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(PATRIOT WELFARE COMMITTEE)
DEC. 1944 – JAN. 1946

1 The original ANPI statutes at 19 B are in the main excellent. They were passed while a certain communist Minister was absent from home for a fairly prolonged period. It is understood that he expressed great annoyance on his return. The necessity for the new ones is not obvious. There are only four important changes and they are very significant. Are they sought by him?

a) policy resolutions no longer require the attendance of 50% of those entitled to vote nor do they require any named number of days notice. It is therefore possible to call a meeting at such short notice that only those who have received prior notice can attend. In fact a cabal can pass what resolutions it likes.

b) The secret ballot for officers and committees is abolished; voting on resolutions is also no longer secret.

c) The subscription is abolished.

d) A wholly new undertaking is introduced
'to obey the orders of the executive' blindly, right or wrong.

2 These changes are viewed with alarm. The intention behind them is obvious and MOST dangerous. It is undoubtedly to create an army for use if the Army and CCOM prove an obstacle to a coup d'etat or at least to place someone in a position to intimidate by a threat of force.

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J.H.Wilson Hon

CA.S
28 SEP. 1945

Be s/Sec. C.S.O. - V.P. Annual Conference for Monday Oct. 1st. vide 3 above.

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TO: Executive Commissioner.

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You may wish to see Minute 19 and Folio 23A.

I propose to hold a conference with the Italian authorities concerned next Monday, 1 Oct 45.

Folio 23A is not intended as an official draft but merely as an Aide-Memoire. The most significant change is in the matter of election of officials and you may like to compare the new provision at Flag A with the original at Flag B, under which elections were to be carried out by secret and direct ballot according to democratic principles.

27/9.

M. J.A.R., Brig.,
VP CA Section.

27 Sep 45.

V.P. CAS.

I agree. Please report a meeting

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Herewith the proposed new ANPI Statutes. Except for the parts marked in red they are very much the same as the old ones. marks alterations ○ marks omissions both can be checked by comparing with the original Statutes at ISB.

The principal changes are all connected with elections. The most significant of all is the dropping of the ~~old~~ second para of the old Art 29 (compare new Art 30.)

Art 4 is vague I do not understand it and it does not say how many seats a Province gets only the maximum. Note the reference is now to votes not ballots.

Art 10 is also not easy. It reads as if there are nine seats and that only 9 names should be on the ballot paper! ~~This cannot be~~ so.

Art 19 has been altered to agree with the new clause defining a patriot — no objection is taken to this change.

Art 20 is new (later numbers go up one if you want to compare) the necessity for 20 is not clear who do they want to admit.

Art 23. The order to obey the decisions of the executive bodies is a normally reasonable provision — but it might be held to cover action such as — mobilisation in support of political demands

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Art 29. The subscription of two lire a month has been dropped. The only change is now 10 lire a year - it used to be 24 a very big drop

In conclusion the alterations are important and significant. I do not like them.

1 SEP. 1945

J. H. Wilson Hd

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(16)

Ref. Min 15.

I agree it is necessary to give instructions & Regns.

Will you please draft a circular for my perusal.

A. A. Gripps Capt RN

L.G. S.C.

(17)

DLG.

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LG - P
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14.

Col Faro.

Ref (14th). This matter has been discussed. It is thought the point made in para 5- of 13th should meet this problem, as all the ANPI officials must be ~~xx~~ appointed anew.

23 July 45-

Faro/Col. M. Posby for Col

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DLG

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Our letters are at 12A and 15A.

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The letters of instruction sent out by the CCLN Rome are at 18 (D) & C.

It is recommended that this information be circulated at once So that we can get Local CLN to act rationally and get the organisation as far as possible under way before we get out.

There is of course no legal authority for the three tiumpy committees, but at the meeting yesterday at the MAAA the USec. indicated that the above course was being going to be followed.

It may be preferred to wait until the new decrees are out, but if so we shall lose the opportunity of ensuring that this body is democratically organised

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

CONFIDENTIAL

Ref : 135/PAT

Tel. No. 489081
Ext 321

Subject: The National Association of Italian Patriots

19th July 45.

To : RCs Liguria, Piemonte, Lombardia, Venezie, Emilia.

1. There is still misunderstanding as to the position, functions and powers of ANPI.

2. DL 224 ~~date DL~~ An organisation ANPI existed prior to the 22 May 45 but on that date was published which not only converted the then existing ANPI into an "Ente Morale" but laid down in its Statutes exactly how it was to be run and how all Provincial and Communal Committees were to be appointed and members elected.

3. The Statutes ipso facto impliedly discharge all existing officers and committees as those acting were not appointed in accordance with the provisions of the statutes, ~~which also~~ do not provide for the existing committees to continue in action pending the appointment of new ones, or for the appointment of any temporary committees to act until such new appointments had been made.

4. There is one exception to this, for by Art 31 of the Statutes a temporary National Committee is formed to carry on until the new National Committee is appointed. This emphasises the need for and the failure to make similar provision in respect of Provincial Committees.

5. This point has been discussed with the Secretary of ANPI and he agrees with the above view that Provincial Committees no longer exist.

6. A translation of the Statutes of ANPI is attached hereto and will repay study - the organisation laid down is ~~excellent~~. It provides that all officers must be elected by secret ballot; that the management committees shall also be elected by secret ballot; that accounts shall be audited and open to inspection; and, that resolutions shall not be valid unless passed by ballot at a meeting at which 50% of the members were present (the policy, therefore, cannot be controlled by a cabal). If ANPI is properly run there can be no question of secret funds, of illegal levies or of party bosses appointing themselves to office and controlling the organisation for their own ends.

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7. If ANPI were improperly run, it would be quite easy for an unscrupulous person to make himself a local "boss" and run it as a private army. You will appreciate from a study of the Statutes that such conduct would be contrary not only to the spirit but also to the precise wording of ANPIs constitution.

8. There is however one flaw in the Statutes; Art 20 provides that membership will be by election by the Provincial Committee. Firstly no Provincial Committee exists to elect members. Secondly a Provincial Committee cannot be formed until there are members to create the Provincial Assembly. So there is a deadlock.

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9. The following suggestion as a way round the difficulty has been made to ANPI. That the National Committee under the powers of para 3 of Art 20 should issue the following instruction.

10. That under the provisions of para 2 or Art 20 any holder of an Alexander Certificate who signifies his wish to join ANPI will be regarded as a provisional member and may vote for delegates to the Provincial Assembly. The Provincial Assembly will then meet and appoint the Provincial Committee. The Provincial Committee will then scrutinise and confirm all provisional membership.

11. Instructions as to the formation of ANPI will be sent to you as soon as a way out of the deadlock has been found.

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12. The supercession of the old ANPI staff and committees by those appointed under the statutes will call for tact if it is to proceed without friction. In exactly the same way as Regions have not understood from study of the decree what the true position is; so it is extremely doubtful whether the present officers and committees realise that they have been abolished.

13. It is regarded as important that ANPI should be started on the right democratic lines. The Minister has expressed his concern that the organisation shall be absolutely apolitical in character. It has the best chances of such a start if AMG, which has no party associations, sees that it gets off on the right foot. Further; for 20 years, the Italians have had little experience of the exercise of either a free or a secret vote; they need assistance in setting up a suitable system and a feeling that they will be safe if they vote as they wish. If AMG fails to give it that assistance and assurence it will be to blame if ANPI degenerates into a party army. The machinery to prevent this, the Statutes, has been competently devised by the Italians themselves. AMG must see that the statutes are properly observed and that the take-over by the new management from the old proceeds smoothly.

R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel.,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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Legal

With reference to the recent discussion re the RC. conference. Will you please let us have your comments on the proposed circular to Regions at 4A.

CA.E.
29 JUN 1945

H.H. Wild Col.

C.H.S. 10.

The premise expressed in the letter sets forth the position of these statutes as they relate to the Associations on the one hand and third persons on the otherhand.

Legal D/c
29 June

Jamieson Col.
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Legal D/c
29 June

Jurisdiction Cdn.
E.J.W.

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CHs.

As a result of the representations of P.Cs at the meeting on Wednesday 27. a draft has been prepared for the approval + signature of P.P. Cdn.

L.G.S.C.

P.M. Clipsham Col.

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11 JUL. 45

D/Dir.

Speak to me about this on your return.

P.M. Clipsham Col.

DLG. 13

13A for sign. Is approved

H. Ellis K.S.

LG - P.
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Dec. 27. E+/ We are going to find ourselves in very deep water if we let this go any further. The d.c.A.o. will [illegible] are very clear about it suffice to them rules we have added pressure v arguments, I'll with the matter should remain as it is.

NFA

J.

Legal. Refer para. 11 (12) of 7A.

Please say whether you agree that Art 15 of the said decree applies - If so what difficulties is in the conditions mentioned.

The word complained of are of common daily occurrence and unobjectionable in themselves. The advice to which they may be put may in a very real [illegible] in a country such as this

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Legal. Refer para 11 (a) (i) of 7A.

Please say whether you agree that Art 15 of the said decree applies - If so that offences is the complete answer.

The word complained of are of course only permissive and not objectionable in themselves. The abuse to which they may be put may be a very real objection in a country such as this

H. Wood Esq.

L. Carb (Pol)
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As the authority to raise funds is contained in the bye-laws of the Society and not in the substantive text of the decree, the permission of the Questura under T.U. P.S. 152 is an essential prerequisite before a levy from the public can lawfully be made

Legal S/C
23/June/45

Wilson
for
CAS.

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19 Dec. 44.	(1) Ex. This is the most cumbersome file I have seen. For instance, surely A.N.P.I. deserves a file by itself. We must answer 13 ! (Sgd.) Director. (Note: 13 now Folio 1 of 135/PAT).	1.
21 Dec. 44.	(2) Director: Please see letter attached for signature. I believe that our letter 42/83/PAT of 14 Dec. (copy attached) covers the point at issue. I do not want to annoy the I.N.P.C. by writing unnecessarily to them, and I propose in the first instance to ask Count Di ROBILANT to ascertain from Col. BERNABO whether, in fact, any intention exists of establishing Welfare Committees in the Army areas or in Military Government territory under the auspices of I.N.P.C. P.D. Reynolds Executive Officer.	2 83 of 42/PAT
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P.D. Magnus
Executive Officer.

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For Brief what is the position of A.N.P.I ? What function officially does it possess ?

R.A. Thicknesse
Lt.

(4)

25 Dec.

Andy Di Robilant.

Please confirm statement made in para. 3. of Polic 1 . What is the ANPI's official status?

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26 Dec 44

A.N.P.I. is the required organisation, but it should not operate in A. Mil. G. areas without consulting with A. Mil. G. authorities

A.D. Robilant
Lt.

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Notes on meeting with Dottor SARTORI, Secretary to ANPI held in ROME on Tuesday 8th Hanuary 46.

Present:

Major J. Stewart Reakes
Col. Fava
Dottor Sartori

Major Reakes stated that he would be interested to know the present position of ANPI and how the organisation was progressing.

Dottor Sartori replied that ANPI organisation was being developed and branches were being opened in the towns &c. He said the decree or statute governing the organisation was being amended to meet the suggestions put up by this HQ but had not yet become law.

There was still a split in ANPI in the North but a large conference was being held on the 19th Jan 46 which would last three or four days. All people interested had been asked to attend and there would be representatives from the North. At this conference it was hoped to straighten out all the differences and bring the whole organisation under one control.

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It will be proposed at the Conference that there should be a closer liaison with the Veteran's Association and that full use should be taken of the experience gained by that Association during its existence. There is talk of having a Federation of ANPI, Veteran's Association and War Invalids Association. This would be to the good and give the Secretaries of ANPI some precedent to follow and put them on the right lines. ANPI will however, retain its separate identity. Ultimately ANPI may become part of the Veteran's Association and be incorporated into it.

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Major Reakes thanked Dottor Sartori for coming and explaining the position and stated that this was the last time there would by any meeting with this HQ.

Edward Reakes Maj
R.S.F.

8th January 46

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(ENTE MORALE D. L. 5 APRILE 1945 N. 224)

COMITATO NAZIONALE

NM/FA

N. 4775/bj di Prot. A.G.

Risposta al

Oggetto: Statuto dell'A.N.P.I.

19 DIC. 1945

ROMA, 5/11/1945

Via Savoia, 13 - Telef. 865545

To

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Civil Affairs Section

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Dobbiamo far rilevare che detto Statuto è stato redatto a titolo di orientamento per la discussione in merito che dovrà farsi al Congresso Nazionale che avrà luogo non appena le Commissioni di riconoscimento delle qualifiche di partigiano, avranno espletato i loro lavori.

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Ack. receipt of our letter folio
stating that they will take
into consideration our
suggestions & point of view
JKK 7/1/46

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Ente Morale D.L. n. 224
del 5 aprile 1945

A.N.P.I.

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di Liberazione

AL SIGNOR MINISTRO LAVORO e PREVIDENZA SOC. POST-BELLICA
e per conoscenza
ALLA SEGRETERIA PROVINCIALE ANPI — TREVISO
ALL'ALLIED COMMISSION PATRIOTS BRANCH — R O M A
(Ufficio collegamento italiano all'attenzione del Col.Pava)
AL RAPPRESENTANTE DI STATO PROVINCIALE DEL MINISTERO ASSISTENZA POST-BELLICA — TREVISO
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Si ringrazia il Signor Ministro per tutte quelle informazioni che verrà far pervenire allo scrivente Comitato [illegible] situazioni locali o sfasature non sempre

Distinti saluti.-

ALLIED COMMISSION 6109 BRANCH

ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA - MILANO - ANPI

P. IL COMITATO

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RELAZIONE DELL'AVVOCATO ROSSA GUIDO MEMBRO DEL COMITATO NAZIONALE SULLA ISPEZIONE ESEGUITA A TREVISO =

A seguito del colloquio con il Colonnello De Garston dell'Ufficio Patrioti dell'Alta Italia; in merito ad una relazione sulla costituzione dell'ANPI Provinciale di Treviso , si decise che con il Colonnello De Garston, un Membro del Comitato Nazionale ANPI si recasse a Treviso per esaminare direttamente in luogo la situazione ed accertare effettivamente quali erano stati i limiti del programma stabilito con le direttive di lavoro, contemplate nella'accennata relazione.-

Nei colloquii avuti il giorno 16 corrente aTreviso, risultò chiaramente, in presenza del Colonnello De Garston quanto segue:

1° - Le direttive di lavoro erano state concordate dalla Segreteria Provinciale, dopo aver inteso il Capitano Manna Cesare rappresentante Militare italiano dei Patrioti a Treviso.-

2° - Non era intenzione dell'ANPI Provinciale di sostituirsi all'Ufficio Patrioti per il riconoscimento delle qualifiche di partigiano e di Patriota in quanto alla Segreteria, che ha fatto circolari alle Sezioni dipendenti in merito, era ben noto che il riconoscimento dei Partigiani e Patrioti era compito delle Commissioni Regionali istituite con decreto 518 del 1945 .-

3° - Le parole "revision" "riconoscimentous" te nella relazione incriminata sono state riconosciute inadatte ad esprimere ciò che si voleva, in quanto s'intendeva che l'ANPI Provinciale avrebbe provveduto, nei casi contemplati ad istruire le pratiche dei singoli partigiani e patrioti per rimetterle alla Segreteria della Commissione Regionale affinchè provvedesse all'esame e relativa decisione.-

4° - Pacifici i punti dal n° 5 al n° 11 delle direttive di lavoro.-

5° - Nelle cooperative partigiane l'ANPI di riserva che il controllo morale e amministrativo ed è suo compito, fra gli altri, quello di agevolare la costituzione di cooperative tra partigiani sia di lavoro che di consumo.- Il controllo viene fatto dall'ANPI tramite i vari consorzi nei quali sono rappresentati i vari comitati Provinciali e regionali dell'ANPI.-

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2° - Non era intenzione dell'ANPI Provinciale di sostituirsi all'Ufficio Patrioti per il riconoscimento delle qualifiche di partigiano e di Patriota in quanto alla Segreteria, che ha fatto circolari alle Sezioni dipendenti in merito, era ben noto che il riconoscimento dei Partigiani e Patrioti era compito delle Commissioni Regionali istituite con decreto 518 del 1945 .-

3° - Le parole "revisione" "riconoscimento" contenute nella relazione incriminata sono state riconosciute inadatte ad esprimere ciò che si voleva, in quanto s'intendeva che l'ANPI Provinciale avrebbe provveduto, nei casi contemplati ad istruire le pratiche dei singoli partigiani e patrioti per rimetterle alla Segreteria della Commissione Regionale affinchè provvedesse all'esame e relativa decisione.-

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8° - La necessità della costituzione di un comitato permanente fra l'ANPI, Sezioni del Ministero Assistenza Post-Bellica ed A.N.P.I. è stata riconosciuta ed in ogni provincia si provvederà alla sua costituzione per avere, nei singoli casi dell'Assistenza partigiana, una direttiva unica concordata.-

Queste le risultanze che furono approvate pure dal Colonnello De Garston.-

Milano, 19 dicembre 1945

F/to Avvocato Guido Rossa

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
PATRIOTS OFFICE
NORTH ITALY

PAT. 1/VEN. 21.XI.1945

Milano, 23 November 1945

SUBJECT: ANPI

TO ; HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

1. Reference your 135/PAT I have visited Treviso and Padova and went through the report on ANPI with the N. Italy ANPI representative as well as the N.Italy Post War Assistance Representative.

2. I have suspended, with their approval, the Treviso ANPI pending a regular constitution of the Provincial Committee. This constitution will be made when N.Italy ANPI send, subject to my approval, full directives on their work.

I would comment as follows on your letter:

Para 3. The ANPI Provincial Committee were formed of young boys of 20 - 25 years of age and did not know the meaning of various words used. What was meant and I am in favour of it, was that ANPI should assist the various commissions with information and documents on any individual aspiring to be a patriot.

Para 4. It was clearly understood that ANPI should not be actively concerned in cooperatives but ANPI in N.Italy has assisted and continues to assist Cooperatives formed of real partisan members in carrying on.

Para 5. Calls for no comments.

Para 6. Quite. The ANPI have been so informed and have agreed entirely. Directives are being issued to this effect.

Para 10. It would appear that the methods used to elect the officers of ANPI are in order as far as can be ascertained without any clear directive on the matter, and the method appears to be as equitable as possible. The main difficulty is that responsible men will not take office and only youngsters will offer themselves.

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Lt. Col.
PATRIOTS OFFICER
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OFFICE OF A.C. LIAISON OFFICER
c/o N.O.B. NAVY 157
PALERMO - SICILY

AC/S/I09 //November 1945

SUBJECT: Request for surplus materials

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission, APO 394
Patriots Branch
War materials disposal Sub-Commission

1. Enclosed please find copies of letters from Associazione Partigiani d'Italia, Catania, and Comitato Nazionale on the above subject, for your information.

W.J. MacCallum
W.J. MacCallum, ED, Lt. Col.
A.C. Liaison Officer, Sicily

Sent 7/1/46.

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ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA
Sezionedi Catania

Risposta al foglio NAC/S/109 Catania 27 Ottobre 945

Prot. N 786/B1 All. N.1

OGGETTO : Richiesta di materiale

Alla: COMMISSIONE
ALLEATA
CATANIA

Facendo seguito ai quesiti posti da codesto Comando con nota AC/S/109 del 20 Ottobre 1945 , trasmettiamo in allegato la copia della circolare inviataci dal Comitato Nazionale dell'A.N.P.I. alla quale crediamo opportuno aggiungere le seguenti nostre chiarificazioni.

1) La circolare inviata dal nostro Comitato Nazionale è diretta emanazione delle superiori Direttive del Governo in materia di:provvedimenti a favore dei partigiani.
E quindi lo stesso Governo Italiano che ci dà autorizzazione ad inoltrare richieste ai Comandi Militari Alleati.

2) I partigiani non hanno bisogno di alcun materiale bellico essi desiderano solamente acquistare od ottenere consegna dei residuati bellici non più utilizzabili.

3) I partgiani sperano nella umana comprensione e nella benevolenza degli Alleati per ottenere, a titolo preferenziale concessioni e vantaggi. Dopo avere combattuto a fianco delle Gloriose Armate delle Nazioni Unite, dopo avercontribuito con perdite sanguinose alla finale vittoria , dopo aver sofferto le persecuzione nazi-fasciste, essi, tornate alle loro case , desidererebbero poter lavorareper se e le famiglie.

3) E' per questi motivi che questa Associazione si è permessa inoltrare richiesta per ottenere dai Comandi Alleati autorizzazioni speciali per l'acquisto dei residui bellici nelle formalità e nei modi che verrebbero imposti. 7869
Ciò allo scopo di favorire il sorgere di speciali Cooperative che darebbero possibilità di lavoro ed allevierebbero la perniciosa disoccupazione della massa dei reduci.

Dopo quanto detto, rimaniamo in attesa di ulteriore cortese ricontro.

IL SEGRETARIO PROV

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ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PATRIOTI D'ITALIA
COMITATO NAZIONALE

Prt. 3693

Ufficio Servizio Cooperative — Roma 23 Settembre 1945

OGGETTO: Materiale di recupero.

A TUTTI I COMITATI PROVINCIALI

Il materiale abbandonato dai nazi-fascisti é stato in linea di massima raccolto in parchi e magazzeni ed affidato ad Enti sorti precisamente a questo scopi. Con questo materiale, che generalmente é in consegna ai Prefetti delle singole Provincie, probabilmente, saranno creati dei blocchi per la vendita alla asta.

E' interesse dell'ANPI che tutto questo materiale sia distribuito alle Cooperative in modo che queste oltre che a completare le proprie attrezzature le usino immediatamente per scopo di ricostruzione.

Necessita quindi che le Provincie prendano immediatamente i contatti con le Autorità Italiane ed Alleate per ottenere la assegnazione.

Similmente ci si può regolare per quanto riguarda il materiale che gli Alleati lasceranno in Italia.

Contemporaneamente si possono condurre trattative presso il Consorzio Industriali per ottenere l'assegnazione di quei materiali che possono occorrere a quelle Cooperative Partigiane che sono controllate dalla Associazione.

Siete invitato a segnalare volta per volta gli sviluppi delle trattative e i risultati conseguiti in modo che per alcuna Provincia i risultati ottenuti in altre possa costituire precedente a facilitare il lavoro.

p IL COMITATO NAZIONALE
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVT. 7860 5994 ITALIAN SECTION

Ministry of Post War Aid

Rome 16 Nov 45

N. 7119 Part

Ref: AC 135/PAT of 22 Oct 45

SUBJECT: Statutes of ANPI

Reference your above letter received by us on 8 Nov this Ministry has urged the National Committee of ANPI in Rome to express their views about the proposals of the Allied Commission in connection with the new statutes of ANPI.

As you are aware no decision has been taken as regards the revision of the ANPI Statutes approved by DLL n.224 of 4 May 45 (G/U n.61) and therefore it is a mere project that will be proposed to the National Assembly of the Association.

This Ministry agrees, as a general rule, with your criticism as regards para 4 and 10 in order to ensure the greatest possible freedom of election and that the Commission will intervene with ANPI to warrant such principle.

As regards the other paras of the above letter it is pointed out that:

1) Communal Assembly (Art 15)

It is not possible to know exactly the number of the members of the Communal Assembly because such number could not be fixed by the Statute as each Communal Assembly is composed by all the members enlisted by the Communal Section of the Association.

2) Quality of members (Art.21)

This question needs further examination.
Undertaking

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We agree that it would be useful to fix a subscription for the members of ANPI without which the Association could not get the necessary funds for its activity.

5) Miscellaneous (Art.30)

This refers again to the above expressed necessity to ensure the complete freedom of ballot.

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We are grateful to you for having sent us the Notes referring to the meeting held on 20 Oct to which this Ministry has no objection at all.

The Minister

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23 NOV 1945

Roma, 16 novembre 34/1945

Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-Bellica

All'HEADQUARTERS ALLIED
COMMISSION =APO 394=
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Div.
Uff.
Prot. N.° 34/119 part. Allegati

Risposta al Foglio N. AC I35/P.A. 22/IO/45

OGGETTO : Ordinamento dell'A.N.P.I..=

In risposta alla nota sopra distinta, quì pervenuta l'8 novembre u.s. si assicura che questo Ministero ha provveduto a sollecitare il Comitato Nazionale dell'A.N.P.I. in Roma affinchè dia sollecito riscontro alle osservazioni di codesta Commissione Alleata in merito al nuovo ordinamento dell'A.N.P.I..=

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Questo Ministero concorda, in linea di massima, con quanto rilevato da codesta Commissione in merito agli articoli 4 e IO per assicurare nelle elezioni delle cariche sociali la massima libertà di voto e non mancherà di intervenire presso l'A.N.P.I. affinchè siano adottate decisioni che non ledano tale principio.=

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In merito agli altri punti della lettera cui si risponde si fa presente quanto segue:

I°)-<u>Assemblea Comunale (Art.I5)</u>

Non è possibile precisare il numero dei componenti dell'Assemblea Comunale poichè esso non potrà essere fissato nello Statuto inquanto l'Assemblea Comunale dovrà necessariamente comporsi di tutti gli iscritti alla Sezione Comunale dell'Ente.=

2°)-<u>Qualità dei membri (Art.2I)</u>

L'argomento dovrà formare oggetto di ulteriore esame.

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3°)-Manzioni dei membri (Art.23):

Si concorda pienamente circa la inutilità di inserire la frase"osservare e rispettare le decisioni dell'esecutivo".

4°)-Sottoscrizione (Art.29):

Si concorda circa la necessità di una tassa di iscrizione a carico degli aderenti all'A.N.P.I.;senza tale tassa evidentemente l'Associazione non potrebbe disporre dei mezzi necessari per vivere e svolgere la propria attività.

5°)-Miscellanea (Art.30):

Ci si riporta a quanto sopra precisato circa la necessità di assicurare comunque la massima libertà di voto.=

Con l'occasione si ringrazia per l'invio delle note relative all'incontro avvenuto il 20 ottobre u.s.,in merito alle quali nulla questo Ministero ha da osservare.=

MINISTERO DELL'ASSISTENZA POST-BELLICA

IL MINISTRO

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

135/PAT 24 Nov 45

SUBJECT: ANPI

TO : Lt.Col. DE GARSTON
Regional Patriot Officer
LOMBARDIA Region

Reference our even number dated 1 Nov 45 a copy letter received from the Ministry of Post War Aid is enclosed for your information.

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

Enclosure

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S.E. Smith Lt.Col.
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Photograph of Dr. Wernher von Braun's signature

THE MINISTER OF POST WAR AID

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N.7843 Rome 15 November 45

SUBJECT: ANPI, Provincial Section of Treviso

TO : Provincial Secretary of ANPI TREVISO
and for information to:
Allied Commission Patriots Branch ROME
National Committee of ANPI MILANO
Provincial Military Prepresentative
of the Ministry of Post War Aid TREVISO
Regional Military Representative of
the Ministry of Post War Aid PADOVA

In examining the report dated 11 Oct 45 concerning the organisation of the provincial headquarters of ANPI in Treviso, this Ministry has found that in the "Directives for the Secretary" there are certain aims and proposals which are not included in the Statutes of the biard set out by DLL 224 of 5 April 45 (Gazzetta Ufficiale 61).

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Will you therefore please cancel from your directives such action; of course we do not intend to limit ANPI in making use of the press when the epuration question is one of interest to its members; it is undoubtedly a right of the Secretary - also it is not advisable momentarily- to point out single cases, but the responsibility of ANPI has to be kept in mind in case you were using the press without having first contacted the competent authorities.

As regards paras 12,13 and 14 of the report this Ministry is glad that ANPI will help in organising partisan cooperatives; ANPI might give any, even economic facilities to its members, however, it has to be pointed out that it is out of question for ANPI to undertake direct industrial or commercial activity and therefore the Cooperatives have to be autonomous.

Please acknowledge receipt.

THE MINISTER

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Il Ministro per l'Assistenza Post-Bellica

ALLIED COMMISSION GA TION 5900 HEADQUARTERS

N. 1843 Roma, li 15 novembre 1945

OGGETTO: A.N.P.I. Sezione Provinciale di Treviso.=

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ALLA SEGRETERIA PROVINCIALE DELL'A.N.P.I. TREVISO

e, per conoscenza;

ALL'ALLIED COMMISSION PATRIOTS BRANCH
(Ufficio Collegamento Italiano all'attenzione del Col. Fava)
ROMA

AL COMITATO NAZIONALE A.N.P.I. MILANO

AL RAPPRESENTANTE MILITARE PROVINCIALE DEL MINISTERO ASSISTENZA POST=BELLICA TREVISO

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Infatti ai punti 2 - 3 e 4 della citata relazione, codesta Segreteria

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OGGETTO: A.N.P.I. Sezione Provinciale di Treviso.=

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L'azione di codesta Segreteria dovrà quindi limitarsi alla raccolta di elementi e di dati,che potranno eventualmente essere inviati,a suo tempo,al

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la Segretria della Commissione Regionale perchè provveda a sottoporli all'esame della Commissione stessa.=

Anche quanto esposto al n.I4 della relazione, circa una azione attraverso la stampa per la defascistizzazione dell'ambiente locale, esula dagli spepifici compiti dell'A.N.P.I.: la materia dell'epurazione e discriminazione è affidata ad appositi organi costituiti provincialmente, non può quindi codesta Segreteria includere fra i propri scopi una azione di st stampa diretta a tal fine, poichè tale azione si risolverebbe inevitabilmente in una inutile agitazione dell'ambiente provinciale.=

Si prega quindi codesta Segreteria ad eliminare dalle proprie direttive di lavoro una azione di stampa orientata nel senso sopra accennato; naturalmente tale invito non tende a privare l'A.N.P.I. della libertà di far ricorso alla stampa per far valere una qualsiasi legittima aspettativa dei propri associati anche in materia di epurazione: segnalazioni singole, per quanto allo stato attuale non raccomandabili a mezzo della stampa, rientrano senza dubbio nelle facoltà di codesta Segreteria, ma siano tenute ben presenti le responsabilità cui l'A.N.P.I. si esporrebbe qualora decidesse di avvalersi della stampa senza avere prima interessato del caso le competenti autorità.=

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Si pregano gli Uffici in indirizzo di accusare ricevuta del presente foglio.=

IL MINISTRO

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Notes on meeting held at the Office of the Ministry of Post War Assistance on Tuesday 13th November 1945.

Present: Sig. Berardinone and Moscone.
Lt Col White, Major J.S. Reakes and Col Fava.

ANPI.

Lt Col White asked what the position was with regard to the new constitution of ANPI. Reference was made to the letter written by this HQ to ANPI and to the Ministry of Post War Assistance on 22nd October 1945. The Ministry of Post War Assistance stated that they had not received the letter. In these circumstances there was no point in discussing the points raised by the Allied Commission as the Ministry was unaware of them. A copy of the letter would be made and handed to Col Fava for delivery to the Ministry of Post War Assistance.

DMPRs.

Lt Col White stated that a Report received from the DMPR Treviso indicated that the Secretaries of ANPI needed some guidance as to what their duties were and as to what they could and could not do. In the case of Treviso ANPI appeared to be exceeding their true powers and reference was made to this HQ letter 135/PAT of 1 Nov in which some of the points raised in the Report were answered in detail.

Discussion took place on how far ANPI was entitled to take active measures in epuration, and in the running of private enterprises.

The Ministry of Post War Assistance would consider the matter and let this Commission have its views. It was obvious that some form of guidance would require to be issued to DMPRs and that ANPI should give guidance to their branches.

J.S. REAKES
Major,

CA Sec
13 Nov 45

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Col Fava (for info)

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Report on the organising of ANPI
in VICENZA

ANPI has been organised two months after the liberation. HQ are in Via Cantarano in premises put at disposal by the Commissario for the liquidation of fascist propriety.

The set up of the Provincial Direction is the following:

Secretary : Cerchio Gino ex Commissario of the Vicenza Division.
Assistance: Giovanardi Arnaldo ex Inspector of the Division"Ortigara"
Cooperatives and other economic activities: Sartori Alberto, ex Inspector of the "A.Garemi"Division
Cultural and Press Section: Busatta Enrico, ex Chief of Staff of the "Vicenza"Division

Labour Office: Mantovani Marcello ex Squad leader of the "Vicenza" Division

Direction of the Newspaper "Il Patriota" Cerchio Gino

The medical assistance to wounded and sick patriots is ensured by a Provincial ambulatory directed by a surgeon. This ambulatory is distributing free drugs to sick patriots and assigns those who are in need of medical care to the various Hospitals of the Province. Many patriots in need have been helped with money by the Assistance Office.

The funds for such work have been given by various Boards and by Private citizens of the Province.

The Allied Command allotted uniforms and shoes to the Association and in addition the textile industries of the Province allotted further 3,000 suits.

ANPI organised also a mess which provided meals for 35 Lire;more than 2000 members have been assisted by this mess during July,August and September.

Peripheric seats have been set up in Schio - Bassano - Thiene - Lonigo- Valdagno - Arzignano - Asiago.

About 20 cooperatives have been organised which give work to 300 men . The number of unemployed is very high and the problem is a serious one which is likely to become even more serious in winter.

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About 60 Patriots in serious need got medical attention at the convalescent hospital of Lavarone.

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Partisans are getting moral assistance too and various cultural courses will be orgenised.

The Direction of ANPI has been appointed through regular elections and therefore it is able to perform its task as set out by the statutes.

Vicenza 8 Oct 45

Capt.A.A.R.N. PILOTA

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Ufficio Provinciale Vicenza
I.M.P.R.

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ZIONE SULL'ORGANIZZAZIONE PROVINCIALE DELL'A.N.P.I. DI VICENZA

L'Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia si è costituita in Associazione circa due mesi dopo la liberazione.

Ha aperto la sua sede in via Cantarane n.8 usufruendo di 5 locali messi a disposizione dal Commissario per la liquidazione beni dell'ex opera balilla.

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I mezzi per l'esplicazione di tale attività assistenziale sono stati forniti da elargizioni di numerosi Enti Pubblici e da privati cittadini della Provincia.

In aggiunta alla distribuzione di dise e scarpe messe a disposizione dal Comando Alleato e distribuite dall'Ufficio Provinciale Patrioti i partigiani hanno beneficiato di oltre tre mila tagli di vestiti

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offerti dalle varie industrie laniere della Provincia.

Presso l'A.N.P.I. è stata pure organizzata una mensa al prezzo di £.35 per pasto che ha dato assistenza nel trimestre luglio - agosto - settembre c.a. a più di 2000 iscritti.

In Provincia sono state aperte sedi mandamentali nelle sotto-specificate località: Schio - Bassano - Thiene - Lonigo - Valdagno-Arzignano e Asiago (in costituzione).

L'Associazione ha cercato di lenire il fenomeno della disoccupazione favorendo la costituzione di una ventina di cooperative che con 50 macchine a disposizione danno lavoro a circa 300 uomini.

Dato il numero rilevante dei partigiani disoccupati in Provincia, difficile è il compito di assistenza che deve svolgere l'A.N.P.I. e più difficile diventerà tale opera assistenziale quando alle altre già gravi cause dirette che hanno provocato tale stato di cose si aggiungeranno i rigori dell'inverno con il seguito di malattie e malanni propri della stagione.

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Vicenza, li 8 ottobre 1945

CAPITANO A.A.R.N. PILOTA
(Rino Cipriani)

UFFICIO PROVINCIALE PARTIGIANI - VICENZA - A. M. G.

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A. M. G.
Ufficio Provinciale Patrioti
I. M. P. R.
VICENZA

RELAZIONE QUINDICINALE SULL'ATTIVITA' SVOLTA DALL'UFFICIO DEL RAPPRESENTANTE MILITARE PER I PATRIOTI DELLA PROVINCIA DI VICENZA.

(1° ottobre - 15 ottobre 1945)

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nº	351	da £. 1000	per un importo di £.		351.000.=
"	1842	" £. 5000	" " " " £.		9.210.000.=
"	195	" £. 10000	" " " " £.		1.950.000.=
"	297	" £. 20000	" " " " £.		5.940.000.=
			per un importo totale di £.		17.451.000.=

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- A tutt'oggi risultano complessivamente pagati i seguenti premi di smobilitazione:

n° 1664	da	£. 1000	per	un	importo	di	£. 1.664.000.=
n° 4604	"	£. 5000	"	"	"	"	£. 23.020.000.=
n° 367	"	£. 10000	"	"	"	"	£. 3.670.000.=
n° 707	"	£. 20000	"	"	"	"	£. 14.140.000.=
n° 7342		T O T A L I					£. 42.494.000.=

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  - n. 495 paia di scarpe
  - n. 434 paia di pantaloni (assegnazione esaurita)
  - n. 610 camicie

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Vicenza, li 15 ottobre 1945

Cap. A. A. r. n. Pilota
(Rino CIPRIAN)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

135/PAT

1 Nov 45

SUBJECT: ANPI

TO : Lt.Col. De GARSTON
Regional Patriot Officer
LOMBARDIA Region

1. A copy of a Report on ANPI received from IMPR Treviso is enclosed for your attention.

2. The ANPI created in Treviso has far exceeded the purpose for which it should be formed and the instructions given to the Secretary are outwith its powers in many instances.

Vide 3 & 4 of Report

3. Under 3 & 4 for example it would appear that ANPI proposes to recognise Patriots whom AMG (or "who for whatever reason") have not been recognised. All such cases should be examined on their merits and if there is doubt should be put before the Committees being established under DLI 518/45 for their decision. It may be that this is intended but the report requires clarification.

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Vide 14 of Report

5. Defascism is dealt with by various decrees and procedure for dealing with Fascists is already being carried out. It is no concern of ANPI and they must not use the press for such purposes. If they are not satisfied that Fascists are being epurated then they can only draw the attention of the proper authorities to their complaints. - 7856

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6. ANPI cannot consider a scheme to transform the Partisan Transport Cooperative into a trust managed by themselves. This is entirely outside the scope of ANPI. They cannot and must not be allowed to conduct trade or business of any kind.

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7. This letter typifies the ignorance which exists in some Provinces of the purposes and functions of ANPI. It is probably due to a lack of directives from the ANPI Headquarters but it is one which must be counteracted.

8. Please take the matter up direct with IMPR Treviso and send us a report as soon as possible on the results of your visit.

9. Some guidance is required for the IMPRs and this will be taken up with the Ministry of Post War Aid. In other places ANPI organisations appear to be getting under way without any difficulties.

10. Please also look into the methods by which Officers and Committees are elected and let this HQ have your comments thereon.

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PROVINCE OF TREVISO
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 29 OCT 1945

PATRIOTS OFFICE

RAPPORTO QUINDICINALE DEL 15 OTTOBRE 1945

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Treviso 16 ottobre 1945

Distribuzione:

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a) Zone Visitate:

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N.N.

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Importo pagate a tutto il 30 settembre L. 27.223.000

Premi di	quantità	Importo	data
L. 1?000	760	L. 760.000	dal I°
" 5.000	898	" 4.490.000	al
" 10.000	43	" 430.000	15 ot-
" 20.000	140	" 2.800.000	tobre
	Totale		" 7850.000
			L. 35.703.000

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Si da un riepilogo dei premi pagati dal 20 luglio al 15 ottobre:

premio da			
L. 1.000	N. 3.468	Importo	L. 3.468.000
" 5.000	" 4.371		" 21.855.000
" 10.000	" 168		" 1.680.000
" 2.0000	" 435		" 8.700.000
	Totale		L. 35.703.000

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I.M.P.R.
(Cap. Cesare Lenza)

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(Cap. Cesare Lanza)

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Report on organisation of ANPI
in the Province of Treviso

Commanders of

At the end of August e meeting was held between the Partisan Divisions and Brigades which operated in the Province. On this meetin a Secretary has been appointed alongwith the other staff.

Directives for the Secretary

1) Forming of ANPI in the Communes
2) Revision of Partisanx and Patriot status through the communal organisation and the Military Control Commissions.
3) Recognising of those dead Patriots who have not been recognised by AMG Patriot Offices.
4) Recognising of Patriots who for ~~onwhateverxxxxxxxxxxx~~ whatever reason have not been recognised by AMG Patriot office;
5) Forwarding of documents concerning pensions for wounded and dead;
6) Assistance in getting medical cure forx those who require such
7) Assisting the families of the dead and the invalids in need;
8) Collecting of funds
9) Forwarding of the accounts of the disbanded Brigades
10) Withdrawal and forwarding to higher commands of requisition permits issued during the period od conspiration;
11) Getting Patriots employed;
12) Directing and helping the Partisan Cooperatives;
13) Establishing of cooperatives, ;
14) Action through the press to get public and private offices defascticised
15) Press campaign to recognise the value of what real Partisans did in the fight for liberation ;
16) Studying a general scheme which would transform the Partisan Transport cooperatives into a trust managed by ANPI.

Difficulties encountered:

a) Lack of directives from regional and national ANPI;
b) Lack of funds
c) Provincial authorities are not interested in the reemployment of the Partisans;
d) Military Hospitals are not capable to give medical attention to sick Partisans
e) Lack of comprehension between Partisans
f) Scarse sense ofr responsibility in Partisans
g) Judicial authorities do not recognise the statements issued by Partisan formations and by ANPI.
h) Arrests and imprisonments of Partisans solely on the basis of denunciation of reactionary elements;
i) Forgetting of the existence of Partisans Courts which were in function during the clandestine fight.

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DIRETTIVE DI LAVORO PER LA SEGRETERIA DELL'ANPI

1) Costituzione di tutti gli ANPI Comunali per la nomina democratica, del Comitato direttivo dell'ANPI.
2) Revisione di tutte le qualifiche di Partigiani, Patrioti e Benemeriti attraverso l'organizzazione comunale e le Commissioni Militari di Controllo.
3) Riconoscimento dei Caduti Partigiani, rimasti esclusi dall'Ufficio Patrioti AMG;
4) Riconoscimento dei Partigiani che per qualsiasi motivi non siano stati riconosciuti dall'Ufficio Patrioti AMG.
5) Completamento ed inoltro delle pratiche di pensioni per i feriti ed i caduti,
6) Avviamento in luoghi di cura soddisfacenti alle necessità dei feriti ed invalidi bisognosi di cure;
7) Assistenza alle famiglie dei caduti ed agli invalidi bisognosi;
8) Ricupero fondi da offerte spontanee di civili per scopi assistenziali;
9) Ritiro dei conti in pendenza delle sciolte Brigate Partigiane ed inoltro ai competenti Comandi;
10) Ritiro dei buoni di Requisizione erogati dalle formazioni operanti durante il periodo cospirativo ed inoltro ai Comandi competenti;
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13) Avviamento di un sistema di attività d'interesse publico sotto forma cooperativistica (Mensa, sartoria ,spaccio,etc)
14) Azione attraverso la stampa per il defascistizzamento d'ogni ambiente pubblico e privato d(interesse colletivo;
15) Azione attraverso la stampa per il riconoscimento del contributo dato dai veri Partigiani nella lotta della Liberazione Nazionale;
16) Studio di un progetto generale per trasformare le cooperative autotrasporti Partigiane in un consorzio gestito e diretto dall' ANPI.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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SUBJECT: ANPI

TO : Ministry of Post War Aid
ROME

1. Reference is made to letter from IMPR,Treviso, TV/PAT/2892/50 of 16 Oct copy of which was forwarded to you. For your information there is sent copy of this HQ letter which has been sent to Lt.Col.De GARSTON.

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Ref: AC/135/PAT. 22 October 1945.

SUBJECT: Statutes of AMPI.

TO: Ministry of Post War Assistance.
Italian Government.
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NOTES OF A MEETING
between
AC, the Min. of P.W. Aid and AMGI.
held
20 Oct 45

Brig. CAIN said that he understood that there was under consideration a proposal to amend the statutes of AMGI, based on a revised set of statutes produced in North Italy. The Allied Commission was of opinion that the revised rules did away with the sound, democratic provisions contained in the present statutes. Instead of a simple and secret election procedure as in the original statutes, the new one introduced what seemed to be an unnecessarily complex system which was not secret. It was also noticed that subscriptions had been done away with. It was true that the subscription had been small but in every organisation it was desirable that the members should realise that the organisation is their own and that they are disposing of their own money. It was also noted that in the revised statutes there was a new provision by which members were bound to obey the decisions of their Executive whatever that decision might be and apparently whether it was lawful or not. This Commission regarded such a provision as undesirable.

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Lt. Col. WHITE indicated that the proposals criticised were Articles 4, 10, 19, 23 and 29. There were other minor points of drafting.

Brig. CARR, in answer to a request, said that AC would supply its comments on the proposals, Article by Article. 7847

Brig. CARR then referred to a letter asking for the services of Lt. Col. DE GARTON by MFWA.

Lt. Col. WHITE said that from the letter it was not clear whether Col. DE GARTON's services were required with CRAIGIE in MILAN for the whole of North Italy, or in the MFWA in ROME.

If it was the latter the conclusion must be that liaison had not been close enough with this HQ. Closer liaison might be maintained if Col. FAVA had a seat in MFWA instead of in this Headquarters. This Headquarters could make its enquiries through Col. FAVA and he would be readily available in the office of the MFWA to deal with enquiries there.

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It might also be less open to public comment if Col. FAVA, rather than an Allied officer had an office in the Ministry.

With regard to MILAN, the Commission was quite prepared to consider the attachment of Col. DE GAETON to the Liaison Group Staff at MILAN if that would assist the Ministry.

Dr. BONOMI said that both proposals commended themselves to him but that he was at present unable to allocate a room to Col. FAVA.

Lt. Col. WHITE then referred to the imminent closing down of the Regions and said that definite instructions had not been received as to how the I.S.S.R. officers attached to Regional Headquarters would be dealt with.

Dr. BONOMI said that it was the intention to have a Regional organisation of the M.P.A. and that Regional I.S.S.R.s would be taken over by that office; where it had not yet been established, they would be attached to the Prefect of the Provincial capital in which they were at present located.

Brig. CARR then referred to the medical arrangements for partisans and said that they had had reports from Prefects that though they were paying for the medical treatment of partisans, they had not received any official authority to cover such payments.

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Maj. BRAKES said that in that case would the Ministry send a reply to this Commission's letter 36/PWE of 12 Oct 44 so that instructions could be sent out to Regions.

Dr. BERNARDINELLI, in reply to enquiry, said that an impression he had received from his tour in North Italy was that hospitals were short of equipment, medical supplies, furniture, etc. In view of the fact that it was intended to set up a hospital in every province, he enquired whether AG could assist in supplying blankets, hospital fittings and medical supplies.

Brig. CARR, in reply, said that all medical supplies had already been handed over to the Italian Government. This Commission would consider the matter but did not think that there was now any source from which hospital equipment could be made available.

Dr. BERNARDINELLI continued that he had, on his tour, visited TURIN, GENOA and MILAN. He found the partisans full of go and initiative. Most partisans had adapted themselves to the change of conditions. They realised that their energy must be first applied to work and to the aid of those who had suffered through the war. He was satisfied with conditions in the North as he saw them and thought that everybody would settle down to work.

The INPS' work had been well done and had been useful. That was why the MPEA wished to take over the INPS.

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1 Methods of Elections (Art. 4 and 10).

The existing statutes are democratic and provide for a free and secret election. They could be improved by a requirement that nominations should be submitted a stated number of days before the election to allow of ballot papers being prepared. Apart from that they are not unsatisfactory. The proposed changes appear to remove every democratic safeguard of the election being free, independent or secret. A complex system of election has been substituted, including an open vote instead of a secret ballot and party ballot papers instead of one official ballot paper covering all candidates.

2 Communal Assembly. (Art. 15.)

It is stated that the Communal Assembly shall be composed of from 5 to 9 members but the Article does not appear to contain anything to say how the number shall be fixed.

3 Membership (Art. 21.)

The arrangements for provisional acceptance have been omitted.

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6 Miscellaneous (Art. 30.)

Last of all, it is noted that the words "elections shall be carried out by secret and direct ballot... in accordance with the principles of democratic representation" have now been omitted from Art. 30.

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ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

A. N. P. I.

Schema di Statuto da presentare per la discussione al Congresso Nazionale.

A cura
del Comitato Nazionale dell'A. N. P. I.

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STATUTO PROVVISORIO

Titolo I.

Costituzione e finalità

Art. 1.

E' costituita una Associazione fra tutti i Partigiani d'Italia sotto la denominazione:

ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA (A. N. P. I.).

Art. 2.

L'Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia ha lo scopo di:

a) riunire in un'unica associazione tutti coloro che hanno partecipato, con azioni dirette e personali, alla guerra contro il nazifascismo per la liberazione d'Italia;

b) contribuire alla eliminazione completa di tutti i residui del fascismo nel campo morale, sociale, politico ed economico ed alla realizzazione di un regime veramente democratico e progressivo al fine di impedire per il futuro il ritorno di qualsiasi forma di tirannia e di oltrismo;

c) valorizzare la guerra Partigiana perchè venga riconosciuta erede diretta della tradizione popolare garibaldina del Risorgimento, in quanto ha continuato la lotta per il riscatto della Patria dal servaggio tedesco e per la conquista della libertà;

d) valorizzare nel campo nazionale ed internazionale il contributo effettivo portato alla causa della libertà dall'azione dei Partigiani;

e) glorificare i caduti nella lotta partigiana e perpetuarne la memoria;

f) far valere e tutelare il diritto acquisito dai Partigiani di partecipare in prima linea alla ricostruzione materiale e morale del Paese;

g) rinsaldare e sviluppare i vincoli di solidarietà e di fraternità

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fra i Partigiani d'Italia e di tutti i paesi che hanno lottato contro l'oppressione nazifascista, al fine di stabilire rapporti di fraterna amicizia fra i popoli democratici, vincendo ogni manifestazione di nazionalismo sciovinista;

h) impiegare ogni forma di assistenza allo scopo di recare aiuti morali e materiali ai soci e alle famiglie dei caduti nella lotta di liberazione;

i) promuovere la creazione di centri e organismi di lavoro e di produzione, ed assumere iniziative atte a far inserire rapidamente i Partigiani nella vita sociale, economica e politica del Paese.

Titolo II.

Sede, Comitati direttivi

Art. 3

L'Associazione ha sede in... (località da designare dal Congresso). Nei capoluoghi di provincia, quando vi siano almeno cento iscritti nella provincia, si costituiranno Comitati Provinciali. Nei comuni nei quali vi siano almeno trenta iscritti saranno costituite Sezioni comunali.

I Soci della provincia e del comune che non raggiungono il numero minimo di iscritti, saranno associati rispettivamente al Comitato Provinciale o alla Sezione comunale più vicina per affinità di interessi morali ed economici.

Titolo III.

Organi dell' Associazione

Art. 4

Il Congresso nazionale è composto dei Delegati Provinciali eletti dai soci. Per ogni provincia si avranno, come massimo, sette delegati

I Comitati provinciali designeranno i delegati da proporre alla votazione tenendo presente che ogni ~~provincia~~ venga rappresentata.

La nomina avverrà per voto diretto sui nomi presentati. Il sistema di votazione sarà uninominale.

Saranno istituiti in ogni Sezione comunale i seggi elettorali. Per ogni seggio saranno nominati cinque scrutatori di cui uno segretario.

Le schede votate, in plico sigillato, saranno portate dagli scrutatori del seggio comunale a ciò delegati, al seggio elettorale provinciale dove si curerà lo spoglio.

Il seggio elettorale provinciale sarà composto di sette scrutatori fra cui un Presidente con un segretario

Gli scrutatori dei seggi elettorali comunali e provinciali saranno nominati rispettivamente dai Comitati comunali e provinciali.

La lista dei nomi presentati alla votazione, dovrà essere affissa nell'Albo di ogni sezione elettorale,

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per un periodo di almeno 15 giorni.

I delegati provinciali avranno diritto nel complesso nazionale, a tanti voti quanti essi stessi ne avranno riportati dai loro elettori.

Il Congresso nazionale è convocato dal Comitato Nazionale almeno una volta all'anno entro tre mesi dalla chiusura dell'esercizio sociale con un preavviso di almeno quindici giorni. Deve inoltre essere convocato dal Comitato Nazionale quando questo ne ravvisi la necessità e quando ne è fatta richiesta motivata dalle Sezioni Comunali rappresentanti almeno un decimo dei Soci.

Le deliberazioni del Congresso nazionale sono prese a maggioranza di voti e con la presenza dei Delegati Provinciali rappresentanti almeno la metà dei Soci più uno. In seconda convocazione le deliberazioni sono valide qualunque sia il numero degli intervenuti.

Il presidente del Congresso Nazionale è eletto di volta in volta.

Il Congresso Nazionale discute ed approva il bilancio preventivo ed il conto consuntivo, delibera sulle direttive e sulle questioni di carattere generale, nomina i componenti del Comitato Nazionale e il Collegio dei revisori dei conti dell'Associazione Nazionale.

Art. 5

Il Comitato Nazionale è eletto dal Congresso Nazionale ed è composto di quindici membri effettivi e cinque supplenti. Esso sceglie fra i suoi membri un Segretario nazionale, un Vice Segretario Nazionale, ed un Segretario generale amministrativo.

I membri del Comitato Nazionale durano in carica due anni.

Il Congresso nazionale ha facoltà, in qualsiasi momento, di revocare il mandato ai membri del Comitato Nazionale.

Il Comitato Nazionale si riunisce ordinariamente nella sede dell'Associazione una volta al mese, ed in via straordinaria quando il Segretario nazionale, oppure cinque membri e i Revisori dei conti ne ravvisano l'opportunità. La convocazione deve essere fatta con preavviso di almeno tre giorni.

Il Comitato Nazionale è l'organo esecutivo dell'Assemblea Nazionale e ad esso spetta:

a) provvedere alla attuazione degli scopi sociali stabilendo le norme e le direttive da trasmettere ai Comitati Provinciali;

b) controllare le attività dei Comitati Provinciali;

c) redigere annualmente il bilancio preventivo ed il conto consuntivo dell'Associazione da presentare per la discussione e l'approvazione al Congresso Nazionale;

d) ratificare annualmente i bilanci preventivi e i conti consuntivi dei Comitati Provinciali;

e) fare da arbitro in ogni ver-

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tenza che sorgesse in seno all'Associazione;

f) adottare tutti i provvedimenti necessari per l'amministrazione ed il buon funzionamento della Associazione.

Art. 6

Il Segretario Nazionale ha la rappresentanza legale dell'Associazione a tutti gli effetti; provvede alla esecuzione delle deliberazioni del Comitato Nazionale ed è sostituito, in caso di assenza e impedimento, dal Vice Segretario Nazionale.

Art. 7

Il Collegio dei revisori dei conti della Associazione Nazionale, è eletto dal Congresso Nazionale ed è composto di tre revisori effettivi e di due supplenti, scelti fra i Soci.

Esso nomina nel suo seno un Presidente e si riunisce almeno ogni tre mesi, per esercitare il controllo sulla gestione contabile ed amministrativa della Associazione Nazionale.

Art. 8

In ciascuna provincia il Congresso Provinciale è formato dai delegati delle Sezioni Comunali; se i Soci sono più di trenta le Sezioni inviano un Delegato ogni trenta Soci e frazione superiore a quindici.

Il Congresso Provinciale è convocato in via ordinaria una volta all'anno, nella località stabilita dal Comitato Provinciale, e in via straordinaria, anche su richiesta del Comitato Nazionale o su richiesta motivata dalle Sezioni Comunali in un numero che rappresenti almeno un decimo dei Soci della provincia.

La convocazione deve essere effettuata con un preavviso non inferiore a dieci giorni.

Per la validità delle deliberazioni del Congresso Provinciale valgono le norme stabilite per le deliberazioni del Congresso Nazionale. Il Presidente del Congresso Provinciale è eletto di volta in volta.

Art. 9

Il Congresso Provinciale nomina il Collegio dei revisori dei conti, esamina ed approva il bilancio preventivo ed il Conto consultivo predisposti annualmente dal Comitato Provinciale e delibera sulle questioni di carattere generale nell'ambito della provincia in aderenza alle deliberazioni del Congresso Nazionale.

Art. 10

Il Comitato Provinciale è eletto con voto diretto secondo le seguenti modalità:

i soci votano per lista bloccata

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con voto preferenziale, di undici nomi (nove effettivi e due supplenti) scelti fra i soci inscritti nelle Sezioni comunali della provincia. Dette liste, per essere presentate, devono avere raccolto un numero di firme di soci presentatori che raggiunga almeno il 5% dei soci della provincia.

Il Comitato provinciale provvederà al controllo ed alla ratifica delle liste presentate, al loro invio alle Sezioni comunali e fisserà la data delle votazioni.

Le liste devono essere affisse nell'Albo di ogni sezione elettorale per un periodo di almeno quindici giorni.

I nove posti effettivi del Comitato Provinciale saranno ripartiti secondo il sistema proporzionale temperato:

a) cinque posti saranno riservati alla lista che avrà riportato la maggioranza assoluta dei voti. Gli altri saranno riservati alla lista di minoranza che abbia raggiunto perlomeno il 10% dei voti. Qualora le liste di minoranza fossero più di una, si adotterà il seguente sistema per la divisione dei quattro posti:

1) Se le liste di minoranza saranno quattro, a ciascuna lista sarà assegnato un posto.

2) Se esse saranno tre o due, la ripartizione avverrà in modo proporzionale tra le liste, sempre salvando il diritto ad ognuna di avere almeno un seggio.

b) Qualora nessuna lista raggiunga la maggioranza assoluta dei voti i posti nel Comitato provinciale saranno ripartiti in proporzione ai voti riportati tra le liste che abbiano raggiunto almeno il 10% dei voti. Nei casi di parità si provvederà al ballottaggio.

I posti di supplenti saranno ripartiti uno per la maggioranza ed uno per la lista di minoranza che abbia avuto il maggior numero di voti.

Le norme per i seggi elettorali sono uguali a quelle dettate per la elezione dei delegati al Congresso Nazionale.

Il Comitato Provinciale sceglie tra i suoi membri il segretario provinciale, un vice segretario provinciale ed un segretario amministrativo provinciale.

I membri del Comitato Provinciale durano in carica un anno. Il Congresso Provinciale ha facoltà, in qualsiasi momento, di revocare il mandato ad essi conferito.

Il Comitato Provinciale si riunisce ordinariamente nella località stabilita una volta al mese, ed in via straordinaria quando il segretario provinciale oppure tre membri ed i revisori dei conti ne ravvisino l'opportunità.

La convocazione deve essere fatta con un preavviso di almeno tre giorni.

Il Comitato Provinciale è l'organo esecutivo del Congresso Provinciale. Ad esso competono tutte le attribuzioni del Comitato Na-

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zionale rispetto ai Comitati Comunali della provincia e l'esecuzione delle direttive e delle istruzioni del Comitato Nazionale e delle deliberazioni del Congresso Provinciale.

Il Comitato Provinciale, inoltre compila annualmente il bilancio preventivo ed il conto consuntivo da sottoporre all'approvazione del Congresso provinciale e provvede alla ratifica dei bilanci e dei conti consuntivi annuali dei Comitati comunali.

Art. 11

Il Segretario provinciale cura l'esecuzione delle deliberazioni del Comitato Provinciale ed è sostituito, in caso di assenza o di impedimento, dal vice-segretario provinciale.

Art. 12

Il Collegio dei revisori dei conti del Comitato Provinciale è eletto dal Congresso Provinciale ed è composto da tre revisori effettivi e di due supplenti scelti fra i Soci.

Esso nomina nel suo seno un Presidente e si riunisce almeno ogni tre mesi per esercitare il controllo sulla gestione contabile ed amministrativa del Comitato Provinciale.

Art. 13

In ciascun Comune l'Assemblea comunale è composta di tutti i soci della Sezione comunale.

L'Assemblea comunale è convocata in via ordinaria, una volta all'anno dal Comitato comunale, e in via straordinaria anche su richiesta del Comitato nazionale o dal Comitato provinciale o su richiesta motivata di un numero di soci pari almeno ad un decimo degli inscritti.

La convocazione deve essere effettuata con un preavviso non inferiore a dieci giorni.

Per la validità delle deliberazioni dell'Assemblea comunale valgono le norme stabilite per le deliberazioni del Congresso Nazionale.

Il Presidente dell'Assemblea comunale è eletto di volta in volta.

Art. 14

L'Assemblea Comunale nomina i componenti del Comitato Comunale ed i revisori dei conti della Sezione Comunale, esamina ed approva il bilancio preventivo ed il conto consultivo predisposti annualmente dal Comitato Comunale e delibera sulle questioni di carattere generale nell'ambito del Comune in aderenza alle determinazioni del Congresso Nazionale e e del Congresso Provinciale.

Art. 15

Il Comitato Comunale è eletto dalla Assemblea Comunale ed è composto da un numero di membri

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variante da cinque a nove, e due supplenti a seconda del numero dei Soci delle Sezioni.

Il Comitato Comunale sceglie fra i suoi membri un Segretario, un Vice-Segretario, ed un Segretario amministrativo.

I membri del Comitato Comunale durano in carica un anno.

L'Assemblea Comunale ha facoltà in qualsiasi momento di revocare il mandato ad essi conferito.

Il Comitato Comunale si riunisce almeno una volta al mese ed in via straordinaria quando il Segretario, oppure due membri od i revisori dei conti, ne ravvisino la opportunità. La convocazione deve essere fatta con un preavviso di almeno tre giorni.

Il Comitato Comunale è l'organo esecutivo dell'Assemblea Comunale. Esso redige annualmente il Bilancio preventivo ed il Conto consuntivo da sottoporre all'Assemblea Comunale; provvede alla assistenza dei Soci ed alla esecuzione delle direttive e delle istruzioni del Comitato Nazionale e del Comitato Provinciale.

Il Comitato Comunale istruisce le domande di iscrizione a Socio, giusta le norme stabilite dal presente Statuto e le direttive impartite dal Comitato Nazionale, trasmettendole al Comitato Provinciale per le deliberazioni di competenza.

Tutti coloro la cui iscrizione non fosse stata accolta dal Comitato Provinciale possono produrre appello al Comitato Nazionale.

Art. 16

Il Segretario cura l'esecuzione delle deliberazioni del Comitato Comunale ed è sostituito in caso di assenza o impedimento dal Vice-segretario.

Art. 17

I revisori dei conti della Sezione comunale in numero di due membri effettivi ed uno supplente, sono eletti dall'Assemblea comunale e sono scelti fra i Soci.

Essi si riuniscono almeno ogni tre mesi per esercitare il controllo sulla gestione contabile ed amministrativa della Sezione comunale.

Titolo IV.

Soci

Art. 18

Sono Soci onorari di diritto i partigiani caduti per la lotta di liberazione e tutti coloro che, come prigionieri politici, o vittime di rappresaglie o come ostaggi, siano stati assassinati dai nazi-fascisti.

Art. 19

Sono ammessi come Soci col titolo di Partigiano gli organizzatori

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ed i componenti, stabili ed attivi, di bande le quali abbiano effettivamente partecipato ad azioni di combattimento o di sabotaggio, e precisamente:

a) i decorati al valore partigiano;

b) coloro che sono stati feriti dal nemico in combattimento o feriti in dipendenza della loro attività partigiana;

c) 1. coloro che, a Nord della linea Gotica, hanno militato per almeno tre mesi in una formazione armata partigiana o gappista regolarmente inquadrata nelle forze riconosciute e dipendenti dal C.V.L. e che abbiano partecipato ad almeno tre azioni di guerra;

2) coloro che, a Sud della linea Gotica, hanno militato per almeno tre mesi in formazione armata partigiana o gappista regolarmente inquadrata nelle formazioni riconosciute o dipendenti dal C.C.L.N.; e che abbiano partecipato a tre azioni di guerra;

d) 1. gli appartenenti alle formazioni S.A.P. che, a Nord della linea Gotica, abbiano un periodo minimo di appartenenza di sei mesi o possano dimostrare di avere partecipato a tre azioni di guerra o di sabotaggio;

2) gli appartenenti, a Sud della linea Gotica, alle formazioni armate cittadine riconosciute dal C.L.N., che abbiano un periodo minimo di appartenenza di tre mesi e che possano dimostrare di avere partecipato almeno a tre azioni di guerra o di sabotaggio;

3) coloro che, a Sud della linea Gotica, pur non avendo fatto parte di formazioni inquadrate nel C.L.N. hanno partecipato per un periodo di tre mesi in formazioni partigiane o squadre cittadine indipendenti e che possono documentare di aver partecipato ad almeno tre azioni di guerra o di sabotaggio;

e) coloro che hanno fatto parte, a Nord della linea Gotica, per un periodo minimo di sei mesi di un Comando o di un Servizio di Comando (informazioni, aviolanci, intendenza ecc.) inquadrati nell'attività del C. V. L.;

coloro che hanno, a Sud della linea Gotica, fatto parte per un periodo di tre mesi di un Comando o di un Servizio di Comando (informazioni, aviolanci, intendenza ecc.) inquadrati nell'attività del C.L.N.;

f) coloro che sono rimasti in carcere, al confino, o in campo di concentramento per oltre tre mesi in seguito a cattura da parte dei nazifascisti per attività attinenti il movimento militare.

g) 1. coloro che, a Nord della linea Gotica, hanno svolto attività od azioni di particolare importanza a giudizio del Comando generale su proposta dei Comandi Regionali e vagliate dall'apposita commissione dell'Associazione:

2. coloro che, a Sud della linea Gotica, hanno svolto attività od azione di particolare importanza a

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giudizio dell'apposita commissione dell'Associazione.

Quando i periodi di tempo minimo di cui alle precedenti lettere c) d) e) f) non siano singolarmente sufficienti a determinare la qualifica di partigiano, essi potranno essere accumulati sino al raggiungimento del minimo prescritto per ottenere la qualifica di partigiano.

Art. 20

Sono ammessi quali aderenti dell'Associazione col titolo di patriota coloro che non rientrando nelle categorie precedenti, hanno tuttavia collaborato o contribuito attivamente per la lotta di liberazione sia militando nelle formazioni partigiane per un periodo minore di quello richiesto per il titolo di partigiano, sia prestando costante e notevole aiuto alle formazioni partigiane.

Gli aderenti col titolo di patriota non parteciperanno al primo Congresso. Il Congresso stesso definirà il genere di attività che sarà loro riservato in seno all'Associazione.

Art. 21

L'ammissione dei soci è deliberata dal Comitato provinciale. La domanda di iscrizione, redatta su apposita scheda dell'Associazione deve essere corredata da documenti comprovanti la qualifica di partigiano o di patriota riconosciuti validi dall'Associazione, e presentata al Comitato comunale.

Quando speciali circostanze lo richiedano, il Comitato Nazionale ha diritto di intervenire in merito all'ammissione dei soci, anche dopo che sia già intervenuta la deliberazione dei Comitati provinciali.

Art. 22

Non sarà ammesso chi, pur avendo requisiti già precisati di partigiano o patriota, sarà ritenuto indegno per i suoi precedenti politici o morali.

Art. 23

Il socio si impegna a non appartenere ad altre Associazioni analoghe partigiane, a rispettare ed osservare il presente Statuto, e le disposizioni regolamentari e i deliberati degli organi direttivi, e a pagare la tessera.

Art. 24

Ogni socio ha diritto di godere di tutti i servizi assistenziali che l'Associazione organizzi sia direttamente che a mezzo degli Enti creati a tali scopi.

Art. 25

Il Socio che commetta azioni disonorevoli e atti di indisciplina, è passibile, a seconda della gravità delle mancanze, di:

a) richiamo; *b*) sospensione; *c*) espulsione.

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Art. 26

La qualità di Socio si perde oltre che per espulsione, che ha effetto dalla data di notificazione del relativo deliberato, anche per dimissioni con decorrenza dal giorno successivo alla loro accettazione.

Art. 27

L'organo competente a pronunziarsi in merito ai provvedimenti di cui ai precedenti articoli 25 e 26 è il Comitato provinciale.

Gli addebiti devono essere comunicati al Socio dal Comitato provinciale per lettera raccomandata, con invito a presentare le proprie giustificazioni entro il termine di venti giorni. Le decisioni vanno pure notificate all'interessato a mezzo raccomandata.

Contro i provvedimenti presi a suo carico, il Socio può ricorrere al Comitato Nazionale entro trenta giorni dalla data della notifica del provvedimento mediante lettera raccomandata.

Titolo V.

Mezzi di finanziamento

Art 28.

L'Associazione provvede ai suoi scopi con le entrate patrimoniali, con i mezzi forniti dalla Fondazione Solidarietà Nazionale, con gli eventuali contributi dello Stato e di altri Enti o di privati e con il concorso di Enti di Assistenza e Patriottici.

Art. 29

L'ammontare dell'importo della tessera, da rinnovarsi annualmente, fissato in lire dieci, dovrà essere riscosso dalle Sezioni comunali all'atto dell'iscrizione.

Titolo VI.

Disposizioni varie

Art. 30

Le nomine alle varie cariche sociali vengono fatte dai soci regolarmente iscritti.

Tutti i soci possono essere eletti alle cariche sociali e sono rieleggibili.

I membri supplenti hanno diritto ad intervenire alle riunioni senza voto.

Art. 31

L'esercizio finanziario corrisponde, a tutti gli effetti, all'anno solare.

Entro il 31 ottobre i Comitati Comunali, i Comitati Provinciali, ed il Comitato Nazionale compileranno il proprio bilancio di previsione per l'anno seguente ed entro il mese di febbraio redigeran-

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no il conto consuntivo con annesso stato patrimoniale.

I bilanci di previsione prima della fine dell'anno ed il conto consuntivo con gli annessi stati patrimoniali non oltre il trenta aprile, saranno sottoposti all'approvazione delle rispettive Assemblee comunali, provinciali e nazionali.

I bilanci di previsione diventano esecutivi ed i conti consuntivi si rendono definitivi se, inviati per la ratifica ai competenti organi, non siano restituiti con osservazione nel termine di trenta giorni dalla data del ricevimento degli atti relativi.

Le funzioni contabili ed amministrative ed i servizi di tesoreria dell'Ente sono disciplinati dalle norme che regolano l'amministrazione del patrimonio e la contabilità generale dello Stato.

Titolo VII.

Note transitorie

Art. 32

Fino alla convocazione del Congresso Nazionale e dei Congressi provinciali, i membri del Comitato nazionale e dei Comitati provinciali sono nominati rispettivamente dal C.L.N.A.I. e dal C.C.L.N. e dai C.L.N. provinciali, tra coloro che hanno i requisiti per essere ammessi a soci dell'Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia.

Milano, 27 *Giugno* 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref 135/PAT

September 45

SUBJECT :ANPI Statutes

TO : Ministry of Post War Assistance

1 This Commission has made a comparative study of the recently passed ANPI Statutes and the proposed revision thereof.

2 It has been astonished to find that every democratic safeguard which allowed of a free independant and secret expression of opinion has been removed and that a complex system of election and/passing of resolutions has been substituted which would allow of control of opinion and of intimidation. The new proposals are totalitarian in nature and might well have been introduced by a fascist regime endeavouring to pass itself of as democratic.

3 It is also noted that subscriptions have been abolished. ANPI either cannot carry out the functions laid down or cannot be self supporting. In the latter case it will be dependant and will have to carry out the instructions of the body from which it derives its income. May it please be stated how it is proposed to finance ANPI.

4 If ANPI is a body which is so little desired that members are not willing to pay a subscription, the conclusion must be that the creation of the body is desired for other ends. It is considered that a policy of self help is more to the advantage of Italy and the Italians than a policy of free bounties pandering to the innate human cupidity, The cancellation of the subscription leads one to suspect that payment will be required in some

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5 Lastly it is noted that a new provision has been introduced whereby every member undertakes without qualification or any form of limitation "to obey the decisions of the executive". This Commission looks with alarm at this insertion and wonders whether this is the price of membership.

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TRANSLATION

INSTRUCTIONS TO I.P.As CONCERNING ANPI

The ANPI was founded as a non-political association whose main object is to assist in every way, represent and safeguard the interests of ex partisans. It has been established and is recognised as being a welfare institution and the Italian Government intends to use it to give assistance to Partisans. It is necessary that the ANPI is in a position to function in order that the above mentioned objectives can be realised.

However, according to information coming from many Provinces and Communes, the sections of the ANPI leave much to be desired. Its leaders are self appointed or hold their positions as a result of "bogus" elections or are not genuine partisans. Consequently the ANPI is often used by certain groups for their personal interest or exercises functions which do not come under its jurisdiction, and so many true partisans, disgruntled, keep away from it.

The I.PAs are therefore asked:

1) To inform the Ministry of Post War Aid as to how the Provincial and Communal bodies of the ANPI sections of their respective area have been constituted.

2) From time to time to inform the Ministry of PWA of the situation existing in the local sections of the ANPI and to notify immediately any irregularity taking place.

3) To encourage genuine partisans to join the ANPI even if for the time being the organisation is not totally satisfactory, bearing in mind that the ANPI has certain privileges to offer in as much as it is the only association for the welfare of partisans.

4) To point out to genuine partisans that only by joining the ANPI can they be in a position to make their voice heard and to demand changes and improvements of its inner organisation.

5) To advise them that every complaint made against the local leaders of the ANPI, based on concrete and documented facts, coming from individual or groups of partisans, whether registered or not in the ANPI, be made in writing and sent to the National Committee of the ANPI with a copy to the Ministry of PWA for information.

Minister.
Ministry of Post War Aid.

14 September, 1945.

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ISTRUZIONI DA DIRAMARE AGLI I.M.P.R. RIGUARDANTI L'A.N.P.I.

L'A.N.P.I. e' sorta come associazione apolitica che si propone prevalentemente fini di assistenza, intesa nel senso piu' ampio, e di rappresentanza e tutela degli interessi degli ex partigiani. Come tale e' stata riconosciuta ed eretta in ente morale, ed il Governo italiano intende servirsene per l'assistenza ai partigiani. Occorre quindi che l'A.N.P.I. sia in grado e dia garanzia di funzionare in modo da attuare gli scopi suddetti.

Giunge invece notizia che in molte provincie e comuni le sezioni dell'A.N.P.I. lasciano molto a desiderare. I dirigenti si sono autonominati, o provengono da pseudo elezioni, oppure non sono dei veri partigiani. Si connette che spesso l'A.N.P.I. viene sfruttata per interessi personali o di gruppi particolari, oppure si arroga compiti che non le spettano, mentre molti veri partigiani, disgustati, se ne tengono lontano.

Si invitano pertanto gli I.M.P.R.:

1°) - ad informare il Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-Bellica di come sono costituiti gli organi direttivi provinciali e comunali delle sezioni dell'A.N.P.I. della rispettiva zona;

2°) - ad informare poi periodicamente il Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-Bellica della situazione delle sezioni locali dell'A.N.P.I. e segnalare immediatamente ogni irregolarita' che vi si verificasse;

3°) - a consigliare vivamente i veri partigiani ad entrare nell'A.N.P.I., anche se attualmente vi si incontrassero gravi deficienze, tenendo presente la posizione privilegiata che ha l'A.N.P.I. quale unica associazione partigiana eretta in ente morale;

4°) - a far presente ai veri partigiani che solo entrando nell'A.N.P.I. essi sono in grado di far sentire la propria voce e di pretendere emendamenti e rinnovamenti dell'organizzazione interna di essa;

5°) - a consigliare che ogni lamentela contro i dirigenti locali dell'A.N.P.I., basata su fatti concreti e documentati o provenienti da partigiani singoli o da gruppi di partigiani, sia iscritti che non iscritti all'A.N.P.I., sia resa per iscritto ed inviata al Comitato Nazionale dell'A.N.P.I. e per conoscenza al Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-Bellica.

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Il Ministro,

Ministero dell'Assistenza Post Bellica.

N. Settembre, 1945.

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PART I

Formation and Aims

ART 1

An Association of Italian Partisans to be called: The Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I.) is hereby created.

ART 2

The aims of the A.N.P.I. are:

a) To gather into one association all those who have participated, by direct personal action, in the partisan war for the liberation of Italy against nazi-fascism.

b) To contribute to the complete elimination of every vestige of fascism in the moral, social, political and economic field, andto the realization of a truly democratic and progressive regime in order to prevent the return in the future of any form of tyranny and absolutism;

c) To pay honor to the partisan war so that it will be recognized as a direct continuation of the popular Garibaldine tradition of the Risorgimento, in as much as it has continued the fight for the Nation's rescue and for the restoration of liberty;

d) To recognize in national and international fields the contribution made to the cause of liberty by the deeds of the partisans;

e) to honor those who fell in the partisan fight, and to perpetuate their memory;

f) to recognize and protect the rights acquired by the partisans, to participate in the initial plans for the moral and material reconstruction of the Country;

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g) To strenghten and develop the ties of solidarity and brotherhood among the partisans of Italy and of all the countries which have fought against nazi-fascist oppression, with the aim of establishing ties of brotherly friendship among democratic peoples, and of defeating every manifestation of chauvinist nationalism;

h) To employ every means in order to bring moral and material aid to the members and to the families of those who fell in the fight for freedom;

i) To promote the institution of centers and bodies of production and employment and to take action which will enable the partisans to reestablish themselves in the social, economic and political life of the Country.

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PART II

HEADQUARTERS - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

ART 3

The Headquarters of the Association shall be in.....(to be designated by the Congress). Provincial Committees shall be formed in the Provincial capital of provinces having at least one hundred members. Communal Sections shall be formed in communes having at least 30 members.

Members of Provinces or Communes in which the number of members is less than the prescribed minimum number shall be attached to the Provincial Committee or Communal Section with which their Province or Commune has the closest moral and economic ties.

PART III

Bodies of the Association

ART 4

The National Congress shall be formed of Provincial Delegates elected by the members. Every province shall have a maximum of seven delegates.

The Provincial Committees shall designate the delegates to be elected bearing in mind that every partisan trend must be represented.

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Electoral seats shall be instituted in each Communal Section. Five controllers, among whom there will be one secretary, shall be appointed for each seat.

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The ballots shall be brought in a sealed envelope by the controllers of the communal seat delegated for the purpose, to the provincial electoral seat where they shall be selected.

The provincial electoral seat shall be composed of seven controllers among whom will be a President with a secretary.

The controllers of the provincial and communal electoral seats shall be appointed by the communal and provincial Committees respectively.

The list of the names presented for the vote shall be affixed in the Albo of each electoral section for at least 15 days.

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The provincial delegates shall be entitled in the national organization, to as many votes as they have received from their electors.

The national Congress shall be summoned by the National Committee at least once every year within three months after the end of the financial year with a notice of at least fifteen days. The National Committee may also call the National Congress whenever it deems it necessary and when requested by Communal Sections representing at least one tenth of the members.

The decisions of the national Congress shall be passed by majority of votes and at the presence of the Provincial Delegates representing at least one half of the Members plus one. In a second meeting the decisions shall be valid notwithstanding the number of the members who attend it.

The president of the National Congress shall be elected for each meeting.

The National Congress shall consider and approve the estimate budget and the past years accounts; it shall decide on directives and general policy and appoint the members of the National Committee and the College of auditors of the accounts of the National Association.

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The National Committee shall be elected by the National Congress and shall consist of fifteen regular members and five substitutes. The Committee shall appoint from amongst its members a national Secretary, a National Vice Secretary and a General administrative

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The members of the National Committee shall remain in office for two years.

The National Congress may at any time cancel the appointment of the members of the National Committee.

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The National Committee shall meet normally in the main office of the Association once a month, and may have special meetings whenever the National Secretary or five members or the auditors of the accounts deem it necessary. A three day notice shall be given for the meeting.

The National Committee shall be the executive body of the National Assembly and its duties shall be:

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a) to carry out the objects of the association; to establish rules and directives to be forwarded to the Provincial Committees;

b) to control the activities of the Provincial Committees;

c) to prepare the yearly budget and the account for the past year of the Association which shall be submitted to and approved by the National Congress;

d) to approve yearly the estimate budgets and the accounts of the past year of the Provincial Committees;

e) To act as mediator in any controversy which may arise within the Association;

f) to adopt all the measures necessary for the administration and operation of the Association.

ART 6

The National Secretary shall be the legal representative of the Association for all purposes; he shall see to the execution of the decisions of the National Committee, and in case of absence or impediment the National Assistant Secretary shall act for him.

ART 7

The College of auditors of the accounts of the National Association shall be elected by the National Congress and shall consist of three active auditors and two deputy auditors, chosen among the Members.

The College shall appoint a President and shall meet at least once every three months to inspect the accounts and the administration of the National Association.

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ART 8

In each province the Provincial Congress shall consist of the delegates of the Communal Sections; if the Members are more than thirty, the Sections may appoint one Delegate for every 30 members and a fraction more than 15.

The Provincial Congress shall normally be summoned once a year in such place as may be decided by the Provincial Committee, or extraordinary meetings shall be convened on the request of National Committees, or on a request stating the purpose for which it is required of the Communal Sections, of a number representing at least one tenth of the Members of the province.

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At least ten days notice of the meeting shall be given.

The passing of the resolutions of the Provincial Congress shall be subject to the same rules as are laid down for the National Congress. The President of the Provincial Congress shall be elected at each meeting.

ART 9

The Provincial Congress shall appoint the College of Auditors of accounts, examine and approve the budget estimate and the yearly accounts prepared by the Provincial Committee, and decide upon matters of general policy of the province, following the resolutions of the National Congress.

ART 10

The Provincial Committee shall be elected by direct vote and according to the following procedure:

The members shall vote through a fixed list containing eleven names (nine regular members and two reserve members) chosen from the members registered in the communal Sections of the province. Before these lists may be submitted, they must contain a number of signatures of sponsoring members that is at least 5% of all the members of the province.

The provincial Committee shall control and approve the lists presented, forward them to the communal Sections and shall fix the date of the elections.

The lists shall be affixed to the Albo of every electoral section for a period of at least 15 days.

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The nine regular seats in the Provincial Committee shall be assigned according to the proportional system:

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a) 5 seats shall be allotted to the list that has received the absolute majority of votes. The other seats shall be allotted to the minority list that has received at least 10% of the votes. Whenever the minority lists are more than one, the following system shall be adopted for the allotment of the four seats:

1) if the minority lists are four, one seat shall be allotted to each list.

2) if there are two or three minority lists, the allotment shall be made on a proprtional basis, always safeguarding the right of the list to receive at least one seat.

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b) Whenever no list has the absolute majority of votes, the seats in the provincial Committee shall be allotted in proportion to the number of votes received by the lists that have received at least 10% of the votes. A vote of elimination shall be taken in cases of tie.

The seats of the reserve members shall be allotted as follows: one for the majority and one for the minority list that has received the greatest number of votes.

The rules for the electoral seats are the same as those regulating the election of delegates in the National Congress.

The Provincial Committee shall choose from among its members one Provincial Secretary, one Provincial Assistant Secretary and one Provincial Administrative Secretary.

The members of the Provincial Committee shall hold their appointments one year. The Provincial Congress may at any time cancel any such appointment.

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The provincial Secretary shall implement the decisions of the Provincial Committee, and in case of his absence or prevention the Provincial Assistant Secretary shall act in his place.

The College of auditors of the Provincial Committee shall be appointed by the Provincial Congress and consists of three acting auditors and two reserve auditors chosen from amongst the Members.

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The College shall nominate a President from its members and shall meet at least once every three months in order to check the accounts and the management of the Provincial Committee.

ART 13

In each Commune the Communal Assembly shall consist of all the members of the Communal Section.

Ordinary meetings of the Communal Assembly shall be normally called once in every year by the Communal Committee and extraordinary meetings shall be called upon request of the National Committee, of the Provincial Committee or upon a request stating the purposes for which the meeting is requested of at least one tenth of the members.

At least ten days notice of a meeting of the Assembly shall be given.

Passing of resolutions of the Communal Assembly shall be subject to the same formalities as laid down for the passing of resolutions of the National Congress.

The chairman of the Communal Assembly shall be elected at each meeting.

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The Communal Committee shall be appointed by the Communal Assembly and shall be composed from five to nine members according to the number of the Members of the Sections, 7838
and of two substitutes.

The Communal Committee shall choose from amongst its members one Secretary, one Assistant Secretary and one Administrative Secretary.

The members of the Communal Committee shall hold their appointments for one year. The Communal Assembly shall have the power to cancel such appointments at any time.

Ordinary meetings of the Communal Committee shall be held normally once every month or extraordinary meetings shall be held whenever the Secretary or two members or the auditors deem necessary.

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At least three days notice shall be given of a meeting of the committee.

The Communal Committee shall be the executive body of the Communal Assembly. It shall prepare the yearly estimates and the accounts of past expenses to be submitted to the Communal Assembly, it shall provide for the assistance of members and shall implement the directives and instructions of the National Committee and of the Provincial Committee.

The Communal Committee shall scrutinize all applications for membership, in accordance with the rules laid down by this Statute and the directives issued by the National Committee; it shall forward the said applications to the Provincial Committee for their decisions.

Any person whose application for membership has not been accepted by the Provincial Committee shall have the right to appeal to the National Committee.

ART 16

The Secretary shall carry out the decisions of the Communal Committee, and in case of his absence the Assistant Secretary will act in his place.

ART 17

The auditors of the Communal Section, being two active auditors and one reserve auditor, shall be appointed by the Communal Assembly and shall be chosen from amongst its members. They will meet at least once every three months to scrutinize the accounts and administration of the Communal Section.

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PART IV

MEMBERSHIP

ART 18

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Partisans who fell in action and persons who were political prisoners, or hostages and were murdered by nazis or fascists or persons who were the victims of reprisals shall be honorary members.

ART 19

Permanent or active organizers and members of bands which have actually partecipated in actions or sabotage; and, that is: a) In the fight for liberation in any way performed acts of exceptional

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b) those who have been wounded in action by the enemy or as a result of their partisan activity;

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d) 1. All members of C.A.P. units who have had at least a six month membership North of the Gothic line or who can show that they have participated in three actions of a military nature or of sabotage;

2. the members south of the Gothic line of citizens armed formations recognized by the C.L.N. who have at least a three month membership and who can show that they have participated in at least three actions of war or sabotage;

3. those who, south of the Gothic line, and although not members of C.L.N. units, have participated for a period of three months in partisan formation or independent citizens squads and who can prove with documents that they have participated in at least three actions of war or of sabotage;

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f) all those who remained in prison, exile or concentration camp for more than three months following their capture by the nazi-fascists for activities connected with the military movement;

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g) 1. All those who, north of the Gothic line have carried out activities or performed deeds of a particular importance according tothe judgment of the General Headquarters upon recommendation of the regional HK, supported by the competent commission of the Association;

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When eachof the minimum periods of time refer to the letters c, d, e, f are not sufficient to warrant the titles of partisan, they may be added up until they reach the prescribed minimum for such a title.

ART 20

Membership to the Association with the title of patriot shall be given to those who, although not coming within the afore-mentioned categories, have nevetheless contributed actively in the fight for freedom either by fighting with partisan formations for a period less than that prescribed for the title of partisans or by giving constant and considerable aid to pertisan units.

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The National Committee, whenever special circumstances make it desirable for them to do so, may intervene in the question of admission of any member, even after the Provincial Committee has reached a decision on such matter.

ART 22

Whoever is considered unworthy because of his political and moral antecedents, although possessing the qualifications as patriots or partisan shall not be given membership.

ART 23

Every member shall undertake not to belong to any other similar partisan organization, to observe and respect the present Statute, the standing orders and decision of

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the executive bodies and to pay the cost of the membership card.

ART 24

Every member shall be entitled to receive the benefit of all assistance which the Association may provide whether the same be provided directly or through other specially constituted bodies.

ART 25

A member guilty of dishonorable conduct or of any breach of discipline may be subjected to one of the following sanctions:

a) reprimand

b) suspension

c) expulsion

ART 26

Expulsion shall take effect from the day following the decision to that effect. In addition membership may be terminated also because of resignation which shall take effect the day following acceptance of the same.

ART 27

The Provincial Committee is hereby authorized to hear and determine questions under Arts 25 and 26 hereof.

The member concerned shall be informed by the Provincial Committee, by registered letter, of the charges and invited to present himself and to submit his answer to the

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He shall be entitled to appeal to the National Committee against any decision against him. Any such appeal shall be lodged within thirty days from the receipt by registered letter of notice of the decision.

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PART V

FINANCE

ART 28

The Association may obtain its income from interests on accumulated funds, from contributions made by the Fondazione Solidarieta' Nazionale, by the State and other bodies or by private citizens and the bodies for assistance to patriots.

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ART 29

The cost of the membership card is hereby fixed at ten lire and must be collected by the communal sections upon registration; the card shall be renewed annually.

PART VI

Miscellaneous provisions

ART 30

Appointments to the various positions shall be made by regular members.

All members may be elected and re-elected to office.

Reserve members may take part to the meeting but are not entitled to vote.

ART 31

The financial year shall correspond to all purposes to the calendar year.

Communal Committees, Provincial Committees and the National Committee shall make out their estimate budget for the following year, by the 1st November and during the month of February will complete the account of past expenditures attaching thereto a statement of income.

The estimates shall be submitted before the end of the year for the approval to the respective communal, provincial and national assemblies and the accounts for the past year with the statements attached shall be submitted before the 30 April.

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ANPI

1. ANPI is intended to be an organisation of ex patriots on the lines of the British Legion. Quite recently it was given an official status. The new organisation which was then promulgated has the effect of ousting all existing committees and officers - but nothing was created to fill the void.

2. The statutes left ANPI in this mess - that new members must be elected by the committees (which no longer existed) and that members (there being practically none) would elect the committee. Meanwhile the old officers and committees are in many places still purporting to carry on. What they do is however strictly speaking ultra vires.

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5. The present position of ANPI in the North is this, that certain persons, sometimes ex patriots, sometimes politicians have assumed positions of authority, in some places also Committees are purporting to act. These persons are quite irresponsible and in many places they appear to have been acting in most improper ways levying contributions and terrorising districts businesses and persons.

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6. The potentialities of a wrongly handled and wrongly controlled ANPI are very great. It is a potential army. The Provincial and Communal Committees have the names of all the fighter who feel strongly enough to act rather than talk - organised by communes under a forceful head.

7. The statutes governing ANPI are very good. They are on thoroughly democratic Lines.

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7. The organisation is non-party. Election of Communal Committees Delegates and officers is by secret ballot; as is that of ~~So are~~ Provincial Committees Delegates and officers. Resolutions are not valid unless passed by a majority at a meeting at which 50% of those entitled to vote are present.

8. But under the present officers and present committees (who have not been approved by ANPI, nor as in AMG territory they should be, by AMG and are in many cases self appointed,) there is no surety that future elections will be conducted secretely; There is no guarantee that members will be elected without regard to party. A local party weapon can thus be created which can be used to territorise opponents and directions might well be issued as to the way in which local communities shall vote in Government elections and opponents be frightened from voting.

9. These potentialities are obviously contrary to the spirit and intention of the ANPI statutes and exist only because of the ambitions and intrigues of local political bosses. The best way of countering them is to ensure.

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10. In my view the organisation of ANPI if mishandled may have extremely serious consequences. The most effective way of countering these potentialities is to ensure its organisation on the widest most democratic and non-party lines. This can only be ensured if ANG officers devote real time and attention to organising it. If we are to do anything effective. it must be done at once or there will be no time

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MINISTRY OF POST WAR AIDE

Ref. No. 2075

ROME, 23 August 1945

SUBJECT: Organization of the A.N.P.I.

TO: COLONEL CRIPPS

I have examined the instructions to the Regional commissioners of the local organization of the A.N.P.I.

I agree that in many places the communal and provincial sections do not function as they should and what is more, they are not constituted in accordance with the statute of the Organization. Nevertheless I do not believe that a reform along the lines indicated by the above mentioned instructions can be effected.

As a matter of fact since the A.N.P.I. has been formed as a moral body (ente morale), because of the laws at present in effect in Italy, every amendment to its statute can be effected only by a decision of the assembly, which must be approved subsequently by decree. The public administration cannot on its own initiative amend the statute; it may only suspend persons who act against public order.

In the present case it is felt that the only solution would be found in exerting pressure on the executive committee of the A.N.P.I. so that the measures suggested by the A.C. may be adopted temporarily pending the constitution of the assembly.

I believe finally that, apart from the above mentioned legal considerations, the adoption of imperative measures would present the risk of obtaining results opposite those desired, by irking those who, correctly or incorrectly, are at present working in the A.N.P.I.

THE MINISTER

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Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-bellica

- Servizio Assistenza Partigiani -

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Roma 23 agosto 1945

Oggetto: Organizzazione dell'A.N.P.I. -

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Infatti, essendo stata l'A.N.P.I. eretta in ente morale, ogni modifica del suo statuto per le leggi attualmente vigenti in Italia non può avvenire che in seguito a decisione dell'assemblea, approvata successivamente con decreto. Di sua iniziativa la pubblica amministrazione non può procedere a modifiche dello statuto; può soltanto, eventualmente, intervenire a sospendere persone che operino in modo contrario all'ordine pubblico.

Nel caso presente, si ritiene che l'unica soluzione possi-

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bile sarebbe di fare pressione sul Comitato direttivo dell'A.N.P.I., affinchè, in attesa che possa essere costituita l'assemblea, vengano adottati in via provvisoria i provvedimenti indicati da cotesta On. A.C.-

Ritengo infine che, a parte le suddette ragioni di diritto, con l'adottare sistemi troppo imperativi, si correrebbe il rischio di ottenere risultati opposti a quelli voluti esasperando coloro che attualmente, bene o male, lavorano nell'A.N.P.I.-

IL MINISTRO

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20 August 1945

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In continuation of this HQ 135/PAT of 21 Jul.

1. It is considered important that ANPI should be started on correct democratic lines before the North is handed over to Italian administration and that the first elections should be held as soon as possible so that those irregularly in office may be replaced by constitutionally elected persons.

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6. Where a committee has already been formed strictly in accordance with the ANPI statutes it will not be displaced by a temporary committee, but it is extremely doubtful if any existing committee has in fact been constitutionally appointed.

7. Where an irregularly appointed committee (or officer) is in existence (or office), the unauthorised committee will be called together after nominations from CLN have been obtained; the position will be explained and those concerned informed that they were not authorised to take any action and must hand everything over to the proper temporary committee.

8. The first function of the temporary Provincial Committees will be to approve provisional membership under para 20 of the Statutes.

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9. IMPRs should from their records ascertain what communes are entitled to form branches (20 members (para 3)) hand them a stencil copy of the statutes and induce them to form a branch and submit the names of those wishing to join the Provincial Committees.

10. IMPRs will when sufficient members have been provisionally accepted take steps to call or assist in calling the first communal assembly which will
   a) appoint the communal delegate or delegates to the provincial assembly.
   b) appoint the communal committee.

11. As soon as reasonably may be after the various communes entitled have elected their delegates IMPRs will ensure with the assistance of the temporary committee the calling of the first assembly (which may be called and opened by the Prefect)

The assembly will appoint
   a) the provincial delegates to the national assembly
   b) the Provincial committee which will after the meeting take over its functions from the temporary committee.

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APPENDIX to this HQ 135/PAT dated 20 August

As the Italian people have not been able to exercise a democratic or secret ballot for over 20 years guidance as to a usual procedure may be useful. In the case of elections, It is desirable that nominations should be procured before hand and ballot papers prepared (by type or stencil). It this is not possible there should be an adjournment for preparation of ballot papers. Voters will not write the names of those for whom they vote on slips of paper. A member should be appointed to distribute ballot papers, he should have a list of persons entitled to vote and make a mark against every person entitled to vote to whom he hands a ballot paper. A receptacle for ballot papers should be provided and should be shown to voters to be empty before voting begins. Voters will make no mark on their papers except a X against the person FOR whom they vote. Any paper bearing a mark by which it or the voter can be identified will not be counted. Nor will papers on which too many votes are recorded be counted. No person will be allowed to take a ballot paper out of the room in which voting takes place. He will use it at once and not leave the room until he had deposited his paper in the voting receptacle. Arrangements will be made whereby a person can mark his paper without other persons seeing what he is doing. After marking his paper he will fold it and place it at once in the voting receptacle without any person seeing how it has been marked.

The total number of votes cast will be checked, spoilt papers will be added and the total should equal the number of papers issued.

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Associa[illegible]e Nazionale Partigiani d'Ital[illegible]
National Committee

Translation

Rome 13 August 1945

n. 2518

To: HQ AC Local Government S/6
Patriots Branch Rome

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Answering your letters ref 135/PAT dated 19 July and 2 August. 15A

Provincial Committees of ANPI have been instituted in accordance with rules followed for the institution of the provisional National Committee, i.e. applying to the Provincial Committees of Liberation who vide circulars of C.C.L.N. dated 19/10/1944 and ref 2005 dated 7/4/1944 have promoted in each Province the institution of provincial sections of ANPI.

With such a policy, provincial committees of ANPI have been formed with personnel recommended or approved by the Provincial CLs who should, wherever possible, be responsible for their partisan activity, for their morality and capacity, making also the necessary provisions in order that the essential political currents who organised the fight for liberation should be represented on the committee -

Furthermore the above Committees should be approved by the National Committee - It is understood that until the time of provincial congress, the committees will function provisionally. If this is not made clear by an article of the Statute, which instead gives precise rules for the institution of the final committees -

Concerning the remark which was made to us about Art 20, the procedure which we followed is exactly the same one you recommended, because all members are accepted provisionally, until final recognition of partisan status is granted by the specially appointed committees, in abeyance to the D.L.L. recently approved by the council of Ministers.

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for the Provisional National Committee
The Secretary of the Committee

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Translation

Comitato Centrale
di
Liberazione Nazionale

N. 124

ROME 19/X/1944
Piazza SS Apostoli, 73

To: Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale
Provinciale
presso
R. Prefettura
T A R A N T O

for information

To: Comitato Nazionale Provvisoria della
Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia
A.N.P.I.

Campidoglio

It is recommended that your provincial C.L.N. should promote as soon as possible the institution of the local sections and communal sub sections of ANPI. We therefore enclose a copy of the manefects, in due time issued by this C.C.L.N.

Once instituted ANPI will function independently. Communal sub sections will hand to the corresponding Provincial section and provincial sections to the National Provisional Committee - Campidoglio, Rome.

Awaiting aoknowledgement on the matter.

C.C.L.N.
The Secretary.

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C.C.L.N. ROME 7/4/45.

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To all Provincial Committees of National Liberation -

for information to: ANPI National Committee Rome.

With reference to queries by some C.L.N. to this C.C.L.N. we wish to make the following clear, concerning the institution of provincial sections of ANPI.

They shall promote local sections of ANPI on those localities where they have not yet been instituted, setting up a promoting committee composed of one delegate for each one of the Parties who suscribed to the smae Provincial C.L.N.

The above promoting committee will then make arrangements with the National ANPI Committee of Rome, receiving from it instructions concerning the future activities of the Section, and maintaining a cordial co-operation with the local C.L.N. The attendance of all ANPI delegates at the works of the corresponding provincial C.L.N. must be excluded - Any jurisdiction of C.L.N. over the ANPI section must equally be excluded, as the ANPI section will receive instructions direct from the ANPI National Committee of Rome as mentioned above.

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ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

(ENTE MORALE D. L. 5 APRILE 1945 N. 224)

COMITATO NAZIONALE

pour - 16/8/45

ROMA, 13 Agosto 1945

Via Savoia, 13 - Telef. 865545

N. 358 di Prot.

Risposta al .....

Oggetto: .....

TO HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

LOCAL GOVERNAMENT SUB COMMISSION

PATRIOTS BRANCH

R O M A

Alle Vostre lettere n° 135/PAT del 19 luglio u.s. e 135/PAT del 2 Agosto corr.-

I Comitati provinciali dell'A.N.P.I. sono stati creati con le stesse modalità seguite per la costituzione di quello Nazionale provvisorio e cioè ricorrendo all'opera dei Comitati di Liberazione Provinciali i quali (vedi copia circolari C.C.L.N. del 19/10/1944 e n° 2006 del 7/4/1945) hanno promosso in ogni provincia, la costituzione delle Sezioni Provinciali dell'A.N.P.I.-

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Inoltre tali Comitati debbono essere approvati da quello Nazionale. S'intende che fino all'epoca dei Congressi Provinciali tali Comitati funzioneranno in via provvisoria anche se ciò non è espressamente chiarito in un articolo dello Statuto il quale invece detta norme precise per la istituzione dei Comitati definitivi.-

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Circa l'appunto fattoci riguardo all'Art. 20, la precedura seguita è esattamente quella da voi suggeritaci, essendo tutti i soci, accolti come provvisori e cioè fino al riconoscimento della qualifica di partigiano che sarà dato dalle apposite Commissioni, in conformità del Decreto-legge testè approvato dal Consiglio dei Ministri.-

R' evidente che per l'ammissione a socio provvisorio è tenuto, tra i documenti esibiti, del dovuto conto, il certificato di Alexander.

IL SEGRETARIO DEL COMITATO

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C O P I A

COMITATO CENTRALE
di
LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE

Prot. 124

Roma, 19/X/1944
Piazza SS Apostoli,73

Al
COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE
PROVINCIALE
presso
R. PREFETTURA
T A R A N T O

e p.c.

Al
COMITATO NAZIONALE PROVVISORIO della
ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA
A. N. P. I.
Campidoglio

Si raccomanda a questo C.L.N. provinciale di promuovere al più presto la Sezione locale e le Sottosezioni comunali dipendenti dell'Associazione Nazionale Partigiani Italiani. si allega pertanto copia del manifesto diramato a suo tempo da questo C.C.L.N. Dopo la costituzione l'A.N.P.I. avrà funzionamento [illegible]

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Presso

R. PREFETTURA

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COMITATO NAZIONALE PROVVISORIO della

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A. N. P. I.

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Si resta in attesa di cortesi assicurazioni al riguardo 78

C.C.L.N.
Il Segretario
(Dr. Ing. Aldo Repetto)

n° 1 All.

P. IL COMITATO PROVINCIALE
IL SEGRETARIO DEL COMITATO

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

Prot. 2006/IS Roma, 7/4/45

A tutti i Comitati Provinciali di Liberazione Nazionale

e p.c. All'Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia
Comitato Nazionale.
ROMA

Con riferimento ai quesiti formulati da alcuno C.L.N. a questo C.C.L.N., si precisa quanto segue in relazione alla costituzione delle Sezioni provinciali dell'A.N.P.I.:
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Detto Comitato promotore provvederà successivamente ad accordarsi con il Comitato Nazionale A.N.P.I. di Roma, ricevendo da questo istruzioni circa l'attività da svolgere per il funzionamento della Sezione, e mantenendo soltanto rapporti di cordiale collaborazione con il locale C.L.N. E' quindi da escludere la partecipazione di un delegato dell'A.N.P.I. ai lavori del C.L.N. provinciale corrispondente e

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Comitato Centrale di Liberazione Nazionale.

Il Segretario

F.to Dott. A. Renatto

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p. IL COMITATO NAZIONALE PROVVISORIO
IL SEGRETARIO DEL COMITATO

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Tel No 489081
Ext 358

Ref 135/PAT

9 Aug 1945

Subject : Constitution of ANPI.

To : Secretary General ANPI.

12A

When may an answer be expected to this HQ. AC. 135/PAT of 19 Jul

It was understood that you would deal with this letter before the 31 Jul.

If AMG is to take any effective action in starting ANPI on the right lines it is essential that this matter should be dealt with in the next few days.

This HQ 135/PAT of 2 2 Aug also refers.

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+ R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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MR. DEAN

The attached was interesting but more written before we had talked to ANPI were printed until (and then revised) that to officers of Committee of ANPI were equally in evidence.

If ANPI is to do this work the sooner it is organized (and on the right lines) the better.

There is very little time left if we are to start the game.

31 JUL. 1945

At the meeting with Big Tomara yesterday - he agreed that the old ANPI Officers had to right to go on acting. He said he was anxious to find a step to it - they were committing irregularities and generally were embarrassing

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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: FILE NO:

TO : Agriculture 194

Please see RIX/HQ/C/13. of 15 Jul. Rep't of Functional Regional directive on 14 Jul. — Power Agriculture. A copy of which is Econ Sec.

This is the second occasion that Vienna have stirred up a report that this HQ has forbidden cooperation of WPSEA officials. Your telegram on this subject (with which this HQ concurred when obviously been misread) will you please once — to make it quite clear to Vienna correction & that no such instructions have been issued. But that any such instructions must not be carried out in the private of discriminatory — Econ — to the disadvantage of Austria as non-aggressor — Hungarian functions & cooperation may be carried on by the various Hungarian Min should be exceptions

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31 JUL 1945

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C.L.N.A.I.
CORPO VOLONTARI DELLA LIBERTA'

COMANDO REGIONALE LOMBARDO

CLEARING OFFICE

File No. 395/ Segr.

Milano, 21 July 1945

SUBJECT: Memorandum FERRUCCIO PARRI
TO : THE HEAD OF THE CLEARING OFFICE OF THE Hq. OF LOMBARDIA ZONE

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- Letter 358 - D - 2 dated 18 July 1945 from the General Hq. of C.V.L.

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In their turn the Head Clearing Office shall call to collaborate all those persons who have been active in the past.

Every zone Hq must report in writing in the briefest time possible on the following questions:

1. Number of patriots which up to 23 July have received the mobilization bonus of a thousand lire from the proper offices.

2. Number of patriots which up to 23 July have not received the mobilization bonus of 1,000 lire from the proper offices; and the reasons for the failure to pay the bonus.

3. Number of partisans who up to 23 July have received the bonus of 5000 lire from the competent offices.

4. Number of partisans who up to 23 July have not received the bonus of 5000 lire from the competent offices and the reasons for the failure to pay the bonus.

5. Number of wounded partisans who up to 23 July have withdrawn from the competent offices the sum of 10,000 lire due to them.

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6. Number of wounded partisans who up to 23 July have not withdrawn the sum of 10,000 lire and the reasons for the failure to pay the bonus.

7. Number of families of fallen Partisans who up to 23 July have received the sum of 20,000 lire from the proper offices.

8. Number of families of fallen partisans who up to 23 July have not received the sum of 20,000 lire, and the reason for the failure to pay the bonus.

9. Point reached in collection of records of pensions granted to invalids, mutilated and family relatives of killed partisans.

10. Number of invalids and mutilated due to partisan war operations. As regards this matter, ask the Patriots Offices if they have done anything and if so request information from the..

In any case it should be remembered that the Zone Headquarters only are responsible for sending in the names of those who have the right to such allowances. The local "Associazione Mutilati e Combattenti" can give information on how to proceed. This work is of utmost importance.

11. Situation on the progress in classifying the partisans, patriots and persons worthy of mention, and state particularly;

Number of Partisans, Patriots and persons worthy of mention estimated to be in the districts.

Number of partisans, patriots and persons worthy of mention already classified by the Commission as on 23 July.

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Difficulties against carrying out their work.

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Unit's strength
District in which unit operated clandestinely and district in which it operated during the insurrection.

b. separate lists of the fallen, wounded, mutilated, invalids and dispersed sustained by each unit during both the clandestine operations and the insurrection, with in each case:
- name and surname
- date of birth
- place where killed or wounded

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c. Number of enemy prisoners taken in the district during the various stages of the clandestine and insurrectional was (with if possible a separate list for each unit and the place where taken).

d. Probable number of enemies killed and wounded in the various moments of the clandestine and insurrectional fight (distributed for each unit, mentioning the locality).

13. What has so far been done in connection with collecting compensations for partisan valor. State:
Number of proposals to grant gold, silver and bronze medals and war crosses so far collected;
Number of such proposals it is expected will be made: difficulties and consequent proposals.

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14. Pending administrative operations. State number of requisition coupons which may have been issued by the various units both during the clandestine period and insurrection and which have not yet been paid for:

15. Claims for damages caused by partisan units which are at present suspended and their amount.

16. Financial situation with the following information as on 25th April:
sums received from the Lombard Regional HQ.
sums received from other bodies or persons;
sums received from nazi and fascist military bodies;
sums received from German and fascist prisoners
total expenses hitherto sustained;
total credit as on 23 July 1945.

We are fully aware of the great responsability falling on every Commander in this administrative field. We point out that the superior authorities have instituted Commissions of enquiries which have already begun to function. Furthermore, notwithstanding our repeated requests, so far very few zone HQ have sent in their accounts.

The situation requested must be <u>true</u>. Nothing must be omitted or wilfully ignored and it must be borne in mind that the whole report will be presented to the Presidency of the Council.

17. Answer the following questions:

- Numbers of partisans and patriots who have applied for enlistment in the army;
- Number of partisans and patriots who have requested to volunteer in the war against Japan;
- Number of partisans and patriots who as on 23 July were registered in the various police corps (auxiliary, railway, forest, road-traffic police, etc.).
- Number of partisans and patriots employed in civil life.

18. Number of partisans belonging to foreign nations, giving nationality.

19. Number of officers in permanent service and in reserve authorized to take the oath and serve in the forces of the R.S.I. (Italian Social Republic)

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21. Number of officers in permanent service and in reserve and non-commissioned officers who have made a regular application to serve in the army.

22. Number of officers and non-commissioned officers who, having asked to re-enter the army, have been regularly reassumed.

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23. Number and type of cooperation so far constituted and in operation. Specify characteristics of each and the personnel not giving satisfactory results.

24. All zone HQ's with the exception of Lecco, Cremona, Mantova, Varese, answer to letter No. 129 of 23 June which requested to know:
the most important problems regarding partisans which it is desired might be solved;
the wishes of the partisans;
matters which have given rise to deep resentment throughout the province;
the feelings of the partisans;
various proposals;

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25. We wish all of you to point out whatever you think is important toward a practical solution of the most urgent national problems in the social, political and economical fields (reconstruction). It should be born in mind that the partisans must be consulted in connection with these problems; in fact it is our duty to make our contribution of concrete proposals.
Ask the opinion of each one the unit commanders.

The replies to the 25 questions in this letter must reach this Office as soon as possible and in no case later than 2 August.

We have decided to hold a meeting in order to study the complex problems and we therefore desire every zone HQ. to send two representatives to Milan-Lombardian Regional HQ", Via Albania, No. 36 - on 4th August (Saturday) at 9 (nine hours).

The zone representatives must be in a position to report on the situation referred to in the above list of questions in all its points.

The zone Headquarters are requested to hold in their turn a meeting of all the commanders of the dissolved partisan units and the local members of the A.N.P.I., in order to discuss the problems, collect the necessary data and record the proposals to be made.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of these instructions by telephone - Milan (62244) -

Lombardian Regional HQ.
Director of Settlment Office
/s/ Enrico Gandolfi

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

ROME, 16 July 1945

AIDE-MEMOIRE
FOR THE DIRECTING COMMITTEE OF THE SETTLEMENT OFFICE OF THE GENERAL Hq. C.V.L.

FOR THE DIRECTING COMMITTEE OF THE A.N.P.I.

1) I wish to repeat my request that enquiries be made immediately in order to ascertain how far the granting of the 5 - 10 - 20,000 lire has progressed in the various regions of North Italy, politely asking for the results.

2) The collection of the records of pensions granted to invalids, mutilated and family relatives of fallen partisans. I do not think the settlment Offices are in a position to assume this task permanently, which should be entrusted to the A.N.P.I. I have no knowledge of the state of organization in this Office and I think therefore you had better give orders to the Regional Settlement Offices to have "Pensions Protection Offices" (Uffici patronato pensioni) set up in as short time possible in the regional offices of the A.N.P.I., for controlling and stimulating the operations in their initial phases.

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Tell the partisans that the Government will do all it can to keep the promises made.

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Send me reports on the progress of the operations.

4) Arrange for chronological reports to be sent in to you on the strenght of the divisions and independent units; and also lists of names of the killed, dispersed, ... and mutilated, list of the numbers of wounded and numbers of prisoners taken, with sound estimates of the enemy killed and wounded in chronological order. These data will be used by the History Office and then sent to me.

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5) The War Ministry agrees with us to institute in Milan the Commission for allotting awards to the members of the C.V.L. (excluding gold medals), in which representatives of the said Ministry and of the partisans (who should be nominated by the A.N.P.I) will take part. Make agreements with the A.N.P.I. and come to direct agreements with the War Ministry; you may report directly to Under Secretary Colaiani. As regards this part also it is necessary to proceed rapidly.

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Set peremptory time limits for presenting applications, which must be sent in to you. The investigations should be conducted properly and with uniform criteria throughout all of North Italy. It might be better to have a single Investigations Office in Milan with representatives of the other regions, and leave the Settlement Offices of the Regional Hq. with only the task of collecting the applications: this decision is left to you. Warn all partisans that the investigations will be severe because it is not wished to feed vanity.

When the possibility comes, we shall hold solemn ceremonies for the awards in the presence of Cadorna, Longo and Parri in Milan and in the main regional cities.

6) Your Committee and the Committee of the A.N.P.I. are to contact the War Ministry and especially Under Secretary Colaiani, as regards drafting partisans into the Army, organizing training schools and courses (make agreements with the Ministry of Post War Aid), and as regards the question of recognizing the ranks of military personnel in permanent service and in reserve.

7) Friends of the General Hq. are requested to make out partisan and patriot certificates and special certificates of honorable mention for all those who served with the former Central Military Committee and later with the General Hq.

/s/ Ferruccio Parri

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UFFICIO STRALCIO

Milano 21 Luglio 1945

Prot. N° 395/Segr.

28 LUG 1945

O.G.G.E.T T O : Promemoria FERRUCCIO PARRI

AI CAPI UFFICIO STRALCIO COMANDO ZONA LOMBARDIA

Si trasmette in copia:

- Promemoria del Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministeri in data 16 Luglio.

- Foglio 358 - D - 2 di protocollo in data 18/7/45 del Comando Generale C.V.L.

- Foglio 245/Pers. in data 5/7/45 di questo Comando al quale ad oggi hanno risposto solo i Comandi di LECCO - PAVIA - MANTOVA.

Dall'esame attento di quanto in copia si trasmette si ravvede la responsabilità che le Superiori Autorità continuano a dare ai Comandi del disciolto C.V.L., unici e veri rappresentanti del movimento Partigiano e di tutta l'opera che in periodo clandestino e in quello insurrezionale si è attuata.

L'ANPI deve lavorare al nostro fianco e di pari passo essendo chiamata a continuare nel tempo l'opera dei Partigiani in Italia con tutti quei compiti morali, sociali ed economici che ne conseguono.

Ciascheduno di noi deve assumere e sentire la responsabilità della funzione cui è chiamato a svolgere e per questo il Comando scrivente in-veste in pieno le persone dei Capi Uffici Stralcio del dovere di mettersi in grado di avere alla mano la situazione del movimento Partigiano.

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A loro volta i Capi Ufficio Stralcio chiamino a collaborare quanti in passato hanno operato.

Ogni Comando Zona deve riferire per iscritto nel più breve tempo possibile sugli argomenti che in appresso si indicano:

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1. N° dei Patrioti che alla data del 23/7 hanno ricevuto dai competenti Uffici il premio di smobilitazione di L. 1000.-

2. N° dei Patrioti che alla data del 23/7 non hanno ricevuto dai competenti uffici il premio di L. 1000;= nonchè le ragioni di questo mancato pagamento.

3. N° dei Partigiani che alla data del 23/7 hanno ricevuto dai competenti uffici il premio di L. 5000.-

4. N° dei Partigiani che alla data del 23/7 non hanno ricevuto il premio di L. 5000.- nonchè le ragioni di questo mancato pagamento

5. N° dei Partigiani feriti che alla data del 23/7 hanno ritirato dai competenti uffici la somma spettante a loro di L. 10.000.-

6. N° dei Partigiani feriti che alla data del 23/7 non hanno ritirato la somma di L.10.000.- nonchè le ragioni di questo mancato pagamento.

7. N° delle famiglie dei caduti Partigiani che alla data del 23/7 hanno avuto dai competenti Uffici la somma di L. 20.000.-

8. N° delle famiglie dei Caduti Partigiani che alla data del 23/7 non hanno avuto la somma di L.20.000.- nonchè le ragioni ~~di~~ di tale mancato pagamento.

9. A che punto si è colla raccolta della documentazione per le concessioni delle pensioni/ mutilati e familiari del Caduto della Guerra Partigiana. invalidi

10. N° degli invalidi e mutilati per azioni di guerra partigiana. Per quanto riguarda queste pratiche chiedere agli Uffici Patrioti se hanno fatto qualche cosa al riguardo: in caso affermativo trarre da loro le notizie.

Ci si ricordi comunque che responsabile delle segnalazioni degli aventi diritto a tale concessione sono unicamente i Comandi Zona . La locale Associazione Mutilati e Combattenti può dare notizie sul modo di costruire le pratiche relative. Questo lavoro è della massima importanza.

11. Situazione su come prosegue la classificazione dei Partigiani,Patrioti e benemeriti e in modo particolare segnalare:

N° dei Partigiani,Patrioti e Benemeriti che si prevede 7805 abbia la zona .

N° Partigiani,Patrioti e Benemeriti già classificati dalla Commissione alla data del 23/7,

Composizione della Commissione giudicatrice e suo piano di lavoro:

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Difficoltà sullo svolgimento di tale lavoro.

Proposta di fissare un termine di presentazione domande per ottenere la concessioni.

12. Necessita di avere il seguente quadro:

a. elenco di tutte le formazioni (dalla Brigata in su) esistenti e operanti nella zona alla data del I° Maggio 1945 con indicata per ognuna di esse (sia formazione di montagna,,GAP,SAP ecc).

Nome del Comandante ,del Commissario di Guerra con la loro abituale residenza.

Forza numerica

Zona ove la formazione operava in periodo clandestino e in quello insurrezionale .

b. Elenchi distinti dei Caduti , feriti, mutilati,invalidi e dispersi avuti da ogni formazione, sia in periodo clandestino che in quello insurrezionale, e per ciascheduno :

- Nome e cognome
- Data di nascita
- Località di morte o ferimento

c. N° dei prigionieri nemici fatti nella zona nei diversi momenti della lotta clandestina e insurrezionale (possibilmente suddivisi per ogni formazione con indicata la località).

d. N° probabile dei morti e feriti nemici nei diversi momenti della lotta clandestina e insurrezionale (possibilmente suddivisi per ogni formazione con indicata la località).

13. Quanto si è fatto finora per la raccolta delle ricompense al valore partigiano. Indicare:

N° delle proposte di concessione medaglie d'oro, d'argento, di bronzo e croci di guerra finora raccolte;

N° di tali proposte e approssimativamente si attendono di ricevere ;difficoltà e proposte conseguenti.

14. Pendenze amministrative in corso, indicando l'ammontare degli eventuali buoni di requisizione a suo tempo rilasciati dalle varie formazioni sia in periodo clandestino che in quello insurrezionale e non ancora pagate. 7804

15. Ricorsi per danni provocati da Reparti Partigiani tuttora in sospeso e loro ammontare.

16. Situazione finanziaria con indicato alla data del 25/4

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quanto segue:

- somme avute dal Comando Regionale Lombardo
- somme avute da altri Enti e persone
- somme ricuperate da Enti militari nazisti e fascisti
- somme ricuperate dai prigionieri tedeschi e fascisti
- ammontare delle spese finora sostenute
- ammontare delle rimanenze di cassa alla data del 23/7/45

Questo Comando ricorda la grandissima responsabilità che ricade su ogni Comandante in questo campo amministrativo.
Si fa presente che sono state istituite Commissioni d'inchiesta da parte delle autorità superiori.Commissioni che sono già entrate in funzione. Si rileva a proposito che nonostante i ripetuti inviti oggi pochissimi Comandi zona hanno inviato la contabilità allo scrivente.
La situazione che si richiede deve essere veritiera, nulla deve essere taciuto o volutamente ignorato,ricordando che il tutto sarà segnalato alla Presidenza del Consiglio.

17. Rispondere alle seguenti domande:
-N° dei Partigiani e Patrioti che hanno chiesto di arruolarsi nell'esercito;
- N° Partigiani e Patrioti che hanno chiesto di essere volontari per la guerra in Giappone;
- N° Partigiani e Patrioti arruolati al 23/7 nelle diverse
- Polizie (ausiliaria,ferroviaria,forestale,traffico stradale ecc.)
- N° Partigiani e Patrioti impiegati nella vita civile.

18. N° Partigiani appartenenti a stati esteri indicando la nazionalità.

19. N° Ufficiali in S.P.E. e di complemento autorizzati a giurare e prestare servizio nelle ff. dell'ex R.S.I.

20. N° Sottufficiali carriera o richiamati autorizzati a giurare e prestare servizio nelle ff. dell'ex R.S.I.

21. N° Ufficiali in S.P.E e di complemento e dei sottufficiali che hanno regolarmente chiesto di entrare nell'esercito per prestare servizio.

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22. N° Ufficiali e Sottufficiali che avendo chiesto di rientrare nell'esercito sono stati regolarmente assunti.

23. N° e tipo delle cooperative finora costituite e funzionanti,per ognuna specificare sue caratteristiche ,

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personale impiegato e molle di lavoro.

24. I Comandi Zona ad eccezione di LECCO,CREMONA,MANTOVA e Varese, rispondono al foglio N° 129 del 23/6/ ove si richiedeva su :

- problemi più importanti che si gradirebbe fossero risolti e che riguardano i Partigiani;
- desiderata dei Partigiani;
- segnalazioni dei fatti che hanno prodotto vivo risentimento in provincia,
- stato d'animo dei Partigiani;
- proposte varie;

25. Tutti facciano presente quanto più credano opportuno per contribuire a risolvere sul terreno pratico i più scottanti problemi nazionali,sia sociali che politici ed economici (ricostruzione). Si ricorda che questi problemi non devono essere lontani i Partigiani, al contrario si ha il dovere di apportare il nostro contributo di proposte concrete.
Si interpellino al riguardo i Comandanti di formazioni perchè ognuno esprima il proprio parere.

Le proposte ai 25 quesiti di cui il presente foglio devono pervenire al più presto possibile e comunque non oltre il 2 Agosto.

Si rende necessaria una riunione per l'esame dei complessi problemi che interessano e per questo si stabilisce che ogni Comando Zona invii due Rappresententi a Milano- presso il COMANDO REGIONALE LOMBARDO Via Albania N°36 - il giorno 4/8 (sabato) per le ore 9 (nove) .

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I Rappresentanti di Zona devono essere in grado di illustrare la situazione dei quesiti sopra elencati in ogni suo punto.

Si pregano i Comandi Zona di indire dal canto loro, una riunione alla quale devono partecipare tutti i Comandanti delle disciolte formazioni partigiane e gli esponenti locali dell'A.N.P.I.; in modo da discutere i problemi,raccogliere i dati necessari e annotare le proposte da far conoscere.

Si dia assicurazione a mezzo telefono -Milano- (62244) della recezione del presente foglio.

COMANDO REGIONALE LOMBARDO
IL CAPO UFFICIO STRALCIO fto ENRICO GANDOLFI

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COPIA

IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

Roma, 16 Luglio 1945

PROMEMORIA PER
IL COMITATO DIRETTIVO DELL'UFFICIO STRALCIO DEL COMANDO GENERALE C.V.L.

IL COMITATO DIRETTIVO A.N.P.I.

1.) Rinnovo la preghiera già fatta di allestire una rapida inchiesta per accertare a che punto sia la corresponsione delle 5-10-20.000 lire nelle varie regioni dell'Italia Settentrionale, informandosi cortesemente dei risultati.

2.) Occorre avviare subito la raccolta della documentazione per la concessione delle pensioni a invalidi e mutilati e famigliari dei caduti della guerra partigiana.
Non credo gli Uffici Stralcio siano più in grado di assumersi stabilmente il compito relativo, che dovrebbe essere affidato alla A.N.P.I. Ignoro lo stato di organizzazione di questa e perciò mi sembra meglio diate disposizioni agli Uffici Stralcio Regionali perchè sollecitino la costituzione di "Uffici Patronato Pensioni" presso le sedi regionali dell'A.N.P.I. che esercitino opera di controllo e stimolo durante la fase di primo avviamento.
Come sapete, si estende ai partigiani la legge normale per le pensioni di guerra. Credo potrete trovare anche costì presso gli Uffici Statali competenti (od Associazioni Nazionali Mutilati e Combattenti) le indicazioni necessarie per costruire la pratica. Procuro in ogni modo che siano mandate di qui istruzioni.
Il vostro compito è di preliminare istruttoria. Il Ministero dell'Assistenza vi darà indicazioni sul seguito delle pratiche e cercherò che esse si sviluppino sollecitamente; cercheremo di autorizzare il Ministero a concedere anticipi sulle pensioni da liquidare; Voi, o meglio l'A.N.P.I., deve dare assoluta garanzia di serio controllo delle pratiche. 7801
Dite sempre ai partigiani che il Governo farà quanto può perchè le promesse siano mantenute.

3.) Occorre che la concessione dei brevetti partigiani venga accellerata e resa sistematica per l'importanza che tale documento viene ad assumere. Disponete perchè il lavoro sia orga-

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nizzato in tutte le regioni, in accordo con l'A.N.P.I., con ogni serietà, evitando sempre che la concessione resti senza controllo in mano del singolo Comandante.
Stabilite dei termini di tempo per la presentazione delle domande di coloro che non vengono brevettati ex-ufficio, dando la pubblicità necessaria tra i partigiani.
Datemi qualche notizia sullo sviluppo dell'Organizzazione.

4.) Disponete perchè siano centralizzate presso di voi le situazioni cronologiche della forza, delle divisioni e unità autonome; vi siano dati gli elenchi nominativi dei caduti, dispersi, invalidi e mutilati; gli elenchi numerici dei feriti, dei prigionieri fatti, con valutazioni serie dei nemici uccisi e feriti disposte cronologicamente. Tali dati dovranno essere poi utilizzati dall'Ufficio Storico, e comunicati a me.

5.) Il Ministero della Guerra è d'accordo per insediare a Milano la Commissione per le ricompense da assegnare ai membri del C.V.L. (escluse le medaglie d'oro), con la partecipazione di rappresentanti del Ministero stesso e dei partigiani (che dovrebbero essere designati dall'A.N.P.I.).
Prendete accordo con l'A.N.P.I., e quindi stabilite dirette intese con il Ministero della Guerra; potete far capo eventualmente al sottosegretario Colaianni. Anche per questa parte occorre provvedere rapidamente.
Stabilite termini perentori per la presentazione delle domande, da centralizzare presso di voi. Le istruttorie siano serie e condotte con uniformità di criteri per tutta l'Italia Settentrionale. A questo scopo meglio forse avere una Commissione istruttoria unica a Milano con rappresentanti delle altre regioni, lasciando agli uffici Stralcio dei Comandi Regionali il semplice compito di raccolta delle domande: decidete voi. Avvertite i compagni partigiani che l'istruttoria sarà severa perchè non si vuole alimentare una nuova fiera della vanità.
Quando si avrà la possibilità, indiremo cerimonie solenni di consegna alla presenza di Cadorna, Longo e Parri a Milano e nei principali centri regionali. 7800

6.) Il vostro Comitato ed il Comitato dell'A.N.P.I. prendano contatto con il Ministero della Guerra, ed in particolare con il Segretario Colaianni, per quanto ha tratto alla inserzione dei Partigiani nell'Esercito, alla organizzazione di eventuali corsi e scuole di addestramento (prendere

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accordi con il Ministero dell'Assistenza); alla questione del riconoscimento dei gradi nel ruolo effettivo e nel ruolo di complemento.

7.) Prego gli amici del Comando Generale di voler curare la confezione degli attestati di partigiano e di patriota e di attestati particolari di benemerenza per coloro che hanno servito con l'antico Comitato Militare Centrale e poi con il Comando Generale.

f.to Ferruccio Parri

P.C.C.
F.to A. AIRAGHI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Tel No 489081
Ext 358

Ref : 135/PAT

2 August 1945

Subject : Statutes of ANPI

To : Secretary General ANPI.

Can you please now say what is being done about the problem in connection with the setting up of ANPI which was referred to in this HQ AC 135/PAT of 19 Jul.

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R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel,
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Local Government Sub Commission.

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FROM FOR. CORR. SECTION

Major Louis di Casella IPI attached to HQ Italia Region, who reported concerning this office, has stated the following re the A.N.P.I.

In that Region the A.N.P.I., set up by people who are not necessarily bona fide patriots, still retains its character of semi-military organisations as locally the chiefs of the sections and their staffs are no other than the chiefs and staffs of the disbanded Brigades, whose members in turn are for the greatest majority the members of local A.N.P.I. sections.

Local A.N.P.I. Sections also seem to be receiving important subventions from political parties (especially the communist party) who consequently are responsible for the appointments of A.N.P.I. officials.

The majority of bona fide patriots or partisans have all together separated themselves from the movement which they no longer approve.

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Col. PWA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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PATRIOTS BRANCH

CONFIDENTIAL

Tel. No. 489081
Ext. 321

Ref : 135/PAT

Subject: The National Association of Italian Patriots

21st July, 1945.

To : RCs Liguria, Piemonte, Lombardia, Venezie, Emilia. (attention Patriot Officer)

1. There is still misunderstanding as to the position, functions and powers of ANPI.

2. An organisation ANPI existed prior to the 22 May 45 but on that date DL 224 was published which not only converted the then existing ANPI into an "Ente Morale" but laid down in its Statutes exactly how it was to be run and how all Provincial and Communal Committees were to be appointed and members elected.

3. The Statutes ipso facto impliedly discharge all existing officers and committees as those acting were not appointed in accordance with the provisions of the statutes. Further the statutes do not provide for the existing committees to continue in action pending the appointment of new ones, or for the appointment of any temporary committees to act until such new appointments had been made.

4. There is one exception to this, for by Art 31 of the Statutes a temporary National Committee is formed to carry on until the new National Committee is appointed. This emphasises the need for and the failure to make similar provision in respect of Provincial Committees.

5. This point has been discussed with the Secretary of ANPI and he agrees with the above view that Provincial Committees no longer exist.

6. A translation of the Statutes of ANPI is attached hereto and will repay study - the organisation laid down is sound. It provides that all officers must be elected by secret ballot; that the management committees shall also be elected by secret ballot; that accounts shall be audited and open to inspection; and, that resolutions shall not be valid unless passed by ballot at a meeting at which 50% of the members were present (the policy, therefore, cannot be controlled by a cabal). If ANPI is properly run there can be no question of secret funds, of illegal levies

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7. On the other hand if AIPI were improperly run, it would be quite easy for an unscrupulous person to make himself a local "boss" and run it as a private army. You will appreciate from a study of the Statutes that such conduct would be contrary not only to the spirit but also to the precise wording of AIPIs constitution.

8. There is however one flaw in the Statutes; Art 20 provides that membership will be by election by the Provincial Committee. Firstly no Provincial Committee exists to elect members. Secondly a Provincial Committee cannot be formed until there are members to create the Provincial Assembly. So there is a deadlock.

9. The matter is under active discussion at the present moment and instructions as to the formation of AIPI will be sent to you as soon as a way out of the deadlock has been found, in the meantime [illegible] action will be taken either by the present committees or by AMG.

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R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel.,
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Formation of the National Association of Italian Partisans (A.N.P.I.).

ART 1

The Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I.) whose Headquarters is in Rome, is recognized as an "Ente Morale" (Association recognized by the State).

ART 2

The Statutes (rules, regulation and organisation) of the Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I.) dated the 21 October 1944, and comprising 31 articles is approved, it will bear the approval and will be signed by the President of the Council, Prime Minister, Secretary of State.

ART 3

This decree becomes effective on the day following its publication in the Gazzetta Ufficiale of the Realm.

We order that this decree bearing the seal of the State, may be instituted in the official records of the laws and decrees of the Italian Kingdom, ordering all whom it may concern to obey it and have it enforced.

S T A T U T E S

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ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

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PART I - Formation and Objects.

1 A national Association of Italian partisans to be called : The Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I.) is hereby created.

2 The objects of A.N.P.I. are:

a) to gather into one association all those who have participated, by direct personal action in the partisan war for the liberation of Italy against nazi-fascism.

b) to gather together all those who by fighting against nazi-fascism have helped our Country to regain its lost liberty and who have advocated a regime of true democracy in order to prevent any future return of tyranny and absolutism;

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c) to take an active action for the continuation of the fight, side by side with the regular forces of liberation, for the intensification of the fight in order to put an end to German and fascist occupation;
d) to recognise the partisan war effort for rescue of the Country from German slavery and to regain liberty;
e) to recognise in national and international fields the contribution made to the cause of liberty by the deeds of the partisans;
f) to honour those who fell in the partisan fight, and to perpetuate their memory;
g) to recognise and protect the rights acquired by the partisans, to participate in the initial plans for the moral and material reconstruction of the Country;
h) to strengthen and develop the ties of comradeship and brotherhood amongst partisans;
i) to employ all means of moral and material assistance of members and of the families of those who fell and of those who suffered as a result of the fight for freedom against the nazi-fascists;
l) to promote the institution of centres and bodies for production and employment which may assist to lessen unemployment.

PART II - National and Provincial Headquarters - Communal Sections.

3 The HQ of the Association shall be in Rome. Provincial HQs shall be formed in the provincial capital of Provinces having at least one hundred members. Communal Sections shall be formed in Communes having at least twenty members.

Members of Provinces or Communes in which the number of members is less than the prescribed minimum number shall be attached to the Provincial Directorate or Communal Section with which their Province or Commune has the closest economic ties.

PART III - Bodies of the Association.
National Assembly - Committee - Secretary - Audit.

4 The National Assembly shall be formed of delegates of Communal Sections. Each Communal Section shall elect its own delegates; if a Commune has more than one hundred members, one delegate may be elected for each hundred and for a part of a hundred exceeding 50.

The National Assembly shall be summoned by the National Committee at least once every year not more than three months after the end of the financial year. At least fifteen days' notice of the meeting shall be given. The National Committee may also call the National Assembly whenever it deems it necessary so to do or for a special purpose when requested by Communal Sections representing at least one tenth of all members.

The decisions of the National Assembly shall be by ballot and shall be passed by a majority at a meeting attended by delegates of Communal Sections representing at least one half of all members.

If no decision is reached, a second meeting of the Assembly may be summoned when the decision shall be valid notwithstanding that less than one half the members attend. A President, a Chairman of the National Assembly shall be elected for each meeting.

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A new Chairman of the National Assembly shall be elected for each meeting.

The National Assembly shall consider and approve the estimated budget and the past years accounts; it shall decide on directives and general policy and appoint the National Committee and the auditors of the National Assembly.

The National Assembly shall meet in Rome. The first meeting shall be held sixty days after the liberation of Italy; the following meetings shall be called in such localities as may be laid down from time to time.

5 The National Committee shall be elected by the National Assembly and shall consist of fifteen members and five reserve members. The Committee shall appoint from amongst its members a National Secretary, a National Assistant Secretary and a General Administrative Secretary.

The members of the National Committee shall remain in office for two years.

The National Assembly may at any time cancel the appointment of any member of the National Committee.

The National Committee shall meet normally in Rome once a month, and may meet exceptionally whenever the National Secretary or five members or the auditors deem it necessary.

Three days notice of any meeting shall be given.

The National Committee shall be the executive body of the National Assembly, and its duties shall be:

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a) to carry out the objects of the association; rules and directives issued in pursuance thereof shall be forwarded to the Provincial Committees;
b) to supervise the activities of Provincial Committees;
c) to prepare the yearly budget for the ensuing year and to close the Association accounts for the past year both of which shall be submitted to and approved by the National Assembly.
d) to approve yearly the budget estimates and the accounts of the Provincial Committees;
e) to act as arbitrator in any controversy which may arise within the Association;
f) to make all necessary provisions for the administration and smooth running of the Association.

6 The National Secretary shall be the legal representative of the Association, in all matters. He shall be responsible for the implementation of all decisions of the National Committee, and if prevented from acting by absence or other impediment the National Assistant Secretary shall act for him.

7 The Auditors of the National Association shall be elected by the National Assembly, and shall consist of three active auditors and two deputy auditors, chosen from amongst the members. They shall appoint from amongst their members a chairman and shall meet at least once in every three months to inspect the accounts and administration of the National Association.

Provincial Assembly - Committee - Secretary - Audit.

8 In every province the Provincial Assembly shall consist of the delegates from Communal Sections. A Communal Section having more than twenty members may appoint one delegate for every twenty members or fraction thereof.

Ordinary the Provincial Assembly shall normally be summoned once a year and shall meet in such place as may be decided by the Provincial Committee, or extraordinary meetings shall be convened on the request of the National Committee, or on a request stating the purpose for which the meeting is required of the Communal sections, of a number representing at least one tenth of the members of the province.

At least ten days notice of a meeting of the Assembly shall be given. The passing of resolutions by the Provincial Assembly shall be subject to the same rules as are laid down for the National Assembly. The Chairman of the Provincial Assembly shall be elected at each meeting.

9 The Provincial Assembly shall appoint the members of the Provincial Committee and the Auditors of the Provincial Directorate. It shall scrutinise and approve the budget estimate and the yearly accounts prepared by the Provincial Committee, and decide upon matters of general policy of the Province, so long as the same shall not be inconsistent with any decision of the National Assembly.

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It shall consist of nine active members and three reserve members.

The Provincial Committee shall choose from amongst its members one Provincial Secretary, one Provincial Assistant Secretary and one Provincial Administrative Secretary.

The members of the Provincial Committee shall hold their appointments one year. The Provincial Assembly may at any time cancel any such appointment.

Ordinary meetings of the Provincial Committee shall be held once a month, in the place selected, and extraordinary meetings shall be held when the Provincial Secretary or three members or the Auditors deem necessary.

At least three days notice of the meeting shall be given.

The Provincial Committee shall be the executive body of the Provincial Assembly and shall exercise all the functions of the National Committee in regard to the Communal Committees of the province and shall implement the directives and instructions of the National Committee and the decisions of the Provincial Assembly.

The Provincial Committee shall also prepare yearly the budget estimate for the ensuing year and the accounts of the past year and submit the same for approval to the Provincial Assembly, and it shall approve the yearly budget estimate and accounts of the Communal Committees.

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11 The provincial Secretary shall implement the decisions of the Provincial Committee, and in case of his absence or prevention the Provincial Assistant Secretary shall act in his place.

12 The auditors of the Provincial Directorate shall be appointed by the Provincial Assembly and consist of three acting auditors and two reserve auditors chosen from amongst the members.

Communal Assembly - Committee - Secretary - Audit.

13 In each Commune the Communal Assembly shall consist of all the members of the Communal Section.

Ordinary meetings of the Communal Assembly shall be normally called once in every year by the Communal Committee and extraordinary meetings shall be called upon request of the National Committee, of the Provincial Committee or upon a request stating the purposes for which the meeting is requested of at least one tenth of the members.

At least ten days notice of a meeting of the Assembly shall be given.

Passing of resolutions of the Communal Assembly shall be subject to the same formalities as laid down for the passing of resolutions of the National Assembly.

The chairman of the Communal Assembly shall be elected at each meeting.

14 The Communal Assembly shall appoint the members of the Communal Committee and the auditors of the Communal Section; it shall scrutinise and approve the yearly estimates and the accounts of the preceding year, prepared by the Communal Committee, and shall deliberate on all matters of general policy within the commune consistently with the decisions of the National Assembly and of the Provincial Assembly.

15 The Communal Committee shall be appointed by the Communal Assembly and shall be formed of five active members and two reserve members.

The Communal Committee shall choose from amongst its members one Secretary, one Assistant Secretary and one Administrative Secretary.

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At least three days notice shall be given of a meeting of the committee.

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The Communal Committee shall scrutinise all applications for membership, in accordance with the rules laid down by this Statute and the directives issued by the National Committee; it shall forward the said applications to the Provincial Committee for their decisions.

Any person whose application for membership has not been accepted by the Provincial Committee shall have the right to appeal to the National Committee.

16 The Secretary shall carry out the decisions of the Communal Committee, and in case of his absence the Assistant Secretary will act in his place.

17 The Auditors of the Communal Section, being two active auditors and one reserve auditor, shall be appointed by the Communal Assembly and shall be chosen from amongst its members. They will meet at least once every three months to scrutinise the accounts and administration of the Communal Section.

PART IV - Members hip - Eligibility for - Conditions of - Subscription - Termination of.

18 Partisans who fell in action and persons who were political prisoners, or hostages who were murdered by nazis or fascists or persons who were the victims of reprisals shall be honorary members.

19 Permanent or active organizers and members of bands which have actually participated in actions or sabotage; and all who have in the fight for liberation in any way performed acts of exceptional gallantry are eligible for membership.

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20 Admission to membership shall be by decision of the Provincial Committee. Applications on the association's special form completed with the certificate of the competent Authority, in accordance with the standing orders, shall be submitted to the Communal Committee.

Applications of those having all the necessary qualifications to obtain, but have not yet received their certificate, may be provisionally accepted. Such applications shall not be finally confirmed by decision of the provincial committee until the certificate has been submitted.

The National Committee, whenever special circumstances make it desirable for them so to do, may intervene in the question of admission of any member, even after the Provincial Committee has reached a decision on such matter.

21 Eligibility for membership of those who, in accordance with the standing orders, have obtained from the appropriate authority the distinction for "meritorious service" in the fight for liberation (or any other similar qualification), shall be decided by the First National Assembly.

22 Every member shall undertake not to belong to any other similar partisan organisation and to pay the membership fees and the cost of his membership card.

23 Every member shall be entitled to receive the benefit of all assistance which the Association may provide whether the same be provided directly or through other specially constituted body.

24 A member guilty of dishonorable conduct or of any breach of discipline may be subjected to one of the following sanctions:
a) reprimand
b) suspension
c) expulsion

25 Expulsion shall take effect from the day following the decision to that effect. In addition membership may be terminated for one of the following reasons:
a) resignation, which shall take effect from the day following acceptance of the same;
b) non payment of membership fee which shall take effect from the day following a resolution to that effect passed by the appropriate body.

26 The Provincial Committee is hereby authorised to hear and determine questions under Arts 24 and 25 hereof.

The member concerned shall be informed by the Provincial Committee, by registered letter, of the charges and invited to present himself and to submit his answer to the charges within 20 days. The member concerned shall be notified of the decision of the Committee by registered letter.

He shall be entitled to appeal to the National Committee against any decision against him. Any such appeal shall be lodged within thirty days from the receipt by registered letter of notice of the decision.

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PART V - Finance.

27 The association may obtain its income from interest on accumulated funds, from membership fees, from such grants as may be made by the State or other bodies, or individuals, or from the cooperation of welfare and patriotic bodies.

28 The membership fee of the Association is two lire monthly and is payable to the communal section which shall remit 20% of each fee to the Provincial Committee, who shall remit one half thereof, together with a nominal roll of members, to the National Committee.
A membership card shall be issued yearly, and the cost thereof (ten lire) shall be collected by the communal section at the time of issue of the card and be remitted intact to the National Committee.
In the event of an application being refused any amount paid as above shall be returned to the applicant.

PART VI - Administration.

29 Appointments to office shall be made by members at regular periods and, in those cases referred to in article 4 and 9, by the delegates of Communal Sections.
Elections shall be carried out by secret and direct ballot according to

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the instructions issued by the National Committee in accordance with the principles of democratic representation.

All members shall be eligible for office and may be re-elected.

Reserve members take part in meetings, but are not entitled to vote. When a vacancy occurs on one of the directive bodies it shall be filled by the most senior Reserve member.

30 The financial year shall be the Calendar year. Communal Committees, Provincial Committees and the National Committee shall make out their estimate budget for the following year, by the 1st Nov. and during the month of February will complete the account of past expenditures attaching thereto a statement of income.

The estimates shall be submitted before the end of the year for the approval to the respective communal, provincial and national assemblies and the accounts for the past year with the statements attached shall be submitted before the 30 April.

The estimates shall be deemed approved if the appropriate body shall not have returned them with observations before the expiration of thirty days from their receipt.

The rules for the administration and general accounting of state property shall apply to the accounting, administration and finance of the various committees.

PART VII - Provisional Rules.

31 Until the National Assembly has been called, under art. 4, the members of the National Committee shall be appointed by the Central Committee of National Liberation from persons entitled to be members of the National Association of Italian Partisans (A.N.P.I.).

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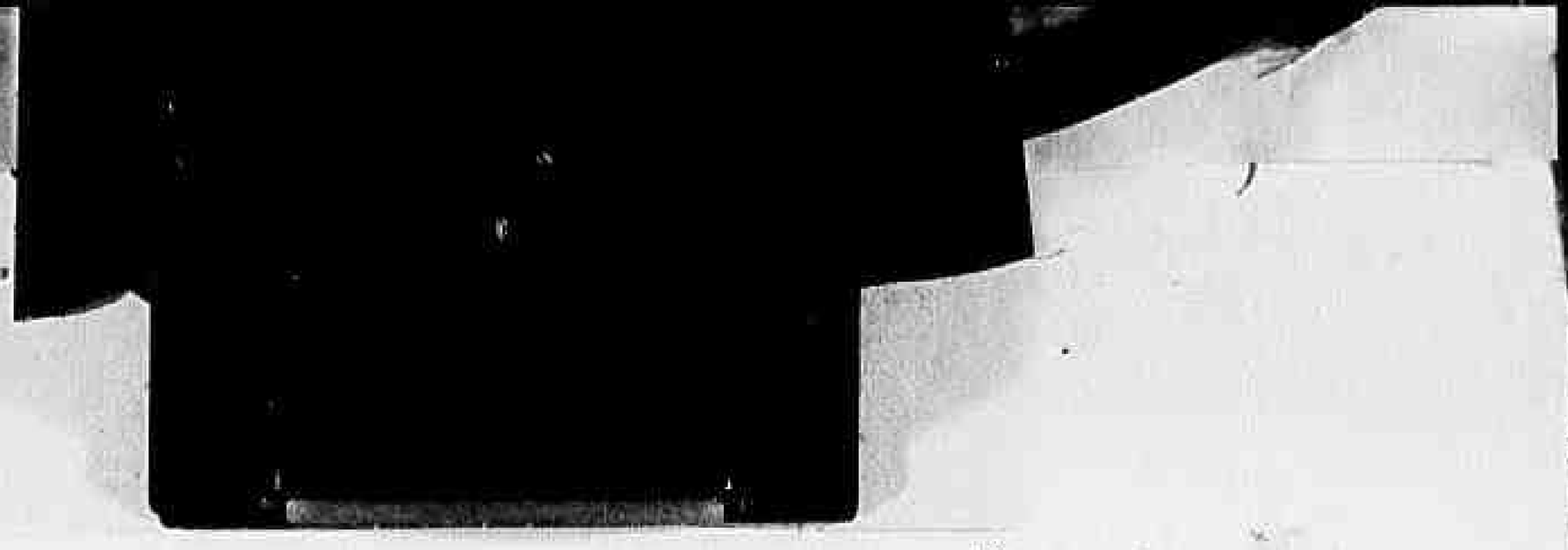

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AMG 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ref :- 135/PAT

Tel. No. 489081
Ext. 321.

19th July, 1945.

Subject:- Statutes of AMPI

To :- Secretary General
AMPI.

It is pointed out that the Statutes of AMPI provide that Provincial Committees shall be appointed in a certain way (Art 10). This definitely implies that a body not so appointed is not and cannot exercise the powers of a Provincial Committee.

Art 31 recognises the necessity, in the case of the National Committee for the appointment of a temporary Committee pending the appointment of the new Committee under Art 5. The inclusion of this Art 31 is a recognition of the necessity for such a provision and emphasises the fact that a similar provision has not been made in the case of Provincial Committees - neither is there any provision empowering existing committees to continue in office until the new Committee is appointed.

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R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel.,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
LIGURIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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7 July 1945

SUBJECT : Formation of Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I. - DL 224 5 April 45)

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission - APO 394 (Civil Affairs Section)

1. Your attention is invited to the above Decree and your letter 135/PAT dated 15 June 45.

2. A perusal of the decree indicates that the "objects" as set out therein are much broader than as outlined in your letter.

3. It is suggested that the authorized scope is so broad in its provisions that many fields of activity are opened or suggested for the activities of the association which, if wrongfully employed, could well operate to the detriment of Italy in the near future.

4. In view of the experiences of this Region with CLN it was considered proper to draw this situation to your attention for such action, if any, you might deem advisable.

For the Regional Commissioner:

W.G. ELDER,
Lt. Col., Cdn. Prov. C.,
Regional Legal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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25 June 1945.

Subject : Associazione Nazionale Partigiani Italiani.

To : Regional Commissioner, EMILIA.

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Ref your letter RIX/3E/P/1 dated 20 June 45.

1. Unless the constitution granted to ANPI allows them to receive gifts and bequests it might be held that they had no power to accept them. (Can one imagine the British Legion with no power to receive a bequest).

2. The fact that ANPI has power to receive a gift does not give it any power to demand gifts - the constitution is a purely internal matter and it confers no powers upon the company, vis-a-vis third parties, only rights as regards itself. The constitution is conferred by a decree - it is not itself a decree and the part quoted by you confers no powers and cannot under Italian law be understood to confer any powers.

3. It certainly cannot make any appeal for subscriptions without leave of the Questura and TW.PS. 156. It has a right to accept not a right to ask.

R.R. CRIPPS,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Govt. Sub Com.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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20 June 1945

RIX/SE/P/1

SUBJECT: ANPI

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission

1. Our Patriot Officer informs us that a decree establishing an Italian National Association of Patriots (ANPI) was recently implemented in AMG territory (Decree No. 70, 12 June 1945).

2. Title V of the Decree, it is said, provides that:

"To attain its objectives, the Association will support itself on patrimonial income, social subscriptions, and the eventual contributions from the State, from other institutions or from private individuals and also with the help of Welfare and Patriotic Associations." (underlining ours).

Need Circuit Decree

3. Copy of a letter from the Provincial Commissioner of Modena on the general subject, is enclosed. The sentiments expressed are generally concurred in by other provincial commissioners of this region.

4. The matter was also exhaustively discussed at the weekly Provincial Commissioners' meeting on Saturday, June 16th. There was complete unanimity of opinion that the quoted paragraph would be construed as official license for intensification and refinement of the tactics of duress, extortion and blackmail which are now being generally used in the north to obtain "voluntary contributions" to various pseudo-Patriot causes.

5. Even without the legal sanction of this decree, our experience to date indicates that solicited persons who do not react not only "voluntarily" but promptly and favorably, are quite likely to disappear within the next day or two, either with or without trace. All are of the opinion that the quoted language will result in even more violence.

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6. It will perhaps be said, and I pointed out at the meeting, that a mild degree of extortion for the support of public and quasi-public bodies is sometimes tolerated, even in the Great Democracies. It is doubtful, for example, whether the passing motorist in the United States would purchase his ticket to the Police Show with as much alacrity if he did not know that the policeman vendor had come up behind him while he was travelling at excessive speed.

7. There is, it is true, little difference in kind, but the difference in degree is considerable. Failure to respond favorably to such solicitations is now being met in northern Italy, not with traffic tickets, but with machine guns, bombs and daggers. Extortion based on threats of extreme violence is not confined to a few instances or to a few lire per instance, but involves hundreds of cases and demands for many millions of lire per day.

8. In the firm belief that implementation of any decree containing the above-quoted language will aggravate and intensify an already dangerous situation, the Provincial Commissioners and the Regional Commissioner of Emilia unanimously and most urgently request the deletion of Title V.

9. Equally unanimous is our opinion, on the positive side, that if we must have Patriots associations, their only permitted source of income should be a special national tax supplemented perhaps by voluntary contributions of the members themselves.

10. It should be understood that most of the present violence and much of the further anticipated trouble is, and will be, caused not by true fighting Patriots, most of whom have returned to normal civilian life, but by semi-professional gangsters who are capitalizing, and inevitably will continue to capitalize, on Patriot prestige for private ends. It is in the hands of these outlaws that the Decree will be warped, twisted, and misused with anti-social results. For the true Patriot, I think we have in Emilia, amply demonstrated our affection and regard.

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11. This letter was intended as a protest against the implementation of the Decree. Since it was first drafted it appears that this has taken place already. If we are correctly informed on this point, it is intended to attempt to control in this region the wholesale extortion which we believe will otherwise result, through the application of Art. 156, T.U. Pubblica Sicurezza, 1931, which provides that "except in ecclesiastical matters, collection of money or articles may not be made without a permit from the Questore, which permit will be issued only when the collection is for patriotic or scientific purposes or for welfare or the relief of public misfortune." (see ltr Public Health Sub-Comm. A.C.C., ACC/30-34/1/PH, 28 June 1944)

12. Unless a negative reply is received, it will be assumed that your headquarters regards this statute of 18 June 1931 as applicable to this situation and will use it freely.

Colonel, JAGD
Regional Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
PROVINCE OF MODENA - EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

RIX/MG/E/19

15 June 1945

SUBJECT: A.N.P.I.

TO : R.C. Emilia Region

1. I have had the opportunity of reading extracts of the new decree creating A.N.P.I., and while I appreciate it is now law and will shortly be implemented in AMG territory, I feel so strongly that the authors of the decree cannot be aware of what is happening that I must express to you my opinion on it.

2. I can of course speak only for conditions as I see them in my own Province but it should be remembered firstly that the bulk of the partisans who are remaining in an active position are Communist, secondly that they have a large quantity of arms behind the scenes.

3. To perpetuate an organisation of such elements is to me sponsoring an armed political party whose ultimate intentions seem quite evident.

4. These young elements backed by skilled agitators will form the nucleus of the new "Squadristi", the only difference being that they have changed the colour of their scarf from black to red.

5. The object of the decree is quite clear to any sane minded person, but much more will be read into it than was probably ever intended. They are in fact already doing so, and it was interesting to find that they knew all about the contents before I did. They had evidently been prompted by Lario after his visit to Rome.

6. To quote one example - it states that the partisans should be the first in the field in the material and moral reconstruction of the country. They are so early in the field that they have even anticipated the decree. They have started to gather in subscriptions for the material reconstruction by inviting industrialists to subscribe a percentage of their capital, and many millions I believe have already been paid.

7. I have heard of two cases of payments of about 5.000.000 each, and I merely use my common sense to imagine the method of collection.

8. I believe the wealthy in this country must be made to bear much heavier taxation and it may be a capital levy is a good form of emergency taxation, but I doubt very much whether it will be put to the best advantage by these so-called pioneers of reconstruction.

9. The clause in the decree regarding the method of financing this A.N.P.I. is delightfully wide, and if they should be short of funds from their patrimonial incomes they will always have the private subscriptions which will not require much persuasion.

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10. Little can now be done. I have been doing my best to liquidate their organisations but now they will be all legally resurrected. They will be the same people under another name. I cannot believe Rome can have any conception of what is happening up here. While I believe history may show that the creation of partisans was a grave political error there is little doubt their perpetuation will be a tragedy.

11. I dislike politics intensely and I write this letter with no political bias, but after 5½ years of war for liberty I hate to see it so badly abused. It seems obvious that a country, who has not known liberty for over 20 years, cannot be expected to learn the elementary rules of the game overnight, and we are apparently impotent to do anything about it, or it may be I don't know the way - this is probably the safest supposition to take.

/s/
/t/ R.W.Whineray
R.W.WHINERAY
Lt.Col.
Provincial Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

135/PAT

15 June 45

SUBJECT : Formation of Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (ANPI).

TO : See Distribution.

The following is a summary of the Constitution of ANPI which was adopted by DL 224 of 5 Apl 45.

Part I — FORMATION AND OBJECT

Art. 1 — Constitutes ANPI.

Art. 2 — Objects include:
Protection of the interests of partisans.
Participation in the present reconstruction of the Country.
Development of the ties of comradeship.
Provision of moral and material assistance to partisans or their families.
Promotion of re-employment of partisans.

II — CONSTITUTION

Art. 3 — HQ in Rome - Provincial directorates in capitals of provinces which have 100 members - Sections to be formed in Communes having 20 members. Where these numbers not reached affiliation to convenient Province or Commune.

III — ORGANISATION

Art. 4 — The National Assembly shall consist of delegates from Communes at rate of one per hundred members ordinary meeting to be held once every year, extraordinary meeting to be called on requisition of one tenth of members. Resolutions to be valid must be passed by simple majority of a meeting attended by at least 50% of the delegates. The quorum of 50% shall not apply to an adjourned meeting. Voting shall be by ballot.

Art. 5 — The National Committee shall be appointed by the National Assembly for two years and shall consist of 15 members and five alternative members. Ordinary meetings shall be held monthly in Rome. Extraordinary meetings may be called by the Secretary or on requisition by five members or the auditor. Officers and functions of the Committee.

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5 The National Committee shall be appointed by the National Assembly for two years and shall consist of 15 members and five alternative members. Ordinary meetings shall be held monthly in Rome. Extraordinary meetings may be called by the Secretary or on requisition by five members or the auditor. Officers and functions of the Committee.

6 Functions and duties of the National Secretary.

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7 Audit.

8 The Provincial Assembly shall consist of delegates from communal section at the rate of one per 20 members. Ordinary meetings to be held once a year, extraordinary meetings as directed by the National Committee or on requisition, defining the purpose of the meeting, of one tenth of the delegates. The validity of resolutions shall be governed by the same rules as for the National Assembly.

9 Functions of Provincial Committees and auditors.

10 The Provincial Committee shall be appointed for one year by the Provincial Assembly and shall consist of 9 members and three alternative members. Ordinary meetings will be held monthly and extraordinary meetings may be called by the Secretary or on requisition of three members or the auditors. Officers and functions of the Committee.

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11 Functions of Provincial Secretary.

12 Audit

13 The Communal Assembly is an assembly of all members. Ordinary meetings shall be held once a year. Extraordinary meetings as directed by the National or Provincial Committee or upon requisition, defining the purpose of the meeting, of one tenth of the members. The validity of resolutions is governed by the same rules as for the National Assembly.

14 Appointment and functions of the Communal Committee.

15 The Communal Committee shall consist of five members and two alternate members appointed for one year. Ordinary meetings to be held monthly. Extraordinary meetings may be called by the Secretary or on the requisition of two members or the auditors. Officers and Functions of the Committee.

16 Functions of the Communal Secretary.

17 Audit.

IV MEMBERSHIP

18 Honorary Membership

19 Ordinary Membership open to those who actively participated or have been mentioned for "meritorious service".

20 Election by Provincial Committee. Method of application. Action of Provincial Committee may be controlled by the National Committee.

21 The National Assembly to determine eligibility of persons for membership on grounds of "meritorious service".

22 Prohibits membership to analogous organisations and requires payment of subscription

23 All members equally entitled to benefits.

24 Reprimand, suspension expulsion.

25 Termination of membership.

26 Authorisation of Provincial Committees to deal with questions arising under previous two Arts. - Members have rights of defence and ap-

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V FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE

27 Sources of Income.

28 Membership Subscription 2 lire monthly payable to the Communal Section 20% of which shall be paid to the Provincial Committee who shall pay half of the same to the National Committee.
Membership Card. 10 lire yearly to be collected by the Communal Section and paid to the National Committee.

29 As to Election of Officers, voting to be by ballot, Alternative members may attend and take part in proceedings but not vote. Vacancies shall be filled from alternative members.

30 Financial Year Budgetary procedure.

VI TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

31 Power to CMN to appoint from persons eligible for membership a temporary National Committee pending election of the first National Committee.

W.B. UPCOTT Brig,
VP CA Section

DISTRIBUTION: see attached list.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Office of the Regional Patriots Officer
APO 394

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RIX/39/PAT
12 June 1945

SUBJECT : ANPI
(Italian National Association of Patriots)
TO : Distribution as below.

1. Further to this HQ.'s letter RIX/18/PAT dated 6 June and in view of the development mentioned hereunder, paras 4(c) and 7 are cancelled.

ANPI.

2. It is expected that the newly formed Italian National Association of Patriots (ANPI) will very shortly be implemented in AMG territory.

OBJECTIVES.

3. a) ANPI, it seems, will be concerned with Welfare and Assistance, on lines similar to the British Legion in the UK and the American Legion in the USA.

b) ANPI has also among its objectives 'the reduction of unemployment by organising centers of work and production, and the safeguarding of the right acquired by the Patriots to be among the first in the participation of the moral and material reconstruction of the country.'

THE DECREE.

4. a) The decree constituting the association lists 30 articles of association and it is hoped that the following brief resume will convey sufficient outline to those concerned.

NATIONAL HQ.
PROVINCIAL HQ.
COMMUNAL SECTIONS.

b) The National HQ. will be established in Rome, Provincial HQs in the "capital" of those provinces which have at least one hundred (100) members and in the communes, where there are at least twenty (20) members, Communal Sections will be established.

c) The members of Provinces or Communes where the requisite number does not reach the minimum referred to in para 4 c above, will be associated respectively to the most

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COMMUNAL SECTIONS.

c) The members of Provinces or Communes where the requisite number does not reach the minimum referred to in para 4 c above, will be associated respectively to the most closely related Provincial HQ or Communal Section. 7775

ASSEMBLIES.

d) The undermentioned Assemblies will be formed:

NATIONAL i) The National Assembly composed of a deputy from each Commune with an additional deputy for every hundred members or for any fraction above fifty in excess of the last hundred.

PROVINCIAL ii) The Provincial Assembly in each Province composed of deputies from the Communal Sections - one deputy for every twenty or fractions of twenty.

COMMUNAL iii) The Communal Assembly in each Commune composed of all the members of the Communal Sections.

COMMITTEES. e) The following Committees will be formed:

NATIONAL i) The National Committee is appointed by the National Assembly and is composed of 15 effective members and 5 supplementary.

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COMMITTEES Cont'd.

PROVINCIAL — ii) The Provincial Committee is appointed by the Provincial Assembly and is composed of 9 effective members and 3 supplementary.

COMMUNAL — iii) The Communal Committee is appointed by the Communal Assembly and is composed of 5 effective members and 2 supplementary.

AUDITORS. — f) The following Board of Auditors will be elected, composed as follows:

NATIONAL — i) The National Board, 3 effective members and 2 supplementary, from the National Assembly.

PROVINCIAL — ii) The Provincial Board, 3 effective members and 2 supplementary, from the Provincial Assembly.

COMMUNAL — iii) The Communal Board, 2 effective members and 1 supplementary, from the Communal Assembly.

g) These Boards of Auditors are responsible for the control of the accountancy and the administration of their respective HQs.

FINANCE. — 5. a) Title V of said decree reads:

"To attain its objectives, the Association will support itself on patrimonial income, social subscriptions, and the eventual contributions from the State, from other institutions or from private individuals and also with the help of Welfare and Patriotic Associations."

SUBSCRIPTIONS. — b) The monthly subscription is Two Lire to be paid directly to the Communal Section, of this sum 20% will be remitted to the Provincial Committee which will, in turn, send one half of the amount to the National Committee.

c) The cost of yearly membership is Ten Lire to be collected by the Communal Sections and will be paid to the National Committee.

TEMPORARY RULES. — 6. Until the convocation of the National Assembly the members of the National Committee are appointed by the Central Committee of National Liberation.

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TEMPORARY RULES. 6. Until the convocation of the National Assembly the members of the National Committee are appointed by the Central Committee of National Liberation.

GENERAL. 7. a) Various appointments to offices, Secretaries, etc. are allowed for.

b) All Patriots fallen in the fight for Liberation and all those who were political prisoners, hostages, victims of reprisals or who have been assassinated by the Nazis or Fascists are numbered ad honorem by right on the rolls of the Association.

OBSERVATIONS. 8. a) The changed situation will obviously call for liaison between AMG and AMPI, in the meantime the Provincial Patriots Office will carry the responsibilities set out in para 4 b of AMX/18/PAT of 6 June and para 2 of AMX/19/PAT of 23 May - under the supervision of the AMPI.

b) Considering the responsibilities of the Provincial Patriots Office, it would appear to be advisable to form a committee as mentioned in para 3 of AMX/19/PAT of 23 May, if necessary with modifications to meet local conditions. Para 5 (Communal Welfare Committees) of AMX/19/PAT of 23 May is cancelled.

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By order of Colonel BOWMAN:

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Prot. N. 1/45 Taranto, li 21 Gennio 1945

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Al COMANDO R.M. CC. FINANZA
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Alla CAMERA CONFEDERALE DEL LAVORO
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LORO SEDI

e C. all' On. N. A. I. Centrale

R O M A

Si porta a conoscenza delle autorità ed Enti in indirizzo, che in seguito alle elezioni tenutesi nell'assemblea dei Partigiani d'Italia il 1/5/45 è stato eletto il seguente Comitato Direttivo per la Sezione Provinciale di Taranto:

Presidente onorario: On. Oliveri Giuseppe unanimità 752

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Al SIG.QUESTORE
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Si porta a conoscenza delle autorità ed enti in indirizzo,che in seguito alle elezioni tenutesi nell'assemblea dei Partigiani d'Italia il 2//5/45 è stato eletto il seguente comitato direttivo per la Sezione Provinciale di Taranto:

Segretario Provinciale-Rag. Olivieri Giuseppe(nominato 7771
Sezione interprov/le di Bari)
V.Segretario Provinc.-Rag. CALOGERO ALDO

CONSIGLIERI
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Dott. Zaccone Cipriano
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Sig. SIMI GIOVANNI
Sig. SOMMO ARTILIO

SUPPLENTI
Sig. SALVI ARMANDO
Sig. PIGNATELLI ARMANDO
Sig. NOMMO UMBERTO

Si pregano gli enti e personalità in indirizzo di prendere visione di quanto sopra, pregando inoltre per un cortese cenno di ricevuta.

Con ossequi

IL SEGRETARIO PROVINCIALE
(S. CRISPINO)

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Implemented in AMG territory — 25 May — 3

Gazzetta Ufficiale No 70 of 12 June 45

DECREE OF THE LIEUTENANT OF THE KINGDOM No. 224 OF 5 Apr. 45.

Institution into "ENTE MORALE" of the National Association of Italian Partisans (A.N.P.I.) Headquarters in Rome and approval of the Statutes.

U M B E R T O D I S A V O I A
Principe di Piemonte
Lieutenant General of the Realm

In virtue of the authority bestowed upon us;

Seen the application for the recognition into "Ente Morale" of the Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia, instituted in Rome with high patriotic aims and for the assistance of partisans;

Seen the rules and regulations of the Body;

Seen the Decree of the Lieutenant General 1 February 1945 No 58.

Upon the recommendation of the President of the Council of Ministers, Prime Minister, Secretary of State and Ministere for the Interior, in agreement with the Ministers of War, Navy, Air, and of Occupied Italy;

We have decreed and decree the following:

ART. 1.

The Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I) whose Headquarters

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ART. 2.

The Statutes (rules, regulation and organisation) of the Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia (A.N.P.I.) dated the 21 October 1944, and comprising 31 articles is approved, it will bear the approval and will be signed by the President of the Council, Prime Minister, Secretary of State.

ART. 3.

This decree becomes effective on the day following its publication in the Gazzetta Ufficiale of the Realm.

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We order that this decree bearing the seal of the State, may be instituted in the official records of the laws and decrees of the Italian Kingdom, ordering all whom it may concern to obey it and have it enforced

Given in Rome on 5 April 1945.

UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

Bonomi - Casati - De Courtem

Gasparotto - Scoccimarro.

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S T A T U T E

of the

, ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

PART I

~~CHAPTER I.~~

Formation and Objects

~~Institution and Aims.~~

ART. 1.

A national Association of Italian partisans (has been created) ~~is instituted~~ ~~and~~ ~~it will~~ to be called: Associazione Nazionale Partigiani d'Italia.(A.N.P.I.).

ART. 2.

The ~~aims~~ objects of A.N.P.I. are ~~as follows~~:

a) to gather into one association all those who have participated, by direct personal action in the partisan war for the liberation of Italy against nazi-fascism.

b) to gather together all those who, by fighting against nazi-fascism have helped our Country to regain its lost liberty and who, have advocated a regime of true democracy in order to prevent any future return of tyranny and absolutism:

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b) to gather together all those who, by fighting against nazi-fascism have helped our Country to regain its lost liberty and who, have advocated a regime of true democracy in order to prevent any future return of tyranny and absolutism:

c) to take energetic action for the continuation of the fight, side by side with the regular forces of liberation, for the intensification of the fight in order to put an end to German and fascist odcupation;

d) to ~~make full value of~~ recognise the partisan war effort for rescue of the Country from German slavery and to regain liberty.

e) to ~~make full value of~~ recognise in national and international fields of the contribution made to the cause of liberty by ~~actions~~ the deeds of the partisans.

f) to honour those who fell in the partisan fight, and to perpetuate their memory.

g) to ~~make full value of~~ recognise and protect the rights acquired by the partisans, to participate in the initial plans for the moral and material reconstruction of the Country.

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h) to strengthen and develop the ties of ~~the~~ Comradeship and brotherhood amongst ~~the~~ partisans.

employ all means of

i) to ~~utilise any kind of assistance in order to give~~ moral and material ~~aid to the~~ assistance of members and the families of those who fell and those who suffered as a result of the fight for freedom against the nazi-fascists.

l) to promote the institution of centres and bodies for production and ~~work~~ employment which ~~will be helpful~~ may assist to lessen unemployment.

PART

~~CHAPTER~~ II.

National ~~Bureau~~ and HQ of the ~~Association~~ - Provincial ~~Directorates~~ Headquarters,

Communal Sections.

ART. 3.

The HQ of the Association ~~is~~ shall be in Rome. Provincial ~~directorates~~ HQs ~~Directorates~~ Committees shall ~~will~~ be formed in the provincial capitals of ~~those~~ Provinces having at least one hundred members ~~in the whole province~~. Communal Sections shall ~~will~~ be formed in ~~the~~ Communes having ~~with~~ at least twenty members.

~~The~~ Members of ~~those~~ Provinces or Communes in which the number of members present ~~which do~~ not ~~reach~~ is less than the minimum ~~maximum~~ prescribed number, shall be attached to ~~will be associated to~~ the Provincial Directorate or Communal Section which they have their Province or Commune has the closest economic ~~interests~~ interests.

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PART

~~CHAPTER~~ III.

Bodies of the Association.

ART. 4.

The National Assembly ~~is~~ shall be formed ~~by~~ of delegates of ~~the~~ Communal Sections. Each Communal Section shall elect ~~appoints~~ its own delegates; ~~if there are~~ no Commune has more than one hundred members one delegate may ~~will~~ be ~~allowed~~ elected for each hundred and for a part ~~each fraction~~ of a hundred exceeding ~~numbering not less than~~ 50.

The National Assembly shall ~~will~~ be summoned ~~called~~ by the National Committee at least once every year not more than ~~within~~ three months after ~~of~~ the end of the financial ~~fiscal~~ year. At least fifteen days' notice of the meeting shall ~~must~~ be given.

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In addition the National Committee has to call the National Assembly whenever it is deemed necessary, or for when requested for some special purpose by Communal Sections representing at least one tenth of all members.

The decisions of the National Assembly are taken with a majority ballot with the attendance of the delegates of Communal Sections representing at least one half of all members.

Upon second calling of the Assembly the decisions are valid notwithstanding what the number of attendants may be.

The Chairman of the National Assembly is elected a new for each meeting.

The National Assembly considers and approves the estimated budget and the past accounting, decides on directives and general policy, and appoints the members of the National Committee and the auditors of the National Assembly.

The National Assembly will meet in Rome for the first time, sixty days after the liberation of Italy; the following meetings will be called in such localities as are laid down from time to time.

ART. 5.

The National Committee is elected by the National Assembly and is composed of:

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The National Assembly ~~will~~ shall meet in Rome, ~~for the first time~~, sixty days after the liberation of Italy; the following meetings ~~will~~ shall be called in such localities as ~~are~~ maybe laid down from time to time.

ART. 5.

The National Committee ~~is~~ shall be elected by the National Assembly and ~~is composed of:~~ shall consist of

fifteen members and five reserve members. The Committee shall appoint a National Secretary, a National Assistant Secretary and a General Administrative Secretary from amongst its members.

The members of the National Committee ~~will~~ shall remain in office for ~~two~~ four years.

The National Assembly, ~~can~~ may at any ~~moment~~ time cancel the appointment of ~~the~~ any members of the National Committee.

The National Committee shall meet normally in Rome once a month, and ~~can~~ may meet exceptionally whenever the National Secretary ~~or~~ or five members or the auditors deem it necessary.

~~The~~ Three days notice of ~~the~~ any meeting ~~must~~ shall be given.

The National Committee ~~is~~ shall be the executive body of the National Assembly, and its duties ~~are~~: shall be:

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a) to ~~provide for the implementation of all~~ carry out the objects aims of the association, ~~by laying down the rules and directives, which will~~ rules and directives issued in pursuance thereof shall be forwarded to the Provincial Committees;

b) ~~inspect~~ Supervise the activities of Provincial Committees.

c) prepare yearly the ~~estimate~~ budget for the ~~next~~ ensuing year and close the association accounting ~~of~~ for the past year ~~for the Association~~ both of ~~which will~~ shall be ~~discussed~~ submitted and approved by the National Assembly.

d) Approve yearly the estimate budget and accounts of the Provincial Committees.

e) to act as arbitrator in any controversy which may arise within the Association.

f) to make all necessary provisions for the administration and smooth running of the Association.

ART. 6.

The National Secretary ~~is~~ shall be the legal representative of the Association, in all matters, he ~~will~~ shall be responsible for the implementation of all decisions of the National Committee, and ~~in case of~~ if prevented from acting by other absence or impediment the National Assistant Secretary ~~will~~ shall act for him.

ART. 7.

The Auditors of the National Association, ~~are~~ shall be elected by the National Assembly, and ~~they will comprise~~ shall consist of three active auditors and two deputy

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f) ~~M~~make all necessary ~~pro~~visions for the administration and smooth running of the Association.

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The National ~~S~~ecretary ~~is~~ shall be the legal representative of the Association, in all matters, he ~~will~~ shall be responsible for the implementation of all decisions of the National Committee, and ~~in case of~~ if prevented from acting by other absence or impediment the National Assistant ~~S~~ecretary ~~will~~ shall act for him.

ART. 7.

The ~~A~~uditors of the National Association, ~~are~~ shall be elected by the National Assembly, and ~~they will comprise~~ shall consist of three active auditors and two deputy auditors, chosen from amongst the members. They ~~will~~ shall appoint from amongst their members a chairman and ~~will~~ shall meet at least once in every three months to inspect the accounts and administration of the National Association.

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ART. 8.

In ~~each~~ every province the Provincial Assembly ~~is formed by~~ shall be composed of the delegates from ~~of~~ Communal Sections; ~~if there are~~ which A Communal Section having more than twenty members ~~the Sections~~ may ~~shall will~~ appoint one delegate for ~~each~~ every twenty members or fraction ~~of twenty.~~ thereof

The Provincial Assembly ~~is~~ shall be normally ~~called~~ summoned Ordinary ~~meetings~~ meetings of once a year in such place as ~~will~~ may be decided by the ~~P~~provincial ~~C~~committee, or ~~exceptionally~~ upon the ; shall meet extraordinary meetings shall be convened on the request of the ~~C~~communal sections, of a number representing at least one tenth of the members of the provinces. National Committee, or on a ~~justified~~ request of the stating the purpose for which the meeting is required

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At least ten days notice of a meeting of the Assembly ~~must~~ shall be given.

~~In order that~~ The passing of decisions ~~take~~ by the Provincial Assembly ~~should~~ shall be valid, the same rules as are laid down for the National Assembly ~~will apply~~ subject to.

The Chairman of the Provincial Assembly ~~is~~ shall be elected at each meeting .

ART. 9.

The Provincial Assembly shall appoints the members of the Provincial Committee and the Auditors of the Provincial Directorate. It shall scrutinies and approves the estimate budget and the accounts prepared yearly by the Provincial Committee, and decides upon matters of general policy of the Province, ~~in agreement with~~ consistently so long as the same shall not be inconsistent with any the decisions of the National Assembly.

ART. 10.

The Provincial Committee ~~is~~ shall be elected by the Provincial Assembly and ~~will~~ shall sit in ~~the locality chosen~~ such place as may be dictated determined by the Assembly.

It ~~is comprised~~ shall consist of : nine active members and three reserve members.

The Provincial Committee shall chooses from amongst its members one Provincial Secretary, one Provincial Assistant Secretary and one Provincial Administrative Secretary.

The members of the Provincial Committee ~~will~~ shall hold their appointments from one year. At ~~all~~ any times the Provincial Assembly ~~can~~ may cancel ~~the~~ any such appointments.

The Provincial Committee will ~~meet ordinarily~~ shall be held ordinary meetings of once a month, in the place selected, ~~once~~

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The members of the Provincial Committee ~~will~~ shall hold their appointments for one year. At ~~all~~ any times the Provincial Assembly ~~can~~ may cancel ~~the~~ any such appointments.

The Provincial Committee ~~will meet ordinarily~~, in the place selected, ~~once a month~~ Ordinary meetings of shall be held once a month, and ~~exceptionally~~ when ~~ever~~ the Provincial Secretary or three members or the Auditors deem it necessary. extraordinary meetings shall be held

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At least three days notice of the meeting ~~must~~ shall be given .

The Provincial Committee ~~is~~ shall be the executive body of the Provincial Assembly, and exercises shall all the functions of the National Committee in regard to the Communal Committees of the province and ~~the~~ shall implementation ~~of~~ the directives and instructions of the National Committee, and ~~of~~ the decisions of the Provincial Assembly.

The Provincial Committee, ~~furthermore~~ shall also, prepares yearly the estimate budget for the ~~next~~ coming year and the accounts of the past year, ~~which will be submitted~~ and it shall submit the same for ~~the~~ approval ~~of~~ to the Provincial Assembly, and ~~provides the~~ it shall approve ~~of~~ the yearly estimate budget and accounts of the Communal Committees.

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ART. 11.

The provincial Secretary ~~is responsible for the implementation of~~ shall carry out (implement) the decisions of the Provincial Committee, and in case of his absence or ~~impediment~~ prevention the Provincial Assistant Secretary ~~will~~ shall act ~~for him~~. in his place.

ART. 12.

The auditors of the Provincial Directorate ~~are~~ shall be appointed by the Provincial Assembly and ~~comprise~~ consist of three acting auditors and two reserve auditors chosen from amongst the members.

ART. 13.

In each Commune the Communal Assembly ~~is~~ shall be composed of all the members of the Communal Section.

Ordinary meetings of the Communal Assembly ~~will~~ shall be normally called once in every year by the Communal Committee and ~~exceptionally~~ extraordinary meetings shall be called upon request of the National Committee, of the Provincial Committee or upon a ~~justified~~ request, stating the purposes for which the meeting is requested of at least one tenth of the members.

At least ten days notice of a meeting of the Assembly ~~must~~ shall be given.

~~In order that the deliberations~~ Passing of resolutions of the Communal Assembly ~~should~~ shall be ~~valid~~ subject to the same ~~rules established~~ formalities as laid down for the ~~deliberations~~ passing of resolutions of the National Assembly ~~will apply~~.

The ~~chairman~~ of the Communal Assembly is elected at each meeting shall be

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The chairman of the Communal Assembly ~~is~~ shall be elected at each meeting.

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ART. 14.

The Communal Assembly shall appoint the members of the Communal Committee and the auditors of the Communal Section; it ~~will~~ shall scrutinize and approve the yearly estimates and the accounts of the preceding year, prepared by the Communal Committee, and ~~will~~ shall deliberate on all matters of general policy within the commune ~~in agreement~~ consistently with the decisions of the National Assembly and of the Provincial Assembly.

ART. 15.

The Communal Committee ~~is~~ shall be appointed by the Communal Assembly and ~~is~~ shall be formed of : five active members and two reserve members.

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The Communal Committee shall choose ~~choose~~ from amongst its members one Secretary, one Assistant Secretary and one Administrative Secretary.

The members of the Communal Committee ~~will~~ shall hold their appointments for one year. The Communal Assembly ~~has~~ shall have the power to cancel ~~the above~~ such appointments at any ~~moment~~ time.

Ordinary meetings of the Communal Committee ~~will meet~~ shall be held normally once ~~each~~ every month or ~~exceptionally~~ extraordinary meetings shall be held whenever the Secretary or two members ~~and~~ or the auditors deem ~~it~~ necessary.

At least three days notice ~~will~~ shall be given of a meeting of the committee.

The Communal Committee ~~is~~ shall be the executive body of the Communal Assembly. It ~~will~~ shall prepare the yearly estimates and the accounts of past expenses to be submitted to the Communal Assembly, it ~~will~~ shall provide for the assistance of ~~the~~ members and ~~the~~ shall implementation ~~of~~ the directives and instructions of the National Committee and of the Provincial Committee.

The Communal Committee shall scrutinize ~~the~~ all applications for membership, in ~~accordance~~ conformity ~~agreement~~ with the rules laid down by this Statute and the directives issued by the National Committee, ~~forwarding~~ it shall forward the ~~above~~ said applications to the Provincial Committee for their decisions.

~~All those~~ Any persons whose applications for membership has not been accepted by the Provincial Committee shall have ~~a~~ the right ~~of~~ to appeal to the National Committee.

ART. 16.

The Secretary ~~is responsible for the implementation of~~ shall carry out the deliberations decisions

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It will prepare the yearly estimates and the accounts of past expenses to be submitted to the Communal Assembly, it shall provide for the assistance of the members and shall implement the directives and instructions of the National Committee and of the Provincial Committee.

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Any person whose application for membership has not been accepted by the Provincial Committee shall have the right to appeal to the National Committee.

ART. 16.

The Secretary shall carry out the decisions of the Communal Committee, and in case of his absence the Assistant Secretary will act in his place.

ART. 17.

The Auditors of the Communal Section, being two active auditors and one reserve auditor/appointed by the Communal Assembly and shall be chosen from amongst its members. They will meet at least once every three months to scrutinise the accounts and administration of the Communal Section.

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PART
~~CHAPTER~~ IV

The Members.

~~shall be honorary members as shall~~ ART. 18.

~~Honorary members are~~ Those partisans who fell in action, ~~and/those who as~~ political prisoners, hostages, ~~or victims of reprisals have been murdered by nazists and fascists.~~ victims of reprisals shall be honorary members.

ART. 19.

~~The following are eligible for membership.~~
~~members can be~~:

Permanent or active organizers and members of bands which have actually participated in actions or sabotage; and all ~~those~~ who have, in any ~~way~~, ~~accomplished~~ performed acts of exceptional gallantry in the fight for liberation~~s~~.

~~shall~~ are eligible for membership

ART. 20.

Is membership shall be by decision of

~~The~~ admission ~~of members is decided by~~ the Provincial Committee. ~~The~~ ~~shall be submitted~~ association's applications, ~~made out~~ on the special forms ~~of the association, must be~~ and completed with the certificate ~~issued by~~ of the competent Authorities, and audit shall be in accordance with the standing orders, ~~and forwarded~~ shall be submitted to the Communal Committee.

~~Provisionally~~, ~~the~~ Applications of those ~~who have~~ having all the necessary qualifications to obtain ~~the above mentioned certificate~~ said certificate, but who but have not yet received ~~it~~, ~~can be~~ accepted. Such applications may be provisionally ~~will~~ shall not be finally confirmed, ~~except~~ until only upon presentation of the certificate has been submitted and ~~following a~~ by decision of the

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Permanent or active organizers and members of bands which have actually participated in actions or sabotage; and all ~~those~~ who have, in any ~~way~~, ~~accomplished~~ performed acts of exceptional gallantry in the fight for liberation~~s~~. ~~that~~ are eligible for membership

ART. 20.

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Whenever special circumstances require ~~it~~, the National Committee ~~has the authority to interfere in~~ may intervene in the question of the admission of members, even after the Provincial Committee has reached a decision ~~of the provincial Committee~~ in such matters.

ART. 21.

The ~~possible admission to~~ eligibility for membership of those who ~~may~~ have obtain ~~ed~~ from the ~~competent authorities, and~~ appropriate authority in accordance with the standing orders, the ~~qualifications~~ distinction ~~of "well deserving"~~ for meritorious service in the fight for ~~the~~ liberation (or any other similar qualifications), ~~will~~ shall be decided by the first National Assembly.

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ART. 22.

Every shall
~~The~~ member ~~will~~ undertake not to belong to ~~other~~ any similar partisan organisation ~~associations~~,
his membership
and to pay the membership fees and the cost of ~~the identification~~ card.

ART. 23.

Every shall be receive the benefit of
~~Each~~ member ~~is~~ entitled to all assistance ~~services~~ which the Association
provide where the same is provided
may ~~organise either~~ directly or through other bodies ~~especially instituted~~.

ART. 24.

Any A
~~The~~ member ~~who becomes~~ guilty of ~~any~~ dishonorable conduct ~~actions~~, or of breaches of
may be subjected to one of
discipline ~~is liable of~~ the following sanctions ~~by or from the association:~~

a) ~~reproach~~. reprimand

b) suspension.

c) ~~rejection~~ expulsion

ART. 25.

expulsion shall take from
~~In addition to election, which will become~~ effective ~~on~~ the day following
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the decision, membership may be ~~forfeited~~ for the following reasons :

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a) resignation, which ~~will become~~ effective ~~upon~~ the day following acceptation. nee

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b) Non payment of membership fees ~~will be forfeited~~, ~~on~~ the day following ~~the~~ a
resolution is that effect passed appropriate
~~decision adopted on the matter~~, by the ~~competent~~ body.

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~~The~~ member ~~who becomes~~ guilty of, dishonorable ~~action~~, or of breaches of discipline ~~is liable of~~ may be subjected to one of the following sanctions ~~by or from the association~~:

a) ~~reproach~~. reprimand

b) suspension.

c) ~~rejection~~ expulsion

ART. 25.

~~In addition to election, which will become~~ effective ~~on~~ from the day following the decision, membership may be ~~forfeited~~ terminated for the following reasons :

a) resignation, which ~~will become~~ shall take effect from the day following acceptation.

b) Non payment of membership fees ~~will be forfeited~~, ~~on~~ which shall take effect from the day following ~~the~~ a resolution ~~decision adopted on the matter~~ passed by the ~~competent~~ appropriate body.

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ART. 26.

The Provincial Committee ~~is the body having the necessary authority~~ is hereby authorised to ~~pass a judgment on the matters dealt~~ hear and determine questions under this Article with ~~in paras~~ 24 and 25 hereof

~~The one~~ ~~must~~ shall be ~~notified to~~ informed the member by the Provincial Committee, ~~in a~~ by registered letter ~~inviting the member~~ of the charges laid to present himself to report within twenty days and ~~bring forth his justifications~~ submit his answer to the charges. ~~The member shall~~ Decisions ~~must also~~ be notified ~~to the members~~ of the concerned shall within 20 days of the Committee's decisions by registered letter.

~~He shall have~~ be entitled to any decisions ~~The member has a right~~ of appeal against ~~all provisions~~ taken against him, ~~to~~ Any such appeal shall be lodged with the National Committee within thirty days from the ~~date of~~ receipt notification of notice of the decision by registered letter.

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PART
~~CHAPTER~~ V

~~Means~~ of operation

may obtain its income from
~~shall derive its income~~ ART. 27.
The association, ~~obtains funds for its activities~~ through interest on accumulated funds; ~~through~~ from membership fees, ~~through possible contributions from~~ from such grants as may be made by the State ~~and~~ or other bodies, or individuals, ~~and through~~ or from the cooperation of welfare and patriotic bodies.

ART. 28
~~shall be~~ is
The membership fee of the Association ~~is fixed at~~ two lire monthly ~~which will~~ be ~~paid direct~~ payable to the communal sections which ~~in turn will pay~~ shall remit in 20% of each fee to the provincial Committee, who ~~in turn will send half of the total amount to the~~ shall remit one half thereof to the National Committee, together with nominal rolls of members.

The ~~cost of identification~~ membership card, ~~which will~~ shall be issued yearly, ~~is fixed at~~ shall be ten lire, ~~and will~~ shall be collected by the communal sections at the time of issue of the card and ~~it will then~~ be ~~paid in~~ remitted intact to the National Committee.

The ~~above~~ any amount ~~will~~ shall be returned to the applicant in the event of ~~his~~ an application being refused.

CHAPTER VI.

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ART. 28

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CHAPTER VI.

ART. 29

~~Official~~ appointments ~~are~~ made ~~by regularly~~ members, and in those cases referred to in articles 4 and 8, by the delegated of Communal Sections.

The ~~The~~ elections ~~are~~ carried out by secret and direct ballot according to the instructions issued by the National Committee in accordance with the principles of democratic representation.

All members ~~are~~ eligible for ~~official appointments~~ and ~~can~~ be re-elected.

~~Reserve~~ members ~~may~~ ~~intervene at the assemblies without ballot~~, but ~~they~~ are not entitled to vote. When a vacancy occurs on one of the directive bodies it ~~will~~ be filled by the most senior ~~reserve~~ member.

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ART. 30.

The financial year, ~~is identical with~~ shall be the ~~solar~~ calendar. ~~The~~ Communal Committees, ~~the~~ Provincial Committees and the National Committee ~~will~~ shall make out their estimate budget for the following year, by the 1st Nov. and during the month of February will ~~prepare~~ complete the account of past expenditures ~~with attaching~~ attaching thereto a statement of income.

The estimates ~~will~~ shall be submitted for the approval ~~of~~ to the respective communal, provincial and national assemblies, before the end of the year, and ~~past~~ the accounts for the past year with the statements attached ~~by~~ shall be submitted before the 30 April.

The estimates ~~will~~ shall be ~~considered effective~~ deemed approved if the ~~competent~~ appropriate bodies, have ~~not~~ shall not returned them with observations ~~within~~ before the expiration of thirty days from their receipt ~~of the documents~~.

Accounting, ~~and~~ administrative functions, and ~~treasury~~ finance services ~~for the body~~ of the various communities shall apply to the ~~shall be~~ ~~are~~ governed by the ~~same~~ rules ~~that regulate~~ or for the administration and general accounting of ~~the~~ state's property.

PART
~~CHAPTER~~ VII

Provisional Rules.

ART. 31.

Until the National Assembly ~~is~~ has been called, ~~as by~~ under art. 4, the members of the National Committee ~~are~~ shall be appointed by the Central Committee of National Liberation from ~~amongst those who are~~ persons entitled to be members of the National Association of

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returned them with observations ~~within~~ thirty days from receipt ~~of the documents~~.

Accounting, ~~and~~ administrative ~~functions~~, and ~~treasury~~ services ~~for the body~~ ~~shall be~~ ~~are~~ governed by the ~~same~~ rules ~~that regulate~~ the administration and general accounting of ~~the~~ state's property.

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ROME 21 October 1944.

Approved by the President of the Council of Ministers

Prime Minister Secretary of State.

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Subject: Patriot Welfare Committees.

To: S.C.A.O.,
NINTH Army A.M.G.

In reply to your letter GA/200 dated 14 December, copy is enclosed of a note which was addressed to the Italian National Patriot Committee on 14 December last.

It is considered that the statement which was made in this letter that "no bodies other than those which are constituted by the A.M.G. authorities can be established" in Military Government territory or in the Army areas covers the issue which is raised in your letter.

However, in order to preclude any possibility of a misunderstanding, the question of Patriot Welfare Committees will be taken up forthwith with the Italian National Patriot Committee, and it will be made clear that Patriot Welfare Committees are being set up under the auspices of A.M.G. Areas, which alone be superseded in Military Government territory or in the Army areas by the "Associazione Nazionale Partigiani Italiana" or any offshoots of that body.

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Subject: Advanced Branches of the Fabrieta Office - Regional Ascertainment Committee.

To: I.M.F.C.

In reply to your letter of 23 November (ref. 2A/P.I.), it is regretted that it is impossible to sanction the establishment in Military Government territory or in the Army areas of Advanced Branches or Screening Committees of the I.M.F.C.

No bodies other than those which are constituted by the A.M.G. authorities can be established in these areas.

In Italian Government territory, the matter is of course entirely one for the I.M.F.C. to pursue what action it considers most efficacious.

(Signed) R.G.B. STICKER,

Colonel,
Director,
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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SUBJECT :- Patriot Welfare Committees

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Answer for A/HQ signature F.C.
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