been decided by the Chief Commissioner to recommend to AFHQ that the Comune of Naples be returned to the Italian Government as on the 1 August 45.

My own view is that this proposal will meet with very strong opposition from the military and that it has very little chance of success. On the other hand, it is better to let it go forward this month so that it will have that much better chance of success if it is decided to put it up again at the end of August.

Yours

Colonel J.A.C. Pennycook, D.S.O.,
A.M.G. Zone Commissioner,
NAPLES.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.
VP CA Section.

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Big. Upjohn -
Brought to me
by the wife -
Br. born!

Any time we
can do to help
her?

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STATEMENT

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Signed by his wife: Frances Johnson Moss Gauttieri.

Date.

Address: Via Mouserrato, 61

Tel.No.: 55604

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From: Brig. G.R. UPJOHN
VP OA Section, HJ/AG

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APC 394

Ref: D.O. 9/3.1A/OA ✓

5 July 1945

Dear

I was informed by Ernest De Wald this morning that Colonel Parkin has put his efficiency rating at 40.1 - Excellent. I am bound to say that I regard this as little short of scandalous.

De Wald's work has, as I am sure you will agree, been absolutely outstanding and the results which have been achieved by his Sub-Commission quite remarkable.

As the immediate senior officer of De Wald and one who knows most of his work I should have thought that Colonel Parkin would have consulted me over his rating before making any decision himself.

I must request you to take this up with Colonel Parkin and see that De Wald receives a rating in conformity with his merit. I feel most strongly about this and am prepared, if necessary, to take the matter up with the Chief Commissioner.

Will you please let me hear from you hereon as soon as possible.

Yours

Colonel N.E. FISKE
Establishment Section,
Allied Commission

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From: Brigadier J.K. Dunlop, OBE, MC, TD

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

8 June, 1945.

Dear General.

Referring to your letter of *11 GIU. 1945*

I have made enquiries and have found out that the son of Count Bellazzi is not in fact employed with Verona Province.

Yours faithfully,
John Upjohn

Brigadier G.R. Upjohn
Vice President Civil Affairs Section
Headquarters
Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 9/3.1A/CA.

26 Jun 45

SUBJECT: Travel Orders.

TO: Colonel C.B. Findlay,
Director,
Displaced Persons & Repatriation S/C.

- 1 Your request for Travel Orders dated 26 June 45 to visit SHARF (Main) and such other points as duties may direct, has been signed to cover 8 days from the 28 June.
- 2 The VP instructs me to point out that he wishes you to return to this Headquarters directly you have completed your work at Frankfurt. I understand that you are likely to finish there within 6 days. The Orders, however, have been left to cover the extra 2 days in case of some unavoidable delay.

By Order of the Vice President.


A.D. BONHAM-CARTER,
Lt. Colonel,
CSO CA Section.

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

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Ref: D.O. 9/3.1A/CA.

11 June 1945.

Dear

Just a note to let you know I have not forgotten you.

The Allied Commission Austria have been in touch with AFHQ over absorbing you into that Commission but apparently the trouble is that owing to various uncertainties as to their future, they are not taking on any more personnel at the moment, even to bring them up to their War Establishment.

There is a possibility that their Political Section may be able to use your services but as the Head of that section is away for some time, nothing further can be done at the moment.

I think probably your best chances are to apply to join the German Control Commission where I believe there is still a shortage.

I hear you are doing a terrific job at Bari. Come and see me when you are next in Rome.

Yours

Major Sir Philip Magnus, Ret.,
No. 1 Transit Camp (Refugees),
D.P. & R. S/C,
BARI.

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

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D.O. 9/9.1A/CA.

6th June 1945.

Dear

Colonel Findley has informed me that the Italian Red Cross, with the approval of the International Red Cross, is proposing to set up a Section to give legal advice and assistance to aliens and stateless persons.

While the Allied Commission is not directly concerned in the matter it welcomes the creation of any body, duly constituted in accordance with Italian law, which undertakes such a task, which is of especial importance in the difficult circumstances that will inevitably arise after the war.

Yours

gpm

Marchese Ugo TREBOLDI
The Secretary General of the
Italian Red Cross.
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Copy to: Displaced Persons S/C
(Attn. Col. Findley.)

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DO9/3.1A/CA

19th May 1945

Dear

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Your letter of 17th May 45 reached Brigadier Upjohn just as he was leaving for the North and he asked me to reply to it.

He entirely agrees with what you say and is very glad to learn that you have no intention of modifying the existing order regarding civilian restaurants.

Yours sincerely,

AB

Brigadier A. Low, CBE, MC.,
Headquarters,
Rome Area Allied Command,
ROME.

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MAIL CALL

APPEAL

Dear Editor:

As you know, all public places in Rome expect the bars must have at the entrance the black cross sign that means Allied Soldiers on leave in Rome are not allowed to enter "out of bound" and "off limits".

Now it happens that at 7:00 PM all bars are closed and the Allied soldiers don't know where to go to spend the evening. Those who are more obedient to rules go to the clubs and places of entertainment established for them. But many others want to have their dinner at civilian restaurants which at that time are in full activity. They ask for wine and food and absolutely demand to be served.

The owner, obedient to the RAAC rules, refuses and telephones to the nearest police station. Meanwhile, these soldiers very often lose their temper.

We feel the greatest and sincerest sympathy for the Allied soldiers and our constant wish is to get their esteem, yet it causes us a great deal of pain to see that they believe we are not inclined to hospitality.

Now with the end of the war, it is really to be hoped that this situation can change.

We heartily beg the authorities to examine this matter and find a new arrangement so that the Allied soldiers on leave in Rome may go where they like and put a stop to these sorrowful goings-on.

— The Bar and Restaurants Association in Rome.

Grew revealed today.

He said the amount sent to Russia for the duration of the United Nations' mutual aid program would depend on "the essential nature of Soviet military requirements and compelling demands of other Lend-Lease

helps." Grew's statement was a partial clarification of an announcement Saturday night by Foreign Economic Administrator Leo T. Grew of the suspension of new Lend-Lease shipments to Europe except to countries fighting Japan, or to countries where Lend-Lease would facilitate the redeployment of the American armed forces. Grew said the Russian situation is a part of the entire Lend-Lease program which will be "adjusted immediately" in light of Germany's capitulation.

He noted that Russia's share in Lend-Lease has been provided in our separate one-year protocols with the U. S., Britain and Canada. The current protocol expires June 30.

Grew said redeployment of American troops in Europe "almost certainly" will require additional Lend-Lease shipments, and commented that President Truman can decide that Lend-Lease "must continue to move to Europe for an additional period because the prosecution of the war requires it."

Grew pointed out that the Lend-Lease act, while it gives the Chief Executive broad powers, "shall not be construed to authorize President Truman to enter into or carry out an agreement for postwar relief, postwar rehabilitation or postwar reconstruction."

Recently concluded agreements with France, Belgium and The Netherlands provide that the U. S. may require payment for supplies which are furnished these countries but are deemed "no longer necessary to the prosecution of the

Headquarters,
Rome Area Allied Command

DO/FERS/120

17th May 1945

18 May 1945

Dear

W. F. S. S.

You may or may not have seen the enclosed, which appeared yesterday in S. & S.

As you will recall, the order at present in force putting all civilian restaurants out of bounds to all ranks of the Allied Forces was instituted last November with the agreement - and I believe largely at the instance - of Allied Commission. It had a dual object:

- (i) to reserve stocks of Italian food for the population of Italy.
- (ii) to protect Allied troops from the outrageous prices then being charged.

I believe the order was a right one, that it is being fairly generally observed and enforced, and that it has fairly succeeded in its objects.

I question whether the Bar and Restaurants Association is really actuated by high motives in writing this letter. I have heard that the prices in civilian restaurants are now falling, and it seems possible that to open them to Allied troops would cause them to rise again. They seem to have missed the point that the cessation of hostilities has not at once removed all troubles of food shortage, etc.

I have discussed it with General Brown, and we have agreed that we have no intention whatever of modifying the existing order at present, since we believe it to be in the interests of the population and to impose no hardship on troops.

Yours *Sincerely,*

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Yours

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Atkins

To: Brigadier G.R. UPJOHN,
C.A. Sub-Commission,
H.Q. Allied Commission,
ROME.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AND
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: D.O. 9/3.1/CA.

14 Apr 45.

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

TO: See Distribution below.

Further to this Section's letters 9/3.1/AS dated 12 Feb 45 and
4/15/CA dated 17 Mar 45.

- 1 In order to comply with the Executive Commissioner's letter, reference:
150/26/SC, dated 15 Mar 45, will Sub-Commissions please render a short
weekly report to reach this office by 1800 hrs each Tuesday (instead of
Wednesday morning). Heads of Sub-Commissions' attention is drawn to the
Executive Commissioner's letter, reference above, as it is felt no Sub-
Commission should render a nil return.
- 2 To enable the Vice President to send out an interesting, concise report
to Regional Commissioners and Allies, on the work of the Civil Affairs Section,
Sub-Commissions will render weekly, on a Wednesday morning (instead of Tuesday)
a short, interesting, light précis of the result of any discussions they
may have had with the Italian Government during the preceding week, or any
other points of interest arising out of their work. These reports are
compiled into a D.O. Letter, and are also sent to Public Relations Officer,
who uses these reports for information in the AC Weekly Bulletin.

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A.P. BISHAM-CARTER, Lt. Col.,
GSO CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

ADO 304

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

9/3.1/45.

22 January 45.

D O W.

Dear

Not a great deal to report recently. The new Government seems to be settling down and my principal headaches have been in connection with the desperately bad distribution of medical supplies by EMBLERS, the C.C.M.R. ceiling and Patriots. Lt. Col. Craig, by the way, has succeeded Col. Spicer as head of the Patriots Branch.

EPURATION

Seccombeiro has been succeeded by Orieco who has himself lived in Suisse for three years. He appears to be a quiet, but, for an Italian, fairly vigorous man and I hope he will get on with the work quickly.

I am aware that there has been great delay in setting up Provincial Commissions but the High Commissioner has been concentrating on emuration of the Grade 1 - 4 men and has quite rightly put provincial commissions second. Now that the epuration of Grades 1 - 4 is drawing to a conclusion, Orieco is going to set up provincial commissions as soon as he can.

DEVALUATION ARMS.

Prince Doris has set up a committee of influential persons in Rome and they have been very successful in collecting 1600 blankets in Rome and other supplies during the first ten days of the drive.

5 Army AG have also been very co-operative in letting us have blankets from Porto and I hope the worst rigours of the winter will be avoided.

MAINE CLEARANCE.

Progress continues to be made in spite of difficult weather conditions. An interesting development is reported by Lazio Region in the form of a kind of plough with flails. A demonstration is to take place shortly. The principle of the machine is based on the type of plough hauled by cable between two steam engines. It is reported that during the experimental

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Notes from Individual Sub-Commissions are as follows:

PUBLIC HEALTH

The chief of the Welfare Branch, (Lt. Col. MacSweeney) was located for a few days to the National Relief for Italy Inc. for the purpose of directing the receipt, warehousing and transportation of several hundred tons of clothing and supplies from America for distribution in the devastated areas of Italy.

No more hog cholera vaccine will be imported from the United States as plans have been completed for requirements of this vaccine to be produced locally.

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Brig. Parkinson and myself took H. A. Dott, G. Solisano, Director of Public Health Department, Ministry of the Interior, and Dott. Vespono, Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of the Interior, severely to task for the feelings of *malizia* principally in Toscana and Rome and as the result of plans then agreed it is hoped that there will be an improvement in the delivery of Allied drugs to the Italian people.

100,000 doses of Mumps vaccine have been turned over to the Italian Government.

As a result of a conference between representatives of KDSI and *Red Cross* American Relief for Italy Inc. it is hoped that much needed clothing and other supplies will be made available for distribution in Sicily at an early date.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The position of the appointment of a Sindaco of Naples has been settled satisfactorily by the acceptance of Parvitalio who assumed office with a constituted Giunta on 8 Jan 45.

The Sub-Commission is now awaiting the formal submission, provided by the Italian Government, of names of Italian officials for the north. The Ministry of the Interior have already nominated 19 consiliari for this purpose to be used as Vice Prefects Inspector.

Approval was given for the substitution of the Prefect of Trent by Dott. Rinaldo Biancamano. The change was urgent as trouble had arisen in the province and the Prefect had proved inefficient.

Two officers have visited the provinces of Trento and Sondrio to review and advise on the organization of local government. From their reports it appears that the Giunta Provinciale Administrative has been formed but lacked a number of civilian members. No deputations Provinciali

had yet been constituted but names had been submitted and were being considered. There were Giunta Commune in all communes and these were functioning well. Certain appointments of Sindaci were being reviewed and there was a shortage of Segretario Comunale.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The disorders in Sicily in protest against the unfairness of the call-up caused somewhat quieter although hardly under complete control. It is felt further disorders can be anticipated.

ARMED have not agreed to the formation of Mobile Battalions of CC,RR. Transport for the Battalions at Palermo and Messina has been made available from the Italian Army and consists of 24 3-ton trucks and 24 Armoured vehicles. The operation of these two Mobile Battalions, each of 500 men should do much to control public order in Sicily.

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A bid has been made to the War JC Priorities Board for clothing **2337** boots in respect of all civil police agencies.

Some concern has been expressed at an increase of forged Allied Military currency in Toscana Region and Florence Province. Public Safety Officers there are alive to the situation and a recent case investigated by officers at Siena and Rome resulted in some important arrests and confiscation of forging plant and forged notes. Negotiations are proceeding with ASA respecting the reporting of these cases and disposal of forged notes that have been recovered from the circulators.

Applications have been received from French industrialists to enter Italy. After consultation with Economic and Political Sections, ARHQ have been advised not to permit their entry for the time being.

HIGHLIGHT: PERSONS AND RE-ENTRY

The imminent loss of Cassino Italian Refugee Camp, at the end of this month, due to the Italian Ministry of War having to re-occupy the camp for essential training will make conditions in Rome for refugees more difficult as 1,200 refugees will have to be accommodated in already crowded camps. It is hoped that the new camp at Aurelia (near Rome) will be completed by the beginning of February.

A system has been inaugurated on trains coming from the north to Rome whereby blankets are supplied to refugees. These blankets are collected at Trastevere Station, held there for transportation to Cine Citta where they will be distributed and prepared for assignment to foreign camps.

Due to the resumption of civilian train services between Rome and Naples, refugees for repatriation to Sicily and Southern Regions (these numbers are diminishing noticeably) may be repatriated normally by regular civilian trains thus partly solving the problem of scheduling special trains.

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LEGAL

The following major points of interest have been discussed during the last few days:

- (a) Completion of operation proceedings against judicial personnel in MS territory.
- (b) Reclaiming retired judges into service and recruitment of new judges.
- (c) Circulars to be issued by the Ministry of Justice on the proper use of the power of arrest in cases involving Allied interests and on trials of prostitution cases.

Yours sincerely, *SRA*

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 294
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 9/3.1/MS ✓
D.O. 16.

30 Dec 44.

Dear

I have just returned from a brief visit to London, mainly in connection with Austria Planning. They have some weird and wonderful ideas and of course know much more than those who have had some practical experience.

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The 'spoils' of Junior Officials for service in the northern provinces, consisting of (1) Vice Prefects (Vicepre) and Vice Prefects (discretors), (2) Consiglieri and Segretari, and (3) 'Ragionieri' is being reactivated. The purpose of the pool is to ensure that there will be sufficient of the required officials to fill his in order to cover the first demands in newly liberated provinces.

In a certain province a Prefect wished to change his Vice Prefect, who is a non-communist official nominated by the C.N. The only reason for desiring a change appears to be that the Vice-Prefect belongs to a political party which is not now represented in the Government. We feel that if an official is competent, co-operative and loyal to the Prefect, and if his holding office does not interfere with the good administration of the province, the fact that he belongs to a particular party does not appear to be a sufficient reason to remove the official.

PATRIOTS BRANCH

Although the Patriot problem remains somewhat acute, progress has been made from the point of view of supplies. ALC V Army have received orders in the process of collection.

2,000 Overcoats	2,000 Sweaters	2,500 pairs of Socks
2,500 Shirts	2,500 Trousers	1,000 two-man kitchen tents
		and a quantity of camp equipment.

The Patriot Reception Point originally located at LXXX has been moved to XXXXX and the advanced Battalion in XXXXX has been closed.

A recruiting agency formed of 2 Officers, 2 WOs and 3 NAs was despatched on 18 Dec 44 to Sicily with the request of Land Forces Sub-Commission. It is at present working in XXXX. It is exceedingly difficult to absorb the Patriots, partly because they will not accept work in labour camps unless they receive a better ration than that which is at present authorized. It is believed that our application to ARHQ, requesting the authority to ration, clothes and hospitalize patriots from military services will be successful but we are awaiting formal confirmation.

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- (iv) that the Armistice terms have not been made public,
- (v) that young men called up refuse to abandon their families to starvation,
- (vi) that the call-up should not have coincided with the Christmas festivities.

So much for the desire of the Italians to play a bigger part in the war effort!

The CC.M. and Fire Service put up a very poor show in Catania and we have complained not only to the CC.M. Hq but also to the Prime Minister.

The 800 men of the Mantovano Battalion of the Pioneers are being transferred to Palermo. They are seasoned Alpine troops and will be attached to CC.M. On arrival they will be dressed in CC.M. uniforms and provide a valuable reinforcement to the present CC.M. strength.

During the past week the clothing for CC.M. has improved. They have transferred clothing to the north. In addition allotments have been made available at home for Sicilian and Sardinian regions who will make their own transport arrangements. Land Forces Sub-Commission have expedited the issue of clothing by the Italian Military Stores and the situation is steadily improving.

Arrangements are being made to hold a course of training for 300 CC.MR. N.C.Ss at the Central Training School in Wiesbaden. It is hoped that the course will commence on the 15 Jan 45.

On 22 Dec 44 the CC.MR. seized a number of houses in the Por Maronico district in the eastern section of Rome where it was suspected that a quantity of arms and ammunition was being illegally stored. The raid resulted in the 1/3 weapons being seized:

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| 4 Sub-Machine Guns. | 24 Hand Grenades |
| 54 Rifles | 2 Tubes Galileina |
| 7 Carbines | 32 Cans of Petrol |
| 8 Pistols | 1 Radio Transmitting Set. |

In a building occupied by the local branch of the Communist Party the following articles were found:

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| 1 Rifle | 52 Tubes of Galileina |
| 5 Rounds of Ammunition | Some spare parts of weapons. |

175 persons were detained for questioning and eventually 22 were arrested and charged with being in illegal possession of arms and ammunition. Prosecutors are proceeding against 27 other persons with a view to prosecution.

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HEALTH SERVICE

A plan has been developed by this Sub-Commission, the Italian Red Cross, and the High Commissioner for War Refugees for the control registration of admissions and discharges of patients in all Italian War Zone hospitals and in civilian hospitals operated by ANIC. The plan will result in the area under ANIC, to be extended - first a few weeks to all other areas - and then the ANIC hospitals are in existence.

During the past week the Senior Medical Representative of UNRRA, 2335 formally introduced by the Public Health Sub-Commission to the Public Health Department of the Italian Government for the purpose of discussing aid that would be given by UNRRA in connection with the senior control program for 1945.

This Sub-Commission has approved a plan submitted by officials of O.N.M.I. for a tour of Italy by representatives of their organization for the purpose of strengthening their local organizations and establishing new procedures of operation.

An agreement between the Italian Government and UNRRA has been reached and accepted by this Sub-Commission, that only registered chemists, druggists and chemists or from July 1945 will be admitted as members of the ANIC. The final distribution of Allied drugs in liberated Italy is now the responsibility of the Italian Government and UNRRA.

There is now available sufficient vaccine and serum for all contagious animal diseases in Italy with the exception of hog-cholera and swine fever, a sufficient supply of which is en route from the United States.

15 tons of clothing, collected in America and shipped to this country, was transported by trucks provided by AO, for distribution in various towns on Routes 6 and 7. The clothing, which was given by the Liberty Taylor Fund, is ready children, was distributed by the Italian Red Cross, under the supervision of Maj. John MacSweeney (Welfare Branch) and Major John Theodore Carroll, Abbing, a member of the Pontifical Italian Commission and of the UNICEF Medical Commission. Children in the towns of Valmontone, Frosinone, Terracina, Pontecorvo, Cassino, (St. Antonio), Albano, Marino, Velletri, Littoria, Ostia, Terracina, Fondi and Formello, benefited from these gifts. The clothing, which was intended to be in the nature of Christmas gifts was distributed between 19 - 21st December 1944.

DISTRIBUTION OF VACCINE & SERUM

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REQUISITION ALPHAN COMMISSION
AES 204
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Col Spicer has returned to his duties and is now actively engaged in the reorganization of the Patriotic Branch.

Lt. Col. Hoshen Carter has been succeeded by Lt. Col. Breier in charge of Devastated Areas at this headquarters. We are lucky in being able to get 700 tons of clothing for distribution in the devastated areas from Mr. Byron Taylor's American Relief Agency. The question of providing an increased ration in this area is now under consideration.

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We are making a big push to get a larger share of released clothing from the Allied Armed Forces. At present the Italian Army takes practically everything but we are hoping to get this altered so that more clothing will become available for patriots, police forces, hospitals, displaced persons and refugees and the populace generally.

The Chief Commissioner has definitely told UNRRA that he is not prepared to loan to them supplies and transport until we have definite information that supplies or to a given post whose estimated date of arrival is known, and then only in very limited quantities. As UNRRA delegation is at the moment of time studying the administration of the Displaced Persons' camps.

Notes from individual Civil-Commissioners are as follows:

Local Government.

A decree has been published by the Italian Government for the purpose of preparing a list of local government.

It has been decided not to pay interest. The result is the question of which was sent to the local government in only 20 per cent of the amount. The local government is not responsible for non payment, and it is felt that it is better left to the responsibility of Provincial Commissioners to deal with individual cases of hardship.

Public Safety.

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The Committee met on the 22 Nov. It was extremely well presented and run, and passed off without an incident of any sort. I solemnly warned the Prime Minister of the serious consequences of any disorder and the consequences that would be taken in respect to arrest. Doubtless the atmosphere of the attack was helped by the fact that it was a bitterly cold November day.

The issue of travel permits to be issued for the period beginning 1 Jan. 65, has been agreed with the Italian Government. It has been decided to accept a standard permit for use in 1965 and Italian Government territory, and the arrangements for printing of the permits will be the responsibility of the Government.

At our suggestion the Minister of the Interior has set up a special office for investigating complaints made by the public against the Public Security Agents and this should have a good effect on morale.

This Sub-Commission and Congress Sub-Commission have, in consultation with the Italian Government, agreed to a new type of travel coupon to enable a more effective control over fuel supplies.

Label.

The U.S. State Department has expressed deep concern at the effect of the divorce which exists up to the new Constituent Assembly. Given imminent Italian justice have been consulted in Rome and it is their unanimous opinion that the divorce as it stands precludes a referendum to determine whether or not the Monarchy should continue, and that it must be a matter for decision by the Assembly. This dilutes the Commission as it is the general view that they will do better in a Constituent Assembly than by a referendum.

Special AM Courts have been established in the West zone to deal with the effect of immigration from the Mt. Alpi dumps there. This decision was only reached after repeated and prolonged efforts to get the Italian Courts to deal with these exiles in the end completely failed.

The Italian Government has decided to set up a battalion of Carabinieri specially armed with automatic weapons to deal with bandits in Sicily.

Education.

It was agreed with the Minister of Public Instruction that an order would be issued in less than 10 days to the Italian Government and Military Government at Palermo, forbidding the making of the study of German compulsory in any school.

The Italian Minister of Public Instruction has approved the appointment of a provisional committee to work out plans for organizing teachers all over Italy into small groups. Each small group will receive a series of bulletins, each containing the problems confronting Italian education which will be discussed, after thorough discussion in the small group, a vote will be taken on the various alternatives. Through a hierarchy of groups representatives of these groups will be collected, discussed and presented up - for recommendations to the Minister's National Commission on Educational Reconstruction for advice. If this plan can be made to work it will:

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

Prisoners.

No captives have been reached by us to permit the patriots to be treated as Italian soldiers for the purpose of obtaining hospitalization and release by the enemy as it is our policy in the only effective solution is to have to deal with large numbers of prisoners.

The intelligence reports from the Advanced German Section Branch in Palermo have been discontinued.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF WAR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Petrifaction.

No decision was yet taken as to whether to permit the students to be treated as Italian soldiers for the purpose of obtaining hospitalization and release but to be wearing enemy at it as I am sure it is the only effective solution is to try to get with large numbers of extrajudicial.

The intelligence reports from the Advanced Division Petrifaction Branch in Florence have been discontinued.

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SUBJECT: Civilian Internees.

Dear Chuck,

Thank you for your letter about the holding of civilian internees in jail. I am certainly going to let you have an official letter on this matter and have asked Public Safety Sub-Commission to let me have the appropriate figures. Unfortunately they do not have any records themselves as they are in the possession of the various G-2 Sections but I am having the figures for the Regina Coeli Prison obtained from G-2, RAAC and will let you have the letter as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your help in this difficult and important matter.

G. R. Upjohn
G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.
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28 November 1944

Dear Gerald:

I have looked into the matter of holding internees in jail. G-2(CI) have taken the position that while internees may be housed in buildings normally used in peace time as jails they may not be said now to be housed in jail in the proper sense of the word. This seems to me to be a fine distinction. They have agreed to let us have a report on the numbers held, time held and steps taken to determine their status, and we will press the matter from this end.

Meanwhile, it will be helpful to have any figures or data in your possession to be used in the discussions here. I am not clear whether you were to let us have a letter for use in the discussions here.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Brigadier Gerald R. Upjohn
Vice Pres., Civil Affairs Section
Headquarters, Allied Commission
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 384
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

7 Nov 44.

Ref: 2/3.1/43

D.O. 14.

Sir

Col. McCarthy has left us on promotion to Brigadier and D.O. C. C. Officer. Col. Spoor has been appointed Director, Patriots Branch (in addition to his duties as Director, Local Government Section) in Col. McCarthy's place. Col. Spoor is himself in England for 2-3 weeks on temporary duty, and during his absence Capt. Tappin and Major Sir Philip Morgan are in charge of the Local Government sub-Commission and Patriots Branch respectively.

The UNRWA representatives have arrived and after brief and successful negotiations to have fixed 1 Jan 45 as the target date for taking over the Southern Displaced Persons Camps. They have already started to infiltrate personnel who were on the way. Bari and Aviano Camps will remain under Displaced Persons sub-Commission.

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The Italian soldiers from Greece are due to arrive on the 9 May 45 at Thessalonika. We have been able to persuade ARHQ that they ought not to be treated as mere refugees and their reputation, intelligence, discipline and character is a positive liability of the Local Forces Sub-Commission (see Army Sub-Commission, ex 18014) with the assistance of the Displaced Persons and Public Health Sub-Commissions.

Lt. Col. Jonathan Barker has been appointed temporarily to this HQ to coordinate resistance in the devastated areas. Region Abruzzi-Marche gives two provincial towns from Northern Region at work at it and Region Lazio a railway number. The Italian Government Comandante have only met twice and have gone absolutely nothing constructive, disappointing but expected.

Antea received five individual Sub-Commissions are as under:

PUBLIC HEALTH

Representatives of the Public Health Sub-Commission to Rome Control Unit began their tour of Southern Italy and Sicily during the past week, for instructing Medical Provincial

in typing technique for typewritten control. Small amounts of ink powder with dusting guns are being kept in each Province for emergency use.

Data for the typhus instruction film to visit Surinam and Northern Italy will be completed in the near future.

LEGAL

The interesting questions are under discussion with the Justice Department:

- (a) The reorganization of the Legal Professional Organization
- (b) The necessity of holding examinations to increase the numbers of judicial personnel.

PATRIOTS

A new directive covering the payment of Patriot representatives and the hiring of motor cars for Patriot representatives has been approved and is being issued at once.

At a meeting of the INTC a new system of recognition for Patriots was proposed. It was suggested that the possession of a Certificate signed by General Alex near should no longer be considered a conclusive proof that the holder was a Patriot. They proposed to draft a series of the Control Committee. If a person will be (proof of and that these off-shoots, entitled Provincial Committee of National Liberation, will supplement the work which is at present being carried out by the Patriot representatives and by the communal Patriot committees. They will supplement this work in consultation with the local Italian military commanders and ultimately a new and final roll of Patriots will be drawn up. These details of Patriots appear to be unchanged:

- (a) Patriots who have fought.
- (b) Patriots who have played the war of liberation by means other than fighting.
- (c) Families of fallen Patriots.

The INTC is also considering the delegation of some members of its board to local committees in Milan, Bologna,

the Committee covering the payment of Patriotic Regiments. The hiring of other men for Patriotic Regiments has been reported on in books issued in 1940.

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- (b) Patriotic mothers, and the sex of liberation by means other than fighting.
- (c) Families of fallen patriots.

The INPS is also considering the delegation of some measure of its powers to local committees in Naples, Aguilis, Perugia, Ancona, and Florence.

It has approved in principle the creation of civil employment agencies the will be attached to Regional Commissioners in the North in order to assist the rehabilitation of patriots into civil life. It has mentioned the setting up of a national organization which can be run by men or women and financed partly by the INPS and partly by private subscription.

Plan for the return of patriots to home after soldiers that take the Italian Army from under operations in V Army area has been arranged on a basis similar to that previously made in VIII Army area. The H.Q. of the Screening Agency will be in place.

I have asked Major Magno to bring the INPS to earth and to inform them

- (a) that the committee's off-shoots or other bodies will be created in the territory except by or under the authority of the INPS and
- (b) that a refusal to recognize Gen. Alexander's Certification

/ will give

will give rise to difficulties which so far they have not, apparently experienced.

DISPERSED PERSONS AND REPARATIONS

The chief concerns of this Sub-3 mission at the moment are:

- (a) helping on the devastated areas problem, blankets etc. and most urgent requirement.
- (b) making arrangements to accommodate some clusters of Italian people ex-terminated from Greece, Asia and France.

The repatriation to Isonzo Province is still blocked due to food and accommodation shortage.

The evacuation of German war still probably about 3,000 people per day arriving in Rome.

The Royal Engineers have not to join the Army at all, actively, as indicated in the report. It is understood that the decision is to be made within the next week.

MONUMENTS, FILM AND COMMISSIONS

Preparations are well in hand for collection of selected works of art, similar to the one lost in Rome, to be sent to State and Florence.

The first batch of photographs of damaged monuments from Loreto, Terquini, Florence and Film (the Opera Santa in particular) has been sent to Washington and London.

PHILIP BARTLEY

On the 23 Oct. the following articles of clothing were sent to the Carabinieri Training School in Florence for acquiring and are being to move into the northern provinces.

The Royal Yugoslav have now to join the Black ...
actively, in ...
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ARMED, THE ...

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THE ...

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sent to the ... School in Florence for ...
the men ... to move into the ...

- 400 ...
- 200 ...
- 1,000 ...
- 3,000 ...
- 5,600 ...
- 4,500 ...

The ...
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the 15 Oct 44 ...
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Street equipment was touched up to the providing of
5.000 soldiers to supplement the 25,000 in the South zone to make
5,000 further 10,000 available for the north, but still, obviously
decisions could only have been until 31 Dec. as a quite unusual
det. having regard to existing circumstances as in which action
is therefore seen in the existing post.

These are being taken to provide electric light in
police stations and barracks.

The Council of Ministers has issued a decree naming
the Corps of Agents of Public Security "Guardia Nacional de
Polizia". The strength of this body is to be increased by recruiting
the former members from the disbanded militia under character
and conditions have been found to be satisfactory after experience. 1938

On the 30th October, Col. Young addressed the Tribune of
the Italian Press in Rome on the Public Safety situation in general
and the need for their cooperation in general in
restoring the unjust criticism to which the police has been
subjected in the press for some time past.

EDUCATION

It appears that the Fascist Minister of Education, Bottai,
has, in 1938, appointed 225 professors to the Academy of Fine Arts
and the Academy of Music for political reasons. All these appoint-
ments will be investigated, an investigation will be made as to
the number of professors so well needed, and there will be
public contests (to civil service examination) to select the
best candidates, the 225 having no equal right to compete, subject
to regular operation, stand out.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

After consultation with all the departments concerned,
a draft bill on the dissolution of the Fascist Councils of Rome
has been sent by the Ministry of the Interior for consideration
by the Council of Ministers.

The Ministry of the Interior was notified about 6

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EXPLANATION

It appears that the Minister of Education, Bottai, in 1934, appointed 225 professors to the various faculties and the various faculties for political reasons. All these professors will be investigated until 5, 1935, and the number of professors will be reduced. In these 225, the public "conferences" (a civil service examination) to select the most deserving, the 225 having, in fact, no right to compete, subject to regular examination standards.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

After consultation with all the Committees concerned, a draft decree of the dissolution of the municipalities of Rome has been sent by the Ministry of the Interior for consideration by the Council of Ministers.

The Ministry of the Interior was consulted about a report that the Provinces of Rome and the various towns to be reorganized by a rearrangement of the existing provinces of Rome and the Lazio. The Minister said that such a change was based on historical and traditional grounds and was for these reasons being studied by the Government.

Payment of a Stipend is still under consideration. Although a large number of the same payment will be made, the State from which stipend will be drawn, very little trouble has been caused by the Government to the Ministry of the Interior.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CENTRAL COMMISSION
APO 364

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21st October, 1944

D.O. 13.

Dear

You will be sorry to hear that Col. Wilner (Chief Legal Advisor) is shortly leaving us for the U.S. Per temporary duty.

We have been visited this week by two high level gentlemen, Mr. Mitchell (A) and Mr. Harris (B) of the Combined Civil Affairs Committee of the Combined Chiefs of Staff at Washington who have come over here in connection with their aid for Italy in the economic field. I hope their visit will prove fruitful. Our chief requests of them were, I need hardly say,

- (a) A uniform 100 gram ration throughout liberated Italy and
- (b) Transport.

As a result of inquiries made at the highest level, we were officially informed by the Italian Government that no Central Committee of National Liberation existed at the time existing during German occupation was

You will be sorry to hear that Col. Walker (Chief Legal Advisor) is shortly leaving us for the U.S. for temporary duty.

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Sir Frank Biddle, M.A. Inspector of Police for England and Wales, and adviser on Civil Affairs visited many of your last week and asked me to express his sincere thanks to you for the hospitality he received during his most interesting tour.

Representatives of U.S.R.A. are expected at an early date to discuss details for setting over in the near future the Displaced Persons camps in South Italy and for handling

- (A) the provision of medical and military aid and supplies;
- (B) Italian refugees; and
- (C) the care and welfare services for children and nursing and dependent women.

Incidentally A.S.M.G. tried to make us responsible for looking after Italian soldiers evacuated from Greece but we have refused to play beyond calling 1,000 of them. They will, I believe, be treated as enemy P.O.W.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

In view of the fact that the Perugia Province has two non-regular (Non-Prefects), it was recommended and agreed to by the Provincial and Regional Deputations that a career Vice Prefect (Vice) be appointed to strengthen the Italian side of administration. The Italian Government has been consulted and they have agreed to submit a nomination for that position.

An analysis has been made of a Family Questionnaire issued in connection with the Census of National Reconstruction to ascertain whether there was sufficient information for the proper presentation of an Electoral Roll. It was ascertained that only a population list could be compiled from the information and not a true Electoral List. However, sufficient data was recorded to enable measures to establish background of a proper Election Register.

One of the major problems recently has been the relation of the Data base of Information to Prefects and also A.S.M.G. A directive approved by Gen. Alexander is on its way to you.

MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES

The Germans are removing more and more art treasures from deposits as they move northwards. Some of the latest reports say that 351 paintings including some the deposit at Montecassino, N. claimed to have been taken to a place near Modena, including some of the great masterpieces of the world, such as Botticelli's "Primavera" and the "Gentleman",

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The Temple of the Virgin, the most important church in Riga, has been badly damaged; the facade and six chapels still stand and has been inspected by engineers for bracing.

The Iron Pulpit was removed from construction crane who visited on transportable and brick materials from it for reconstruction.

PATRIOT BRANCH

arrangement have been entered with the Finance Sub-Committee for the payment of Patriot Representative salaries and for the hiring of assistants for Patriot Representatives by the Italian National Patriot Committee.

The I.N.P. are at present making up their minds on the following points:-

- (a) The setting up of a working committee inside the I.N.P.
- (b) The provision of civil employment agencies who would be attached to Regional Committees in the North in order to assist them rehabilitate Patriots into civilian jobs. You will, of course, be consulted on this before any plans are approved.
- (c) Sanction for the setting up of a Welfare Organisation which could be run by men or women and which could be financed by the I.N.P. and by private subscription. The object of this Welfare Organisation is to welcome and look after Patriots when they are first met by providing comforts and lodging.

Many are questioning the advisability of continuing to host the patriots in newspaper articles and by broadcasts. On the one hand, it would mean that H.Q. and I. will wish to encourage patriots to fight, which means that to some extent they would have to be "liberated", and some of the H.Q. and other officers who are responsible for the eventual rehabilitation of patriots find that some of them are not to be patriotic and capable. Also our Political Section consider that if too much publicity is given to the work of the patriots, then eventually the Italian Government will claim consideration for this work in the Peace Talks. Obviously some propaganda must be reached and W.F. have already issued a directive asking their officers to piped on publicity.

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EDUCATION SUB COMMISSION.

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1. Suggestions for G.I.L. has been appointed and a Royal Decree, to be implemented for I.H.P. territory will be issued shortly. Under this the Commission will send out orders whereby all G.I.L. property will come under the custody of Provisional I's use by schools and youth groups.

The Patriotic Section, Pro-Fascist organization for aid to newly armed children, is being revived in modern dress and a decree on this is in almost ready.

The Ministry has accepted the Presidency of the non-confederated Italian Boy Scouts (Corpo Nazionale Gioventù Esploratori Italiani). This is not to be confused with the Catholic Boy Scouts (Associazione Gioventù Esploratori Italiani), which is, at present, the largest, more powerful group. A representative of the International Boy Scout organization (Mr. Lazen) has come over the Italian and in working with both groups, hoping to effect a federation of the two for contact with the other world, while leaving each autonomy in Italy.

An important matter under discussion is national loyalties, desired in both I.G. and N.G. territories and so far only allowed in Lazio-Rubia and Marche-Marche Regions.

The Minister states that there are three types of membership in the Fascist Militia; membership in the "Servizio Partecipato", which is unequivocal evidence of fascism, membership "ad studi" which may or may not be, depending on the activities of the individual, while membership in "Ruralo GIL" is not in itself evidence of fascism.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Public Safety Department of the Ministry of the Interior has issued instructions to Port Sanitary Officers to take necessary precautionary measures against bubonic plague that has been reported to be in Algeria. Regional Public Health Officers have been requested to co-operate with the Italian Port Sanitary officers.

LEGAL

In Southern successful prosecution of Grasso Bros before an Italian Military Tribunal for irregularities in dealing with A.S.C. supplies, resulted in their sentences up to 15 years and restitution to A.S.C. of value of goods stolen to the tune of 725,000 lire.

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPARATION SUB-COMMISSION

Discussions have taken place with the War Refugee Relief Commission as to the efficiency of feeding centres on Railways between Rome and Sicily. The general layout appears adequate, but the type of rations are under review. Arrangements at Reggio are being reviewed by the Commission.

PUBLIC SAFETY

A.P.R.G. have issued orders for 5,000 picked Italian troops, fully equipped to be transferred to the C.C.R. in order that 5,000 C.C.R. may be released for police work in the industrial north of Italy. The transfer will be on a temporary basis until the completion of the C.C.R. can be brought up to 100,000.

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 authorized outline by normal rotations. The 5,000 Italian troops
 will be distributed among legions in Southern Italy. E.Q. M.A.I.
 are continuing to this order but I think we shall get it through.

G.5, A.P.M.Q. are also actively considering
 our plan to increase the CC.F.F. selling from 35,000 to 65,000
 with authority to raise the ceiling to 70,000 if circumstances
 warrant.

Since 13th June 45, Agents of Public Security
 which includes Metropolitan, have been fed on heavy workers scale
 O rations. This is considered inadequate and the Acting Chief
 Commissioner has now issued instructions that all Public Safety
 agencies in Italy will draw rations on a scale equivalent to the
 Italian Army Ration Scale, except for certain commodities which
 are not available, e.g. coffee and cheese. We are asking the
 Italian Government to issue these rations free to the Police
 agencies and not to require payment and this is now in the hands
 of the Financiers.

Prisoner Guards and Agents of Public Security
 are unable to draw uniforms from Army Sources, in the provision
 of 20th and 20th is being considered by the Economic Section.

Arrangements are in hand for the appointment of a new Director for the Regio. Coeli Prison in Rome which is in line with the agreement arrived at to change the entire staff of the prison and for the disbanding of the Central Prison Directorate.

Continued action is being taken to have Military Prisoners removed from civilian Prison establishments.

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C.C.L.N.
Comitato Centrale Di Liberazione Nazionale

Prot. n. 32/13

Roma 11/5/44
Piazza SS Apostoli N. 73

TO:- General Updehn-AGC. Rome.

Tel: 63953 - 54154

Dear Sir,

We have the honour to enclose herein the desired information about the C.C.L.N. (Committee of National Liberation).

The "C.C.L.N."s are not new functional agencies of the Italian State, but the organizations which were created spontaneously as a united anti-fascist front for the common struggle.

The greater part of the "C.C.L.N."s have come into being during the underground time and have directed the local activities of the patriots.

In occupied Italy "C.C.L.N."s organize and direct patriot resistance, they create political organizations of anti-fascist forces and set down the measures necessary for the ordering of civil and political life at the moment of liberation.

In liberated Italy "C.C.L.N."s have the task of maintaining an active collaboration among the various parties which have formed the present Government, and of bringing across to the authorities all trends of public opinion. In some regions "C.C.L.N."s even include parties which are not represented in the Government but which nevertheless do rest on the common anti-fascist basis.

In regions recently liberated, besides accomplishing the above-mentioned tasks, "C.C.L.N."s also take up, in agreement with Allied and Italian authorities, all problems of emergency and collaborate, among other things, to assistance, radical demobilization and rehabilitation of patriots.

The Italian Government avails itself largely of their collaboration, either for execution purposes, or to obtain information on people to be appointed to public offices, or finally in order to gather the proper orientation on lines of local policy, in accordance with the coordinated aspiration of the central agencies of the Government and parties.

Trusting we have adequately interpreted your wishes, we have the honour to present our greetings.

Comitato Centrale Di Liberazione Nazionale
Il Segretario
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Brigadier G. R. Upjohn,
Headquarters Allied Control Commission,
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Dear Brigadier Upjohn:

The October sixth copy of your fortnightly letter on the survey of ACC affairs has just reached me and I took great interest in reading it.

This was the first such letter to be received by me and we should be very grateful if you would have us placed on your distribution list for such future letters.

Sincerely yours,

Edgar Erskine Hume
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Brigadier General, GSC
Senior Civil Affairs Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Ref: 9/3.1/4.3.

D.O. 12.

6th October, 1944.

Dear

GENERAL

We are settling down under our new reorganisation. I have taken the Patriots Branch & Displaced Persons & Emigration Sub-Commission into the Civil Affairs Section (as it is now termed) and have lost Property Control Sub-Commission to Finance.

Colonel Chapman has been appointed Director of the Public Safety Sub-Commission since my last letter and his Deputy, Colonel Young, has returned from a short visit to England. I have the highest expectations of the future judging from their success in digging out equipment for the CG.P. from BSHA (see below). We are trying hard to build up the morale of the CG.P. through the Press and in other ways and I know P.Cs will do all they can to assist.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

This Sub-Commission is still struggling to increase the small number of Prefects held in reserve for the 40-odd provinces in northern Italy.

There has been an interesting development and that is the decision of the Ministry of Interior to nominate for the few provinces of outstanding importance in the North not ordinary Prefects but private individuals of distinguished record and nation-wide reputation - a sort of "Elder Statesman". To keep them straight on legal and administrative detail, they are to have exceptionally competent Vice-Prefetti Vicari. The finding of these Vice-Prefects may well be more of a headache than finding the Prefects themselves.

There have been two encouraging signs which we hope indicate a tendency on the part of the Italian Government to treat the Prefect situation with less rigidity. They have agreed to the nomination of a distinguished general to be Prefect of Ancona - in place of the former Prefect transferred to Florence.

The draft decree for reconstituting the Government of the City of Rome is under discussion with the technical Sub-Commissions concerned. An interesting new point is a proposal to pay salaries to the Sindaco and the Assessori. Some is, of course, an exceptional case. The Sindaco has a lot of entertaining and the Assessors have something like fulltime jobs. This is not a precedent for other

communes. In this connection, Regions have been circulated to find out if the honorary nature of the Sindona's office does in fact to any extent prevent suitable candidates from coming forward.

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION:

Progress is being made in planning details for a Tyrrhus Demonstration Unit to tour centres in Italian Government territory.

The Director of the Public Health Sub-Commission has been appointed as ACC Mission Officer between the Allied Red Cross organisations and the Italian Red Cross. Brigadier Parkinson has also been appointed Liaison Officer between ACC, AFHQ and the National Agency for Distribution of Relief Supplies in Italy.

The Italian Red Cross are organising a Red Cross unit to collect all they can in the way of money, old clothes, blankets, etc for refugees. It is to start on October 15th.

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION:

During the past week the moving of CC.RR. to the forward areas has continued. The allotment for Liguria is, spearhead strength 580, final strength 1557, and for Piedmont spearhead strength 730, final strength 3810. These final strengths are calculated on the CC.RR ceiling being fifty-five thousand. There are 772 CC.RR. available for Lombardy Region.

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Italian State registered motor vehicles during the registration letters "S.C.V." and a number will not carry standard circulation permits. They will, however, carry a Certificate of Registration, printed in the Papal colours - white and yellow.

Italian State registered vehicles used by the Vatican will carry standard circulating permits.

Diplomatic motor vehicles will carry standard circulating permits overprinted with the letters "Q.D.". These permits will be issued by the Italian Foreign Office.

EDUCATION: In a conference with the Minister of Public Instruction it was decided that the compulsory use of the revised State text books would be abandoned in elementary schools north of Regions IV and V. Conditions for permit a return to the Fascist system of free entrance in the promotion of texts and it was felt this return would be desirable both economically and academically. The State texts will continue to be produced but will compete on the open market with those

privately produced. Local committees will inspect and pass the manuscripts of new books to insure that they satisfy the proper editorial standards.

MEMORANDUM FOR: ARMS & AMMUNITION:

This Sub-Commission has lately been concerned with the supervision of the clearing of the ruins round the Petite Vesuvio in Florence. There is a tremendous amount of clearing to be done in that area.

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Speech to the Allied Advisory Council
on Friday 6 October 1944.

by
Brigadier G.R. UPPON

SITUATION

I must ask the members of the Council to treat the information given in this paper as entirely confidential. The Italian Government have been good enough to tell me of their future plans in this matter of operation and it is not desirable that there should be any publication thereof.

The Italian Government published its first decree to purge the administration of Fascists while still at Brindisi on the 28th December 1943 but in view of the shortage of personnel and the resultant difficulties then facing the Government the decree was treated more as a declaration of policy than an operational decree and little if any practical results were achieved thereunder.

On the 26 May 1944 the Government passed a decree for the punishment of Fascists and immediately thereafter had under consideration a further decree amalgamating the purely purging decree of the 28th December and the punishment decree of the 26 May, '44, and integrating the operations thereunder. However, the then Salaparuta Government fell and was succeeded by the present administration.

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- I. Punishment of Fascist crimes.
- II. Purging of the administration.
- III. Disposal of profits made by Fascists.
- IV. Confiscation of Fascist property.

The decree creates the office of a High Commissioner for Sanctions against Fascism to supervise the execution thereof and an assistant High Commissioner in charge of each of the four parts.

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H.E. Count Storm has been as no doubt you are aware, appointed to the important post of High Commissioner and he has four assistants whom I will mention as I deal with each department.

Part I. CRIMES AGAINST FASCISM

H.E. Berlinguer is in charge of this Department.

Briefly this part of the device provides first for the trial by a special High Court of Justice, of which Maroni is president, of members of the Government and high ranking members of Fascism who are guilty of annulling the guarantee of the constitution, of destroying the liberty of the people, of creating the fascist regime and of betraying the fortunes of the country, bringing it to its present disaster.

The punishment is up to penal servitude for life or 2321 especially grave cases, death.

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Secondly it provides for trial in the courts of Asiatic Prisons and Prisons of a more numerous class, namely those who organized Socialist groups and committed acts of violence and those who promoted the revolt of 23rd Oct. 1921 and Corp 5' Sept. of 3rd Jan. 1925.

Whether it provided for his punishment for those who sheltered members of the armed forces or not collaborated with the Germans after Oct. 20th., 1945.

The first trial before the High Court of Justice that of Dennis and his co-accused Campbell took place as is well known on the 21st and 22nd Sept., resulting in the death sentence for the former and 30 years imprisonment for the latter.

The trial of socialist former director of the Bank of Italy is expected to take place in Rome before the High Court of Justice.

On the 25th October Giuseppe Ponticelli and Giulio Letto will be tried in Rome for collusion with the Germans and for not having defended the City of Naples from them and on the 26th October Giovanni the ex-prince of Naples will be tried before the Court of Assize there for failing to resist the Germans. His defense is an interesting one, namely that he acted on the orders of the puppet Government then located in Rome although of course he well knew it was headed by the Germans. If his defense fails a number of other resolutions on the same lines will follow.

In addition, persons have been arrested and are awaiting trial
inmates including the following well known individuals: Former Under
Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Bingi Former Union Secretary of Corporations,
Jung Gild Former Union Secretary of Communications, and President former
Ambassador and President of the Council of States.

In a letter dated further 144 arrests will be effected and placed on trial they were all members of the notorious Special Criminal for the defense of the State.

In addition to the foregoing 600 denunciations have been sent to the Procureur del reque throughout liberated Italy; these cases are now under investigation and in many cases the persons denounced will soon be tried before the appropriate Justice Courts, Widdowall and Proctor throughout the Kingdom.

On the 21st October Giuseppe Peninelli and Del Veto will be tried in Rome for collaboration with the Germans and for not having defended the City of Rome. A trial is also fixed on the 22nd October for the ex-prosecutor of Naples who will be tried before the Court of Cassation there for failing to resist the Germans. His defence is an interesting one, namely that he acted on the orders of the puppet Government then located in Rome although of course he will have it was dictated by the Germans. If his defence fails a number of other prosecutions on the same lines will follow.

In addition 35 persons have been arrested and are awaiting trial in Rome including the following well known figures: Dr. Scavini, former Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Luigi Sottor (former Secretary of Corporations, General Staff, former Secretary of Communications, and (formerly) former Ambassador of the President of the Council of State.

In a short time a further 44 arrests will be arrested and placed on trial they were all members of the notorious Special Tribunal for the Defence of the State.

In addition to the remaining 600 denunciations have been sent to the Procure del rege throughout liberated Italy; these cases are now under investigation and in many cases the persons concerned will soon be tried before the appropriate Italian Courts, Criminal and before throughout the Union.

The High Court of Justice will also shortly sit to consider the records of the conduct and voting members of the Senate and it has power to inflict disqualification even holding public office or a loss of political rights for not more than 10 years. If such persons are moreover considered a danger to society they may be sent to an agricultural colony or labour institution for not more than 10 years.

The plea of the Senators is understood well - that they were in danger of their lives and could not vote against the Government though 25 of them had in fact done so.

A section of the Senate appear to think that there has been an unnecessary delay in bringing offenders to trial but bearing in mind Count Sforza's talk in having to organize a completely new office and the time necessarily spent in political investigations I think you will agree there has been no undue delay.

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PART II. OPERATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

H. Z. Szecowiterski is in charge of this Department which is concerned not with punishment but with the purging of the administration of those (particularly those in high Government offices) who have participated in the political life of Estonia, who have been consistent apologists of Russianism, and of those who have obtained high Governmental offices through Russian favouritism. Likewise those who have been guilty of Russian bias, incompetence or corruption or who have collaborated with the Germans since 1st Sept., '43 are subject to dismissal.

Thus from a purely administrative point of view is the most important part of the Decrees and Court Orders has repeatedly laid down the policy that the operations must be carried out rapidly and that the high ranking officials must be dealt with first.

There is now before the Council of Ministers a further decree which will shortly be published compelling suspension down to officials of the rank of Grade IV to be completed within two months from the date of the publication of the decree.

The machinery set up by the decree of 27th July is to provide in each Ministry one or more commissions each consisting of a Judge as president and an official of the Ministry and an appointee of the High Commissioner as members. These commissions consider the cases sent to them by the High Commissioner and after considering the record may propose the employee for dismissal. The employee may appear before them and if they decide against him he may appeal to a central commission appointed by the President of the Council of Ministers and consisting of 7 members.

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Considerable progress has been made as is shown by the following figures. It is proposed to form a total of 126 commissions and of these 61 are already appointed and sitting.

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The Commission of first instance may recommend to the Minister the suspension of employees pending the hearing of his case.

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Nothing is missing the significance of the task the somewhat slow progress that has been made but to be expected but now that the machine is running a greatly accelerated speed of operation is to be hoped for especially having regard to the provisions of the new laws which I have already mentioned.

In addition to these Ministerial Commissions, in each province Commissions will be set up to purge organizations such as the Office of Maritime which depend entirely from the pocket. Until the purge of prefects is completed however it is not proposed to present provincial commissions. The purge of prefects is of course having the urgent attention of the High Commissioner.

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PART III. DISPOSAL OF ASSETS MADE BY PARTIES.

This Department is under the charge of R. G. Cingolani and is concerned with the collection and disposal of the property of parties. Briefly an inventory of property collected after the 25th October 1968 by persons holding public office or in any way engaged in political activity as specified is presumed to constitute a profit from the Fascist regime unless the owner is able to prove the contrary. Where such property has been passed with such increase in value as to constitute a debt from the former owner.

The investigation and assessment of the assets of the profit derived from the regime is placed within the jurisdiction of a Special Section of the Provincial Taxation Commission of each province.

Down to date denunciations have been received in respect of 1127 persons and in these plans investigative measures for the requisition of the property of 20 persons have already been taken. I will mention the names of 7 of the most known, Folliero, Vassili, Perinetti, Vito Gennaro, Strocchi and Lazzarini.

The property of these 20 persons is estimated to amount to 3 billions of lire.

In addition investigations are being carried out in 24 provinces in respect to the property of 95 other persons.

In the provinces of Naples the Intendants of Finance there inform us that protective requisition has been taken against the property of 315 persons and the requisitioned property of the five brothers Piscitelli alone amounts to nearly 34 million lire.

Regarding with this month the Provincial Taxation Commissions have been instructed to send to the Government on the 1st and 15th of each month lists of persons considered to be profiting and the action taken so that in future more complete figures will be available. The preliminary figures which I have briefly given above however seem to indicate a satisfactory start.

The Council of Ministers has under consideration the creation of an organization to deal with the assets collected, to run businesses where they are taken over and generally to prevent a dissipation of the assets forfeited under the provisions of the decree.

PART IV. CONFISCATION OF ASSETS RECEIVED.

This Department is under the charge of M. E. Stagnani. It is concerned with the collection and disposal of Fascist organizations and societies

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inform us that protective sequestration has been taken against the property of 115 persons and the sequestered property of the five brothers Piccolilli amounts to nearly 50 million lire.

Beginning with this month the Provincial Taxation Commissions have been instructed to send to the Government on the 1st and 15th of each month lists of persons considered to be profiteering and the action taken so that in future more complete figures will be available. The preliminary figures which I have briefly given above however seem to indicate a satisfactory start.

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PART IV. COMPLETION OF FISCAL MATTERS.

This Department is under the charge of H.E. Stangor. It is charged with the collection and disposal of fascist organizations and activities involved by the Badoglio decree of 2nd August, 1943.

The properties of the organizations which have been dissolved run into many millions of lire but it is obviously not possible at this stage to give any figures which would be of value.

Purely by way of example, in Rome alone each to the value of 250 million lire and other movable property to the value of 6 million lire have already been secured.

So far as real estate is concerned Commissioners have been appointed to manage many properties or they have been transferred to managing purposes; I need only mention one property in Rome the C.I.L. property at Monte Mario now handed over to the Ben Orione Institution for assistance to orphaned and exiled children.

In conclusion I hope my remarks have not been too long or too statistical but perhaps they have assisted to present a fair picture of the progress of execution by the Italian Government, a picture to which I feel that full justice is not always done in the Italian Press.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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Tel: 525

22nd Sept. '44

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My dear

1. Thank you for your R VIII/16/50 dated 19th Sept., subject "Italian official for Isle of Elba".
2. Captain Temple of the Interior Sub-commission spoke to you on this matter at Siena on the 15th Sept, and in the light of the views then expressed by you, the project, on which the Government were not themselves very keen, was dropped and Dott Migliorini will not be sent to you. My letter was of course written before this conversation.
3. I think you will agree that in future if you have any comments on my semi official letters (comments which believe me I am only too anxious to have) it would be better to write me a semi official letter in reply and I will officially take up the matter at the H.Q.

Yours

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Col. Kirkwood,
E.C. Region VIII

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HEADQUARTERS REGION VIII
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

File Ref: RVIII/16/50.

Date: 19 Sep. 1944.

1 SEP 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Official for the Island of Elba.
TO: Vice-President, Administrative Section, Hq. A.C.C.

1. Relative to par. 4 under "INTERIOR" of DC 11, dated 14 Sep. 44, it is stated therein that "the presence on the Island (Elba) of a direct representative of the Italian Government is necessary and arrangements have been made for the appointment and dispatch of an official". I note that it is contemplated appointing Dott. MIGLIORNI to this position.

2. Since the Island of Elba is to come under this Region tomorrow and since I had previously contemplated administering that Island as part of the Province of Livorno, which is the normal arrangement, I would like to be informed more in detail as to the status of Dott. MIGLIORNI.

3. If Dott. MIGLIORNI is to be a direct representative of the Italian Government and not under the Prefect of Livorno Province, Hq. ACC is, in effect, setting up a new Province. This, I do not approve. I have no objection to using Dott. MIGLIORNI, or any competent Italian official, to administer the Island of Elba, provided he is subordinate to the Prefect of Livorno.

4. To set up the Island of Elba as an independent entity, separated from the Province of Livorno, introduces problems of administration which can only complicate matters without corresponding benefit. It is not a question of a chief administrative officer only; an independent administration involves a great deal more than that because, if this Italian administrative officer is to be independent of the Prefect, he must have many officials under him such as a Prefect has. He may not need all of them, but he will need many of them.

5. I request that the status of the Island of Elba be made clear; and again recommend, as I have in a previous communication to the Executive Commissioner, that this Island be administered as it is normally; that is, as part of the Province of Livorno.

ROBT. G. KIRKWOOD,
Colonel, FA, US Army
Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 304
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

9/3.1/48

19 Sep 44

SUBJECT : Discussions with the Italian Government.

TO : All Administrative Sub-Commissions.

Further to this Sub-Commissions letter 9/3.1/48 dated 22 April 44, and the point brought up at the V.P.'s meeting on Monday 15 Sep 44 - items of interest to A.S. HQ. Inclusion in the weekly Sitrep.

Will Administrative Sub-Commissions submit so as to reach the Admin Sec by 1600 hours every Tuesday commencing 26 Sept 44 (instead of Saturday) a short interesting light preview of the result of any discussions that they may have had with the Italian Government during the preceding week, or any other points of interest arising in their work during the past week.

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Administrative Section,
Headquarters,
Allied Central Commission
APO 734

14 Sep 44

I have just returned from a very pleasant and informative visit to 5th and 8th Army and Region 5 and 8. On every side I met with warm and unlimited praise of the great work done by representatives of the AEC and BEC in the field. They are indeed invaluable to us. The principle worry on the Admin side in the field seems to be in connection with the provision of a sufficient number of properly equipped CG R for northern areas. We have just requested a further 1000 pair of boots from the Army and I think the position will turn out better than was originally thought. We have already asked AAI to be prepared to train 10000 Italian soldiers for attachment to the CG R if large areas have suddenly been occupied but have so far received no reply.

SITUATION

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3. Two career Prefects were recently discovered in Region V they will shortly be appointed to vacant posts. As the adverse conditions, it may well be that further career Prefects who were dismissed by or have been hiding from the Germans may be discovered. Please keep a look-out for this type of person and notify any discoveries. The problem of providing the right type of personnel for senior positions in the administration is still exceedingly difficult and the position may become even more acute, when the provinces still in enemy hands are liberated. To overcome the shortage of personnel it has been suggested that efficient Vice-Prefects should be promoted to Prefect.

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The island of Elba was normally comprised in the administration of the province of Livorno. In view of present conditions however, it has been decided that the presence on the island of a direct representative of the Italian Government is necessary and arrangements have been made for the appointment and dispatch of an official. He is Dott. Migliorini, a Consigliere under the Ministry of Interior. This arrangement is a new venture.

LEGAL

Several interesting points have been discussed with the Ministry of Justice.

- a. Increases of Judges' salaries.
- b. Ministerial Messes.
- c. Extension of amnesty to territories under AMG now returned to Italian Admin.
- d. Repeal of Racial Legislation and restoration of property. The announcement made by the Ministers that the problem of providing judicial personnel for the territory awaiting liberation was being actively met is encouraging.

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5. An attempt is being made to obtain from the military authorities (who have requisitioned it) a release of part of the printing facilities of the firm of La Terza in Bari in order that its normal activities may be resumed if only on a reduced scale.

6. The printing of School books in Florence needs initiating, there are adequate facilities for printing for Regions VIII and IX.

MONUMENTS FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES.

The Italian Govt is making representations to all neutral and Allied governments with regard to a control of Art Sales. Rumour has it that one or two pictures have found their way onto the Swedish market.

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Administrative Section,
Headquarters
Allied Control Commission,
APO 334.

29 Aug 44.

Dear

Now that the shouting and tumult of last weeks meetings have died down we have got back into our stride.

a. Man Power Committee.

The Man Power Committee has presented its report which if accepted will involve quite a large number of officers for the field and clear up some difficulties over "channels".

b. Agitation.

We are having a little trouble over agitation; the Deputy High Commissioner ROCCOIMARRO is proposing all sorts of decrees which would range about 60 % of the whole population and we have suggested to SERENA that the existing decree gives all he wants if he will ally stick to the big one. ROCCOIMARRO is a communist and when you find that he proposes in one of his draft decrees to purge persons who assisted Spain in the civil war, I think one smells a rat.

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3 A directive has been prepared and submitted for the approval of higher authority for clarifying the procedure as to appointing Prefects and **2314** any areas.

4 A Prefect has been found for ASOLI. One of the Staff Officers recently delivered the new Prefect of ANCONA to regional HQ. He went on to survey the local government conditions in ANCONA and CHIETI Provinces. Excellent progress is being made there in the reorganisation. The opportunity was taken to discuss with the Regional various Prefectural appointments and questions arising therefrom have been taken up with the Ministry. A new Prefect and Vice Prefect are being provided for PERUGIA. On appointment, the existing Prefect Regent will be discharged. Whether his record of work or fascist background justify his retention is offline.

5 The extreme difficulty of obtaining transport has partly nullified the efforts which have been made to bridge the gap between the appointment of a new Prefect for the month and his arrival at his seat. It is well understood

have that this gap is a source of much inconvenience to regional and provincial Commissioners. The two pending new presents for Savignia have been got away by air as has also the new prefect of Savignia. So much difficulty has been experienced in other mainland cases however, that it has been thought better to bring pressure on the Italian Government (who after all have some transport at their disposal) to organise the matter themselves.

The monthly reports of Provincial Commissioners on the state of local government are of incalculable value to the Sub-Commission but Col Spence still begs for longer reports from some PCs.

Evidence is accumulating that the Committees of National Liberation are delaying the setting up of local government bodies because of endless disputes as to membership. Provincial Commissioners are no doubt aware of this, and have taken appropriate steps, of course these Committees are very helpful but unofficial and cannot be allowed to hold up the work of getting the administrative wheels functioning for which we, after all, are responsible.

A short guide for PCs regarding Italian local government organisation has been prepared. It has been adopted by AG 5 Army and arrangements are being made to issue it generally through R2/G.

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3 The transfer of responsibility for textbook printing to the Ministry is actually getting along. Textbooks in numbers are on the way for the autumn.

4 The Minister has agreed that he in his territory and we in ours will entrust the provveditori right about with the conservation and use of old GIL properties pending the active assumption of responsibility by the newly appointed commissario.

5 The four national organizations on educational operation are now appointed, Ministerial, University, Secondary and Elementary and they are now beginning their tasks. The Minister, who is also redimensioned, is in contact at the pace set by lawyers and justices at the head of these operation commissions.

6 Two out of the three Sicilian University Rectors visited the Headquarters and the Ministry last week. They had come to get justice. Some professors had declared that they were devoted to duty in appointing permanent professors in Sicily. A conference was held and they went home happy.

MINISTER, THE ARMS & CIVIL

- 1 A conference was held between this sub-Commission and the Director General of Fine Arts, Ministry of Public Instruction Base, on 17 Aug 44. The Director General and two inspectors were present.
- 2 With regard to the matters of the disappearance of works of art from private collections during the German occupation, the Director General proposed that a small ^{ad hoc} committee should be formed to act on this subject and lists of the known objects removed submitted.
- 3 The Director General promised to submit proper recommendations for the re-establishment of art periodicals. He had in fact received many requests from the editors wishing to start such periodicals and has asked him for advice on the subject.

LEGAL

- 1 Conferences have been held with regard to 1941 budgets and 1941 emergency financial conditions, with the result that money has been made available for 22 provinces and will soon be made available to remaining provinces of Italian Government Territory.
- 2 Another conference has been held with representatives of the Ministry of the Interior, at which a decision was finally reached on allowances to ex-interns. A circular has been issued to the Prefetti by the Minister of the Interior setting forth the conditions and scales for these allowances. This circular should reach all Prefetti within a few days.

LEGAL

- 1 The Minister of Justice has asked us to permit his decree abolishing the death penalty to be published. There are certain exceptions in the decree; and the death sentence is preserved in cases under the new legislation decrees and under the Military Penal Code of 1917. Legal are examining the decrees closely to see that it will not foster our desire to retain the death penalty in the courts in Italian Government Territory. Our courts in such territory administer you will remember Italian law but use our own rules of procedure.
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3 We had some high level trouble last week when the Italian police in Rome tried to arrest some of our gallant Russian representatives who oddly enough were dressed in plain clothes. The Italian explanation that they were misled by the "sometime" features of our Allies had to be strictly answered before being passed on.

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Administrative Section,

Washington, D.C.

Allied Control Commission,

APO 384

16 Aug 44.

Dear

This section office has this week spent much time on reflections and a short part on the progress made is attached.

Most of the Ministerial Commissions have been formed and are getting to work. 500 senators have already been reported to the High Commissioner under Art 6. 50 senator officials and over 250 other officials have been suspended pending trial in the first weeks work. The High Commissioner does not think his powers in all respects wide enough and proposes us to further legislation have been received and are under examination. The line dividing the responsibility of the Ministerial and Provincial Commissions is not clear, the High Commissioner for Reflection has promised to supply a list showing the types of bodies to be deflected provincially, this will be sent on to you as soon as received. The High Commissioner's department is certainly moving some energy than we expected.

The other real and urgent problem has been offered in this section for solution that is "the clearance", the whole problem has been under examination but I must confess it bristles with difficulties which include the lack of materials with which to manufacture detectors, and paucity of vacancies in suitable schools to teach instructors or leaders in this operation. There is no doubt however seems to be any lack of volunteers to tackle the work which I consider will have to be done using the "prodding" method of location.

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3 At the same time there has been a very heavy drain this week on the pools of prefects and other officials this sub-commission is trying to maintain. There has been considerable movement of personnel in the Ministry itself and the Government are also taking steps to fill vacancies in Southern prefectures, as the sub-commission has been pressing them to do. In the result, the pool of prefects is in distinctly low water at the moment though the commands actually made can and will be satisfied. It is therefore that in quite a short time we have observed from the recent attempts from the local officials rather for some army and are preferring to try and get back the local officials rather than drilling for people from home. It is to be hoped that the policy of looking for suitable administrators in the locality will prove successful. It is a fact that their reserves are getting lower and lower. The capture of the big centres of population in the area will be a possibly serious loss more per-sonnel. A staff officer is conducting a project for installation at Livorno and the country general for Arditi and the Prefect for who have left by plane, as a result of arrangements made by this sub-commission travel arrangements are in hand for prefects for the following provinces: Prato, Arezzo, Gallari, Grosseto and Livorno.

4 The Director and two other officers have visited the 5th Army and made a survey of the status of local government in their forward areas. A staff officer of the Sub-Commission is visiting Vittorio Veneto and other provinces to make a survey of local government, organization. Another officer has just completed a survey of the provinces of Udine and Treviso in Region IV; his reports are being collected for the information of the regional Commissioner.

5 The new centralization decree of the Italian Government and the directions issued by the Administration thereon are being closely studied. Proceedings under the decree may very well have the effect of reducing personnel resources still further as the Italian Government will have to draw upon them to replace those ejected from the Administration under previous proceedings.

6 The apparent division in view as to the prefectural appointments between Bonomi and his Under-Secretary Moschetti, which was mentioned in the last news letter, seems to have been resolved by a Ministerial decree delegating to Moschetti the supervision of Public Health, Fire Services and Religious Affairs only, but not the departments of civil administration or personnel. It is inferred from this that Bonomi will continue the policy of leaving career officials and that this remains the official policy of the Government.

7 Among other matters discussed with the Ministry were:

- a Prefect for Treviso resulting in the appointment of Avv. G. VENTURA, a SICCO who will be styled 'Prefetto Emerito'.
- b Pool of selected non-career men. The Minister of Interior is considering forming such a pool to be in readiness as Prefects in Northern provinces.
- c Vice Prefect for Trieste. The Minister of Interior was of the opinion that this was not necessary.
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Public Health

1. The following subjects were discussed by the Prefect Branch, of this Commission with representatives of the Ministry of Interior during the week ending 12 Aug 44:
 - a. A plan to create a provincial welfare committee embodying some of the features of the Provincial Welfare Departments described in Decree No. 50.
 - b. Reconstitution of ASL and the necessity of issuing of directives by the Ministry of Interior fixing responsibility at provincial and communal levels for the prosecution of the work of ASL.
 - c. Commissions are set up under which the Ministry of Interior grants aid for the care of children, the physically handicapped and aged in institutions. The results of this are to be issued for the information of Regional officers.
 2. Approval has been given to the Italian Government for the appointment of Dr. Giuseppe Santoro as Director General, Public Health, Ministry of Interior.
- MINISTERIAL, PUBLIC HEALTH & SANITARY
1. At a conference held with personnel of the Director General of Fine Arts, Ministry of Public Instruction, Rome, the following were present:

Dr. ESTABROOK
Prof. IS ANCHUT POMERAT
Dr. ANCHUT
Major WARE PERKINS

Director General
Inspector.
Inspector.
Asp Director, USA & A Sub-Commission.

- a. A general report was given by the Deputy Director on measures taken over Florence and a report on the conditions of the monuments as far as is known. Two Italian inspectors are forward with USA officers.
- b. Report on Southern Italian matters.
 - i. Forthcoming withdrawal of USA officer from Region III.
 - ii. Taranto Museum. continued occupation.
- c. The Director General agreed to furnish us with a signed letter confirming the credentials of the officers in the forward areas to counter the effects of enemy propaganda. He will also furnish short articles (topical) for use in newspapers in newly occupied areas (e.g. Perugia, Le Marche).

2 The question of works of art in private hands was again raised. USA will not be able to consider cases of alleged removal by Germans unless notification of loss is made at an early stage. The Italian Government to prepare for the next meeting some practical scheme for notifying owners.

3 The Director General promised to help in matters of publication and expressed gratification at the publication of the list of protected monuments No 7.

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Col. Robert P. Marshall,
Headquarters,
Rt. on V,
AMC.

2 Aug 44.

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Dear Col. Upjohn

Your D.O. No. 8 of 21 July reached me yesterday, and, as it happened, at the moment of a Provincial Commissioners' conference which made it doubly useful and interesting. I sincerely hope that you will continue the practice of issuing such communications from time to time and that you will retain me on your mailing list.

Because of the imminence of Phase III with its consequent reduction in regional strength, the possibility of supplies of mobile equipment referred to in your para 4 was greatly encouraging. I hope such supplies may be available, at least in limited quantities, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Robert P. Marshall

Colonel Gerald R. Upjohn,
Administrative Section,
Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394.

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Colonel Robert P. Marshall,

Headquarters,

Region V, AMG.

7th August 44.

Dear Colonel.

Your D.O. of 3rd August was characteristically interesting and instructive.

In respect to your enquiry (para 2iii), it is my very strong opinion that Prefectural appointments should be based on capabilities only. I appreciate that this may be a short range view, but in the early phases of AMG the strength and abilities of any Prefect are of paramount importance.

Yours sincerely

Robert P. Marshall

Colonel Gerald R. Upjohn,
HQ ACC.

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Admin. AEGAN. S.C.
Headquarters, Region IX,
Allied Military Government,
28th July 1944.

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Dear Colonel

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29 JUL 1944

I greatly appreciated and enjoyed your D.O. letter of 21st July 1944, giving an outline of recent developments and contracts in the work of the Administrative Section.

Please continue these letters, which, I feel, will be of great value to Regional Commissioners.

Yours

[Signature]

Colonel, C.R. Upjohn
Administrative Section,
HQ, Allied Control Commission.

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29 LUG 1944

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TO: Col. R. R. Cripps,
Administrative Section,
Rear Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission.

Dear *Cripps,*

Thank you for your letter of the 29th June with the seventh set of notes from the Administrative Section. We are very much out of the world here, and the notes were greatly appreciated: I certainly should like to receive them in future.

Yours sincerely,

C. C. Geasey

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Administrative Section
Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission

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3 August 44.

Dear

Since my last letter to you on 22 Jul the weight of work in this Section has been in connection with Defascistisation and the new Decree No 159, "Sanctions against Fascism". The decree was issued on July 24th, and extended the same day to AMG Territory (less Army Areas).

A circular letter is being forwarded to all Regions, giving the method by which this matter of execution will now be handled, together with a full translation of the decree.

Scopacianuro a communist is the Commissioner for purgation (i.e. dismissal of Fascists) and I have some hopes of him but it is too early to express a definite opinion yet.

Sub-Commissions have been busy organising teams of Italian Officials to go forward on request of SCAGs AMG 5 and 8 Areas. Any such teams include prefect, vice prefect, medico provinciale, Intendente di Finanza, Ispettorato dell'Agricoltura, Questore, and Genio Civile.

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Notes from the individuale Sub-Commissions are as under:-

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2 INTERIOR

- 1 Approval has been given to the following proposed appointments included in the list submitted by the Ministry:

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NOZZI, Dott Francesco	Prefect of Agrigento
GRANELLO, Dott Francesco	Prefect of Siracusa
SAARINEN, Dott Sebastiano	Prefect of Cagliari

- 11 AUG/AGI's views upon certain other nominees based upon EC's and AG's past experience, and reports have been conveyed to the Ministry for their consideration. Comparative standards were involved, e.g. one nominee was classified by the Ministry as "Excellent". The IC with whom he had

worked had described him as "inert", "characterless", "untrustworthy". The official concerned was proposed for a Sicilian appointment. It is probable that new instructions will be submitted. Decisions on the remaining cases will be given as soon as the large number of security reports involved are received.

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Apparently the Ministry's policy regarding the type of personnel for Prefectural appointments is still not unanimously agreed. Late Ministers Dele and Aldisio and also Deleoni favored career officials as being free from politics. The new Under-Secretary Canevari's strong view is that the service should be infused with new blood by the appointment of outstanding personalities - not necessarily career men. The decision is primarily one for the Government in their own areas. Interior Sub-Commission are merely concerned with assisting the Ministry towards the establishment of the Administration. What-ever be the decision the Sub-Commission have suggested that a clear and agreed policy is a basic essential. Have you any views on this point?

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A new Prefect for Florence has been agreed with the Ministry and is standing by, as are other officials.

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Executive memorandum No. 39 dealing with the organization and administration of Italian local government has been revised and has been submitted to the Executive Commission for approval and issues. It follows the pattern envisaged in Royal Decree No. 111.

3. EDUCATION

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University problems have been to the fore around the University of Rome and problem connected with the higher cultural societies. A purified society of Italy is rising from the murky dust of the Fascist corruption; and the great central University has its list of disavowals prepared for immediate action. We are restoring the ancient and democratic right to the universities to elect their own rector and to keep within bounds of scholars other functions long lost between bureaucratic fingers.

The greatest diversion of the week, though not without a tinge, was the sound of a mother who let her son go to a Fascist GIL camp and now asks

on to relatives but 16,000 lire worth, for his investment from over-education and under-feeding at the camp. "Five marches on".

4. REMARKS. THE NEW A. S. SYSTEM.

The NSA have been busy intervening on the technical side of the area in the new Ministry of Public Instruction. It has been decided to hold weekly or fortnightly meetings between Gen. Lovigiano and members of his technical staff and the Director and Deputy Director of NSA Sub-Commission on problems of common interest.

Conversations were held between Prof. Castellano and Prof. Lovigiano, Technical Inspectors under the new Ministry.

Reports on damage to monuments in particular regions were made available to Prof. Lovigiano for study. Some conversations for war damage to monuments occurred when a well preserved Madonna and Child by Sandro Botticelli, hitherto unknown for centuries was found under a column painting at Siena. The discovery was made by an Italian Pina Arts personnel and not, as was assumed by NSA.

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Administration Section,
Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
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24 Jul 44

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While acting as head of Administrative Section, I propose to continue Lord Stansgate's practice of sending you occasionally, in L.S. form, a letter giving an outline of developments in connection with the Admin Section's work and contacts.

My notes for the last two weeks are as follows:

1. RECENT

(a) There has been considerable contact with the Ministry since arriving in Rome. The Director had a long interview with XXXX as his star of Interior and discussed several matters of importance to the Italian Administration. The Director expressed his concern at the delay in completing various appointments on the Giunta Committee of Sicily and Sardinia and other posts for which approval had, in certain cases, been given, some time ago. The Minister intimated that the Sicilian difficulties may necessitate the appointment of a new High Commissioner and that appointments to the Administration might be held up pending his installation. The Minister had not yet been able to deal with Sardinia but undertook to do so speedily. He agreed to the removal of Ottaviano, the Prefect of Sassari for his Fascist record.

(b) Further meetings have taken place with the under-secretary, Chief of the Cabinet and other officials. Various suggestions were made to help in their administrative difficulties including the many vacancies that exist in Vice Prefects position. This has resulted in over-worked Prefects and the system suffers. The Ministry have been urged to make suggestions of their best subordinates.

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2 Local.

(e) The main item recently in this Sub-Commission has been the work in connection with the transfer of further territory to the Italian Government, this comprises the provinces of PUGLIA, ABRUZZO, BASILICATA, CALABRIA and MARCHE, less the course of Naples which will remain under Military Government.

(f) There is little from the other Sub-Commissions which will concern major developments of policy, mainly due to the short severance of our close contact with Ministries due to the change of location and a general policy of the Italian Government to wait until it was established here.

3 General.

The main feature, however, of the Section as a whole has been the "reorganisation". The responsibility for the matter in this, has been allocated to this Section. The actual drafting of communication, will remain unchanged. The main points in summary are:

(a) A new Council has been approved by the Council and will be elected shortly.

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This will cancel the previous divisions in this subject and put together under one cover all instructions by the Italian Government. It will be more concise and I believe will prove to be effective and an improvement.

(b) An instruction to all Sub-Commissions, dated 25 of 11 Jul 65 has been issued with sufficient copies to all 10 sections for all Regions for information. This deals entirely with the Ministerial. I expect you have received it by now.

(c) A further measure is in course of drafting which will deal with British ideas and projected institutions, this has some implications but I hope to get it out quickly. It will have its effect in Regions and will probably necessitate an Executive measure to you.

4. There is one small point. I have recently written to the Economic Council, regarding the supplies of spare and batteries to get some Italian facilities on the road for use by Government officials in all departments.

5. I do not believe you have had these letters before, let me know if you find them useful and let me know in Milan as to continue.

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Administrative Section,
Chief Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 994

29 June 44.

1. Attached are the seventh set of notes from the Administrative Section. These are forwarded over my signature in the absence on duty of the Vice President.
2. Discussion
A conference was held between the Director of Inspection Sub-Commission and its Bureau, the Prime Minister and the Minister of Interior, at which the previous Minister of Education was also present. Various matters of importance affecting administration were discussed with his consent who was thoroughly cooperative. Following the return from Rome of the Minister of Interior's party, a list of a limited number of proposed Prefects for forward areas has been compiled for circulation.
At the request of G-4, the Italian Government has been asked whether it is prepared to accept responsibility for claims for payment by the persons in execution of the Allied Control Commission pending over requisitioned cars to it. Steps are being taken to fill the office of Prefect for Florence and Bari. The question of partisans and their position in relation to officers of the Allied Military Government on their entry into newly liberated areas has been taken up with the Minister of Interior with the view of having the authority of Allied officers and particularly G-4/AG officers accepted without question.
3. Discussion
Major discussions have centered around the problem of school examinations: how to reconcile the principle of high standards set by Minister of Education with the new Minister's statement of the practical difficulties confronting students and officials in this area. A compromise scheme will be promptly issued reaffirming devotion to high standards and to the technique of written examinations but confining such examinations this year to those graduating from Liceo and to the subject of Italian.
Other subjects discussed were, of course, defalcation; the restoration of Rome University; personnel for universities; and textbooks; paper thereof; responsibility for printing and distributing them, and references therein to King and monarchy.
4. PRIME MINISTER
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CONTRACTS, OTHER AGREEMENTS, AND DISPUTES.

Notes of the day
In the course of discussion at the fortnightly meetings of Italian Belle Arti, the following is one of the most interesting items, that of Private Collections.

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Administrative Section,
Near Headquarters
Allied Control Commission
APO 394

20 Jun 44.

Below are my sixth set of notes of admin business for the fourteen days ended
17 Jun 44.

1 INTERNAL

An application was received from Region II for the postponement of the transfer of the Communes Genuzzo, Balaso, S. Gervasio and Pinal from the Province of Novara to the Province of Piacenza owing to the inconvenience it may cause while grain harvesting is in operation. The Minister of Interior has stated that the transfer will be effected when the harvesting has been completed.

Executive Memorandum No. 12 dated 12 Jun 44 has been issued whereby when an appointment to fill the office of Prefect is to be made by Allied Military Government, such appointment will in future be made under the title of 'Prefetto Reggente', and not under the title of 'Prefetto'.

The Minister of Interior has telegraphed all Prefects not to suspend meetings of Provincial Defascistization Committees while waiting for issuance of further orders.

2 PUBLIC SAFETY

The decree which allowed members of the Fascist Militia to join the CC.MR has been revoked. There are signs that the Government is collecting evidence with a view to proceedings under the Spontaneous Decree.

It is expected to publish at an early date a General Order providing for the registration of aliens in Military Government Territory and imposing restrictions on the movements of aliens. Regulations requiring the declaration in Italian Government Territory of possession of firearms and ammunition are under discussion with the Italian Government. The Minister of the Interior is considering appointing Inspectors of Questori in Italian Government Territory.

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3 MUSEUMS, ARTS AND ARCHIVES

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The desirability of obtaining a record of war damage and of restoration work was discussed. The difficulty is the obtaining of film and paper.

The Superintendents of Galleries reports that certain Fascists sold state-notified art-objects in their possession to local dealers, contrary to Italian law. The further danger of illicit sale to Allied Personnel is obvious. A report is being prepared.

There can be no doubt that the burning of the MMU gallery was a work of deliberate arson. A full report is in preparation and MMU are getting photographs.

Lists of repositories of art-objects from Museums in Northern Italy were obtained and passed to MMU. These for Tuscany, Umbria and La Marche have been forwarded to MMU officers concerned, the remainder are being incorporated in the printed lists.

4 REPARATION

Reparations is still proceeding slowly. The Minister has objected on the ground of illegality to dismissing persons on our 'black list' without giving them an opportunity to be heard. His procedure is to suspend them, hear them and dismiss those as to whom he is not satisfied.

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Administrative Section,
Fourth Headquarters
Allied Control Commission
APO 354

20 Jun 44.

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17 Jun 44.

1. ADMINISTRATION

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2 ALIEN REGISTRY

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The Director of Education Sub-Commission makes the following comment on the new Minister (Antonio Ruggiero). "He is a mild mannered person of culture who speaks fair English and is well disposed towards collaborations."

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7 June 44

Herewith my fifth letter with notes of Sub-Commission; I've got nothing this week from myself.

1 ADMINISTRATION

A team of key Italian officials has been found for administering under AMG direction, the Province of LITOMIA and arrangements have been made for them to go forward. Similar teams are being found for the Provinces of FROGLINE and ROSE. A pool of Prefects is being formed to be available for forward areas on short notice.

2 PUBLIC SAFETY

Royal Decrees Laws No 83 and 105 which relate to the obligatory declaration of motor vehicles and spare parts were discussed with a view of the decrees becoming effective in Italian Government territory on 30 June 44. It was intimated that this Headquarters would raise no objection, and that the question of extending the effectiveness of the decrees to Military Government territory would be considered.

3 PUBLIC HEALTH

The Italian Government has, upon the request of this office, appointed the following,

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- (b) Chief Inspector of Pharmacy to work in close collaboration with the AGC Medical Supply Branch, stimulate the production of local pharmaceutical industries and assist Italian agencies in the distribution of drugs.

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5 MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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lar on the subject is complex and not without problems. It was further agreed that on both sides the essential problem is that of the small dealer in coins, terracottes, and similar minor articles but the old established black market dealer trading in first-class works of art. As this is a matter which concerns as much the Italian seller as the Allied buyer the following measures were suggested:-

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(b) That they should explore the possibility of a system of re-permits for dealers.

(c) That all Italians in possession of "notified" (i.e. state scheduled) works of art dealers, be required to submit a statement of any loss or damage incurred within a specified time after Allied occupation.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 5

18 MAY 1944

REF: WC/DC/56

FROM: Brigadier M. CARR, CBE., MC.

Dear Lord Stengak,

1. Many thanks for your confidential letter of May 10th. I consider that periodical D.Os. on the lines of the one you have just sent me would be most valuable and most interesting.

I, for my part, propose to send you similar D.Os. but in view of the fact that I am away from this H.Q. a good deal either touring the island or visiting the mainland, I do not think I shall be able to send them weekly. I already send Lush periodical D.O. Bulletins.

2. I have read your letter of 10th May with interest and the only comment I have is on paragraph 5e. Two of our Provincial H.Qs. as you may remember are located in G.I.L. buildings, that is, at NUORO and SASSARI. Moreover, the G.I.L. building at SASSARI is also used as a kind of Garrison H.Q., A.C.C. occupying a relatively small part of it. Doubtless if the emergency arises we shall be able to find other Headquarters.

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The actual catch for the day amounted to about 150 fish with an average weight of 200 lbs per fish, the heaviest being about 350 lbs. We visited the factory where the fish are tinned. To enjoy success as we were it is necessary to be a good sailor - which fortunately I am - as we were 8 1/2 hours at sea at a stretch either in a tug or on a lighter full of tunny fish and there is always an appreciable swell on these fishing grounds.

One ~~two~~ point which struck me, and I know would interest you, was the very good relations which appeared to exist between owners of factories, managers etc. and the fisher-folk. Practically all the employees are men.

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Further, all concerned appeared genuinely appreciative of the fact that had it not been for the Allies through the medium of A.C.C. there would have been no tunny fishing this year. The Italian authorities could have put up the money required but they were not in a position to supply rope, cord etc. for the nets, and petrol.

There was no tunny fishing in 1943.

Yours *Sincerely*
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Air Commodore Viscount Stansgate,
Vice-President, Administrative Section,
H.Q., Allied Control Commission.

P.S. I have just received today, May ~~18~~ 1945
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28 May 1944

Dear Lord Stansgate,

I feel I must thank you for your very helpful notes on the visitors you have had this week. I can assure you that the kind of background you continue to give me is proving invaluable in my day to day contacts.

Here all is well, though the supporters of regional administration are much discouraged by the wheat price offered, while the separatists are contrariwise encouraged. We enjoyed a visit from Major White.

I hope to leave for Naples on Sunday and shall look forward to the pleasure of talking with you.

A. H. Hancock
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Colonel

The Viscount Stansgate
Vice-President ADM Section
Rear Headquarters, A.S.C.

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Administrative Section,
Four Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
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22 May 44.

The following are my weekly notes on the doings of Administrative Section for the week ending 20 May.

GENERAL:

- 1 Contact with the Minister of Interior and his staff has grown considerably and working arrangements in connection with routine and more important matters have been harmonized.
- 2 Representations have been made by the Italian Government regarding certain Prefectural and Vice Prefectural appointments affecting Regions 1, 2, 6 and 7. Regions are being consulted before any decisions are reached.
- 3 Tentative arrangements are being made at the request of General Huro and AG & MI Section for the formation by the Italian Government of a team of administrative officials for Rome.
- 4 The reconstruction of the Giunta Consultiva for Sicily is under review by the Italian Government.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- 1 Military Police: discussions have taken place with the Provost Marshal AAI with the object of securing closer co-operation between Military Police and the Italian Police, among the points suggested were:
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 - (b) Lectures by Public Safety Officers at Military Police Training Centres.
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 - (d) Extension of the system of joint patrols of Military Police and Italian Police.
 - (e) Provost Marshal AAI to act as liaison officer between Public Safety and AGP, American Provost Marshal.

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2 CC, NN and CC, NN Prisoners of War: Increased applications have been made for the release of CC, NN and CC, NN officers who are detained as Prisoners of War.

3 Fascist Militia: The Minister of the Interior has prepared a draft decree reorganising the Royal Decree of 6 Dec 43 which permitted ex-members of the Fascist militias to be admitted to the CC, NN. The draft is satisfactory and will shortly be published.

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4 Nations: Application has been made to the Food and Commodities for the Question Police, Forest Guards, Fire Service, Prison Guards throughout liberated Italy to receive Heavy Workers (class 'A') ration.

5 Prisons: The Minister of Justice has agreed to appoint 4 Inspectors of Prisons. One in Sicily, one in Sardinia and two on the mainland. A Royal Decree is being prepared dealing with the release on bail of accused prisoners and the prosecution of minor offences by summary instead of by arrest.

PUBLIC HEALTH

- 1 Discussions were held with H.E. The Minister of Interior, Italian Government reference Hospital, Malaria Control, Street Cleaning and Fly Control Budgets with the result that adequate funds are to be made available to the Provinces for Hospital Food, Malaria Control, Fly control and street cleaning work.
- 2 Discussions relative to a general welfare scheme were continued during the week. The Director General of the Civil Administration Section, Italian Government expressed himself as favouring a Provincial Welfare Advisory Committee, unpaid, to serve as a spur to the Provincial Authorities.

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I hope all goes well with you and look forward to the pleasure of seeing you at the end of the month.

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21 May 1944

Brigadier M. Carr,
CRE, MC

My dear Brigadier:

I owe you thanks for several most interesting letters to which I have not replied as fully as I would have wished due to lack of facilities here.

I am very glad that you think it a good idea to send over tidbits of office news. They do not, of course, rank in any way as official but they may keep you informed. Your letters are most welcomed here.

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Administrative Section,
Rear Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394

10 May 44.

- 1 I am sending you some further notes of developments and more important items of work in the Admin Section during the week ending 7 May 44. It would be helpful if you would let me have a note as to whether you find these D.O's of value to you, if so, I will continue to keep sending them at approximately weekly intervals.

2 Public Safety.

a Public Safety Prefect.

S.E. Solimene has been temporarily appointed to deal with Public Safety matters in the Ministry of Interior until a permanent appointment is made.

b Uniforms for Police.

Requisitions for uniforms and boots to meet the urgent requirements of CC.RR. and CC.FF. have been sent through the Army Sub-Comm to the Italian Army authorities. Agents of Public Security are not entitled to uniforms and equipment from Italian Army sources. The supply of immediate needs is being pursued with the Minister of the Interior.

c Rations for Agents of Public Security.

The Minister of the Interior is considering the adequacy of the rations now being drawn by Agents of PS.

d Finance Guards.

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- g Civilian Movement in Unoccupied Italy.
The Minister of the Interior is preparing an order for publication by all Profetti restricting the movement of civilians between Sicily, Sardinia and the Italian Mainland unless in possession of a pass issued by AGC or under its authority.

3 Public Health.

Preliminary discussions have been held with the Chief of the Italian Public Health Service and the Regional Medical Officer (Italian) Region I, with a view to evolving a plan for the complete reorganization of the Italian Health Service and the formation of a separate Ministry of Health.

4 Education.

Had several conferences with the Minister of Education of which the main points are:

- a A more expeditious manner of suspending fascist school officials in nonoccupied Italy will be worked out promptly, with every effort at uniformity.
- b A decision will be reached as to what allowance suspended persons should receive.
- c The long awaited decrees establishing Councils of Discipline and Ecclesiastic Councils were, according to the last conference

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- with Cuomo, written and in the hands of the Legal division of the Italian Government. The new Minister will try and locate them and expedite their issue.
- d He plans to organise a small corps of central inspectors to cover all provinces, and has already begun the job.
- e Property of G.I.L. and Dopolevoro is now in the custody of finance officers. The Minister approves the idea that this be turned over to communal sindaco for use by the new youth and adult education and recreation organisations as rapidly as these are formed.
- f The Minister plans to set up three superior advisory councils (elementary, media and university) to advise him on laws and decrees, adjudge concorsal, advice on disciplinary matters, hear appeals, etc. AMG Regions are welcome to use these councils when Regional Education Officers desire their advice.
- g He will abolish the Royal Academy of Italy so that it may be re-organised on non-fascist lines.
- h He will issue a decree abolishing Fascist decree against foreign professors in Italy.

6 Legal.

- a Gen. Traina, Procuratore Generale Militare will visit Palermo and Catanzaro shortly to see the working of the Military Tribunals.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

Administrative Section,
Rear Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394

10 May 44.

- 1 I am sending you some further notes of developments and more important items of work in the Admin Section during the weekending 7 May 44. It would be helpful if you would let me have a note as to whether you find these D.O's of value to you, if so, I will continue to keep sending them at approximately weekly intervals.

2 Public Safety.

a Public Safety Prefect.

S.E. Solimene has been temporarily appointed to deal with Public Safety matters in the Ministry of Interior until a permanent appointment is made.

b Uniforms for Police.

Requisitions for uniforms and boots to meet the urgent requirements of CC.RR. and CC.FF. have been sent through the Army Sub-Coms to the Italian Army authorities.

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The Minister of the Interior is preparing an Order for publication by all Prefetti restricting the movement of civilians between Sicily, Sardinia and the Italian Mainland unless in possession of a pass issued by AGC or under its authority.

3 Public Health.

Preliminary discussions have been held with the Chief of the Italian Public Health Service and the Regional Medical Officer (Italian) Region I, with a view to evolving a plan for the complete reorganization of the Italian Health Service and the formation of a separate Ministry of Health.

4 Education.

Had several conferences with the Minister of Education of which the main points are:

- a A more expeditious manner of suspending fascist school officials in nonoccupied Italy will be worked out promptly, with every effort at uniformity.
- b A decision will be reached as to what allowance suspended persons should receive.
- c The long awaited decree establishing Councils of Discipline and Scolastic Councils were, according to the last conference

5 Education/c

with Cuomo, written and in the hands of the Legal division of the Italian Government. The new Minister will try and locate them and expedite their issue.

d He plans to organise a small corps of central inspectors to cover all provinces, and has already begun the job.

e Property of G.I.L. and Popolavoro is now in the custody of finance officers. The Minister approves the idea that

this be turned over to communal sindaco for use by the new youth and adult education and recreation organisations as rapidly as these are formed.

f The Minister plans to set up three superior advisory councils (elementary, media and university) to advise him on laws and decrees, adjudge concorsi, advice on disciplinary matters, hear appeals, etc. AMG Regions are welcome to use these councils when Regional Education Officers desire their advice.

g He will abolish the Royal Academy of Italy so that it may be re-organised on non-fascist lines.

h He will issue a decree abolishing Fascist decree against foreign professors in Italy.

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8. Fire Service Transfers.

The Director of Anti Fire Service (S.E. Umberto Petragliani) has confirmed the interchange of the Commandanti of Bari with the Commandanti of Messina.

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Allegory

A. E. YOUNG, Colonel
Deputy Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission

11. Fascist Militia.

The Minister of the Interior has been pressed to submit a draft decree rescinding the Royal Decree of 2 or December 1943 which permitted ex-members of the Fascist Part and Highway Militia to be admitted to the CC.RR.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

9/3.1/45

8 May 44

SUBJECT : Information for RCs.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

I am directed to forward to you attached copy of D.O. letter addressed by VP Administrative Section to Regional Commissioners.

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R.H. CRIPPS,
Lieut. Colonel,
CSO Admin Sec.

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CONFIDENTIAL

Administrative Section,
Rear Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394

6 May 1944.

1 I am sending you a short resume of the more important items of work recently in hand by the Administrative Section. I should make it clear that this letter is semi-official and that official reports or instruction will reach you through the usual channels. It appeared to me however that you might like as soon as possible to hear in this unofficial way of matters afoot.

2 Interior.

- a Director and Staff officers toured respectively, 5th Army Area, Sardinia, and parts of Region II. Constructive reports received. Apulia and remaining provinces of Matera and Potenza to be covered later. All tours confirm necessity when dealing with forward area problems to bear in mind entirely different conditions which prevail there.
- b Reports from all sources indicate de-fascistisation proceeding slowly if at all.
- c New Minister of Interior, ALIBIO called. Appears to be very sincere. Matters discussed included pool of Sindaci to replace inefficient Mayors of forward communes; also refugees, where Government urged to attend to problem and ensure more humane treatment.
- d Difficult position caused by Italian Government press announcement of composition of Giunta Consultiva for Sicily without prior consultation with ACC in breach of agreement between ACC and Badoglio for proposed senior appointments to be submitted through channels. Minister undertook to prevent recurrence and to investigate position of Sicilian Giunta.
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The following subjects are under discussion with the Italian Government;

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The Minister of the Interior has been instructed, as a matter of urgency to prepare a decree rescinding the Royal Decree of 6th December 1943 which permitted ex-members of the Fascist militias to be submitted to the CC.NN.

c Motor Vehicle Registration

The Minister of Communications has published Royal Decree No 105 ordering the declaration of all motor vehicles and spare parts. The Minister has been asked to supply copies of the instructions and declaration forms to the Public Safety Sub Commission in order that the question of extending the order to ASB territory may be considered by AC & MJ Section.

d Civilian Movement

The Minister of the Interior, the Generals Commanding CC.NN. and CC.FF. have been requested to issue instructions to all police agencies respecting the control of civilian movement by passes and 'spot checks'. This instruction implements the directive on 'Control of Civilian Movement' issued by the Executive Commissioner to Regional Commissioners on 26th April 1944.

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4 Public Safety (contin)a Prisons.

Officials of the Ministry of Grace and Justice have been asked to suggest steps for relieving the overcrowding of civilian prisons.

5 Education.a From a report of a recent interview with H.E. OMILIO by the Director of Education, the following is quoted:

1. "We in our turn sought from him light upon our most pressing problem, de-fascistisation, especially in the portion of Region II which has never been occupied. He urged upon him the necessity for prompt and even action to as to bring that territory in line with other AGC and AGO practise. He assured us of his willingness and desire to proceed energetically as soon as his office is established. He cited his own record at Naples University in this regard, and bespoke from our experience together there both collaboration and expedition".

11. "He (OMILIO) is a man not without energy and perhaps with ideas, and we may expect a growing efficiency in the management of education"... "He appears less anti-clerical than certain clerics had suggested of him".

b Decreases etc.

A number of decrees issued under AGC for smooth and somewhat decentralised functioning of the schools were confirmed by the Minister of Education to remain valid in unoccupied Italy. New decrees were issued or prepared for issue by the Minister, on recommendation of this Sub Commission, to provide for emergency employment of teachers of English; to transfer the employment of physical education teachers from G.I. (ex G.I.L.) to the provveditori agli studi; to establish re-organised "Councils of Discipline" and "Scholastic Councils" etc. In general, progress was made toward making policies, regulations and procedures as nearly the same as possible in occupied and unoccupied Italy.

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22 Apr 44

SUBJECT : Discussions with Italian Government.

TO : All Admin Sub Comms.

In order that Admin Section can keep Regions informed of what matters are under discussion with the Italian Government and of the progress made in such discussions, all Admin Sub Comms will submit so as to reach Admin Section by 1000 hrs every Sunday commencing 30 Apr 44, a short precis of the result of any discussions that they may have had with the Italian Government during the preceding week.

S.H. WHITE, Major,
for CMO Admin.

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