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ITAL GOV'T, IRREGULARITIES
SEPT. 1944 - JULY 1945

38. (Continued)

Questioned as to whether he had made any other will beyond the Operation in Philadelphia, Vaccaro replied that he had only taken a copy of the decree on this subject with him to get the views of the CE NAB, the latter was in agreement with the decree. Subject to one or two minor adjustments.

Vaccaro signed SC asking me that Vaccaro would want to see this and issued a statement in the press. I was at even of the time I questioned the minister in the matter.

L.G.S.C.

W. J. H. W. S.

W. J. H. W. S.

Local Government

I spoke about this yesterday on a phone call from Political Advisor.
Can you find out if there is anything in it - definitely one
way or the other. If you can't I will take up with R.C.
31 May

Patricia, Remond, White - agreed. If you can find out
cas.

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3. I spoke to Mr. Johnson AFHQ. He phoned me a reply to this. I told him I would check and
ring back. (Freedom 58)

2. I went to M.F.A. 5th (left at 11:30) who says that Technical Officers and the Italian
Inspector General of Customs are all working on the death and have reported no trouble.
They will make specific inquiries if we want and then a written reply.

3. I phoned Mr. Johnson and told him this. He would like to know if such a device
was in fact made.

1/12

58.

To: C.A.S.

4295

Ref. minutes 16.1.57 & 16.1.58.

During a visit with Mr. 7 in 1958 on Saturday 2nd June. He stated
that C.A.S. had appointed Turner as acting to Mr. & present the
various records, that the same was sent to the next report.

3. I planned but had no time to do. He would like to know if such a document was in fact made.

38.

To. C.A.S.

4295

Ref. memo. 26.10.77 & 26.11.77.

During an interview with H.E. 72 of P.O. on Wednesday 24.10.77. He stated that C.A.S. had appointed Trustee Committee to look & prepare the various records, that the Rome Staff had sent to the main report. He also stated that the way that of P.O. was in line. He also stated that he was a P.O. man. That the C.A.S. were preparing to send on the data to the people. That he was convinced that there would only be limited use by C.A.S. to those who could be properly identified. That he took the matter up with the P.O. on his return to Rome that the P.O. was not aware of the data. C.A.S. having given to the main and that he had been substituted by another individual.

I made no comment

J. Phillips

L.G.S.C.

(continued)

31.

Chief Commissioner.

Please read Minute 28, particularly para 4. Letter to the Prime Minister submitted.

MS/75.

7 May 1945

CA Section 32

Letter to PM signed by CC in line

I have Minute submitted by you - Min. No 29. Copies withdrawn for EC & CC files

Sharden

Office of E.C.
9 May 45

Deputy Secretary
10/1/45

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V.P. Folio 34A. I suggest that it is too late for action with the Army Office. It is a little awkward as the Minister did have a press statement not a good one - it made Folio 2004 rather than any advice?

Deputy Secretary
10/1/45

11 May

T. O. Ex C. 34

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Ref 34a.

Tupini definitely tried a pasture. The left

Office of E.C.
9 May 48

Deputy Under Secy
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Thorden

VP Telco 34A I suggest that it is too late for action with the Army
Office. It is a little awkward as the Minister did have
a pass although not a good one - it makes Telco 34A
even more, less advice?

11 May

H. H. Thompson
C.A.S.

T. O. E.C.

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Ref 34a.

Tupini definitely tried a fast one. He left
here without a pass & no doubt hoped to find
a way to sign a pass in the neighborhood of
Fano - he was successful. Nevertheless
he violated the definite spirit of the
understanding & I hope C.C. will sign the
draft prepared for his signature.

13 May

7/2/48

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C.A.S.E.C.

Ref 34 above. It is better signed and
returned for dispatch. D. H. Thompson
16 MAY 48

Ex Comm.

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- 1 Folio 27A refers to the first case of diplomas being stopped by Censor. It was thought to be an isolated case and dealt with as though they were as diplomas originated from Ministry of Marine.
- 2 Folio 28A is a translation of one of a second batch stopped recently - 12 of them, all in my office at the moment. Folio 29 explains.
- 3 V.F. takes the view that the Italian Government should be approached on the lines indicated in Folio 30A and suggests that an Aide-Memoire might be considered by the Chief Commissioner.
- 4 These awards were made prior to the Italian surrender but and, may probably, a minor appeal is just catching up with his work.
5. Will you indicate whether further action is required by this Section.

2 May 45

I suggest the aide
memoire should
have a specimen
attached.

H. A. Bingham 1.6.1
CSO CAS.

CAS

Issue 11/3/5

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Ex Comm. Submitted for approval - Aide Memoire and
all 12 diplomas

5 May

H. A. Bingham 1.6.1
CAS.

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Ex Comm.

Ref minutes 28 & 29 one specimen diploma
herewith. I am retaining the balance should
they be required.

5/5/45

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Minute Sheet

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To A/ES. Commissioner

Also

at 10:00 is scheduled a meeting with the approval of CC

to discuss with the recent visit of the Turkish to the

Army Area, and is in compliance with you

must do.

CHS

20/10/80

2. 1000

R.R. Lipp

for 26 Mar.

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So to CC

Letter to TURKISH to PM

for CC Signature Draft of

20.11 was approved by CC

21 28/3

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26 Mar.

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So to CC

Letter to TUDM to PM

for CC Submission. Draft of
20th was approved by CC

21 28/3

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CA Sec

Ref 25 above. Letter is returned
signed by Chief Com for dispatch.

Office E.C.
29 Mar 45.

D. [Signature]

30 Mar 45

Letter dispatched
22.7.45

SO to Chief Commissioner:

In reply to your minute 18, please see minutes 19, 20, and 21.

In brief:

Minute 19 -- Liaison Division's confirmation that they did not give authority in any way for Tupini's visit into AMG territory. In fact, Tupini was in Fabriano on March 10, the same date that Liaison forwarded to AMG 8th Army their request for the necessary permission to visit the area. Apparently, there was no intention of waiting for formal approval.

Minute 20 -- US Political Adviser's reaction to Tupini's proposed removal. The political repercussions both here and abroad would be far too great to justify such action. Mr. Dewling advises that an informal letter direct to Tupini (copy to PM) from the Chief Commissioner expressing surprise and disappointment at the Minister's failure to abide by the military regulations should be sent. Mention should be made that such lack of cooperation will of necessity bring about drastic action in the event of any future violation.

Minute 21 -- British Political Adviser's agreement with Mr. Dewling that the proposed removal would be going too far and that a formal letter from the CC to the Prime Minister asking him to take up this breach of regulations with Tupini would be most appropriate.

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[Signature]
A. W. STEARNS
Major, AGO

C.S.O. to Ev. Com.

CC has said and agrees that we cannot ask for the resignation of Tupini. He decides that a letter to the Prime Minister be drafted for his signature along the lines of Mr. Hoptkinson's minute at (23). It should be formal; it should be very strong. It should

future violation.

Minute 21 -- British Political Adviser's agreement with Mr. Dealing that the proposed removal would be going too far and that a formal letter from the CC to the Prime Minister asking him to take up this breach of regulations with Tupini would be most appropriate.

#F 23


J. W. STRAHERS
Major, AGD

C.S.O. to Ex. Com.

CC has read and agrees that we cannot wait for the resignation of Tupini. He decides that a letter to the Prime Minister be drafted for his signature along to him of Mr. Houghton's minute at (21).

It should be formal; it should be very strong. I should recall to previous breach of regulations, I in - C A.H.'s letter to meet Tupini, and that person's subsequent apology.


J. W. STRAHERS
Major, AGD

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TO: VP, CA Section

Will you please draft letter for CC's signature to the Prime Minister as directed in minute 23?

May this matter please be treated as most urgent?

23 March


J. W. STRAHERS
Major, AGD

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EX COMM:

I am doubtful that AC has the authority to ask for TUPINI's resignation. In any event, the political repercussions which could be expected both here and abroad would in my opinion preclude such action. To take preventive or punitive action in the Army area is one thing; to carry out these measures after the Minister's return to Rome is another.

In the circumstances, and on the basis of TUPINI's character, I venture to suggest that perhaps the most effective step which could now be taken would be an informal letter from the Chief Commissioner expressing surprise and disappointment at his failure to abide by the military regulations, emphasizing the painful impression his lack of cooperation has caused in Allied circles, and saying frankly that he (the Chief Commissioner) will not be able to prevent drastic action being taken in the event of any further violation of the regulations of which the Minister must be aware.

(Letter directly to Tupini
with copy to PM. per
Mr Dowling 22 Mar.) *W.C.*

W.C. Dowling
W.C. Dowling
U.S. Political Adviser

21/3/45

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I agree that we should be going no far as asking for his resignation. I am inclined to think however that it would be better for the Chief Commissioner to write a formal letter to the Prime Minister drawing attention to this breach of the regulations and ask him to take it up with Tupini. 4290

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H. H. H. H.
Br. Political Adviser

CA. Sec

A/CC has seen 12 + file is returned to you.

4 Nov 44

(15)

Local Government

Please see 14 A

Handwritten note: *Handwritten note*

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6 Nov 1944

(16)

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noted

Handwritten note: *Handwritten note*

9 Nov

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C.S.O. to Ex: Can

1. Will you please obtain the station of Political Advisers, as soon as may be. to Aide Memoire at 18. Particularly to para 9.
2. C.S.O. feels that he should refer to AFHQ before asking for Tufini's resignation.
3. Please obtain confirmation from Liaison Div. as to whether or not TUPIN did make a report & was required

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R. B. Lempke
Adm. Secy. to J. S. C.

watch

10. *Adaptation*

18.

C.S.G. to Ex: Can

1. Will you please strain to reaction of Political Advisers, as soon as may be. to Aide Memoire at 18 - 5
Particularly to para. 9

2. C.C. feels that the school refers to H.H.G. before
asking for Tufini's resignation. " 42"

3. Please obtain confirmation from Liaison Div. as to whether or not TUPINS did make a request & was refused (see para 4).

J.A. Gaudin - 700
2013.

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For Emma

Under date of 10 March 1941 on the basis of a request made by
Letter by W. S. Lawrence, from Mrs (H.) a letter was written by the Liaison Officer.
A copy of Army Customs papers for the Tugain's stuff, requesting approval
to visit the Port of Paines - Under date of March 1941 ^{the} ~~copy~~ of Army was sent
Letter & papers to the Port, Paines. Nothing further was heard by the Liaison
Officer. The authority was given in any way for Tugain's visit, ~~from~~ by the Office.
The reply, states that a Tugain was ^{detained} ~~detained~~ on the 10th or 11th of March in
apparently did not wait for permission, from I Army.

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To C.A. Section

From Q to A/CC infers that Franchi made his visit to Florence in innocence, but in order to decide whether the intended speech was equally innocent he wishes to know if Franchi was at any time given explicit instructions not to hold a political meeting.

J.A. Gwynne
26: x: 44.

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To E.C.W. Sec.

① See 10 above. Re Mr. Antonini a C.A. Topo answer.

Glover, proceeds to Thana a per mini reported by the latter see p. 10. 8.
② Glover return file.

C.A.S.

26 Oct 44
x 608.

R.R. Higgins A

10. ELOW. SEC.

① See 10 above. Re Mr. Anzorini a CA. Topo answer.

Glossini provided to Terna a permission requested by the letter see photo 8.

② Please return file.

R. R. Gifford

CAS.

26 OCT 1944

X 608.

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12.

To: CA. Section.

①. I DID NOT KNOW GROSSINI WAS GOING TO FLORENCE HENCE I DID NOT WARN HIM AGAINST MAKING POLITICAL SPEECHES - CONSIDER IT ADVISABLE THAT PM. BONOMI INSTRUCT HIS MINISTERS OF OUR RESTRICTIONS IN FORWARD AREAS.

R. R. Gifford
10/26

13.

COS

Please see 12 in answer 15 10

W. H. H. H. H.
for VP.

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CAS - X-1464
20 OCT 1944

MINUTE SHEET 1

MINUTE 1

To: C.O.S.

See 1(a), 1(b) and 2(e).

1. At 3(a) is a Draft reply which is submitted for approval and onward transmission by A/OO.
2. H.2. TUPPI is at present at OBTING and is expected to be in NOME on Saturday, 7th October. If the A/OO decides that he wishes Brigadier Upjohn to interview the Minister immediately on his return and demand his apology, some comment will be required to para. marked (S).

R.R. Lapp

E.H. CURTIS, Col.
CNO CA Section.

9th October, '64.

2.

To: C.O.S.

See 6(a)

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As no reply has been received in the section, the

App is submitted for approval and if so approved

for a new transmission

R.R. Lapp

13 OCT 1964

5th October, '44.

To COS.

See 61a

As no reply has been received in the section, the

App is submitted for approval and if 4 approved

pl. in case time is required

13 OCT 44

3.

To: C A SEC

Ref your minute 22 above. Please see
folio 61a.

To Afce. for info.

To see 9.

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RD Lapp ^{at}

W. H. H. H.
H. H. H. H.
Office Clerk

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ACTION REGIONAL COMMISSIONER VENEZIA REGION: INFO AMO 8TH ARMY

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12459 JULY 1945

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL PD

REPORTED IN ROME PAPERS FROM LONDON DISPATCH DATED SIX JULY THAT AMERICAN
AUTHORITIES HAVE REQUESTED THE SINDACO OF BOLZANO AND THE EXPREFECT OF THE
PROVINCE TO BE SENT TO WASHINGTON PARIS AND LONDON FOR DISCUSSIONS HAVING
TO DO WITH THE RETURN OF ALTO ADIGE TO AUSTRIA PD PARA
PAREN ACTION TO VENEZIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER INFO TO AMO EIGHTH
ARMY FROM HQ ALCOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE ACSOC PAREN
NO SUCH MOVEMENT SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED WITHOUT APPROVAL FROM HQ ALCOM

CO: Chief Commissioner
Excc. Commr
CA Sec.

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Chief Commissioner

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ELBERT N. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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EIGHTH ARMY

MMCE 1435

8 JULY

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

- 8 AUG 1943

SECRET PD

REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE ONE ONE FOUR FIVE DATED SIXTH JULY PD

PARSH TO EIGHTH ARMY MAIN FOR AND FROM HQ ALCON CITE ABOVE PARSH PD

RUSSIAN COLONEL RUSCHIN IS HEAD OF THE RUSSIAN MISSION ATTACHED TO DISPLACED

PERSONS SUBCOMMISSION PD CONTRARY TO THE USUAL PROCEDURE HE DID NOT ASK

FOR ALCON'S AUTHORIZATION TO GO NORTH PD

HE SHOULD BE ORDERED OUT OF ARMY AREA WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO REPORT

IMMEDIATELY TO THE DIRECTOR DISPLACED PERSONS SUBCOMMISSION IN HOME TO EXPLAIN

WHY HE WENT NORTH WITHOUT OBTAINING THE USUAL PERMISSION

INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION

CHIEF COLONEL.
C.A. SECTION
D.P. & R. S/C.

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STAFF OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AIG 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref 3/15.1/CA

23 June 45

SUBJECT : Issue of pass to TURPIN

TO : Regional Commissioner, VERMOREL Region

Reference your DO letter of 15 June enclosing IC Padova's letter
GMA-2 of 4 June.

- 1 While I do not accept that WMO was on the Rear Army Control Line,
the point is that the WMO did obtain the necessary clearance with 8 Army
and RMO Abruzzi-Marche was wrong in his facts when he made his complaint.
- 2 There can, therefore, be no question of any blame on Lt. MARINKOV
and the incident is entirely closed so far as he is concerned.

G.R. URQUHART Brig.
VP CA Section

Copy to : IC Padova

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HEADQUARTERS
ENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
15 June 1945

23 GIU. 1945

Dear *Gerald*

Reference your letter 9/15.1/CA dated
12 May.

I attach herewith a copy of Lieut.
Merinkov's report on the incident.

Yours faithfully
W. H. D. G.
Brigadier Gerald Unjohn,
Vice President Civil Affairs Section,
Headquarters Allied Commission.

9/15.1/CA Please

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C O P Y

PADOVA PROVINCE
VENETIE REGION

Allied Military Government
APO 394

4/6/1945

TO : HQ. AMG. Region XII (for RPSC)

SUBJECT: Letter Ref/ 9/15.1/CA 12 May 1945 Hq. Allied Commission

FILE No. GMM-2

1. Undersigned Officer does not feel that his action under the circumstances was unjustified.
2. Area in question was administered under ambitious arrangement.
3. Feno during the period was on the Rear Army Control Line and not South of it.
4. During the "handover" conference between AMG & Army and Region V (Abruzzi-Marche) representatives, the right to decide upon applications for entry into Army Area was reserved by AMG & Army Police authorities.
5. This Officer was present at that conference.
6. Inasmuch as the Province of Pesaro was split for administrative and control purposes, the PPSC, as well as PO's, were delegated the authority to decide in cases involving travel to Pesaro, which, was the governmental and AMG seat.
7. In the case of Turini, permission was obtained by telephone by this Officer, from the PPSC of Pesaro Province for issue of the pass from Feno to Pesaro.
8. This was the normal method employed to settle doubtful cases, and cases of urgency.
9. In turn the PPSC would clear from Pesaro with Army authorities.
10. Above points are quoted from memory and without file corroboration.

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11. This Officer should like the courtesy of being informed as to whether or not Ref/ 9, 15.1, CA of 11 May 1942 will be entered in his JG1 File.

cc: Geo. M. Martinkov
Geo. M. MARINKOV, 1st Lt.
Office of PPSG
for Earl A. Hessler
Provincial Commissioner
HQ AMS Palova Province.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION ON
APO 574
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

9/15.1/48

5 June 48

SUBJECT: CIMA "decrees".

TO: Chief, C-1 Section.

Reference your letter: OMI.1 Italy dated 29 May.

1. It has been extremely difficult to find out exactly what did occur in regard to the incident noted and even now it cannot be said for certain what did, in fact, happen. The Minister himself states the CIMA had appointed trustees to find and preserve the archives and that these people refused to hand them over to the individual who was sent up by the Government. It was alleged that the man was an OSS agent. The Minister admits that he told the CIMA not to hand over the archives to anyone but a properly accredited person, and that he requested so said by the mention of this particular individual.
2. This particular matter - that of the archives - is having the attention of the Chief Commissioner and the Italian Government has been advised so that the archives and the functions of the various departments of the Fascist Republican Government may be taken over with the least possible interference to administration.
3. Apart from the instance it cannot be denied that the CIMA has made attempts to exercise jurisdiction in Allied Military Government Territory, and this has had the attention of the HMG and Regional Commissioner concerned.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER :

G.R. [Signature]
Vr CA Section

Copy to: Political Advisor (A)
Political Advisor (B)

(for information)
Lt. Baillie, AFHQ, telephoned to get an
answer to their letter (p 43A). I informed
him that this letter (p 44A) was despatched
by me and drew its contents.
R.P. Temple, Jr.
8 June 48 4281

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

NYA/CM

31 MAG 1945

G-5: C91.1 Italy

29 May 1945

SUBJECT: CLNAI "decrees".

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. The following note has been received from the office
British Resident Minister:

"We have received a telegram from the Foreign Office
in which they state that from a report from Milan, apparently
issued by "Special Allied News Service" it seems that the
Italian Minister for Occupied Territory has issued a statement
purporting to ratify certain "decrees" of C.I.N.A.I. relating
to archives of Fascist Republic Ministries and forbidding
disposal or surrender of such archives except in certain circum-
stances. The statement appears to be in the name of the
President of C.I.N.A.I. as well.

The Foreign Office have asked us to ascertain your views
on this apparent attempt of the Italian Government to exercise
jurisdiction in allied military government territory."

2. Information is requested on which to base a reply.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:



H. V. Anderson
H. V. ANDERSON,
Lt. Colonel.

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AMHQ FOR G-5

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28 MAY 1945

PRIORITY

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SECRET PD

SUBJECT IS INCIDENT NERNI AND TOGLIATTI PD YOUR SIGNAL FOR EIGHT TWO NINE THREE SEVEN
OF TWO SEVEN MAY REFERS PD (41A)

PAREN TO AMHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM HQ ALCON FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE AGSCC PAREN

FULL REPORT WAS REQUESTED FROM FIFTH ARMY MAY TWENTY SIXTH PD FOLLOWING ARE FACTS SO
FAR AS KNOWN HERE PD THAT MAY BE MODIFIED WHEN FULL REPORT RECEIVED COLON
TOGLIATTI NOT ARRESTED PD ON MORNING TWO FIVE MAY NERNI WAS ARRESTED BY ORDER OF
PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER OF VERCELLI CMA PIEMONTE REGION UNDER PROCLAMATION THREE
FOR HAVING ADDRESSED A PUBLIC MEETING FOR WHICH AUTHORITY HAD NOT REPEAT NOT
PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBTAINED PD HEAD OF LOCAL SOCIALIST PARTY HAD IN FACT BEEN WARNED
LESS THAN AN HOUR BEFORE NOT REPEAT NOT TO HOLD THE MEETING PD NERNI WAS TAKEN TO
TURIN WHERE THE MATTER WAS INVESTIGATED BY THE REGIONAL AUTHORITIES PD HE WAS BROUGHT
BEFORE A SUMMARY COURT AND THE HEARING WAS ADJOURNED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING TWO EIGHT MAY
PD MEANWHILE HE WAS RELEASED THE DAY OF HIS ARREST ON GIVING AN UNDERTAKING NOT TO MAKE
ANY PUBLIC ADDRESS AND TO APPEAR WHEN THE CASE WAS CALLED PD WHILE LEGALLY JUSTIFIED
CMA IT APPEARED TO SCAC FOUR CORPS TO HAVE BEEN A CASE OF EXCESS OF ZEAL ON PART OF
HIS LOCAL AID OFFICERS PD INSTRUCTIONS WERE THEREFORE SENT EARLY SATURDAY MORNING
TO DROP CHARGE PD ALLIED COMMISSION AND FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP AGREED THAT CHARGE

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AFHQ FOR G-5

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SHOULD BE DROPPED AND APPROVED OF HIS HAVING BEEN RELEASED CMA BUT THAT HE SHOULD BE WARNED THAT A REPETITION OF VIOLATION OF ARMY ORDERS WOULD MEAN THAT HE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE THE ARMY AREA PD IF NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT WARNING HE WOULD BE ESCORTED OUT OF ARMY AREA BUT NOT PLACED UNDER ARREST PD TO AVOID DISCRIMINATION IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT TOGLIATTI SHOULD LIKEWISE BE WARNED BECAUSE OF AN INCIDENT OF TWO ONE MAY WHEN HE ADDRESSED A LARGE MEETING IN MILAN WITHOUT PERMISSION PD FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP AGREED TO SO INSTRUCT FIFTH ARMY PD NENZI WROTE DEPUTY SGAD FOUR CORPS AT TURIN A LETTER EXPRESSING HIS REGRET OVER INCIDENT AND STATING THAT IT WAS NOT INTENTIONAL AND PROMISING THAT THERE WOULD BE NO RECURRENCE PD HE PROMISED IN FUTURE TO COMPLY STRICTLY WITH ARMY REGULATIONS PD ON BASIS OF ABOVE CHARGES WERE QUASHED PD NENZI LEFT FOR ROME AFTERNOON TWO SIX MAY PD PARA COMMENT COLON WHEN THE CLMAI AND PRIME MINISTER REQUESTED PERMISSION FOR THE TWELVE DELEGATES OF THE SIX PARTIES TO GO NORTH THEY STATED INTENTION WAS NOT TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETINGS BUT PRIVATE POLITICAL CONFERENCES PD IT WAS ONLY BASED ON THIS TENDONED PLEDGE NOT TO HOLD POLITICAL MEETINGS THAT PERMISSION FOR TRIP WAS SECURED BY FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP FROM FIFTH ARMY COMMANDER PD THIS AGREEMENT WAS SET FORTH IN MY LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER OF FOURTEENTH MAY CONVEYING THE ARMY PERMISSION FOR THE TRIP PD ON TWO SIX MAY BONOMI INFORMED ME THAT HE HAD FORWARDED A COPY OF MY LETTER TO EACH DELEGATE PD

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ATTN FOR 0-5

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MOST DELEGATES HAD AGREED TO THE UNDERTAKING EITHER IN WRITING OR ORALLY BUT NO REPLIES
WERE RECEIVED BY BONONI FROM TOGLIATTI OR NERMI PD PARA
WOULD POINT OUT THAT POLICY IN AREAS UNDER COMMISSION CONTROL IS TO GRANT PERMITS
TO HOLD POLITICAL MEETINGS PROVIDED ORDER IS MAINTAINED AND THERE IS NO INTERFERENCE
WITH ALLIED MILITARY ACTIVITIES PD AS CHIEF CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER CMA I RECOMMEND
THAT IN VIEW OF CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES SACRED INSTRUCT COMMANDING GENERAL FIFTEENTH
ARMY GROUP AND COMMANDING GENERALS NINTH AND EIGHTH ARMIES TO ADOPT SIMILAR POLICY IN
ARMY AREAS PD PREVIOUS CINC MESSAGE TWO FIVE SEVEN ZERO ZERO OF EIGHT JANUARY ONE
NINE FOUR FOUR TO FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP CMA ALCOM AND OTHER ADDRESSEES REFERS

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U.S. Ambassador
British Ambassador
Executive Commissioner
VP CA Section
Pol Advisors (A) and (B)

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Chief Commissioner

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ELLEN V. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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SECRET

C.A.S.-LIA

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PRIORITY

SIGNED: HANDED CITE PROSEC

RECEIVED

27 MAY 1945
A.C.

SECRET.

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(Reur 8489 and 8541 cite ACSCC)

Amplification requested of your signals so as to give full story of arrest on KANRI.
and reasons together with subsequent action concerning him and TOSHIKATI.

SIX

- ACTION
- INFO
- CHIEF COMMISSIONER
- EXEC COMMISSIONER
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A RESOLUTION WILL MEAN THAT THEY WILL BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE THE ARMY AREA

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Cite ACSCG 8489 of 26 May.

RENNI was arrested at VERCELLI on 25 May and later released.
TOGLIATTI's arrest was not confirmed. Full report will be forwarded
immediately full information available.

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REPORT THAT TOGLIATTI MAY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED NEAR NOVARA PD

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PLEASE CONFIRM URGENTLY PD IN VIEW OF POLITICAL REPERCUSSIONS REQUEST FULLY
DOCUMENTED REPORT ON KENNI ARREST

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
55232.M.P.O.

Rome, 23 May 1945

Dear Admiral,

I refer to your letter of the 8th, about the sending to various officers of diplomas granting dignities, in which the name of the Sovereign is preceded by 'King of Albania, Emperor of Ethiopia', and in which the proposal by the 'Luce del fascismo' is mentioned.

As you justly pointed out, this is only the material handing over of the certificate of a regulation issued on March 18th, 1943, under the forms which were then in force.

However, I quite agree with you that this act, which is simply due to thoughtlessness, is most inopportune, and I am sincerely sorry that it should have taken place.

I have given order for the said diplomas to be taken from the persons to whom they were sent, and for such documents to be no longer issued.

I remain,

Your sincerely,

B. L. Bonomi

Admiral Allery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the
Allied Commission

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Exec Commr



Roma, 22 maggio 1945. MAY 24 1945

*Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri
35252 44. P. G.*

Caro Ammiraglio,

mi riferisco alla Sua lettera dell'8 corrente relativa all'invio a vari ufficiali di diplomi di concessione di onorificenze in cui il nome del Sovrano figura col predicato di "Re di Albania, Imperatore d'Etiopia" e si fa cenno della proposta del "duce del fascismo".

Ella ha ben rilevato che si tratta non d'altro che della materiale consegna del titolo certificativo di un provvedimento emesso il 18 marzo 1943 nelle forme allora vigenti.

Non esito tuttavia a convenire con Lei che l'atto, certamente dovuto a semplice sconsideratezza, sia da ritenersi del tutto inopportuno ed io sinceramente deploro che abbia potuto verificarsi.

Ho quindi disposto che i diplomi di cui trattasi siano

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All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. Stone
Comissario Capo della Commissione Alleata

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no subito ritirati ai relativi destinatari o che sia evitata
ogni ulteriore emissione di atti del genere.

Mi creda, con viva cordialità, Suo

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John

Ref: 9/13.1/62.

12 May 62

Dear J.K.

The Chief Commissioner has just been put in an extremely awkward position as a result of the following set of circumstances.

During the winter a number of Italian Ministers, including TURINI, Minister of Grace and Justice, made visits into Army Area without proper authority. This was taken up very strongly but subsequently a complaint was made by the Regional Commissioner Abruzzi-Marche, that TURINI had again entered Army Area on or about 11 March when he was in Rome. No permit for that visit was obtained from this Headquarters.

Consequently a very strong letter was written to the Prime Minister and, in reply, we have now received a photograph of a pass for this journey issued by 1st Lt. Gen. M. MARINOV at FROSINONE on 11 March. MARINOV was at that time south of the Rear Army Security Line, but the Province of FROSINONE was under Regional Control (Abruzzi-Marche). It would seem, therefore, that authority to give permission had been delegated by SCAD 5 Army to the Regional Commissioner. As the complaint to us came from the Regional Commissioner it would seem that MARINOV acted contrary to Executive Order, number 77 with, as I have said, most awkward consequences.

Will you kindly look into it as MARINOV is now under your command and let us know his story so that a reply can be made to the Prime Minister. I leave you to administer any reprimand, should one be necessary.

Yours *G. V. L.*

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Brigadier J.K. Dunlop,
Regional Commissioner,
Vulturno Region.

Copy to: Colonel C.H.A. VANDER, MC.

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May 1945

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

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I have your letter of 6 May with the explanation of the visit of H.E. TUBINI into Army Area on 11 March.

You will, I am sure, agree that the Minister acted extremely unwise in view of the previous incident in September and in view of the fact that he departed on his journey before permission had been granted.

I regret to say that in the circumstances I am unable to take the view that the Minister is free from blame. The pass, in fact, was not issued by the proper authority and disciplinary action is being taken against the officer who signed it.

I know that you, my dear Mr. Prime Minister, are fully aware of the need to observe the regulations regarding the Army Area with the utmost care and I would be glad if you would again emphasize this necessity to the Minister.

Yours very truly,

1st May 1945

ELIJAH W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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10 MAY 1945

The President of the Council of Ministers,

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Geneva, 17 May 1945

Dear Sir,

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Minister of the Interior to whom I showed the content of your letter of 11/1/45 of March 1945, and the enclosed documents, and copy of the same referred to him by the Allied Commission to proceed to Geneva.

Mr. G. Tappin pointed out to me that his presence in Geneva was limited to a visit to the Tribunal for urgent service reasons, and he added he would never have asked the liberty of entering the zone controlled by the Allied Army forces if their local command didn't grant his request, expressly authorizing him to do so.

Very truly,

G. I. Tappin

General Henry H. H. H.
Chief of the Allied Commission
G. I. H.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

MOVEMENT OF CIVILIANS

S.F. avv. MOVIMENTO DI CIVILI N° 603180

Name (Nome)

TUPINI UMBERTO

Address (Indirizzo)

Rome

Identity Card No. (Carta Identità N°)

HAS PERMISSION TO:

È AUTORIZZATO A:

- (a) TRAVEL FROM (i) Fano TO Genoa
Passeggiare da
- (b) AND RETURN.
e ritorno.
- (c) TRAVEL WITHIN AN AREA OF _____ KM. FROM _____
Passeggiare entro la zona di _____ da
- (d) TRAVEL WITHIN THE PROVINCE OF _____
Passeggiare entro la provincia di _____
- (e) CROSS THE ARMY CONTROL LINE Yes
Attraversare la linea di controllo dell'esercito
- (f) ~~GO OUT OF DOORS DURING THE HOURS OF CURFEW.~~
~~Essere fuori di casa durante le ore del coprifuoco.~~

FOR THE PURPOSE OF (English)

Per il proposito di (Italian)

AMG Interest
(Ministry) (Italian)

TRANSPORT EMPLOYED (i)

Mezzo di trasporto

THIS PASS EXPIRES ON 15/3/45

Questa autorizzazione è valida fino a

AND MUST BE RETURNED TO OFFICE OF ISSUE UPON EXPIRATION

e deve essere restituita all'ufficio di emissione alla scadenza.

SIGNATURE OF HOLDER

Firma del portatore

ISSUED AT (Luogo di)

ON (Giorno)

BY (Firma)

Geo. M. Markov / 1st Lt

Name and Rank of Issuing Officer (Italian)

Nome e Grado dell'Ufficiale che rilascia l'autorizzazione (Italian)

* Return not required in any case.

Da cancellarsi se non applicabile.

(1) Unless indicated, the most practicable direct route will be taken.

A meno che sia altrimenti indicato, si farà strada via praticabile e diretta.

(2) This pass shall not be taken as authorizing the holder to carry on the transport of goods.

Questo documento non deve essere interpretato come autorizzazione di trasporto di merci.

Questo documento non deve essere interpretato come autorizzazione di trasporto di merci. Qualora non fosse indicato, l'itinerario della marcia viene trasportata, via praticabile e diretta.

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SERVIZIO DI SICUREZZA
10/3/45
AR C. Mag. S. T.



*Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

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Roma, 8 MAG. 1945

10 MAG 1945

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Caro Ammiraglio,

il Ministro Tupini, al quale ho contestato
il contenuto della di Lei lettera 9/15.1/CA del 29 marzo, mi
ha trasmesso l'unita copia fotografica dell'autorizzazione
rilasciatagli dalle Autorità Alleate per recarsi a Pesaro.

S.E. Tupini mi ha fatto presente, inoltre, che la sua
presenza a Pesaro si limitò alla visita a quel Tribunale per
urgenti ragioni di servizio e mi ha aggiunto che non si sareb-
be mai permesso di entrare nella zona controllata dalle Forze
Armate Alleate se il loro comando locale, accogliendo la sua
richiesta, non lo avesse espressamente e ciò autorizzato.

Cordiali saluti.

Sturzo

Al signor Ammiraglio

ELIERY W. STONE

Capo della Commissione Alleata

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Ref: 9/15.1/CA.

9 May 1945.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I think I should bring to your notice the fact that on 16th February 1945 the Minister of War forwarded to various officers 12 diplomas conferring on them the honour of the Order of the Crown of Italy. I attach specimen of one of the diplomas. You will notice that the diplomas bear the title "Re d'Italia e di Albania Imperatore d'Etiopia".

You will also notice that the diploma states "nella proposta del Re del Fascismo".

Although the diplomas are dated prior to the overthrow of the Fascist regime and although the delivery might therefore be construed as a mere act of routine, nevertheless the perpetuation of honours proposed by the head of the Fascist State would seem to be inconsistent with the provisions of the Armistice Terms, contrary to the policy of the Allies, and probably contrary to the policy of the Italian Government.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Coordinator

U. S. Ivanoe Bonomi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
R.O.M.S.

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Aide Memoire

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

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MSC/2296
29 April 1945.
30 NOV 1945

FASCIST DIPLOMAS

Dear Admiral de Courten:

The Military Commission, Segretario Wilmet, Regia Marina, under cover of Pret. 7354/A of 30 March 1945, forwarded six diplomas to Ufficio Stralcio Wilmet, Reggio Calabria, signed by A. Rono, President of the Commission, conferring "the honour of CAVALIERE or UFFICIALE of the Order of the Crown of Italy" on the officers named therein for delivery.

2. The Diplomas show the title "KING OF ITALY AND ALBANIA, EMPEROR OF ETHIOPIA" and are for special services performed in the present war and in previous wars from 1915 to 1940. The honours are conferred on the proposal of "the Duce of Fascism, Chief of Government, Minister of Marine" and are dated 27 June 1942 - XI.

3. Notwithstanding the fact that the Diplomas are dated 27 June 1942, and the delivery thereof might conceivably be construed as a mere ministerial act, provided the diplomas were executed on that date, the perpetuation of Fascist organizations and honours by the Ministry of Marine of the Italian Government is considered to be wholly inconsistent with the provisions of the Armistice, which specifically require that all Fascist organizations be disbanded, and which further provide for the suppression of Fascist ideology and teaching.

4. The recognition of Fascist organizations and honours is contrary to the policy of the Allied Nations and presumably the Italian Government.

5. It is requested that I may have your early assurances that the Ministry of Marine will take strong measures to insure that all stocks of Fascist literature and diplomas or forms under Italian Navy jurisdiction and control are des-

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5. It is requested that I may have your early assurances that the Ministry of Marine will take strong measures to insure that all stocks of Fascist literature and diplomas or forms under Italian Navy jurisdiction and control are destroyed and that the Ministry of Marine does not foster Fascist practices and customs.

H.E. ADMIRAL R. DE COURTES
MINISTRY OF MARINE
ROME

Copy to:
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
V.P. CA SECTION
PUBLIC SAFETY SC.AC.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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AIR MEMOIRE

- 1 Twelve diplomas have recently come into the hands of this Commission. They are issued by the Ministry of War with covering letters dated 11 Feb 45.
- 2 These diplomas, signed by the Directors of various Divisions of the Order of the Crown of Italy, carry Fascist titles.
- 3 It is suggested that for such documents to be issued by the present Italian Government is not in keeping with their ideals and that it would be advisable to replace them.

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REMARKS AND ALIEN COMMISSION
A.P.C. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECRET DIVISION

REF : SE/645.01

14 April 1945

SUBJECT : Fascist Diplomas

TO : V.P. Ca Section

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1. With further reference to your 4/15.1/45 of 15 April 1945 to Naval S/O regarding the above named.

2. A further twelve of these diplomas have come into our possession issued by the Minister of War, with covering letters dated 16th February 1945.

3. I think that it would be advisable to have the Chief Commissioner raise this matter with the Prime Minister, with a view to the Chancellor of the Order of the Crown of Italy, who is responsible for the execution of the decree granting the awards, being advised to discontinue the use of such documents, which tend to maintain Fascist sentiments by their adherence to obsolete titles.

John W. Chapman

JOHN W. CHAPMAN,
Colonel V.C.B.C.,
Director Public Safety,
Sub Commission.

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H. M. VITTORIO EMANUELE III
by the Grace of God and the Will of the Nation

KING OF ITALY AND OF ALBANIA

EMPEROR OF ETHIOPIA

Grand Master of the Order of the Crown of Italy

In consideration of special benefits and on the occasion
of his placement in the reserve for seniority of service

On proposal of the Duce of Fascism, Head of the Government

MINISTER OF THE WAR

By Decree dated - Rome, 28 January 1943 - XXI - has conferred
the honour of:

O F F I C E R

of the Order of the Santi Maurizio e Lazzaro, with authority to
adorn himself with the established insignias for such an honoura-
ble rank on

General of the Brigade

P I E T R O L I E T O

The First Secretary of H.M. for the Gran Magistero of the
Order of S.S. Maurizio Lazzaro, in charge of the execution of
the Decree, states that it has been registered at the General
Control of the mentioned Order and that:-

Gen. Pietro LIETO was inscribed in the List of the National
Officers, No. 5496 (Serial 3.)

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General of the Brigade

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Gen. Pietro LIETO was inscribed in the List of the National Officers, No. 5496 (Serial 3.)

THE FIRST SECRETARY OF HIS MAJESTY

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The Chief Director of the 1 Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

9/15.1/2

15 April 45

SUBJECT : Fascist Diplomas

TO : Naval S/C.

- 1 I enclose letter SP/645.01 dated 11 April 45 from Security Division to Director Public Safety Sub-Commission and attachments which are self explanatory.
- 2 I entirely agree with the comments of the Security Division in paras 2 and 3 of their letter and in addition would point out:
 - (a) From the earliest days following the execution of the Armistice the Allies have been very insistent on the dropping of the title 'King of Albania Emperor of Ethiopia' and to continue to issue documents so headed (although in respect of pre Armistice matters) is a breach of faith.
 - (b) To permit recognition of fascist merit is not merely ridiculous but is contrary not only to Allied Policy but to that of the Italian Government itself.
- 3 Unless you think the matter should be taken up by the Chief Commissioner with the Prime Minister I suggest that you raise the matter with the Ministry of Marine and ask them to destroy all stocks of these documents and to discontinue their issue.

G.P. UPTON Brig.
VP/CA Section

Copy to Pub Safety S/C

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REGIA MAR. A

Roma 11, 10 Mar. 1945

COMMISSIONE MILITARE
SCIOLIMENTO MILITARE

UFFICIO STALCIO MILITARE

Prot. 7354/A

REGIO CALABRIA

ARGOMENTO: Diplomi di concessione di onorificenze

Si trasmettono gli allegati diplomi di concessione di onorificenze per la consegna ai sottoelencati Ufficiali:-

- Magg.	CUSCONE	Silvio
- Cap.	GUARNA	Ciriano
"	PAULETTA	Fran. Saverio
"	FOTI	Gastano
"	BOVI	Attilio
Ten.	MASSIMO	Carlo

Si prega assicurare.

IL CONTRAMIRAGLIO
Presidente della Commissione
(A.SONA)

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

REF : SD/645.01

11 April 1945

SUBJECT : Diplomas granted by the Regia Marina
TO : Director, Public Safety Sub Commission

1. Please find attached six diplomas from the Ministry of Marine, to various officers at Reggio Calabria, which have been intercepted when being sent by post. They were transmitted under a covering letter dated 30th March, 1945 from the Ministry of Marine, signed by A. BORA, President of the Commission.

2. A translation of one of the diplomas is also attached. It shows the title of "KING OF ITALY AND ALBANIA, EMPEROR OF ETHIOPIA" and confers the honour of CAVALIERE on a Lieutenant of the Fascist Militia for the special benefits he has acquired in the present war and in previous wars from 1915 to 1940. The honour was conferred by decree dated 27th June 1942 on the proposal of the DUKE OF FASCISM, Head of the Government.

3. Although one cannot interfere with honours granted in 1942, it does seem ridiculous that a department of the Italian Government, supposed to be fighting Fascism should send out at the present time diplomas "on the proposal of the Duce", granting awards to former Fascists.

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S.J. HARVEY,
Major,
Security Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 94
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. 800/53/21.

2 April 1945

SUBJECT : Signor PALOMO, Italian Government Undersecretary of State for War.
TO : G-5 AFHQ.

1. Reference is letter, this Headquarters, 800/53, dated 20 March 45, subject as above.

2. It is desired to elaborate on paragraph 6 thereof. The processing of trip requests for Italian officials as mentioned therein is confined solely to the movements of Ministers in army areas. The Civil Affairs Section this Headquarters, which is responsible for this, has now under consideration a plan for tighter control. It is a revision of our Executive Memorandum No. 77 and will be submitted to you as soon as completed.

For the Chief Commissioner :

Colonel
Acting Executive Commissioner.

Copy to : Civil Affairs Section
Land Forces Sub-Comm (MMIA)
Air Forces Sub-Comm
Liaison Division

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9/15/11
ADDE MEMOR FOR CHIEF OF POLICE

SUBJECT: Unauthorized Visit by Minister of Grace and Justice
to A.M.G. Territory.

FROM: Civil Affairs Section

19 March 1945

1. From the documents in this file it appears that H.E. TUPINI visited ANCONA Province on 10 March 1945 and proceeded further into 8th Army Area without first obtaining the sanction of this Headquarters or an official permit.

2. It appears that on 27 Feb 45 the Prefect of Ancona requested permission to be given to H.E. TUPINI to visit ANCONA (Folio 17a). The Provincial Commissioner, through his Legal officer, informed the Prefect that it was not permissible for H.E. TUPINI to proceed to forward area without permission from A.M.G. 8th Army and that he should apply through this Commission in Rome.

3. On 10 Mar 45 the Provincial Commissioner, ANCONA, discovered that H.E. TUPINI had arrived at FANCIANO and that he had addressed an assembly of 3,000 people and that he later left for PESARO, where he was given permission by the A.M.G. officer to speak to the judges in that province.

4. There is no evidence that H.E. TUPINI requested a permit from this Headquarters.

5. This Headquarters was first informed that TUPINI had been in ANCONA Province by a letter from ARRUZZI-MARONE Region dated 15 Mar 45 (Folio 15a). This letter requested that the Italian Government be informed that instructions had been issued that any Italian Government official who again violated the regulations over permits would be detained. This letter was received on 17 Mar 45 and placed before VP CA Section.

6. On 17 Mar 45 VP cabled ARRUZZI-MARONE Region pointing out the seriousness of the matter and asking whether any form of permission had been given for TUPINI to visit PESARO (Folio 16a).

7. A letter giving further details of this visit, dated 17 Mar 45 from ARRUZZI-MARONE Region and addressed to Public Safety Sub-Commission, was received on 18 Mar 45 (Folio 17a).

8. In addition to the fact that the part of the area visited is in 8th Army territory, the city of ANCONA itself has been put under special restrictions by Intelligence Branch and can only be visited by civilians in the most exceptional and urgent circumstances.

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L. E. Gripps, Sol.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 374
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ext. 525

9/15.1/24

30 Mar 45

SUBJECT: Signor PALERMO, Italian Govt Under-Secretary
of State for War.

TO: Executive Commissioner

Reference made to your LCC/EC of 26 Mar to C-5 AMB.

It is pointed out that Civil Affairs Section has not prepared or submitted to Army any plan for processing trip requests of Italian officials desiring to proceed overseas. It has not been concerned with any such requests. The Sections which have been mostly concerned with such visits are the Political and Economic Sections. The Liaison Divn is now responsible for arranging such matters so far as diplomatic matters are concerned and it is believed that each sub-Commission of Recon Section which has been interested in proposed journeys overseas have cleared them themselves and that there is no coordinating body.

2 It is possible that this question has been confused with the control for security reasons of the movements of Ministers in Army Areas for which C-4 is responsible and as to which a revision of Exec Memo 77 is under discussion.

3 Will not this para have to be corrected to AMB.

G.R. BRIDGE JR.,
TP 2A Section

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

FILE NO.

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TO

Col Cripps

Para 6 is wrong & must be corrected.

Col F rang me on the phone about this & I did not know he was referring to visits abroad, but only internal. I told him the matter was in hand (meaning the revision of Excehens 77) which I believe does not affect journeys abroad.

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Ref. 800/WO.

26 March 1945

SUBJECT : Signor PALERMO, Italian Government Under-Secretary of State for War.

TO : G-5. AFHQ.

Ref. AFHQ letter file G-5: 300.4-4 dated 21 March 45, subject as above.

1. In so far as this Headquarters is concerned, the matter of Palermo's unauthorized visit to Albania has been thoroughly investigated. In brief, there is no record of any specific authority ever having been given by this Headquarters for such a visit. Originally, an Air Forces Subcommission operational report disclosed that such a trip had been made. Accordingly, a full investigation was immediately instituted.

2. On 22 February 45 the former Political Section received a memorandum from the Minister of Foreign Affairs stating that within the next few days it was expected Signor Palermo would ask MMIA for permission, etc., for a brief journey to Tirana (see incl 1). The Political Section referred the memorandum to Land Forces Subcommission MMIA, and it was agreed that any expression of opinion on the proposed trip would be reserved until such time as the Minister of War directly approached MMIA (see incl 2). However, no such formal request was ever received by MMIA from the Minister of War and thus the matter was allowed to stand with no further following-up.

3. Meanwhile, however, Air Forces Subcommission on 4 March 45 had received directly from the Italian Air Ministry a request for air transport facilities to be extended to Palermo in order that he might undertake an important Tirana trip (see incl 3). Believing that official permission for the trip had been settled on a much higher level, Air Forces Subcommission arranged to facilitate the passage. The request was accordingly referred to the Balkan Air Forces Movement Section (see incl 4), where, eventually, aircraft was provided for the trip.

4. It has been reported that, in accounting for his actions to the Prime Minister, Palermo stated permission had been obtained from Air Forces Subcommission, AG. The Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, AGC, states that at no time was permission or any specific authorization given to Palermo for such a journey by Air Forces Subcommission. Your attention is further invited to the statement (see incl 5) made by Squadron Leader Bradshaw of Air Forces Subcommission, who handled the original inquiry.

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5. It is understood that during his visit to MMIA (General Browning on 25 March 45, Palermo was to give an explanation of his visit to Albania; however, the Minutes of this meeting do not disclose that any such explanation was given. Apropos of this, MMIA has this date (26 March) received from the Minister of War a proposed plan for repatriating Italian military and civilian personnel now residing in Albania. This plan, it is understood, was worked out by Palermo and Colonel General Hoxha, of the Albanian Government, during the recent Albanian trip. Action in regard to this plan is being held up pending the return of Major General Browning the latter part of this week.

6. In order to help prevent recurrence of similar incidents, the Civil Affairs Section, this Headquarters, has prepared and submitted to your Section a plan for processing trip requests of Italian officials.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Colonel
Acting Executive Commissioner

5Incls.
as above.

Copy to :
Civil Affairs Section
Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)
Air Forces Sub-Commission
Liaison Division .

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C O P Y

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5 : 300.4-4

21 March 1945

SUBJECT : Signor PALERMO, Italian Govt. Under Secretary of State for War.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. G-2 inform this Section that notice has been brought to the attention of that Section that Signor PALERMO, Italian Under Secretary of State for War, has recently visited Albania. He was not in possession of a Military Travel Authorisation such as is issued by G-2 to all Italian subjects who desire to leave Italy. It appears probable that Signor PALERMO left in an Italian plane from an Italian controlled air field and therefore did not pass through Allied security controls.

2. It is requested that an inquiry be made into this case and a report rendered to this Section in order that G-2 may be advised.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5 :

JULIUS BYLES
Major, P.A.

Copy to : G-2
G-5, Plans & Ops (Balkans)

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(Goa)

Ref: 9/15.1/CA.

20 March 1945.

Dear Mr. Prime Minister,

It is with much regret that I have to make a most serious complaint as to the conduct of H.E. TUPINI, Minister of Grace and Justice, in proceeding into Army areas without obtaining the leave of this Commission.

You will recall that on 22 September 1944 the Minister visited ANCONA without permission and that the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies in Italy (now Supreme Allied Commander) took a most serious view of his action and demanded an instant apology from him. I interviewed the Minister on 14 October 1944 when he formally apologised and I warned him that a repetition would lead to his arrest.

Notwithstanding his apology the Minister thought fit, without obtaining leave, to proceed to PESARO on 10 or 11 March 1945. PESARO is, of course, within the Army area; therefore the Minister committed a most serious offence in entering that area without obtaining a permit from this Headquarters.

It is quite true, my dear Mr. Prime Minister, that you wrote on 9 March 1945 asking for such a permit for the Minister; but H.E. TUPINI proceeded on his journey without waiting for the permit to be granted.

I must state frankly that had this Commission been informed of H.E. TUPINI's presence in PESARO before he left that province, instant instructions would have been given for his arrest and trial before an Allied Military Court - an action which, while necessary in the interest of Allied security, could only have brought discredit on your Government.

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I must, therefore, demand forthwith from H.E. TUPINI an explanation of his highly irregular conduct in proceeding into an Army area without obtaining leave, conduct which he well knew was an offence, and an undertaking never to repeat such a visit without proper permission granted by this Headquarters.

At the same time I must ask your Excellency once more to ensure that no member of your Government enters the Army areas without the proper permit from this Commission, and again to inform your Ministers that should any one of them be found in such an area without a proper permit he will be liable to arrest and trial before an Allied Military Court.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
RMC.

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23 MAR 1945

Local Govt

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TO :- HQ. AG. Public Safety Sub-Commission.
 FROM :- HQ. AIG/AC Abruzzi-Marche Region.
 SUBJECT :- Unauthorized Visit by Italian Officials to AIG Territory.
 REF :- RS/507/22/11.
 DATE :- 22 March 1945.

23 MAR 1945

Further reference our RS/507/22/11 dated 17 March 1945.

It has been ascertained that Signor TUPINI visited Intelice in the Province of Macerata on the 12 March, where he made a speech. No notification or request was made to any officer at the Provincial HQ.

FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

John G. Pickering
 S. PICKERING,
 Lt. Colonel,
 R.P.S.C.

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Copy to:- HQ. AG. Local Government Sub-Commission
 P.C. Ascoli (with copy of letter RS/514/22/11 dated 17 March 45 for information).
 RS/PS/Reports File.

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NOTE: INFORMATION FOR CHIEF DECLASSIFICATION

19 March 1945

SUBJECT: Unauthorized visit to A.M.G. Territory
by Minister of Grace and Justice.

FROM: Civil Affairs Section

1. From the comments in this file it appears that M.E. TUPINI visited ANCONA Province on 10 Mar 45 and proceeded further past the Rear Army Control Line and entered 8th Army Area without first obtaining the sanction of this Headquarters or an official permit.
2. It appears that on 27 Feb 45 the Prefect of Ancona requested permission to be given to M.E. TUPINI to visit ANCONA (Folio 17a). The Provincial Commissioner, through his legal officer, informed the Prefect that it was not permissible for M.E. TUPINI to pass the rear Army Control Line without permission from A.M.G. 8th Army and that he should apply through this Commission in Rome.
3. On 10 Mar 45 the Provincial Commissioner, Ancona, discovered that M.E. TUPINI had arrived at MARILIANO and that he had addressed an assembly of 3,000 people and that he later left for PESARO which is North of the Rear Army Control Line. On arrival there he was given permission by an A.M.G. officer to speak to the judges in that province.
4. There is no evidence in this file that M.E. TUPINI requested a permit from this Headquarters but it is believed that a request was made to the Chief Commissioner's office and it was refused.
5. This Headquarters was first informed that TUPINI had been in ANCONA Province by a letter from ANCONA Region dated 17 Mar 45 (Folio 16a). This letter requested that the Italian Government be informed that instructions had been issued that any Italian Government official who again violated the regulations over permits would be detained. This letter was received on 17 Mar 45 and placed before VP CA Section.
6. On 17 Mar 45 VP CA Section cabled ANCONA Region pointing out the seriousness of the matter and asking whether any form of permission had been given for TUPINI to visit PESARO (Folio 16a).
7. A letter giving further details of this visit, dated 17 Mar 45 from ANCONA Region and addressed to Public Safety Sub-Commission, was received on 18 Mar 45 (Folio 17a).

in that province.

4. There is no evidence in this file that M. S. TUPINI requested a permit from this Headquarters but it is believed that a request was made to the Chief Commissioner's office and it was refused.
5. This Headquarters was first informed that TUPINI had been in AUCMA Province by a letter from AUCMA Province dated 15 Mar 45 (folio 15a). This letter requested that the Italian Government be informed that instructions had been issued that any Italian Government official who again violated the regulations over permits would be detained. This letter was received on 17 Mar 45 and placed before VP CA Section.
6. On 17 Mar 45 VP CA Section called AMBUZEL-SALOME Region pointing out the seriousness of the matter and asking whether any form of permission had been given for TUPINI to visit PESARO (folio 16a).
7. A letter giving further details of this visit, dated 17 Mar 45 from AMBUZEL-SALOME Region and addressed to Public Safety Sub-Commission, was received on 18 Mar 45 (folio 17a).
8. Not only does the visit contravene the instructions given by the Chief Commissioner to the Prime Minister in these matters (folio 9), but it contravenes the regulation (wellknown to TUPINI) requiring visitors to be in possession of special yellow passes, issued by this Headquarters, before they may cross the Army Control Line.
9. In view of TUPINI's deliberate breach of regulations for the second time and in spite of the solemn warning you gave him on 14 Oct 44 (folio 6a), it is recommended that, provided your political advisers see no objection, he be asked to resign from the Government.

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The D.C.L.A. concurs in this view.

G.R. Wright

G.R. WRIGHT, Brig.
VP CA SECTION.

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TO : T.C. AC. Public Safety Sub. Commission
FROM : HQ. AUG/AC. Adriatic-Marche Region
SUBJECT : Unauthorized Visit by Italian Officials to ASD Territory.
REF : RS/507/22/11
DATE : 17 March 1945.

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1. The attached copy of a letter from this HQ reference RS/PS/Reports dated 15 Mar 45 sent to HQ. AC. (Local Government Sub Commission) is forwarded for your information.

2. On the 27 Feb. last the Prefect of Ancona requested the P.C. Ancona Province for permission to be given to S.E. TURINI Minister of Grace and Justice to visit Ancona.

3. After ~~the~~ consultation with Legal Officer the Prefect was informed that, was not permissible for TURINI to proceed into forward area without permission from ASD 8th Army and he was recommended to apply through H.Q. Rome for the movement order.

4. The P.C. was later informed that S.E. TURINI arrived at Fabriano at 1100 hours on the 10 Mar 45 and gave a speech to an assembled crowd of approximately 3000 people on democratic christian politics. Later he left for Pesaro. On Sunday morning the 11th of March he contacted ASD Pesaro who gave him permission to speak to the Judges in that Province. This he did and shortly afterwards left.

5. In view of the trouble given by this Minister last September it is obvious that he knew he was flagrantly disobeying orders. This is the second time he has entered 8th Army Area without permission.

6. Instructions have been issued by this HQ that if any such case occurs again the Italian Official concerned will be detained until a satisfactory explanation is given by the

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ALDOM ABRUZZI-MARCHE REGION

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17 MARCH 1945

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS VISIT OF TUPINI CMA MINISTER OF GRACE AND JUSTICE CMA TO PESARO PD YOUR ROGER FIVE SLANT PETER SUGAR SLANT REPORTS DATED ONE FIVE MARCH REFERS PD

PAID TO ALDOM ABRUZZI MARCHE REGION FROM HQ ALDOM CITE ADAMS PAPER

PARA TWO PD VERY SERIOUS VIEW TAKEN HERE OF THIS UNAUTHORIZED VISIT PD HOWEVER BEFORE TAKING ACTION DESIRE TO KNOW WHETHER CMA AS REPORTED BY COLONEL FRENCH TO BRIGADIER UPJOHN ON THE TELEPHONE CMA TUPINI RECEIVED FROM ANY ALLIED OFFICER UNOFFICIAL PERMISSION TO VISIT PESARO

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L.H. WHITE Lt Col

NICHOLAS PIONBINO
CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant

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Local Govt

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TO : Mr. AG. (Local Government Sub-Commission)
FROM : Mr. AG/AC Abruzzi-Marche Region
SUBJECT : Unauthorized visits of Italian Officials to AMG Territory
REF : H5/PS/Reports
DATE : 15 March 1945 47 MAR 1945

This HQ was informed by telephone of an unauthorized trip to Ancona and Pesaro by one MOPINI, said to be Minister of Grace and Justice in the Italian Government.

After leaving Ancona, he went up into 3rd Army Territory in Pesaro Province without permission or authority and spoke to officials of the courts there.

This is not the first occasion that this has occurred in this Region and it is evident that the Italian Government regards very lightly indeed the law, rules, and regulation as set out by Allied Military Government.

All officers of AMG Provinces in this Region are being instructed to detain any Italian official who again violates this order and to keep him in detention until a satisfactory explanation is given by the Italian Government.

May the Government be so informed.

For Regional Commissioner:

JPS/rh

Copies to: Provincial Commissioner, Aquila
Ascoli-Macerata
Ancona-Pesaro
Chieti, Pescara, Teramo

R.P.S.D.

J. D. Scholtz
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer

SUB COMMISSION

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3rd November 1944.

203/8-2-2

Subject: Visit of Minister Gronchi.

Re: M.O. Allied Commission - Political Section.
Civil Affairs Section.

The following is an extract from the S.C.I.S. Florence City's report for week ending 28th October which it is thought may be of interest to you. It refers to a meeting with Minister Gronchi on the occasion of the latter's recent visit to Florence.

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GRONCHI called at the office and was interviewed by the S.C.I.S. and the writer. He was obviously disappointed at the cancellation of the meeting but it was explained to him that this could not have been permitted as GRONCHI has not been allowed to speak and POLVERI's indisposition. At the mention of POLVERI, GRONCHI said "well that was my regret" and pointed out that it seemed rather unfair on his party that he could not have been allowed to speak. The meeting from a childish explaining took on a warmer aspect and interesting theories were advanced by him. The mention of the Prefect caused him to say that the Prefect was serving two masters viz. The Italian Government and A.M.G. He said after all in theory an A.M.G. Prefect and could not expect complete Government backing. When GRONCHI was asked what was the Italian Government's attitude towards the S.C.I.S. he replied that a statement would soon be made clarifying the position of Committee. He was asked for a forecast of what was stated that they would be a consultative body and that Prefects would be directed to use them as such, in the same manner as A.M.G. is using them at the moment, in Florence. In fact Prefects will be advised to accept recommendations submitted by S.C.I.S. in future liberated territories. He agreed that Florence was an experiment in which the S.C.I.S. was working and that many things were being learned to serve further north. He stated that Prefects further north should not be concerned with political work, as the further north one went, the more delicate would the political situation become.

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For the Commanding General,

[Signature]
S.E. MATH.
Colonel, U.S.A.
Chief of Staff.
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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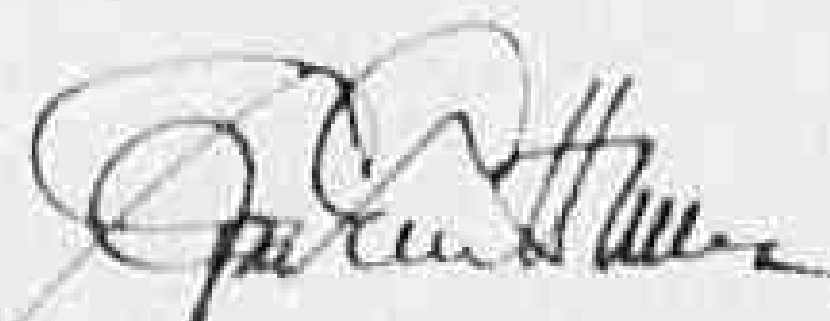
30 October 1944

SUBJECT: Visit of Minister Gronchi of Florence.

TO : Brigadier G. R. Upjohn, VP-CAS-DCOS-AC., HQ. Allied
Commission, Civil Affairs Section, A.P.O. 394, USA.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of letter, dated 24 October
1944; No. 9/4B/CA.

2. The undersigned has never seen Minister Gronchi in
his life, but will make an investigation as to what trans-
pired on his visit to Florence.


EDGAR ERSKINE HUME,
Brigadier General, GSC.,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer,
AMG-Fifth Army.

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FOR BRITISH CONSUL IN STAFF HQ

CONJONCT. MAIN (RECORD)

APR 1948 SIGNED WILSON.

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CITE FROM PHOAO

SECRET. THIS IS MAT 370.

On 30 October the Italian Government published a legislative decree relating to labour rates for private industry without the previous concurrence of ACC and contrary to the previous understanding which ACC had had with the Italian Government on the matter.

The facts are as follows -

- (1) On 2 September the Italian Government submitted to ACC proposals for increase of labour rates for private industry.
- (2) ACC submitted counter proposals on September 19.
- (3) On September 23 the Italian ~~Government~~ Council of Ministers, without previous consultation with ACC issued a communique announcing the grant of an indemnity to workers in private industry against the high cost of living. The communique stated this would be on the basis of 50 Lira per day for Rome and 40 Lira per day for the rest of Italy.
- (4) ACC considered the grant in 3 above unacceptable both from the ⁴²⁴⁴ inflationary point of view and in relation to wages fixed for workers ⁴²⁴⁵ employed by the Armed Forces. Further consultations were held with Italian representatives. These resulted in a provisional agreement with the Minister of Labour that the Italian Government would consider an alternative proposal made by ACC. This was that there should be a 100 per cent increase on the 1947 basic wage scale with additions of 30 or 35 Lira (dependent on area) for cost of living bonus plus an increase in family allowance of 50 percent. The net result would have been to increase minimum wage scale from 82 to 122 Lira.

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(5) The Italian Minister of Labour stated on 6 October that the ACC proposals were unacceptable but ~~by~~ ^{he} that he was ready to consider modifications. Notwithstanding this a press announcement was then made without reference to ACC that the Government had referred the matter to the General Italian Confederation of Labour.

(6) An official communique was published on 14 October again without reference to ACC which announced that the Italian General Confederation of Labour and the Employers Association had reached an agreement whereby existing wage rates would be increased by the grant of a cost of living bonus of 30 or 35 Lira (dependent on locality) plus 50 per cent family allowance and plus also an additional amount of 5 lira for each dependent. Having regard to the fact that these increases were to be superimposed on existing wage rates, many of which already include illegally granted increases, the net increase by the Italian scheme will be an increase in the minimum scale of from 82 to 143 lire.

In view of the publicity given by the Italian Government and the resulting expectation of the Italians that the increases would be put into effect, it was felt that it was impossible in the circumstances to impose a veto on the Italian decree. This was decided in spite of the inflationary consequences likely to ensue, and the considerable difficulties the Allied Forces will face in setting up new wage scales for military labour. The wholly unsatisfactory attitude of the Italian Government can be traced to the weak position in which ACC finds itself as a result of the public statements made by the President and Prime Minister without directions being received here for guidance of those on the spot as regards

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interpretations and implementation. Such directives are still awaited.

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AUTH N.P. SEACRAVE, MAJOR

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
HQ AC.

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26 Oct 44

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9/5/44
Dear Colonel Payne.

By mistake I think two telegrams about
Minister Gracchi's visit to Florence were enclosed in our letter
9/43/44 dated 24 Oct 44. Could you please have the telegrams
returned to this office. I am very sorry to cause your office
this extra work.

Yours sincerely

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Colonel C.B. Payne
Chief Staff Officer
AGC 5 Army

JCB/er . 4242

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10/15/54
ALBANY OFFICE, COMMISSIONER
DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES
ALBANY, N.Y.

Ref: - 9/15.1/CH

TO: - SACO 7 Army.

25 Oct. '54

SUBJECT: - Visits of Italian Ministers to Army Areas.

1. I refer to your airtel dated 23 Oct '54, with regard to the visit of Minister Gronchi to Florence. It appears that the permission previously given for his to visit Florence was not revoked after the postponement of the 12 Oct and it is regretted that this was not done.
2. In future no permits will be given to Ministers to visit Army Areas save under exceptional circumstances, and of course only after receiving permission from SACO Areas. It is noted however that you will not have any further trouble in this respect.
3. It is understood that you have now delayed yesterday in Florence and asked him to leave the Army and official matters the evening of the 25 Oct. Will you please let me have a brief memorandum on this. Some representation with Gronchi together with any other relative facts so that we may be in a position to deal expeditiously with any complications or representations that may be made on behalf of the Minister when he returns here.

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...of course only after receiving permission.
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...in this regard.

3. It is understood that you, since your original position in Washington and
asked him to leave the Army news which is being held pending on the 25 Oct.
Will you please let me have a brief summary on this. There's conversation with
General together with any other relevant facts so that we can be in a position
to deal expeditiously with any possible or representative that may be made on
behalf of the Institute when in return here.

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Ref 800/11/COS

23 October 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister :

Recent incidents arising out of the visits of certain Ministers of the Italian Government to areas in liberated Italy still in the military operational zone, that is to say, in the Army areas, have led General Alexander to the conclusion that it is undesirable that such visits should be repeated.

I do not deny the value, both to the population and the Ministers themselves, of such visits but my duty is to ensure that nothing should occur in these operational zones which may cause anxiety to the Military Commanders, a duty which I am sure you will help me to perform.

I would ask you, therefore, to note that only in the most exceptional cases can permission be granted to Ministers of the Government to visit such operational areas.

There will be no objection to Ministers and Undersecretaries of State visiting territories under the administration of AMG South of the Army areas. In such cases permission should be sought from this Headquarters and Ministers and officials should visit the Provincial Commissioner or the nearest Provincial Officer in the area which they are visiting.

Yours very truly,

(SGD) MELROY W. STONE

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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HQ ACC FOR UPJOWN

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CONFIDENTIAL. Subject is visit to FLORENCE OF Minister GRONCHI. FLORENCE papers of 21 October contain advertisement of meeting to be addressed by GRONCHI on 25. Permission for him to visit FLORENCE was given in our signal of 8 Oct addressed TODD but discussion at SIENA conference on 12 Oct made it appear that visits to Army Area of Cabinet Ministers are to be discouraged in future. In addition it is understood that proposed visit of Minister CARANDINI this weekend was turned down by you. In view of these facts please advise whether GRONCHI visit will now take place. CITE our 474.

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ROUTINE.

RESTRICTED. Ref telephonic conversation, Col SMITH - Major HAYNE, requesting permission for two lady secretaries to accompany Minister GRONCHI to FLORENCE. Permission granted if GRONCHI comes but this is not yet settled. Our signal 474 to UPJOHN refers. CITE our 475.

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14 October 1944

General Sir Harold H.L.G. Alexander, G.C.B., G.S.I., D.S.O., M.C.
 Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy
 C.M.F.

1. Replying to your letter of 2nd October, the Italian Minister of Justice called on me today and formally extended his apology to you for his conduct in ARONA Province on the 22nd September. He asked that his apology be communicated to you.

2. In your name and on your behalf I accepted his apology, but warned him that a repetition would lead to arrest.

13/Elmer W. Stone

ELMER W. STONE
 Commodore, USN
 Acting Chief Commissioner

Copy to: M.A. to G.H.Q. Eighth Army
 (for Group-Captain Benson)
 Chief of Staff Section
 Civil Affairs Section
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Subject : Visit of the Minister of Justice
to Ancona.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

Reference my 9/15/1/CA dated 6 Oct 44.

H E Tupini's apology to General ALEXANDER should be delivered to me
forthwith as requested in the above letter.

Yours very truly,

ELLEN W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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The President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government.

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Ref: 9/15/1/C.A.

6 October 1944

Subject: Visit of the Minister of Justice to Ancona.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have with sincere regret to inform you of a very serious offence committed by H.E. The Minister of Grace and Justice against the Proclamations of the Commander-in-Chief and Military Governor.

It appears that H.E. Tupini deliberately went to Ancona which, as is well known is in the prohibited area, notwithstanding that he had been refused permission by the G.C.C. 8th Army to go there; this refusal had been transmitted to him through the Legal Sub-Commission.

On arriving at Ancona, H.E., who admitted that his visit was not approved, was requested to leave Ancona and informed that he was not to hold any meeting of any kind; nevertheless he did so and addressed a meeting in the Cinema Adriatico at Ancona. He had arranged to hold a further meeting in the Municipio but this was dispersed. Finally although ordered to attend before the AMG officer at Ancona, H.E. failed to do so.

The Commander-in-Chief, General Sir H. R. Alexander, takes a most serious view of these deliberate acts of disobedience to his orders in an army area committed by a Minister of the Government. He directs me to say:

a. That H.E. Tupini is to be informed that had the Commander-in-Chief known of his presence in Ancona he would have ordered his arrest.

b. That H.E.'s conduct is inexcusable and that the Commander-in-Chief demands an instant apology from him.

I had instructed Brigadier Upjohn to see H.E. Tupini to inform him of the very serious situation in which he has placed himself and to demand of him the required apology, but I am informed that H.E. is out of town for a day or so and therefore I must place upon you this duty. I have further to request that H.E. Tupini's apology to General Alexander be placed in my hands immediately.

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Will you please make it known to all members of the Government that any member of the Government found in a prohibited Army area without a permit must be treated like any other citizen and is subject to arrest and trial before an Allied Military Court.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USMA
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government

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REAGAN AIRWAYS
MAILING CENTRAL COMMISSION
APO 394

Ref: 9/15.1/3.A.

5th October, 1944.

SUBJECT:- Visit of the Minister of Justice to Ancona.

TO:- H.E. The President of the Council of Ministers.

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It appears that H.E. Tupini deliberately went to Ancona which, as is well known is in the prohibited area, notwithstanding that he had been refused permission by the G.O.C. 5th Army to go there; this refusal ~~was~~ transmitted to him through the Legal Sub-Commission.

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~~that I have issued strict instructions that any member of the Government found~~

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KENNETH R. STONE

Captain, USMC

Acting Chief Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
Allied Armies in Italy, C.M.F.

2nd October, 1944.

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

1. It has come to my notice that the Minister of Justice made an unauthorised visit to ANCONA Province on 22nd September, even after a request for permission had been refused, and that not only did he thus flagrantly disobey orders given by the Allied Military Government, but actually addressed a public meeting in an operational area, although forbidden to do so. Group-Captain Benson's letter to the Administrative Section, H.Q. A.C.C. (OA/67/2 of 28th September) contains the full details of this case.
2. I take a very grave view of this indeed, and I know of this in time I should most certainly have had him arrested, and I shall be glad if you will inform him of this.
3. I consider his conduct to have been quite inexcusable, and I demand from him an instant apology.

(Signed H.R. ALEXANDER)
General,
Commander-in-Chief.

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Copy to:

M.A. to G.O.C. Eighth Army
(for Group-Captain Benson)

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C. A. L. 2440

Subject: Visit Italian Minister of Justice.

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Eighth Army.

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Administrative Section,
H.Q., A.C.C.
Eighth Army.

1. I wish to bring to your notice certain facts as regards the unauthorized visit of the Minister of Justice to Ancona Province on the 22nd September, 42. Details are contained in a letter from the Provincial Legal Officer of Ancona Province to the Provincial Commissioner, a copy of which is attached.

2. No request was received from A.C.C. for authority for the Minister of Justice to come to Ancona Province, but it was heard through civilian sources that he had proposed a visit. A signal was thereupon sent to A.C.C. requesting that his visit should be forbidden.

3. This F.O. takes an extremely grave view of the action of the Minister of Justice, particularly as regards the blatant manner in which he paid no attention to the request of the Provincial Legal Officer, with full powers from this H.Q. that he should leave the province. It is requested that the strongest possible action be taken against this Minister, who not only flagrantly disobeyed orders given by the Allied Military Government, but also convened and addressed a public meeting, (though ordered not to do so) in contravention of orders in the operational area, which forbid such meetings.

Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.C.C., Eighth Army Main.

Cover for: Legal Sub-Commission, H.Q. A.C.C.
Major Varney - H.A. to Army Commander, The Army H.Q.

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ARMED GUARDIAN

Subject: Italian Minister of Justice - visit.

To : PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

From : PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICER.

REF: AM/2/217/1

Date: 26 Sep. 64.

Report is made of the visit of the Minister of Justice of the Italian Government to Ancona on Saturday, 22nd September, 1964.

It appears that the Minister of Justice planned to visit Ancona Province which is still in 8th Army Area without permission from the U.S. 8th Army or A.L.C. Ancona Province. A few days before his projected visit, information came from civilian sources to this effect that the Minister had scheduled an itinerary of visits throughout the Province. H.O., A.L.C. was notified by 1st 8th Army that the presence of the Minister was not desired at this time.

He arrived at the City of Ancona from Porto Muroto Airport and was met by the Provincial Legal Officer in the absence of the Provincial Commissioner.

Present at the meeting were the V. Prefetto Regente and Mr. Warren, interpreter of the 10.

The Minister was curiously informed that this area was a military area, that circulation within the Province had to be restricted at this time for this reason, that the war was still being prosecuted vigorously here and that his presence in the Province would add to the difficulties of administration now experienced because of the natural desire of judges, functionaries, officials and people generally to meet a representative of the Government. One difficulty anticipated was an increase of applications for permits to circulate beyond the 10 km restriction which would add to the considerable number being constantly applied for. He was told that any visit would have to wait until the military situation changed and that a later visit would be welcomed.

The Minister was definitely told he would not and was not to arrange or attend any meeting of any kind.

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He arrived at the City of Buenos Aires from Montevideo Uruguay and was met by the Provincial Legal Officer in the absence of the Provincial Commissioner.

Present at the meeting were the V. President Reguente and Mr. Warden, later referred to as Mr. W.

The Minister was accompanied by several first class men and a military arm, that accompanied him in the Province and he is mentioned at that time for this reason, that he was very well known, connected previously with him that his presence in the Province would lead to the elimination of administrative now experienced because of the other I desire of judges, functionaries, officials and people generally to have a representative of the Government. One administrative anticipated was an increase of expenditure for permits to circulate beyond the 10 in restriction which would lead to a considerable number being constantly applied for. He was told that any visit would have to wait until the military situation changed and that a later visit would be advised.

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The Minister was decidedly told he could not and was not to arrange or attend any meetings of any kind.

He stated he understood the situation and would have after informally greeting the few attorneys who had gathered. During the conference, in answer to a direct question, he stated that he was nervous. Friday evening that his visit was not approved but that he decided to come anyway because of the opinion people in the Marcha might have of him, a Montevideo, it told that the Alliance had caused his visit to be cancelled. The Allied understanding of the existing situation by his failure to accede to the order of the old Army Commander was noted to him. The motor was left with the understanding that the Minister was to depart after lunch, he having arrived late.

Late in the afternoon of Saturday 22 Sept. (at about 11:20 hours) information came to Mr. Juan civilian sources that the Minister of Justice was then addressing a public meeting at the Chinese Association in Buenos Aires and was clearly scheduled to appear before the public at the Municipal. The V. President Reguente was instructed to disperse both sections and told the Minister to visit the Provincial M. of A. The first meeting was about concluded but the second was delayed. The Minister to appear at 11 was ignored with the statement that the Minister was going to the prison next private citizens. He was again told to appear at the Provincial M. at which he stated he was then leaving.

He did so, promptly.

In view of the report taken by the AMJ (Army) which reports the perpetration of the Government General the violation by the High Government Official is to be noted for information.

(506) WILLIAM R. OSMAN
Major M.I.C.

W.R.O.

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SUBJECT : Visit of Minister of Justice to Ansonia

TO : CIA HQ, AOD

FROM : AMEMBASSY - MARINE REACTION

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30 Sep. 44

Annexed herewith is a report on the recent visit of the Minister of Justice for your information.

10 September 44

J. L. WILKES
Lt. Colonel,
RMO

To: Deputy Chief of Staff &
V.P. C.A.S. for
information & return

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
ANCONA PROVINCE

SUBJECT: Italian Minister of Justice visit
TO : Provincial Commissioner
FROM : Provincial Legal Officer

REF: anc/L/PI9/I
Date : 26 Sept. 1944

Report is made of the visit of the Minister of Justice of the Italian Government to Ancona on Saturday 22 September 1944.

It appears that the Minister of Justice planned to visit Ancona Province which is still in 8th Army Area without permission from the Hq. 8th Army or AMG Ancona Province. A few days before his projected visit, information came from civilian sources to this Hq. that the Minister had scheduled an itinerary of visits throughout the Province. Hq. ACC was notified by AMG 8th Army that the presence of the Minister was not desired at this time.

He arrived at the city of Ancona from Loreto Marche airport and was met by the Provincial Legal Officer in the absence of the Provincial Commissioner.

Present at the meeting were the V. Prefetto Reggente and Mr Warren interpreter of the PO.

The Minister was courteously informed that this area was a military area, that circulation within the Province had to be restricted at this time for this reason, that the war was still being prosecuted vigorously here and that his presence in the Province would add to the difficulties of administration now experienced because of the natural desire of judges, functionaries, officials and people generally to meet a representative of the Government. One difficulty anticipated was an increase of applications for permits to circulate beyond the 10 Km restriction which would add to the considerable number being constantly applied for he was told that any visit would have to wait until the military situation changed and that a later visit would be welcomed.

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Present at the meeting were the V. Prefetto Reggente and Mr. Warren interpreter of the PC.

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order of the 8th Army Commander was not read to him. The matter was left with the understanding that the Minister was to depart after lunch he having arrived later.

Late in the afternoon of Saturday 22 Sept. (at about 1420 hours) information came to HQ from civilian sources that the Minister of Justice was then addressing a public meeting at the Cinema Adriatico in Ancona and was shortly scheduled to appear before the public at the Municipio. The V. Prefetto Reggente was instructed to disperse both meetings and tell the Minister to visit the Provincial HQ of AMG. The first meeting was about concluded but the second was dispersed. The instruction to appear at HQ was ignored with the statement that the Minister was going to the Prison as a private citizen. He was again told to appear at the Provincial HQ at which he stated he was then leaving.

He did so; presumably.

In view of the stand taken by HQ AMG 8th Army which amounts to a direction of the Commanding General the violation by the High Government Official is reported for information.

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