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AGRICULTURE, ENFORCEMENT OF GRAIN  
COLLECTION  
JULY-DEC. 1944



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SUBJECT: Weekly Wheat Amassing Report

| R E G I O N        | Average<br>dates of<br>reports | Collected<br>at latest<br>report<br>(qls) | Agriculture S/C<br>estimate<br>(12 Sept. 1944)<br>(qls) | Percent of A<br>estimate col |   |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|                    |                                |                                           |                                                         | latest<br>report             | P |
| Calabria           | 20/11                          | 184.121                                   | 280,000                                                 | 66                           |   |
| Lucania            | 20/11                          | 755.021                                   | 950,000                                                 | 79                           |   |
| Puglie             | 19/11                          | 1.567.045                                 | 2,170,000                                               | 72                           |   |
| Campania           | 20/11                          | 249.847                                   | 250,000                                                 | 100                          |   |
| Campobasso         | 15/11                          | 240.821                                   | 300,000                                                 | 80                           |   |
| SOUTHERN           |                                | 2.996.855                                 | 3,950,000                                               | 76                           |   |
| Sicilia            | 18/11                          | 1,256.686                                 | 2,000,000                                               | 63                           |   |
| Sardegna           | 15/11                          | 261.602                                   | 300,000                                                 | 87                           |   |
| Lazio-Umbria       | 17/11                          | 1.540.182                                 | 1,600,000                                               | 96                           |   |
| Abruzzi-Marche (x) | 18/11                          | 2.156.795                                 | 2,250,000                                               | 96                           |   |
| Toscana            | 19/11                          | 1.522.575                                 | 1,500,000                                               | 101                          |   |
| GRAND TOTAL        |                                | 9.734.695                                 | 11,600,000                                              | 84                           |   |

(x) Not including 25,000

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| lected<br>latest<br>report<br>(s) | Agriculture S/C<br>estimate<br>(12 Sept. 1944)<br>(qls) | Percent of Agric. S/C<br>estimate collected at |                          | Percent of total amassed<br>in 1942-43 collected on |                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                                   |                                                         | latest<br>report                               | report<br>preceding week | 30 Sept.<br>1942                                    | 31 Oct.<br>1942 |
| 4.121                             | 280,000                                                 | 66                                             | 66                       | 87                                                  | 91              |
| 5.021                             | 950,000                                                 | 79                                             | 79                       | 85                                                  | 93              |
| 7.045                             | 2,170,000                                               | 72                                             | 72                       | 94                                                  | 95              |
| 8.847                             | 250,000                                                 | 100                                            | 98                       | 84                                                  | 88              |
| 8.821                             | 300,000                                                 | 80                                             | 80                       | 79                                                  | 84              |
| 8.855                             | 3,950,000                                               | 76                                             | 76                       | 88                                                  | 92              |
| 8.686                             | 2,000,000                                               | 63                                             | 63                       | 88                                                  | 93              |
| 8.602                             | 300,000                                                 | 87                                             | 85                       | 86                                                  | 93              |
| 8.182                             | 1,600,000                                               | 96                                             | 96                       | 91                                                  | 93              |
| 8.795                             | 2,250,000                                               | 96                                             | 96                       | 94                                                  | 95              |
| 8.575                             | 1,500,000                                               | 101                                            | 99                       | 92                                                  | 93              |
| 8.595                             | 11,600,000                                              | 84                                             | 83                       | 90                                                  | 93              |

W.A. HARTMAN, Lt. Col., Director.

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat

| Region | <u>Amassing in Quintals</u>         |                         | Date of Report | Per<br>ro |
|--------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|
|        | Agric. S/C total<br>estimate Aug 44 | Reports from<br>Regions |                |           |
| 1      | 2,210,000                           | 649,409                 | 23 Aug         |           |
| 2      | 1,530,000                           | 776,019                 | 23 Aug         |           |
| Foggia | 1,590,000                           | 1,000,356               | 19 Aug         |           |
| 3      | 350,000                             | 76,110                  | 22 Aug         |           |
| 4      | 1,400,000                           | 568,747                 | 15 Aug         |           |
| 5      | 2,550,000                           | 557,044                 | 15 Aug         |           |
| 6      | 430,000                             | 167,788                 | 19 Aug         |           |
| 7      | 280,000                             | 136,000                 | 21 Aug         |           |
| 8      | 1,000,000                           | 293,953                 | 17 Aug         |           |
|        | 11,340,000                          | 4,225,426               |                |           |

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APPENDIX "A"

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available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:

| Reports from<br>Regions | Date of Report | Percentage of<br>total estimate | Normal pre-war percentage by |          |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
|                         |                |                                 | 31 Aug                       | 30 Sept. |
| 649,409                 | 23 Aug         | 29                              | 62                           | 84       |
| 776,019                 | 23 Aug         | 50                              | 54                           | 85       |
| 1,000,356               | 19 Aug         | 63                              | 54                           | 85       |
| 76,110                  | 22 Aug         | 22                              | 54                           | 85       |
| 568,747                 | 15 Aug         | 40                              | 78                           | 91       |
| 557,044                 | 15 Aug         | 22                              | 78                           | 91       |
| 167,788                 | 19 Aug         | 39                              | 63                           | 87       |
| 136,000                 | 21 Aug         | 48                              | 54                           | 85       |
| 293,953                 | 17 Aug         | 29                              | 78                           | 91       |
| 225,426                 |                | 37                              | 60                           | 88       |

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SUBJECT: Weekly The Massing Report.

| Region       | Average<br>Dates of Reports | Collected<br>at latest<br>report<br>(q1) | Agriculture S/C<br>estimate<br>(12 Sept 44)<br>(q1) | Percent<br>total<br>estimate<br>collected |
|--------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Calabria     | 30/9                        | 171,263                                  | 280,000                                             | 61                                        |
| Lucania      | 30/9                        | 718,878                                  | 950,000                                             | 75                                        |
| Puglie       | 30/9                        | 1,597,874                                | 2,170,000                                           | 73                                        |
| Campania     | 30/9                        | 194,652                                  | 250,000                                             | 78                                        |
| Campanobasso | 30/9                        | 212,909                                  | 300,000                                             | 70                                        |
| SOUTHERN     |                             | 2,895,576                                | 3,950,000                                           | 73                                        |
| 1            | 29/9                        | 1,152,376                                | 2,000,000                                           | 57                                        |
| 4            | 29/9                        | 1,431,637                                | 1,600,000                                           | 89                                        |
| 5            | 30/9                        | 1,513,784                                | 2,250,000                                           | 67                                        |
| 6            | 23/9                        | 227,601                                  | 300,000                                             | 75                                        |
| 8            | 30/9                        | 1,221,252                                | 1,500,000                                           | 81                                        |
| TOTAL        |                             | 8,442,236                                | 11,500,000                                          | 72                                        |

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| Collected<br>at latest<br>report<br>(ql) | Agriculture S/C<br>estimate<br>(12 Sept 44)<br>(ql) | Percent of<br>total<br>estimate<br>collected | Percentage of 1942 total assessed<br>conferred to |         |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------|
|                                          |                                                     |                                              | 31 Aug.                                           | 30 Sept |
| 171,263                                  | 280,000                                             | 61                                           | 72                                                | 87      |
| 718,878                                  | 950,000                                             | 75                                           | 61                                                | 83      |
| 1,597,874                                | 2,170,000                                           | 73                                           | 86                                                | 94      |
| 194,652                                  | 250,000                                             | 78                                           | 62                                                | 84      |
| 212,909                                  | 300,000                                             | 70                                           | 64                                                | 79      |
| 2,895,576                                | 3,950,000                                           | 73                                           | 76                                                | 88      |
| 1,152,376                                | 2,000,000                                           | 57                                           | 67                                                | 87      |
| 1,431,637                                | 1,600,000                                           | 89                                           | 83                                                | 91      |
| 1,513,784                                | 2,250,000                                           | 67                                           | 89                                                | 94      |
| 227,601                                  | 300,000                                             | 75                                           | 64                                                | 85      |
| 1,221,262                                | 1,500,000                                           | 81                                           | 77                                                | 92      |
| 1,442,236                                | 11,600,000                                          | 72                                           | 79                                                | 90      |

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SUBJECT: Weekly The Massing Report.

| Region     | Average<br>Dates of Reports | Collected<br>at latest<br>report<br>(q1) | Agriculture S.C.<br>estimate<br>(12 Sept 44)<br>(q1) | Percent<br>total<br>estimate<br>collected |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Calabria   | 20/9                        | 165.668                                  | 280,000                                              | 59                                        |
| Lucania    | 23/9                        | 700.377                                  | 950,000                                              | 73                                        |
| Fuglie     | 23/9                        | 1.575.532                                | 2,170,000                                            | 72                                        |
| Campania   | 23/9                        | 175.306                                  | 250,000                                              | 70                                        |
| Campobasso | 23/9                        | 203.550                                  | 300,000                                              | 67                                        |
| SOUTHERN   |                             | 2.820.433                                | 3,950,000                                            | 71                                        |
| 1          | 21/9                        | 1.124.269                                | 2,000,000                                            | 56                                        |
| 4          | 15/9                        | 1.265.217                                | 1,600,000                                            | 79                                        |
| 5          | 20/9                        | 1.200.511                                | 2,250,000                                            | 53                                        |
| 6          | 16/9                        | 222.918                                  | 300,000                                              | 74                                        |
| 8          | 15/9                        | 999.698                                  | 1,500,000                                            | 66                                        |
| TOTAL      |                             | 7.633.046                                | 11,600,000                                           | 65                                        |

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29 Sept. 44

| Collected<br>at latest<br>report<br>(q1) | Agriculture<br>estimate<br>(12 Sept 44)<br>(q1) | Percent of<br>total<br>estimate<br>collected | Percentage of 1942 total<br>conferred to |          |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------|
|                                          |                                                 |                                              | 31 Aug.                                  | 30 Sept. |
| 165.658                                  | 280,000                                         | 59                                           | 72                                       | 87       |
| 700.377                                  | 950,000                                         | 73                                           | 61                                       | 83       |
| 1.575.532                                | 2,170,000                                       | 72                                           | 89                                       | 94       |
| 175.306                                  | 250,000                                         | 70                                           | 62                                       | 84       |
| 203.550                                  | 300,000                                         | 67                                           | 64                                       | 79       |
| 2.820.433                                | 3,950,000                                       | 71                                           | 76                                       | 88       |
| 1.124.269                                | 2,000,000                                       | 56                                           | 67                                       | 87       |
| 1.265.217                                | 1,600,000                                       | 79                                           | 83                                       | 91       |
| 1.200.511                                | 2,250,000                                       | 53                                           | 89                                       | 94       |
| 222.918                                  | 300,000                                         | 74                                           | 64                                       | 85       |
| 999.638                                  | 1,500,000                                       | 66                                           | 77                                       | 92       |
| 7.633.046                                | 11,600,000                                      | 65                                           | 79                                       | 90       |

J. HARTMAN, Lt. Col., Director



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SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat

| Region | Amassing in Quintana             |                      | Date of Report | Percent total |
|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------|
|        | Agric. C/O total estimate Aug 44 | Reports from Regions |                |               |
| 1      | 2,210,000                        | 943,010              | 1 Sep          | 42            |
| 2      | 1,530,000                        | 932,079              | 4 Sep          | 61            |
| FOURNA | 1,590,000                        | 1,134,032            | 6 Sep          | 71            |
| 3      | 350,000                          | 142,900              | 29 Aug         | 41            |
| 4      | 1,400,000                        | 967,018              | 20 Aug         | 69            |
| 5      | 2,550,000                        | 945,048              | 31 Aug         | 37            |
| 6      | 430,000                          | 214,760              | 3 Sep          | 50            |
| 7      | 280,000                          | 158,000              | 29 Aug         | 56            |
| 8      | 1,000,000                        | 607,064              | 29 Aug         | 61            |
|        | 11,340,000                       | 6,043,905            |                | 53            |

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 available to Economic Section on examining of sheet -

| Reports from<br>Regions | Date of Report | Percentage of<br>total estimate | Normal pre-war percentage by |        |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
|                         |                |                                 | 31 Aug                       | 30 Sep |
| 943,010                 | 1 Sep          | 63                              | 62                           | 84     |
| 932,073                 | 4 Sep          | 61                              | 54                           | 85     |
| 1,134,032               | 6 Sep          | 71                              | 54                           | 85     |
| 142,900                 | 29 Aug         | 41                              | 54                           | 85     |
| 967,018                 | 28 Aug         | 69                              | 70                           | 91     |
| 943,048                 | 31 Aug         | 37                              | 70                           | 91     |
| 216,760                 | 9 Sep          | 50                              | 63                           | 87     |
| 158,000                 | 29 Aug         | 57                              | 54                           | 85     |
| 607,064                 | 29 Aug         | 61                              | 70                           | 91     |
| 6,043,905               |                | 53                              | 60                           | 88     |

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 Executive Director  
 Economic Section



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SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latent information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:-

## Amassing in Quintals

| Region | Agric. S/C total<br>estimate Aug 44 | Reports from<br>Regions | Date of<br>Report | Pere<br>tota |
|--------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 1      | 2,210,000                           | 350,874                 | 8 Aug             |              |
| 2      | 1,530,000                           | 478,756                 | 8 Aug             |              |
| FOUGIA | 1,590,000                           | 810,965                 | 5 Aug             |              |
| 3      | 350,000                             | 35,350                  | 9 Aug             |              |
| 4      | 1,400,000                           | 224,255                 | 7 Aug             |              |
| 5      | 2,550,000                           | 37,093                  | 5 Aug             |              |
| 6      | 430,000                             | 147,458                 | 12 Aug            |              |
| 7      | 280,000                             | 111,900                 | 12 Aug            |              |
| 8      | 1,000,000                           | 42,127                  | 7 Aug             |              |
|        | 11,340,000                          | 2,238,776               |                   |              |

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able to Economic Section on assessing of wheat:-

Totals

| Reports from Regions | Date of Report | Percentage of total estimate | Normal Pre-war percentage by 31 Jul | 31 Aug |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| 350,874              | 8 Aug          | 16                           | 16                                  | 62     |
| 178,756              | 8 Aug          | 32                           | 28                                  | 54     |
| 810,965              | 5 Aug          | 51                           | 21                                  | 54     |
| 35,350               | 9 Aug          | 10                           | 21                                  | 54     |
| 224,255              | 7 Aug          | 16                           | 32                                  | 78     |
| 37,093               | 5 Aug          | 1.5                          | 32                                  | 78     |
| 147,458              | 12 Aug         | 34                           | 12                                  | 63     |
| 111,900              | 12 Aug         | 40                           | 21                                  | 54     |
| 42,127               | 7 Aug          | 4                            | 32                                  | 78     |
| 2,238,778            |                | 20                           | 24                                  | 60     |

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Executive Director  
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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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13 Jul 44

SUBJECT : Enforcement of Grain Collection

TO : IC & MG Section.

Reference your 203/28/CA dated 6 Jul 44.

1 The undermentioned views are forwarded for your information and consideration.

- a Re para 2 A (vii) Appx "A". No evidence concerning AVVORATO DE MARTINO, or Baron CESARE DI BRUNO DI BELMONTE has yet been received in this office or that of Legal Sub-Commission, if this is in your possession may it please be forwarded as it is not at present possible to proceed with the consideration of the action to be taken in these cases.
- b Re para 2 C (vii) and 3 A (ii). The Director of Public Safety does NOT consider it possible to increase the strength of CC.RR in Regions I and II for the following reasons.
  - (i) That CC.RR are short in numbers and every available man that can be found in Southern Italy is required in the North as the armies move forward.
  - (ii) It was intended prior to the present situation to reduce the numbers in Sicily as Region I is already over the peace time establishment, figures are as under:

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Present Strength - Sicily   | 8374         |
| Peace Establishment- Sicily | 5475         |
|                             | <u>2899.</u> |

In addition, approximately 160 recruits are just finishing their training in Sicily and can be made available temporarily for duty there.

- (iii) It is further pointed out that supervision and enforcement of grain collection is NOT normally a responsibility of CC.RR, but one of the duties of Inspectors of Agriculture and as far as practicable should remain so.

2 I concur in the views of the DPS set out in para 1 b.

G.R. UPJOHN, Col  
A/Head Admin Section.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE  
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION  
ADP 534

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10 Jul 44.

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Enforcement of Grain Collection.

TO : Interior, Public Safety, and Legal and General.

1 reference attached appendix 1A to 203/28/44, dated 6 Jul 44.  
(copy attached)

2 Following the conference held 6 Jul 44 at which were present -  
Col G.H. Upjohn (Chair)  
Col H.H. Miller  
Col H.A. Cripps  
Major Wilson  
Capt G.H. Temple  
Legal and General.  
Adm Sec.  
Public Safety and General.  
Interior and General.

Appended below are the Minutes, against which are marked the authority responsible for action, in right hand column.

ACTIONS

Action by

Reference Para

2A(1) Adm Sec to discuss with Actg Chief Commissioner, with a view to the latter arranging for PM to broadcast. Text to be prepared by P.H.B. ?

Adm Sec.

2A(11) Question of visits to be taken up on arrival in 1945

Adm Sec.

2A(11.1) G.O. to write to Regional Legal Officers Regions I & II, calling for vigorous and immediate prosecution, and the imposition of maximum penalties in cases of grain collection evasion.  
G.O. to arrange for Air Courier to transport sufficient copies of "Special number of Official Gazette citing actual penalties decrees" to Sicily. Gazette under-stand being printed 8 Jul 44.

Legal.

2A(17) Minister of Interior to issue instructions to Prefects in Region I & H.C. Sicily to prosecute grain laws

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Interior.



Appended below are the minutes, against which are marked the authority responsible for action, in right hand column.

| <u>MINUTES</u>        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <u>Action by</u>         |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Reference Para</u> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                          |
| 2A(1)                 | Actg. head Adm Sec to discuss with Actg. Chief Commissioner, with a view to the letter arranging for PM to broadcast. Text to be prepared by P. B. B. ?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <u>Adm Sec.</u>          |
| 2A(11)                | question of visits to be taken up on arrival in Rome                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <u>Adm Sec.</u>          |
| 2A(111)               | CMO to write to Regional Legal Officers Regions I & II, calling for vigorous and immediate prosecution, and the imposition of maximum penalties in cases of grain collection evasion.<br>CMO to arrange for Air Courier to transport sufficient copies of "Special Number of Official Gazette" giving "AMMOR" penalties decrees" to Italy. Gazette under stood being printed 3 Jul 41. | <u>Legal.</u>            |
| 2A(17)                | Minister of Interior to issue instructions to Prefects in Region II and H.C. strictly to prosecute grain laws enforcement.<br>Special Order of the Day to be issued by Chief of Carabinieri emphasizing their responsibilities in enforcing grain collection, and vigorously arresting and prosecuting grain speculators.                                                              | 5000<br><u>Interior.</u> |
| 2A(VII)               | Minister re PROSECUTION already in hand. No immediate action on LANDINO and DE ALBERTI until receipt of evidence in the case of the last named two.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>Legal.</u>            |
| 2B(17)                | CMO to interview Minister of Justice and press the importance of rapid trial of offenders in grain cases. (NOTE: Minister of Justice has already stated his willingness to do this)                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>Legal.</u>            |
| 2B(VII)<br>a          | Public safety to investigate the possibility of increase in numbers of CMOs in Regions I & II.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <u>Legal.</u>            |
| 3A(11)                | .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                          |
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3 Reference 2A(iv) and 2B(vii). Major Wilson has since reported that the Chief of COMI is this day issuing a "Special Instruction", a copy of which will be obtained.

He stated further that the Commanding General COMI cannot furnish COMI for Region IX but is moving an unspecified number up to a 100 to Sicily forthwith.

Copies to: DGC.  
: Executive Commissioner.  
: Security (for Col Young)

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H.R. CRIPPS Col.  
OSO Admin Sec.

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Appendix "A" to 209/28/CA  
dated 6 Jul 44.

ENFORCEMENT OF GRAIN COLLECTION IN SICILY.

ACTION BY

1. The terms of the decree ordering the collection of grain is to be enforced in Sicily with the greatest vigour. We must expect opposition and obstruction from the people and drastic measures will be necessary.

2. The following action by the Italian Government, ACC and other authorities is recommended :-

A. By the Italian Government.

Adm Sec.  
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- (1) A firm statement should be made by the Prime Minister over the air and in the Press, to be repeated at frequent intervals, making it clear :-

- (a) that the price of 1.1000 per quintal will not be increased by war bonus or any other means;
- (b) that the collection of grain will be enforced by every means at the disposal of the Government and that heavy penalties will be enforced on offenders;
- (c) that it is the duty of all Sicilians to make themselves self-supporting as an Island by bringing in in the grain for proper distribution

(ii) This statement to be followed by continuous propaganda and to be backed up by personal tours of the Island by the Minister of Agriculture and if possible the Prime Minister himself (not by under-secretaries), directed towards the collection of grain and not towards political purposes. The High Commissioner and Signor Orlando should carry out similar tours.

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(iii) Direction is to be given to the High Commissioner and the Italian tribunals that penalties against the decree must be increased to the maximum and offenders brought immediately to trial.

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(iv) Instructions to be issued by the Ministers of Interior and Agriculture to Prefects and Agriculture Inspectors insist-

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every means at the disposal of the Government and that heavy penalties will be enforced on offenders;

(c) that it is the duty of all Sicilians to make themselves self-supporting as an island by bringing in the grain for proper distribution

(ii) This statement to be followed by continuous propaganda and to be backed up by personal tours of the island by the Minister of Agriculture and if possible the Prime Minister himself (not by under-secretaries), directed towards the collection of grain and not towards political purposes. The High Commissioner and Signor Orlando should carry out similar tours.

(iii) Direction is to be given to the High Commissioner and the Italian tribunals that penalties against the decree must be increased to the maximum and offenders brought immediately to trial.

(iv) Instructions to be issued by the Ministers of Interior and Agriculture to Prefects and Agriculture Inspectors insisting on drastic action being taken and a Special Order of the day to be issued to the Carabinieri concerning their responsibilities in helping to collect the grain and to arrest speculators.

(v) Arrangements to be made (with MILA) to place the maximum number of Armed Forces (including Carabinieri) at the disposal of the High Commissioner to enforce the decree.

(vi) The acceleration of the promulgation of the road haulage decree which enforces the formation of the Provincial Consorzi to utilise private trucks on call at fixed tariffs.

(vii) The removal from Sicily of the heads of the Separatist Movement, especially FIDUCIARIO ARBILE, ATTORATO DE MARTINO, BARON GREGARIO ARUNO DI BELMONTI, and other members of the so-called National Committee for the Independence of Sicily.

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ACTION BY.  
RC & MI Sec  
Political Sec.

2. By the Vatican.  
The intervention with special directions to Cardinal LANTINI for a special drive through the Churches.

RC & MI Sec  
Adm Sec.

3. By A.C.C. Headquarters.  
(1) The appointment of Colonel A. YOUNG, Assistant Director of Public Safety Sub-Commission, as officer in charge of enforcement of grain collection under the authority of Regional Commissioner, Region I.

ISAA

(11) Arrange for the employment in Sicily of 7000 parole POW about to be mass returnable to the Italian Army or for the despatch of two battalions from elsewhere.

Eccl Sec.

(111) Arrange for the immediate despatch of inner tubes for motor cycles for requisitioned cars.

Adm Sec.

(1V) Consultation with the Ministry of Justice for the rapid trial of offenders against the decrees.

Sec Gen.

(V) Immediate consultation with PAB and PZO with the object of getting out forceful propaganda appealing to the emotions of the people and despatching suitable officers for this purpose. The present staff is weak. Draft appeal by Colonel Bellare attached (Appendix 13). The use of local journalists to be encouraged. Special references to be made to the dangers of inflation in really forceful propaganda.

RC & MI Sec.

(VI) Another appeal to ASI to assist in every manner by provision of transport, military police.

Adm Sec.

(VII) Numbers of Carabinieri to be increased if possible.

Regional  
Commissioner.

4. By A.C.C. Region I.  
(1) Regional Commissioner will convince the High Commissioner and his Giunta Comunitiva on return to Palermo in order to intensify deliveries to the granaries and to warn them that no harassment will be forthcoming and that force has not to be used.

(11) Similar action with the Committee of Liberation and with local governments in Provinces.

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EC & MI Sec.

Adm Sec.

Regional Commissioner.

(vi) Another appeal to RAF to assist in every manner by provision of transport, military police.

(vii) Numbers of Carabinieri to be increased if possible.

B. By A.D.C. Headquarters.

(i) Regional Commissioner will convene the High Commissioner and his Junta Committee on return to Palermo in order to intensify deliveries to the granaries and to warn them that no incensement will be forthcoming and that force has got to be used.

(ii) Similar action with the Committees of Liberation and with local governments in Provinces.

3. Most of the above also applies to Region II but the following special action is necessary:-

4. By A.D.C. Headquarters.

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(i) Arrange for permanent use of at least one platoon of 24 - 3 ton trucks for Region II in addition to those already provided from British sources and operating on road haulage (approx. 110).

Econ Sec.

Adm Sec.

(ii) Increase Carabinieri by 200, if possible.

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