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ITAL GOV'T, RECOGNITION OF ITALIAN CIVILIANS  
NOV. 1945 - JAN. 1946

9/25/45 ✓  
Subject: Humana & Amoris.

CONFIDENTIAL.

30 DEC 1945

Distribution: - See memo.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

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AG/5591/MS.

29 Dec 45.

The Italian Ministry of War have asked that they be given the names of any Italian personnel who are serving or have served with the Allied Commission and who are deserving of recognition by the Italian Government for services rendered in the Allied cause.

All Italian personnel should be considered who come within the following categories.

- (1) Italian officers or officials of officer status.
- (2) Italian personnel of non-officer status i.e. clerks etc.
- (3) Italians who are working with the Commission.
- (4) Italians who, though not working for the Commission, have been directly concerned with it, i.e. Prefects.

Citation in the form of a letter should be forwarded in duplicate signed by a Senior Allied Officer not below the rank of Lt. Colonel.

The citations should give all details of rank or status, Christian name, regiment or position held and should state Italian decorations or medals previously awarded. It must be clearly understood that the citations must show exceptional service, or more than normal duty called for.

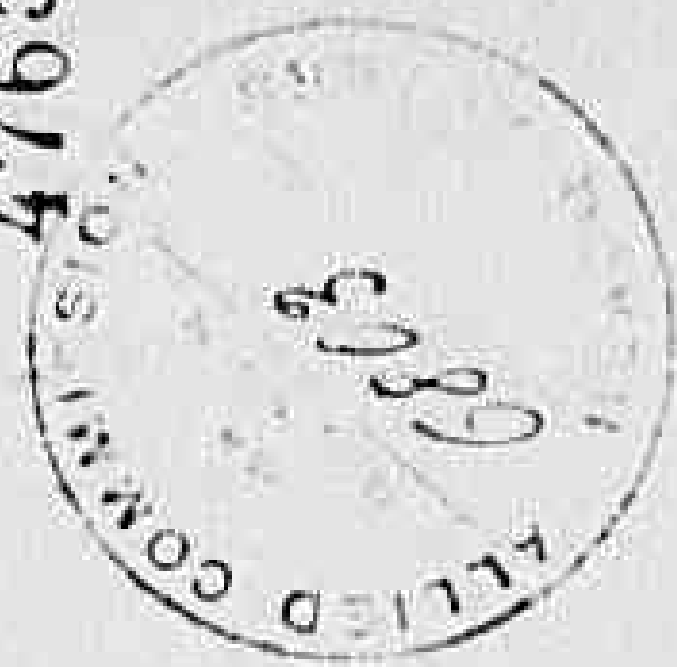
- (1) Italian of honor or officials or officer status.
- (2) Italian personnel of rank of four stripes i.e. clerks etc.
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Citations will be forwarded to reach this H.Q., by 15 Jan 46 under confidential cover and names will be taken to ensure any person recommended is not informed of the fact of their directly or indirectly.

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*W. A. Mason*

W. A. Mason, Major,  
Dep Asst Mil Sec.

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HOFFMAN, CAROL ANN

Charge to:—  
R.N.C.B.,  
Indian B.N. to Chief Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref : 9/25B/CA

16 Jan 46

SUBJECT : Honours and Awards

TO : G-1 B (Attn MAJ. JONES)

Reference DMS letter AO/594/MS of 29 Dec 45.

- 1 Herewith citations called for from CA Section and Sub-Commissions.
- 2 It is understood that Legal Sub-Commission has already forwarded citations direct to DMS.

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H. E. ARMON, Major,  
for VP CA Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

9/25B/CA

14 Jan 46

SUBJECT: Decorations

TO : G-1 (B) (Attn.: Maj. Jones)

Reference your AG/594/MS of 29 Dec 45 the attached letter received from Liguria Regio, is forwarded for onward transmission.

1. The work on minefields is of necessity dangerous and it is considered that the only name which should go forward to the Liaison Officer is that of Cap. Zogg. DI MONACO.

*[Signature]*  
M. CARR Brigadier  
VP CA Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/16/12/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Honors and Awards for Italian  
Personnel

14 January 1946

TO : Civil Affairs Section

1. Reference your 9/25.B/CA of 8 January and DAMS letter AC/594/MS of 29 December 1945, attached herewith are original and copy of citation for Sig. Arrigo NICE, Senior Administrative Assistant in Local Government Sub Commission.

2. The citations will have to be countersigned by an officer above my rank.

*R. L. Temple*  
R. L. TEMPLE  
Major  
Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/16/12/10

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Citation for Italian Award for  
Sig. Arrigo NICE, Sr. Administrative  
Assistant, Local Govt Sub Commission, AC

14 January 1946

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission

1. Sig. Arrigo NICE commenced employment with the Allied Commission soon after the liberation of Rome in July 1944, when he became Senior Administrative Assistant in Region 4 AMS (Lazio-Umbria region). He later became a member of the office of the Secretary of the Regional Commissioner, Colonel Charles Poletti. He remained with Region 4 until 15 March 1945, when with the high recommendation of the Executive Officer of Region 4 (Colonel Bonham-Carter) he was employed by the Local Government Sub Commission as technical interpreter. On 16 June 1945 Mr. Nice was reclassified to the status of Senior Administrative Assistant.

2. Under the general direction of the Director of the Local Government Sub Commission Sig. Nice performed liaison duties between the Sub Commission and the Italian Government, the principal ministries of which were the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of the Constituent Assembly, Ministry for the Consultative Assembly, and Presidency of the Council of Ministers. He has acted as interpreter at important interviews between the Director and officers of the Sub Commission and high officials of the Italian Government. He has interviewed a multitude of visitors to the Sub Commission and acted as a buffer between them and the Director and officers by disposing of many of the questions raised. He has at all times kept the Director and officers informed of matters of timely and pertinent interest to the Sub Commission. He has been of enormous assistance in enabling the Sub Commission to carry out its activities which concerned the organization and administration of local government throughout the whole of Italy, including over 90 provinces and 7,300 communes. His work has involved the handling of correspondence between the various ministries of the Italian Government and local officials as well as that between the Italian Government and this Sub Commission, the handling of reports dealing with the removal of Fascist functionaries and the handling of matters dealing with elections as well as other problems of local government.

3. In the performance of his duties Mr. Nice has displayed a very high sense of initiative, industry, conscientiousness, efficiency, integrity, and loyalty to the officers of the Local Government Sub Commission as well as to all others in the Allied Commission. He has enjoyed the confidence of all because of his ability and tact in the performance of his work. His personality and bilingual ability made it possible to introduce him into any conference. His work has been invaluable on behalf of the Allied cause, has been of an exceptionally meritorious nature, and such beyond that called for by normal duty. In fact, the employment of Sig. Nice has saved the services of an Allied officer.

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4. In view of the foregoing exceptional services rendered in the Allied cause I strongly recommend that Sig. Arrigo Nioce receive an award by the Italian Government. Sig. Nioce's address is Viale Alfredo Rocco 26, Rome.

*R. R. Temple*

RALPH R. TEMPLE  
Major  
Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

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*Recommended*

*W. Van Brydalen*

*Vice President Civil Affairs Section*

*14 Jan 1948*

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A/C 394  
Public Health Sub-Commission

AC/3006/5/PH

11 January 1946.

SUBJECT: - Citation for Dr Guido Casini,  
Italian Civilian employed with the  
Malaria Demonstration Unit, Public  
Health Sub-Commission.

TO : - VP C A Sec.,  
HQ Allied Commission.

1. Dr Guido Casini joined the staff of the Typhus Control Service of the Public Health Sub-Commission in January 1944 and has continued active in typhus and malaria control up to the present time.

2. The development of scientific technique and new methods in typhus and malaria control have been perhaps the most outstanding success of Allied efforts in the Public Health field in Italy. The knowledge gained and the results obtained have been of immense benefit not only to Italy but also to medical authorities all over the world. Dr Casini by reason of his scientific training and authoritative knowledge has been of invaluable aid to the Allied staff who have been in charge of the malaria and typhus control programmes of this Sub-Commission. He has been untiring and completely unselfish in his devotion to duty and his name is submitted for citation as having contributed materially to the development of scientific principles and practical methods in the control of these two diseases.

*G. E. Fawcett*  
G. E. FAWCETT,  
Colonel,  
Director, Public Health Sub-Commission.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Public Health Sub-Commission

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14 January 1946

SUBJECT: - Citation for Professor Gino Bergami,  
High Commissioner for Public Health,  
Italian Government.

TO : - WF 3 A Sec.,  
HQ Allied Commission.

1. Professor Gino Bergami was the Italian Public Health Commissioner for the City of Naples during the Typhus epidemic of 1943-44. He was responsible for the organization of the civilian measures which ultimately proved so extraordinarily successful in controlling the disease which then was of such great concern to the Allied Authorities. Professor Bergami's knowledge of the local situation and his untiring efforts in orienting the initial programs were of invaluable assistance in the success achieved in the control of this epidemic, for which the Allied personnel were given such wide publicity.

2. Not only in the field of Typhus control were Professor Bergami's efforts instrumental in bringing about a happier state of affairs for the unfortunate people of Naples. It is in no small measure due to his ability and foresight that the Hospitals of that city were put back into effective operation after the devastation of warfare. He contrived to improvise and reorganize these institutions at a time when their restoration to the fullest use was of paramount importance, not only to render succor to the sick and injured, but also to lessen the anxiety of the citizens and authorities in the face of bewildering circumstances.

3. Since August 1945 Professor Bergami has assumed the position of High Commissioner for Public Health for the Italian Government and since his assumption of that office, he has displayed the same purpose, judgment and effort which characterized all he did in Naples.

*G. F. Frazzetta*  
G. F. FRAZZETTA,  
Colonel,  
Director, Public Health Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Public Health Sub-Commission

AC/3005/B/PA

14 January 1946.

SUBJECT: - Citation for Dr. Prefetto Giuseppe Solimena,  
Secretary General to the Italian High Commission  
for Public Health.

To : - VP C & Sec.,  
HQ Allied Commission.

1. Dr. Prefetto Giuseppe Solimena was the General Director of Public Health of the Ministry of Interior, Italian Government, from the formation of the first Italian Government under Allied occupation early in 1944 until 20 August 1945 when he became Secretary General of the newly formed office of the High Commissioner for Public Health.

2. In the former capacity Dr. Solimena shouldered an enormous burden of responsibility and the high success he achieved in that office has been continued in his present capacity. He has displayed a most profound knowledge of Public Health problems and his experience and determination have played an essential part in the prevention and control of epidemic diseases and the resuscitation of Public Health facilities in Italy.

3. Faced with overwhelming disorganization, war damage and shortages of supplies and equipment of every kind, not only was it possible to alleviate suffering and prevent serious epidemic outbreaks, but also, under Dr. Solimena's direction and leadership, the system of Public Health administration in Italy was placed on a new and comprehensive footing.

4. Dr. Solimena has displayed the greatest foresight in planning, superlative judgment in action, patience in delay and difficulty, steadiness in crises and a most realistic approach to long term policy. It may well be that Dr. Solimena's work, thus far of necessity limited to the prevention and control of disease, will lay the foundation for a new era in Public Health administration in Italy, wherein the promotion of good health will be paramount.

5. Of his spontaneous readiness to cooperate and work with the Allied Authorities and of his devotion to the cause which he serves one cannot speak too highly and it is felt that the results achieved speak adequately for the harmony and goodwill which has marked Dr. Solimena's relations with the Allied organizations.

*W. H. F. 1/4*  
W. H. F. 1/4,  
Colonel,  
Director, Public Health Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 374  
Public Health Sub-Commission

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AG/5005/1/PH

1. January 1946.

SUBJECT: - Situation for Dr. Bartolomeo Vezzoso,  
attached to the Office of the High Commissioner  
for Public Health, Italian Government.

TO : - VP G.A. Sec.,  
HQ Allied Commission.

1. Dr. Bartolomeo Vezzoso has been the Liaison Officer between the Italian Public Health Authorities and the Public Health Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission since the formation of the first Italian Government under Allied occupation early in 1944.

2. The whole record of Dr. Vezzoso's association with the Public Health Sub-Commission has been one of complete devotion to the task of alleviation of suffering in Italy. During the early days of occupation under conditions of uncertainty and extreme difficulty his soul and ability paved the way for outstanding achievements. As the territory of Italy was liberated the field of action became larger and the scope much wider. With each successive widening of responsibility Dr. Vezzoso's efforts yielded greater results. He has displayed a genius for cooperation and organization and the successes achieved in the field of Public Health are in very large measure due to his superior ability, patience, foresight, tact and personal exertion above the call of duty.

3. His tasks have invariably been rendered more difficult by the nature of his office but the fusion of effort and the coordination of the work of the various agencies such as the Military Authorities, the Italian Government, the Rockefeller Foundation and UNRRA, are a superlative tribute to the service he has rendered his country and through his country to the Allied cause. The harmony of cooperation in fields such as Malaria and Venereal Disease Control in particular, and epidemic control in general, augur well for the future of Public Health in Italy. It is no exaggeration to say that a solid foundation for future organization and cooperation in health matters in Italy has been established and that it is in no small part a result of Dr. Vezzoso's untiring and unswerving efforts.

*W. F. Feltz*  
W. F. FELTZ,  
Colonel,  
Director, Public Health Sub-Commission.

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29 Nov 45

TO : VP Civil Affairs Section, HQ AC.

1 With further reference to 9125 B/GA of 23 Nov 45. May the following recommendation please be added to those already submitted under our 20004/4/MFAA of 25 Nov 45.

Emilio LAVAGNINO of Rome, Inspector General in the Direction General of Antiquities and Fine Arts, Italian Government. During the German occupation he faithfully executed upwards of fifteen field trips, usually exposed to Allied road-strafing, in order to recover endangered works of art. These he continued even after being dismissed from office by the Fascist government because of his known anti-fascist and anti-German attitude. Upon the liberation of Rome, Prof LAVAGNINO, reappointed to office, continued performing hazardous missions in collaboration with the NEAA Officers of AMG/AC, particularly during the difficult period before the capture of Florence, when he spent several days in the zone of artillery fire, checking deposits of Florentine and Pisan works of art in deposits immediately south of Florence. After the capture of Rimini, Prof LAVAGNINO, at the invitation of AMG Eighth Army, spent a week in that shattered town, under conditions highly prejudicial to his health, examining and checking the details of damage and loss to works of art in the city and the surrounding countryside. Throughout the past seventeen months Prof LAVAGNINO's profound knowledge of Italy's art and history, his personal courage, and his complete and selfless devotion to duty, have been of outstanding assistance to this Sub-Commission in the accomplishment of its mission.

Recommended

16-1-46 McLean Bay Station  
V.P.C. Section

NORMAN T. NEWTON  
Major, Air Corps  
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APC 394  
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/95/ADM

15 January 1946

SUBJECT : Honours and Awards.

TO :

Avv. OMETO Francesco, of Villa Delta  
Tortofino Mare, Liguria.  
(Italian Civilian)

1. On behalf of the High Commissioner for War Refugees, worked with Allied Commission from formation of D.P.R.S.C., A.C. till closing down of High Commissioner's Office June 1945.

Throughout his loyalty to and the co-operation with the Allies was outstanding.

2. He assisted in the preparation of the Italian refugee plan which eventually successfully repatriated nearly one million Italians to Italy from Germany and Austria and elsewhere.

3. During the period May 1945 when this plan was being put into execution, he actively followed up in the field the work in all its stages, and by his initiative, energy and drive overcame many difficulties when speed of action was essential. He thereby greatly contributed in an outstanding manner in the care and handling of thousands of refugees.

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C.B. PINDRAY  
Colonel,  
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
AFC 394

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

CONFIDENTIAL

DPA/95/ADM

15 January 1946

SUBJECT : Honours and Awards.

TO :

Miss Anne BREYEN of Via S. Melania 15, Rome,  
Danish civilian resident in Rome.

1. For the past eighteen months Miss Anne Breyen has been employed in the Headquarters of the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission of Allied Commission. Employed originally as a clerk, she has risen to the position of Junior Administrative Assistant through her energy, initiative and devotion to duty.
2. She has at all times maintained a cheerful willingness and a scrupulous attention to detail in all tasks set before her. Her charm and tact when dealing with visitors of numerous nationalities have made her an integral part of the Sub Commission.
3. When called upon to perform tasks outside her normal line of duty, Miss Breyen has responded admirably, much of her spare time having been devoted to studies, the results of which have enhanced the proficiency of her work. Through her efforts she has played no small part in the repatriation of over one million refugees, the majority of whom were Italian citizens.

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G.B. FINELAY  
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C. B. FIMMELAY  
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Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPB/95/ADM

15 January 1946

SUBJECT : Honours and Awards.

TO :

Mrs. CHARIS de BOIS, of Via due Macelli 66, Rome,  
(Italian Civilian)

1. Mrs. Charis de Bois has been executive assistant to the Commanding Officer of 'H' Group, Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, Ancona, since 16 June 1945. She has rendered distinguished service, with deep devotion to the work, with human kindness to the refugees as persons, balanced by judgment and by an understanding of organisation, resulting in invaluable aid to the Group, and in constant new ideas and suggestions for improvement.
2. Her interest and aid in organising and providing for the excellent and complete Camp School has won for her the trust and affectionate regard of the refugees.
3. She has dealt with Senior Officers and with Italian Authorities and civilians from Ministries and Prefects to drivers and clerks, with marked success, and no small part of the happy relationship existing between 'H' Group and the Italian Communities is due to her force, dignity and tact.
4. She has a high loyalty to her own country, which makes her a valuable "Ambassador" for Italy with Allies, and which also makes her expect and enables her to obtain from Italian Offices, an excellent and friendly co-operation.
5. She has shown marked leadership in creating an extensive system in "off" time, for the distribution of food to the poor of Ancona and has helped to provide a "home" for Reduci particularly for

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C. E. FINLAY  
Colonel,  
Director.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub Commission  
APC 394

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AC/14045/1/PS

15 January 1946.

SUBJECT : Honours and Awards.  
TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. Forwarded herewith in compliance with memo are recommendations in respect of the undermentioned Personnel who have performed meritorious service whilst serving with A.M.G./A.C.

P.S. Commissario Dott. Matteo Renato Amendola.  
Major Giulio Mannucci Benincasa CC.RR.  
Major Alfredo Zanchino "  
Cav. Massimiliano Gaston.

2. It will be observed that the last named is not an Italian subject but is "Stateless." His last nationality was Rumanian.

However he has performed such sterling work whilst employed by the Security Division, Public Safety Sub-Commission, that he is fully deserving of some form of recognition, therefore favourable consideration is asked for in his case.

*E. J. Bye*  
E.J. BYE Colonel 4751  
Deputy Director  
Public Safety S/C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED C. ISSION  
APO 394  
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION

Ref: SD/125.04

14th, January, 1946

Subject: Honours and Awards.

To : The Military Secretary, R.C., Allied Commission.

Cav. Massimiliano GASTON  
Senior Administrative Assistant  
Security Division, Allied Commission

In submitting this letter for the consideration of an award to the above named by the Italian Government, it must be pointed out in the first place that he is of "Stateless" nationality, his last one being Rumanian. However, he has rendered such notable service to the Allied and Italian Governments whilst working with this Commission, that it is earnestly recommended that the terms of the Italian Ministry of War's jurisdiction in the matter of awards be interpreted as being applicable to him in his peculiar circumstances.

The position of Senior Administrative Assistant which he holds with Allied Commission is a grade which ranks as of officer status, capable of replacing a Field grade officer.

Cav. Gaston was born in Transylvania, and was educated at Kolozsvar University. He first came to Italy in 1936 after political differences with the Iron Guard dictatorship, and obtained permission to change his name from GOLDSTEIN to GASTON. This was acknowledged by both the Rumanian and Italian Ministries of Justice and Pardon. Owing to his anti-Fascist activity he was sent back to Rumania in 1938, but refused to join the Army, which he considered of Nazi sentiment. His desertion cost him his Rumanian nationality. Upon his return to Italy he took an active part in the anti-Fascist movement, and suffered torture and imprisonment for assisting Allied ex-F.C.I. For his services during the clandestine period he was awarded in 1945 the cross of Cavaliere dei Santi Maurizio e Lazzaro by the Lieutenant General on the proposal of the Prime Minister Bonomi.

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Upon the arrival of the Allies in Rome, Cav. Gaston worked with American Counter Intelligence Corps, and in July, 1944 took up employment as an investigator with Security Branch of Allied Commission.

He quickly showed that he possessed the necessary qualifications for such work, and readily discharged the more responsible duties which were placed upon him. Enquiries of the most complicated nature were entrusted to him, and his unflinching success has been of immense value to Allied Commission. He has been particularly useful in connection with Fascist personalities, and has proved a most reliable and profound source of information on neo-Fascist activities.

Cav. Gaston has devoted his time unstintingly to his work, and in spite of bad health, has persevered day and night to achieve successfully the missions which have been assigned to him. He has demonstrated beyond doubt his loyalty both to the Allies and to Italy, and has proved his physical and moral courage on more than one occasion.

It is difficult to do full justice to a man who has performed such delicate and persistent work, but the considered opinion of the experienced officers to whom he has been responsible, is that any honour or award which the Italian Government could bestow upon him for his work with the Allied Commission would be well merited and deeply appreciated by a man who has suffered much from the forces of Fascism throughout Europe.

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M.J. BIE,  
Colonel,  
R/Director, Public Safety  
Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub Commission  
APO 394

AC/14045/1/P3

14 January 1946.

SUBJECT : Recommendations for Awards - Italian Personnel.  
TO : Deputy Military Secretary  
Allied Commission.

P.S. Commissario Dott. Matteo Renato Amendoles.

Commissario Amendoles is recommended for an award in recognition of exceptional outstanding service whilst working in conjunction with the Allied Public Safety Personnel in Sicily and Italy from August 1943 to the present time.

At the time of the occupation of Palermo, he was serving as a Vice Commissario of P.S. He had an excellent knowledge of English and, after a short time was attached to the Special Police Division, Public Safety, Palermo, to assist in rounding up suspected enemy Agents and screening of Italian Officers under the direction of Major, now Lt. Col. C. Richardson, of the Special Police Division.

In this work he rendered invaluable service by carrying out delicate and confidential enquiries involving many days of long and painstaking work which could not by reason of the peculiar circumstances have been carried out successfully by Allied Personnel.

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As an instance of this in March 1944 a series of incidents occurred between French Airborne troops and the Italian Civilian population in the Province of Trapani, Sicily. Doctor Amendola again rendered invaluable assistance to Lt. Col. Richardson in the enquiry which led to a satisfactory clearing up of the whole matter.

In May 1944 he again displayed exceptional ability in tracking down the persons responsible for the theft of 37 tons of Allied flour in Palermo. The enquiries in this case were extremely confidential and difficult and extended over a number of Provinces in Sicily.

Both civilians and Allied Personnel were involved. As a result of his work the whole of the persons involved were eventually dealt with and the flour recovered.

No. ) recently he has been employed by C.I.C. and a Special Investigator of the United States State Department, attached to A.C. Hq. in a very involved and difficult enquiry relating to alleged serious irregularities. Here again he has shown exceptional ability and persistence.

Doctor Amendola has served in the P.S. Service for the past eighteen years having performed duty in various Provinces in Italy and Sicily.

It can safely be said that Doctor Amendola, by the outstanding service he has performed, his quiet unassuming personality has enhanced the reputation of the Italian Civil Police Service to which he belongs.

E.J. Bert Caimon  
Deputy Director  
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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E. J. Dyke Colonel  
Deputy Director  
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 3.

14 January 1946.

SUBJECT : Recommendation for Awards.

TO : Deputy Military Secretary  
Headquarters Allied Commission.

With reference to letter AC/594/MS, dated 29 Dec. 45.  
It is considered that the undermentioned officer  
has performed such exceptional and special services for  
the Allied cause as to be deserving of suitable recognition.

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1940-1943 Balkan Campaign,  
1943-1944 Partisan Campaign.

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It had been at once appreciated that owing to the  
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No effective police were found in a position to deal  
with the situation, and A.M.C. decided that it was necessary  
to concentrate major efforts on the re-establishment of  
the CC.RR.

Only 2 Allied Public Safety Officers were attached to  
the Provincial A.M.C. staff, and it was not possible to  
increase the number.

Under these circumstances, Major Mannucci was  
attached directly to the P.S.S.O. as Liaison Officer, and  
has remained in this capacity up to the present time.

It is exceedingly difficult to find words adequately  
to express the very great assistance given by this officer.  
At all times he has been prepared to give thoughtful and  
sound advice on the many difficult and often delicate  
subjects that have occurred daily.

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His position naturally involved contacts not only with other Italian Officers, civil officials and members of the public, but also with other Allied officers outside the sphere of Public Safety.

In all cases his tact and ability were marked to a very high degree, so that not only had he the complete confidence and trust of the Public Safety Officers but also of all other officials, Allied and Italian, with whom he came in touch.

In the re-establishment and re-organization of the CC.RR. his wife experience and good sense were invaluable and it is not too much to say that any success that may have been attained in this connection has been in no small measure due to the intelligent advice and real hard work of this officer.

Throughout Major Mannucci's work has been of the highest degree. He has not spared himself and there is no doubt he is deserving of recognition.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission

APC 4

14 January 1946.

SUBJECT : Honours and Awards.

TO : Military Secretary  
Headquarters Allied Commission.

Since the occupation by the Allies of Naples in September 1943 Major Alfredo ZANCHINO has rendered uninterupted and invaluable service to the Security and Public Safety Sub-Commissions of this Headquarters.

Immediately upon the arrival of the Allies he was assigned to work with the Public Safety team of Region 3 Headquarters, and his intimate knowledge of Naples and of the problems of that city, shattered as it was by the battles which raged in its streets, was of tremendous value, not only on matters of Police work, but in all spheres. His excellent command of English, together with his capable and charming manner, made his services greatly sought, and he was called upon to accompany Brigadier General Hume, the Regional Commissioner, to Sardinia in an attempt to see what could be exported to Naples to ameliorate conditions in that stricken city.

In February 1944 he was attached to the Security Division, where full use was made of his extensive knowledge of the geography and conditions in the forward areas, while his personal experience of prominent fascists and German collaborators was of tremendous value. He also was responsible for vindicating certain persons who had been arrested by the Allies on the false statement of an unscrupulous informant.

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Both before and after the fall of Rome his experience of that city were fully utilized, and he was especially selected in the summer of 1944 to accompany a Senior Allied Officer to Sicily, where the plan for the collection of grain was in danger of collapsing. The success of the visit was due in no small measure to the hard work and tenacity displayed by Major Zanchino in difficult circumstances.

In the course of his duties with Security Division he was detailed to fulfill assignments in extreme forward areas with 5th and 8th Armies, frequently under fire, and did sterling work in connection with the re-establishment in the initial stages of the CC.BB. Central School at Florence.

Major Zanchino's multi-lingual qualifications, his dignified military bearing, and his talented qualifications made him an automatic choice as interpreter between Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexander, Supreme Allied Commander, and

General Brunetti, on the occasion of the Parade of CC.RR. which the former inspected in 1945, and at the subsequent reception he acted in a similar capacity with the Prime Minister and other dignitaries of the Italian Government.

Upon the visit of Lt. Col. Sir Frank Brock, TSO, His Majesty's Senior Inspector of Constabulary, Major Zanchino again acted as interpreter and accompanied Sir Frank on tours throughout the country during the month he was here. It is within my knowledge that Sir Frank was greatly impressed by the capability and personality of Major Zanchino.

Throughout his long association with the Allied Commission, Major Zanchino has demonstrated outstanding loyalty both to the Allies and towards his own country, and he has repeatedly performed prolonged hours of duty for weeks at a time in order to discharge his responsibilities to the Allies.

It is with pleasure that I wholeheartedly recommend Major Zanchino for such a high honour or award which his outstanding services so well merit.

*E. J. W. Dyer*

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*E. J. Byrne*

E. J. BYRNE, Colonel  
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Public Safety C/C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394

Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts and Archives  
(Tel. 489081, ext 442 & 254; 478480)



20004/4/MFAA

9 Jan 46

SUBJECT: Honors and Awards

TO : VP CA Section, HQ AC.

1. Ref DAMS letter AC/594/MF of 29 Dec 45 and  
CA Sec letter 9/23.B/CA of 8 Jan 46.

2. It is understood that the recommendations made  
by the undersigned in letters 20004/4/MFAA of 25 Nov 45  
and 29 Nov 45 ( in response to 9125 B/CA of 23 Nov 45 )  
are to be considered valid for the purposes mentioned in  
reference letters.

3. In view of DAMS requirement that recommendations  
be submitted by an Allied Officer not lower than Lieut Co-  
lonel, it is requested that appropriate endorsement be given  
the recommendations made by the undersigned.

NORMAN T. NEWTON  
Major, Air Corps  
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

9/25.B/CA

8 Jan 46

SUBJECT : Honors and Awards.

TO : All CA Sub-Commissions

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- 1 Reference DAMS letter AG/594/MS of 29 Dec 45 on the subject Honors and Awards for Italian Personnel.
- 2 This letter is intended chiefly for the guidance of Regions and refers to the same subject as that in CA Sec letter 9/25.B/CA of 23 Nov 45.
- 3 The citations already received from Sub-Commissions as a result of CA Sec letter of 23 Nov need not be resubmitted. Any additional recommendations which S/C's wish to make should reach this Office by 14 Jan 46.
- 4 Reference the one from last para in DAMS letter of 29 Dec, it is not necessary to state the Italian decorations or medals previously awarded.

H.E. ANSON, Major,  
CA Section.

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Subj: Honors to America.

Distribution: - See reverse.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

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29 Dec 45.

The Italian Ministry of War have asked that they be given the names of any Italian personnel who are serving or have served with the Allied Commission and who are deserving of recognition by the Italian Government for services rendered in the Allied cause.

All Italian personnel should be considered who come within the following categories:-

- (1) Italian officers or officials of officer status.
- (2) Italian personnel of non-officer status i.e. clerks etc.
- (3) Italians who are working with the Commission.
- (4) Italians who, though not working for the Commission, have been directly connected with it. i.e. Envoys.

Citations in the form of a letter should be forwarded in duplicate signed by a Senior Allied Officer not below the rank of Lt. Colonel.

The citations should give all details of rank or status, Christian names, appointment or position held and should state Italian decorations or medals or visually awarded. It must be clearly understood that the citations must show exceptional services, or more than normal duty only for.

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All Italian personnel should be considered who come within the following categories:-

- (1) Italian officers or officials of officer status.
- (2) Italian personnel of non-officer status i.e. clerks etc.
- (3) Italians who are working with the German Govt.
- (4) Italian who, though not working for the German Govt, have been directly concerned with it. i.e. Finfanis.

Citations in the form of a letter should be forwarded in duplicate signed by a Senior Allied Officer not below the rank of Lt. Colonel.

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The citations should give all details of rank or status, Christian name, appointment or position held and should state Italian decorations or medals or awards awarded. It must be clearly understood that the citations must show exceptional service, or more than normal duty only for.

Citations will be forwarded to reach this H.Q., by 15 Jan 46 under confidential cover and steps will be taken to ensure any person recommended is not informed of the fact either directly or indirectly.



*These refer chiefly to Regions  
Only people who recommended by  
HQ AC on this will be additional to those  
already recommended by HQ AC (over)  
Officers of the Italian Govt. not in HQ AC  
immediately into AC.*

W. A. MORRIS, Major,  
Det Aust HSI Sec.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

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TR/95/Adm

Tel. 439081 Ext. 392

2/2 November 1945

SUBJECT : Recognition of Italian Civilians.

26 NOV 1945

TO : GA Section, H.Q. A.C.

1. Reference your 9/25 B/GA dated 23 November 1945.

2. This Sub-Commission has no recommendations in regard to Italian personnel of this HQ but is desirous of submitting recommendations in respect of the following :-

(a) Civilian Allied Nationals displaced in Italy, working in this HQ.

(b) Italian and Allied Nations displaced in Italy who have done excellent work in the field.

For the



*[Signature]*  
Lt. Colonel,  
O. i/c Adm.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394

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Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts and Archives  
(Tel. 489081, ext 442 & 264; 478480)

20004/4/MFAA

29 Nov 45 29 NOV 1945

SUBJECT: Recognition of Italian Civilians.

TO : VP Civil Affairs Section, HQ AC.

1. With further reference to 9125 B/CA of 23 Nov 45. May the following recommendation please be added to those already submitted under our 20004/4/MFAA of 25 Nov 45.

Emilio LAVAGNINO of ROME, Inspector General in the Direction General of Antiquities and Fine Arts, Italian Government. During the German occupation he faithfully executed upwards of fifteen field trips, usually exposed to Allied road-strafting, in order to recover endangered works of art. These he continued even after being dismissed from office by the Fascist government because of his known anti-fascist and anti-German attitude. Upon the liberation of Rome, Prof LAVAGNINO, reappointed to office, continued performing hazardous missions in collaboration with the MFAA Officers of AMG/AC, particularly during the difficult period before the capture of Florence, when he spent several days in the zone of artillery fire, checking deposits of Florentine and Pisan works of art in deposits immediately south of Florence. After the capture of RIMINI, Prof LAVAGNINO, at the invitation of AMG Eighth Army, spent a week in that shattered town, under conditions highly prejudicial to his health, examining and checking the details of damage and loss to

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works of art in the city and the surrounding countryside. Throughout the past seventeen months Prof LAVAGNINO's profound knowledge of Italy's art and history, his personal courage, and his complete and selfless devotion to duty, have been of outstanding assistance to this Subcommittee in the accomplishment of its mission.



NORMAN T. NEWTON  
Major, Air Corps  
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

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26 November 1945

26 NOV 1945

SUBJECT : Recognition of Italian Civilians.

TO : C.A. Section.

Reference your 9/25 B/CA of 23 November 1945  
herewith recommendations of this Sub-Commission in respect  
of the above:

Professor Pasquale Chiamenti

Hon. Secretary Association Italo-Britannica.

Has been with the Allied Commission, Legal Sub-Commission  
since the entry of the Allies in Rome as a legal adviser.  
Has rendered outstanding services to the Allies in that  
capacity. His knowledge of Allied countries, his devotion  
to the cause of Italo-Allied friendship, his legal knowledge  
and experience have been invaluable.

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Professor Giuliano Vassalli

Sentenced to death by the Germans for pro-Allied  
activity during the period which preceded the occupation  
of Rome, was saved by the Allied entry in the town.  
As legal adviser to the Legal Sub-Commission has rendered  
excellent service to the Allied authorities, especially to  
the judicial branch of AMG where his opinions, as one of the  
leading Italian criminal lawyers, have been invaluable.

Dott. Danilo Ciulli

Lt. in the Italian Army. In the service of the  
Legal Sub-Commission from March 1944 till June 1945, in  
charge of liaison with the Ministry of Justice and Procuratore  
Generale Militare. His tact, patience, intelligence through  
knowledge of Italian administration and full understanding  
of Allied methods deserve full credit for the smooth and



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harmful cooperation between this Sub-Commission and Ministry of Justice.

Rag. Antonio Pisapia

In service with AMG since October 1943; with Allied Commission since March 1944 until the present date. In charge of the procedure for implementing Italian legislation in AMG territory; technical translator; prepared many documents; since June 1945 in charge of liaison with Ministry of Justice. His perfect knowledge of English and Italian including the technical vocabulary was of inestimable value for this Sub-Commission. Showed absolute loyalty, discretion, perseverance.

  
G.G. HANNAFORD,  
Lt. Col.,  
Deputy Chief Legal Advisor.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

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26 November, 1945

SUBJECT : Citation of Italian Civilian.

TO : A/Vice President  
CA Section.

Ref. 9/218/CA of 23 November.

1. Dr. Gabriella Rambo is strongly recommended for recognition by the Italian Government for exceptionally meritorious service, as indicated in the attached citation.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col. A.U.S.  
Director of Education.

*Not received - however no decorations are awarded for Ladies  
Professors, Lt. Grade*

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Citation - Dr. Gabriella Resbe

Professor Dr. Gabriella Resbe has served as Professional Assistant in the Education Subcommittee from May 1944 to the present. She brought to the work an exceptional background of knowledge and experience in the field of education both in Great Britain and in Italy. With keen intelligence, consummate tact and earnest zeal, she has contributed greatly to the work of the Italian Government and the Allied Commission in getting Italian educational institutions again to function effectively, and in taking the first steps toward educational reconstruction. She has worked far beyond the line of duty, giving herself unstintingly to the fulfillment of her responsibilities. Her efficiency has only been equalled by her tact, understanding and intelligence in handling the innumerable difficult problems referred to her. She has worked closely with the Italian Ministry of Public Instruction and won the liking, respect and appreciation of all persons with whom she has had to deal. She has been a major factor in the help the Education Subcommittee has been able to render to the schools of Italy.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MISSION

APD 394

Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts & Archives  
(Tel. 489081, ext 442 & 254; 476480)

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20004/L/1FAA

25 Nov 45

26 NOV 1945

SUBJECT: Recognition of Italian Civilians.

TO : VP, Civil Affairs Section, HQ AC.

1. Ref 9/25 E/CA of 23 Nov 45.

2. It is recommended that appropriate recognition be given, for exceptionally meritorious services to the Italian and Allied Cause, to Prof Cesare FASOLA of Florence, Dr Riccardo PACINI of Ancona, and Family BONAJUTO of Rome. Citations appear below:

Cesare FASOLA of FLORENCE, Librarian of the Uffizi Gallery. In July and August of 1944, knowing that five great deposits of works of art from galleries and churches of Florence were endangered and virtually abandoned in the country about MONTESPERTOLI, although it was in no sense his duty to safeguard these treasures Professor FASOLA walked from FLORENCE to the locality and there, with total disregard for his personal safety, made the rounds daily from place to place, usually under shell-fire, taking such protective measures as were possible, and remonstrating with the German troops whenever necessary to prevent damage to the paintings. He remained in the area during our attacks, was there when our advance elements took the several deposits, guided our officers to them one by one, and continued for many days to put his personal energies and scholarly wisdom at the disposal of MFAA Officers of AMG.

Riccardo PACINI of ANCONA, Superintendent for Monuments of Le Marche. With consummate devotion to duty, Dr PACINI remained and worked at his post in ANCONA during over one hundred bombing attacks, protecting in every possible way the monuments committed to his care and opposing staunchly every attempt of the Nazi-Fascists to impede his efforts. After the liberation of his territory, he demonstrated extraordinary initiative, technical skill, practicality, and administrative force in collaboration with MFAA Officers of AMG/AC toward inauguration and completion of a program of first-aid repair to national monuments. Largely because of Dr PACINI's unremitting energy and professional zeal, no significant monument

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Signora Fanny BONAJUTO, of ROMA, Administrative Assistant and Chief Clerk to the Subcommission for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives, Allied Commission. A scholar and archeologist of great capacity, long devoted to the cause of tolerance and freedom under Fascist oppression, Signora BONAJUTO has been a pillar of strength to Allied efforts in behalf of the cultural heritage of Italy. Her profound knowledge of the antiquities and arts of Italy has formed the basis for highly valuable research and for the creation and maintenance of intricate records for minimizing the damage and loss to the artistic patrimony of Italy. Keen and understanding interpreter of Italy and the Allies to each other, Signora BONAJUTO has been of exceptional help to both in liaison between the Italian Ministry and the Subcommission.



*Norman T. Newton*

NORMAN T. NEWTON,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/16/1/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Recognition of Italian civilians.

24 November 1945

TO : CA Section.

26 NOV 1945

1. Reference your 9/25 B/CA of 23 November, in view of the restricted class to which the proposal applies, this Sub Commission has no recommendations to make.
2. There are, however, among the under-mentioned classes several cases of outstanding service rendered to the Allies in furtherance of the common cause which appear to deserve recognition. The classes in question are:--
  - (a) high-ranking officials of the Central Government in Rome;
  - (b) Prefects and Prefects-Regent of Provinces.

The Sub Commission trusts that there will be an opportunity to submit recommendations in respect of these cases.

*R. R. Temple*

RALPH R. TEMPLE  
Major  
Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Ref : 9/25 H/OA

23 Nov 45

SUBJECT : Recognition of Italian Civilians

TO : All CA Sub-Commissions

- 1 The Italian Government proposes to recognise the work of those Italians who have rendered exceptionally meritorious service in the Civil sphere to the Allied and Italian Cause.
- 2 Recommendations need not be confined to those now in the employ of AC, nor is it essential that any person recommended should have ever been in the employ of the AC if the work was done in co-operation with AC in administering Italy.
- 3 The reward is primarily intended for those in the executive rather than in the clerical grades but this will not prohibit the recommendation of a clerk if the work has been of quite exceptional merit.
- 4 Recommendations will be in respect of any part of the period from the first landing to the present time.
- 5 Recommendations will reach CA Sec by 1000 hours 26 Nov and will show in each case a short citation showing the position occupied and particulars of the work which is deserving of recognition.

S.H. WHITE Lt Col,  
A/VP CA Section

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