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Chief Commissioner.

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Attached for submission for your information/approval.

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CSO Salisbury

You have not seen 247-253. Para 9 & onwards is of particular interest.

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Sheet No.2

Minute No.218

To: Executive Commissioner

Reference Folio 213, VP CA Section is of the opinion that integrated independent Regional A.M.G. for Venezia Giulia is a satisfactory solution and favours it.

With regard to Appx. "A" Folio 211, as far as CA Section is concerned establishment appears to be satisfactory. It is, however, not known whether it is intended that these officers should be found on the present war establishment of this Commission. If that is the case there will be some difficulty in finding all the personnel required.

No attempt has been made to answer the questions at Folio 210. A study will be made if required by you. This will, however, entail considerable work and will take some time to complete. Before carrying this out, further directions with regard to the policy in handling this territory will be essential for a satisfactory answer to be made.

E.R.Gripps
E.R.GRIPPS, Col.
GSO CA SECTION.

30th March 1945.

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a/Ex Com^r

Please See 219-223. I have marked portions of particular interest to AC. I believe this document does not contain anything very novel but you may wish to discuss with RC Venezia Region as the one principally affected. I have arranged distribution as on folio 223 & 224.

5 Apr 45

E.Shuckburgh
5 APR.

5/4 Noted. 7.

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5 Apr 45

E. Shorden Maj
5 APR

5/4 Noted. 7.

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A/Ex.C. to see Econ. Sect. reply to 217 at folio 226. JCB 5/4

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5/4 Chief Commissioner has decided against an independent region. 7

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A/Ex Com^n

Please See 232. CA Sec has spoken on telephone to 15 Army Group & has prepared two draft letters which will be sent forward to 15 Army Group today.

9 apr 45 9/4 Noted. 7 9/4

E. Shorden Maj

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Minute No. 201

To: Executive Commissioner.

While agreeing that this correspondence has continued long enough, the Legal Sub-Commission and myself are so fundamentally opposed to the opinion expressed by Col. HAGGARD at Folio 174 that I suggest you sign a letter on the lines of the draft opposite ~~Folio 192~~.

G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.
VP CA SECTION

17 March 1945

See 208

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Ex Comm

Directive in final form at 204. It is the same as the draft except for the sentence between X in para 4 b. (1) and the renumbering of paras.

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A/Ex Comm
Have you seen 204 ?
EF 21/3.

21/3 Seen J.

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V.P. CAS
A/Ex Comm will be grateful
for any comments you may
have on p 213
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AMZ for C-5, British Zone in and U Poland

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FOLLOWING ARRIVED WITTON RE-CET FROM AMZ CHIEF AUSX A MAY PD

PARA ONE PD YUGOSLAV FORCES AND PARTISANS HAVE SET UP COMPLETE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION IN THE AREA OF GORIZIA AND GORICIA AND IN MONFALCONE VILLAGES BY AND OFFICERS ON TWO WEEK GRA IT WAS FOUND TO BE AUTONOMOUS VERY INDEPENDENT PD REPORTS INDICATE THAT YUGOSLAV SPONSORED ADMINISTRATION IS EQUALLY EFFICIENT IN OTHER AREAS OCCUPIED BY SERBS AND BRITISH FORCES PD

PARES TO AMZ FOR CHARGE DESK FILE ARRIVED SEN BRITISH SERVICE AND GS AREAS FROM

[illegible] CITY ACCEPT PARES

PARA TWO PD WITH INSTALLED ADMINISTRATION IN TRIESTE IS REPORTED TO BE NOT SO FAR ADVANCED AS IN MONFALCONE GRA BUT IT IS UNDERSTOOD IN GENERAL GRA WELL IN GORIZIA IT IS REPORTED TO BE IN COMPLETE CONTROL PD

PARA THREE PD THE ADMINISTRATION WHICH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED ALTHOUGH NOT SANCTIONED IS BASED ON THE PRESENCE OF YUGOSLAV STROKE AND PARTISANS GRA SERIOUS SERIOUS INTERACTION IS GRA OF OCCURRE GRA TO DESIRE THE TRANSFERRED OF THE AREA FROM ITALY TO YUGOSLAVIA PD

PARA FOUR PD INFORMATION IN REGARD TO GORIZIA TERRAP IS FROM MILITARY SOURCES AND NOT FROM AMG OFFICERS PD

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PARA ONE PD YUGOSLAV FORCES AND PARTISANS HAVE SET UP SEMBLANCE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION IN THE AREA OF TRIESTE AND GORIZIA/ZONA AND IN MONFALCONE VENETO BY AND OPTIONS ON THE MAY CON IT WAS FELT TO BE FUNCTIONING VERY EFFECTIVELY PD REPORTED INDICATES THAT YUGOSLAV SPONSORED ADMINISTRATION IS REMAIN EFFECTIVE IN OTHER AREAS OCCUPIED BY THEIR AND METTINE FORCES PD

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PARA THREE PD THE ADMINISTRATION WHICH HAS BEEN IN UNDERGROUND OPERATION FOR SOMETIME IS PRAISED BY THE PRESENCE OF YUGOSLAV FORCES AND PARTISANS CON WHERE OFFICIAL INFORMATION IS CON OF COURSE CON TO CONSIDER THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA FROM ITALY TO YUGOSLAVIA PD

PARA FOUR PD INFORMATION IN REGARD TO GORIZIA KNOWN IS FROM MILITARY SOURCES AND NOT FROM AMG OFFICERS PD

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Para FIVE BD IN THE OPINION OF THE ALG OFFICER ANY ATTEMPT TO DISPERSE AND WOULD PRODUCE A CRISIS ON ITS OWN BASIS ON A CLASH BETWEEN BRITISH AND YUGOSLAV TROOPS SO IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO DISPERSE YUGOSLAV PARTISANS DESIRABLE WHICH COULD NOT BE DONE WITHOUT MILITARY AID AND INCREASE WORK

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Para FIVE (b) IS THE OPINION OF THE ARG OFFICER AT ATTACHMENT TO DEPORT AND WOULD PREFER A CHINESE CAN FIRM BASE ON A GLASS BETWEEN BRITISH AND TOOKALAW TROOPS (c) IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO REMOVE TOOKALAW PARTISANS DESPERATELY WHICH COULD NOT BE DONE WITHOUT MILITARY AID AND INTERNAL FORCE

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Executive Commissioner

JAS

(Sgd) J. A Quayle, Major
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

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HE QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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6 May 1945.

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SUBJECT: Situation AMG 8 Army - VENEZIA GIULIA.

TO : Distribution below.

Following is copy of HQ AMG Eighth Army report on the situation in VENEZIA GIULIA up to 23.59 hours, 3 May 45:

1. My signal G.911 of 3 May gives an outline of the position obtaining in that part of VENEZIA GIULIA at present occupied by British troops. As far as can be ascertained Tugoslav armed forces are also in all the towns and communes occupied.

2. Though the strength of the Tugoslav forces (IX Corps) in TRIESTE and GORIZIA may not be very great, there are nevertheless considerable numbers of Tugoslavs and pro-Tugoslav Italian partisans.

3. The Tugoslav forces and partisans have set up a complete local government administration in the area, and in MONFALCONE which I visited yesterday, I found it to be functioning very efficiently. Reports indicate that Tugoslav sponsored administration is equally efficient in the other areas occupied by their and British forces.

4. The TITO inspired administration in TRIESTE is reported to be not so far advanced as MONFALCONE, but it is nevertheless in control, while in GORIZIA it is reported to be in "complete control".

5. The administration which has been in underground existence for something, is backed by the presence of Tugoslav forces and partisans, whose obvious intention is, of course, to demand the transference of the area from ITALY to YUGOSLAVIA.

6. My information in regard to GORIZIA itself is from military sources, and is not yet confirmed by AMG officers who could only have arrived there today at the earliest, and may not in fact have arrived yet. The officers were consist of the Provincial Commissioner designate, Major GRIFFITHS and 12 officers from AMG Eighth Army, but owing to the distance and paucity of communications, no report had been received or is expected from them for the next two or three days.

7. My instructions for VENEZIA GIULIA to my officers, which are based on AFHQ directives to Eighth Army, are to impose Allied Military Government, using as a nucleus whatever administration is found, irrespective of nationality and [illegible]

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2. Though the strength of the Tupolaw forces (13 Corps) in [illegible] and [illegible] may not be very great, there are nevertheless considerable numbers of Tupolaw and Pro-Tupolaw Italian partisans.

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7. My instructions for VENEZIA GIULIA to my officers, which are based on AFHQ directives to Eighth Army, are to impose Allied Military Government, using as a medium whatever administration is found, irrespective of nationality and to post AMG proclamations.

8. With the situation as described above, to attempt to impose Military Government by the initial symbol of posting Allied proclamations, would in my opinion produce a crisis, possibly precipitating a clash between British and Tupolaw forces. It would be necessary to disarm Tupolaw partisans immediately which could not be done without military aid and possibly force. It might well also be necessary to remove all Tupolaw troops.

9. Under the circumstances, I consider that there is no alternative other than to accept the situation as it is found, and not to aggravate it by attempting any form of Allied Military Government, until the whole question of principle has been discussed by higher authority. It is understood that AMG are sending representatives here now to 13 Corps to attempt to find a solution of the problem.

10. I have discussed the matter with GOC Eighth Army, who in turn has consulted GOC 13 Corps, and I am acting in my decision not to impose Allied Military Government, with his full knowledge and concurrence.

11. I shall return to 13 Corps tomorrow, May 4th, so as to be there when the officers from AMG arrive.

J A Temple

See Tel. 3.0

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Date: 5/3/45

3 May 1945

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE) To accompany
NUMBER 5) Operations Instruction No. 8.

Ex. Comm (1)

1. OBJECT.

The object of this directive is to define administrative responsibilities:

a. NORTHEAST ITALY.

(1) For the support of U.S. troops in VENEZIA GIULIA.

(2) To state military government policies in VENEZIA GIULIA.

b. NORTHWEST ITALY.

(1) To lay down procedures for Fifth Army to obtain tonnages through the Port of GENOA for forces in NORTHWEST ITALY during Phase I of occupation.

2. OPERATIONS.

See Operations Instruction No. 8, Headquarters 15th Army Group, dated 1 May 1945. Administrative procedures for the administration of NORTH ITALY as stated in Administrative Directives Numbers 1, 2 and 3, this Headquarters, will apply in addition to the procedures stated in this directive.

3. U.S. TROOPS IN VENEZIA GIULIA.

a. The occupation force for VENEZIA GIULIA will consist of one British Corps to which will be attached a U.S. Division under the operational control of Eighth Army. Administratively, the U.S. Division will be self-contained. Supporting troops for the U.S. Division will be as shown in Appendix "A". These troops will be detached from Fifth Army and attached to the designated U.S. Division upon orders issued by Headquarters 15th Army Group.

b. Until such time as the Port of TRIESTE is open, Fifth Army will deliver to dumps designated by the U.S. Division supplies to maintain levels indicated in paragraph 4 d. When the Port of TRIESTE is opened

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b. Until such time as the Port of TRIESTE is open, Fifth Army will deliver to dumps designated by the U.S. Division supplies to maintain levels indicated in paragraph 4 d. When the Port of TRIESTE is opened the levels are to be maintained by water shipments by Adriatic Base Command, with the U.S. Division placing demands for requirements directly on Adriatic Base Command. Allocation of tonnages shipped by Adriatic Base Command is the responsibility of AFHQ. Discharge at TRIESTE and transport of tonnages to U.S. Divisional dumps is the responsibility of Eighth Army. As stated in AFHQ letter AG 323.3/169 SUP-O, dated 20 April 1945, subject: "Opening of Trieste", dumping areas will be sited within the area designated as the U.S. Area in the first key plan for TRIESTE.

4. DETAIL U.S. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

a. Personnel Administration.

Responsibility for personnel administration, i.e., processing of recommendations for officer promotion, battle casualty reports, personnel requisitions, etc., will remain with Fifth Army.

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b. Evacuation of Sick and Wounded.

Evacuation of sick and wounded will initially be by land; thereafter as prescribed by MTOUSA.

c. Evacuation of Major Items of Equipment.

Evacuation of major items of equipment will be to Fifth Army while Fifth Army is supplying the force; later as prescribed by MTOUSA.

d. Levels of Supply.

(1) Five days level of Classes I, III, and V supplies are to be maintained. (Class V based on "Day of Supply" rate).

(2) Classes II and IV will be by requisition on Fifth Army until Port of TRIESTE is open; thereafter on Adriatic Base Command.

(3) Class III (POL) being a common user item, will be supplied from Eighth Army resources.

(4) Engineer supplies will be supplied from Eighth Army resources, except for equipment peculiar to U.S. which will initially be supplied by requisition on Fifth Army; later, as prescribed by MTOUSA.

e. Movement of U.S. Force.

Only organic transport will be available for movement of the U.S. force. If this is not sufficient to meet the speed of occupation required by Eighth Army, additional transport as necessary must be provided by Eighth Army.

5. ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN VENEZIA GIULIA.

a. As long as Fifth and Eighth Armies are operating within the 1939 boundaries of Northeast Italy instructions contained in Administrative Directive No. 2, this Headquarters, dated 17 April 1945, subject: "Occupation of Northeast Italy", with the following exceptions, will obtain:

The compartimento of VENEZIA GIULIA, including FIUME and QUARNERIOLO ISLANDS, but excluding the Province of ZARA.

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(2) Military Government. Allied Military Government will function through such local authorities as may be found in effective operation, irrespective of nationality.

(3) Public Safety. Carabinieri may be employed in VENEZIA GIULIA only in areas where an Italian administration is operating. In other instances Allied Military personnel will be employed for police duties as circumstances demand, supervising local police where these are found functioning satisfactorily.

b. Additional applicable references:

(1) AFHQ radio number 37681, dated 30 April 1945.

(2) Operations Instruction No. 8, this Headquarters, dated 1 May 1945.

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6. PROCEDURE F BIDDING AND ACCEPTING TONNAGES FOR SUPPORT OF U.S. TROOPS THROUGH GENOA. Requirements will be bid by Fifth Army on PBS; Fifth Army to unload, transport, store and issue supplies shipped to GENOA. Supplies stocked at GENOA will not exceed a level of 3 days for forces served. Fifth Army is responsible for movement of any supplies remaining at GENOA when troops are withdrawn.

7. Fifth Army will nominate to this Headquarters not later than noon, 6 May 1945, the specific units to meet the requirements of supporting units as shown in Appendix "A".

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL CLARK:

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A. M. GRUENTHER
Major General, GSC
Chief of Staff

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APPENDIX "A"

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TRO 3 IN SUPPORT OF ONE U.S. DIVISION

IN VENEZUELA GUIDIA

Ordnance.

1 Ord MM Co

~~1 Ord Mn Bn~~ (See file 10)

1 Serv Det (BD)

1 Plat, Ord Amm Co

Quartermaster.

½ QM Bakery Co (U.S. equip)

1 QM Laundry Plat

~~1 QM Laundry~~ (See file 10)

1 QM GS Sec

1 QM GR Sec

1 QM Sv Co

1 QM Trk Co (with augmentation team)

Medical.

1 Evacuation Hospital
(400 bed) & detachments

1 Plat Med Amb Co (10 amb)

Military Police.

~~1 MP Co~~ (See file 10)

~~Engineer and Signal~~

(See file 10)

~~To be designated later.~~

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Understand that by reason of conditions existing on entry Eight Army forces in occupied areas VENEZIA GIULIA, AMG has not been established east of ISONZO.

Refer FX 68387 of 30 April. This policy should be continued and no steps to establish AMG in areas East of ISONZO taken until further direction.

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TRIESTE AREA AND GORIZIA IS SUBJECT PD ALLIED FORCES AND YUGOSLAVS ARE BOTH IN TRIESTE PD ADHERENTS OF TITO SET UP YUGOSLAV ADMINISTRATION BEFORE OUR ARRIVAL PD THE POSITION IS DESCRIBED AS VERY DELICATE PD AMG IS NOT FUNCTIONING ALTHOUGH AMG OFFICERS ARE THERE PD FOLLOWING IS THE POSITION IN MONFALCONE AND DISTRICT PD THE CIVIL ADMINISTRATION OF TITO ADHERENTS IS FUNCTIONING WELL AND HAS COMPLETE CONTROL PD PLEBISCITE IS TO BE HELD TODAY MAY FOUR PD YUGOSLAV PARTISANS IN LARGE NUMBERS AND FULLY ARMED ARE PARADING STREETS CMA ALSO YUGOSLAV ARMY PD DEMONSTRATION IS TAKING PLACE IN FAVOUR TITO BUT WELL BEHAVED PD STRENGTH OF LOCAL FEELING FOR TITO CANNOT YET BE ASSESSED OR NUMBERS OF PARTISANS PD DISARMING OF PARTISANS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE EXCEPT BY STRONG MILITARY FORCES WHICH WOULD LEAD TO EXPLOSIVE SITUATION PD YUGOSLAVS SAID TO BE IN CONTROL AT GORIZIA PD IT IS REPORTED THAT YUGOSLAVS HAVE DISARMED ITALIAN PARTISANS AND ARRESTED THEM PD AFTER CONSULTATION AND THIRTEEN CORPS A STAND STILL HAS BEEN ORDERED ON AMG ADMINISTRATION

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UNTIL VERIF BY HIGHER AUTHORITIES FROM AFHQ EXPECTED TODAY FOUR MAY PD IN CONSEQUENCE NO PROCLAMATIONS POSTED AND NO MILITARY GOVERNMENT IMPOSED AT ANY PLACE IN VENEZIA GIULIA PD THIS DECISION APPROVED BY ARMY COMMANDER IN CONSULTATION WITH CORPS COMMANDER PD SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER RETURNING TO THIRTEEN CORPS MAY FOUR PD FOREGOING IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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Subject is TRIESTE area and GORIZIA. Both Yugoslav and Allied forces are in TRIESTE. Yugoslav administration has been set up by adherents TITO before our arrival. Position is very delicate. AMG officers are in town but not functioning. Position MONFALCONE and District. Civil administration of TITO adherents in complete control and functioning well. They have made arrangements for plebiscite to be held tomorrow May 4. Large numbers Yugoslav partisans paroding streets fully armed also Yugoslav Army. Well behaved demonstration in favour TITO taking place. Impossible yet assess strength of local TITO feeling or number partisans. In any case would be impossible disarm partisans unless carried out by strong military force which would be tantamount to setting off gunpowder. Position GORIZIA understood to be Yugoslavs in complete control. Italian partisans are reported to have been disarmed by Yugoslavs and arrested. In view of all above and after consultation AMG 13 Corps have ordered a standstill on AMG until position examined by higher authorities coming from AFHQ tomorrow. Therefore no proclamations have been posted and no military government has been imposed anywhere in VENEZIA GIULIA. Army commander has approved above decision in consultation with Corps commander. Am returning 13 Corps tomorrow May 4.

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Carabinieri may be employed VENEZIA GIULIA only in cases where an Italian ministration is operating. In other instances Allied military personnel will be employed for duties as circumstances demand supervising local police where they are found functioning satisfactory.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Supreme Allied Commander's Secretariat

SAC (P) (45) 9th Meeting

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
(POLITICAL)

(EXTRACT) MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE (POLITICAL) HELD IN THE G-5 WAR ROOM AT 1030 HOURS ON THURSDAY 3RD MAY 1945

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LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON said that there were three possible methods of maintaining British forces in their zone in AUSTRIA. The first was the TRIESTE-TARVISIO route which would be the best and by far the quickest. The second was the VENICE-TARVISIO route which would be slower and the L of C would still run through certain disputed areas in the northeast portion of VENEZIA GIULIA. The third was the BRENNER route and there was no doubt that if we were restricted to it the buildup of our forces in AUSTRIA would be a very slow process. It would be necessary to bridge the PO at OSTIGLIA and prepare a long L of C, which would involve a long term commitment. He therefore suggested that an interim reply should be made to the Chief of the Imperial General Staff on the foregoing lines and that meanwhile a detailed examination should be carried out. He considered that political rather than administrative considerations were the fundamental factors in this problem. However, if we were going to use TRIESTE we must have full control of the port. The Jugoslavs by themselves were quite incapable of opening and rehabilitating the port and repairing the communications.

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MR. MACMILLAN thought that events had travelled some way since the earlier discussions and any proposal to occupy the whole of VENEZIA GIULIA was no longer practicable. It was quite clear that the British and U.S. Governments did not propose to launch a war with the Jugoslavs in order to secure control of the area. It was, therefore, now of importance to occupy rapidly as much of the area as could be seized without a major clash with the Jugoslav forces. He thought it would be advisable to despatch a considered reply to Marshal Tito, re-stating the course which the Supreme Allied Commander proposed to take, and at the same time to proceed with firmness and tact to occupy areas of military importance, relying on the judgment of local Allied Commanders to avoid serious clashes.

MAJOR GENERAL LEMONTEER observed at this point that he had just received a message to the effect that the German garrison in TRIESTE had surrendered to the New Zealand Division at 1630 hours on 2nd May. No Jugoslav troops had been concerned and no unusual incidents had been reported.

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THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER :

(a) Directed that there should be no change in his instructions on this subject to 15th Army Group, whose forces should continue to secure the areas of VENEZIA GIULIA of military importance, proceeding firmly and with tact and avoiding serious clashes with the Yugoslavs.

(b) Instructed the Chief of Staff to draft for his approval a telegram to Marshal Tito in accordance with his remarks at 'X' above.

(c) Directed that full Allied military government be set up in the normal way in areas occupied by Allied forces, in accordance with the policy at (a) above.

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MAIN HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

30 April 1945

Rec'd 3/5

Dear Maurice.

When I last wrote about Trieste to the Chief Commissioner, I promised to keep him in touch with further developments. All further developments have happened rather rapidly and the very latest news as I write this letter, the news of Tito's Partisans fighting in Trieste, overshadows all else of importance.

I think, however, that it might be of use to you to know the story of the last few days from our point of view. When I last wrote we had put in a bid for 35 officers, 25 men and nine vehicles. That bid was subsequently cut down and discussions between Con Benson and army proceeded on the basis of a reduced party to go by water. It still appeared that any Trieste expedition might likely start by water and that Lucera was as good a location as any other for our 'Group D'. This was confirmed in the discussion at AMG 8th Army as late as the night of Thursday 26 April when Fiske was forward visiting us. All this time I had kept forward as part of my own Advance Headquarters Lt. Col. Armstrong who I had suggested should go in the Trieste party as Chief Staff Officer to Col. Scholtz, and he had been through all papers with me and had discussed several points with the I branch at 8th Army. We also happened to have at Main Headquarters two officers destined for the Venezia Giulia party.

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In the meantime I understand that our allotment for officers on the sea party, should it come off, would consist of:-

D or D plus 1 - 2 officers and 1 vehicle
D plus 2 or after - 8 officers, 6 ORs and 2 vehicles

This can be formed from Lt.Col. Orpwood's party when it arrives. Alternatively they can be sent by road to reinforce Col. Scholtz.

You will observe that this entire operation is being carried out by 8th Army and the Civil Affairs aspect is entirely the responsibility of SCAO 8th Army, to whom we are giving every assistance within our power. Naturally, it would not be proper for me to intervene personally in the affairs of Trieste at this stage. I am, however, keeping very closely in touch with the situation, ready to do anything which I am called upon to perform.

You will be aware of the plans which are being made regarding occupation of Venezia Giulia, in the first instance, by one British Division, later by one American and one other British Division. It is quite clear that all these plans are entirely subject to the new developments.

Yours ever

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Brigadier Maurice Lush CBE,
Executive Commissioner,
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
EIGHTH ARMY

Lt. Col. Orpwood.

OPERATION ORDER - TRIESTE

29 April, 45.

To: Lt-Col. SCHOLTZ
O.C. Civil Affairs Det.
TRIESTE.

Confidential

1. The 2nd New Zealand Division have been directed today by 13 Corps to proceed to the town of TRIESTE by road. It is believed that there was little or no resistance.

MOVEMENT.

2. You will proceed on 30th April, starting from CESENA to follow 2nd N.Z. Div to TRIESTE. You will arrive as soon as possible after, or with the N.Z. Div.

PERSONNEL.

3. The following Personnel will compose the TRIESTE Team.

Lt-Col.	SCHOLTZ	O.C.	A
Lt-Col.	ARMSTRONG		B
Major	RUISI	P.H.G.	A
Capt.	MAYDON	Sup Offr.	
Major	COWAN	C.A.P.O.	
Major	RINGQUIST	Fin Offr.	B
Capt.	GAZIANO	Legal Offr.	A
Major	FODEN	Public Works	

4 C.A.Os.
3 Clerks.
2 G.D. Men
6 Drivers (4 Cesena Party - 2 ROVIGO Party)

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5. The four C.A.Os will rendez-vous with the CESENA Party at the Prefettura ROVIGO on 30th April or 1st May.

TRANSPORT.

6. CESENA Party:

	1 Command Car	ex VENEZIA Region.
	1 Jeep	ex Lt-Col. Armstrong.
	2 3-tonners	ex VENEZIA Region.
ROVIGO Party:	2 15-cwts	with C.A.Os at ROVIGO.

TIMING & ROUTE.

7. CESENA Party is to move first light 30th April to ROVIGO via FERRARA. Link up with C.A.Os at earliest possible towards TRIESTE. O.C. Party to determine own route from ROVIGO.

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MILITARY GOVERNMENT TRIESTE.

8. On arrival at TRIESTE you will set up Allied Military Government in the normal manner.

9. You are to use such existing local administration as you find there, provided that, but irrespective of whether it has been set up by Yugoslav or by Italian Anti-Fascist supporters.

10. If there is no Local Government in existence, you will form one, using suitable local people for the purpose, being particular not to discriminate against persons on account of either their Yugoslav or Italian sympathies.

11. It is extremely important to avoid any indication as to the future of TRIESTE or any part of VENEZIA GIULIA.

12. In the event of any difficulty with Yugoslav forces you will refer to the local Military Commander for instructions.

POLICE.

13. No Carabinieri or Italian Public Safety personnel from Occupied Italy will be introduced into TRIESTE pending further instructions.

14. Local Police as found may be used subject to screening and supplemented if necessary by suitable civilians or partisans.

FINANCE.

15. All Fascist accounts are to be blocked. Banks may be allowed to remain open or may be re-opened, provided there is sufficient currency available to last until fresh supplies of Allied Military Lire can reach you.

LAW.

16. Proclamations Nos. 1 and 2, General Orders Nos. 1 and (Provisional Gen Order No. 29 are to be posted on arrival. You will not permit Italian Courts to function in TRIESTE until receipt of further orders.

PATRIOTS.

17. It is the intention to disarm patriots who are declared by the Military Commander to be of no further operational value. This should be done in your case when you are satisfied that there is sufficient military strength to enforce the order. Disarmament should be done

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REPORTS.

18. You are to keep this H.Q. in touch with the civilian situation in TRIESTE by signal at frequent intervals.

19. ACK.

/s/ G Benson
Air Commodore,
Officer Commanding,
HQ., A.M.G. EIGHTH ARMY.

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Lt-Col. SCHOLTZ - O.C. Civil Affairs Det TRIESTE - Sub Regnl Comm
Regional Commissioner, VENEZIA Region (1) Venezia Giulia (2)
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HQ 5 ARMY
GENERAL ORDER
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO [illegible]

VENEZIA GIULIA ORDER NO. 355

By Brigadier J.M. Dunlop, CBE, MC, TD

29 Apr 45

1. The following Officers and NCO/ORs are assigned to Venezia Giulia Team and are placed under command HQ AMG Eighth Army wef date of this order:

Dep. Reg. Commissioner	Lt Col	J.D. Nuholt[illegible]	(A)
Provincial Commissioner	Lt Col	[illegible] Armstrong	(B)
Public Safety	Maj	J.N.L. Cowan	(A)
Public Health	Maj	J.L.C. Pulsi	(A)
Legal	Capt	R.A. Gariano	(A)
Finance	Maj	W.J.B. Ringquist	(B)
Public Works	Maj	J.E. Foden	(B)
Clerks	Cpl	Alley F.H.	(A)
	T/5	Nadi A.O.	(A)
	Pvt	McCarter W.F.	(A)
General Duty	Pfc	Poli D	(A)
	Pte	Pawbert J	(B)
Drivers	Pvt	Davies S	(B)
	Pvt	Butler S	(B)
	Pfc	Richards M	(B)
	Cpl	Bonicalzi L.L.	(A)

2. The following transport will be made available for the team:

1 C & R
1 Jeep

2 3-tonners

1 Other vehicle

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Public Health	Maj	J.L.C. Puisi	(A)
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3. The team will move off from Mein HQ under command Lt Col Scholtz at 0700 hrs Monday 30 Apr 45.

4. Rations will be provided by HQ 3rd Eighth Army for all personnel for fifteen (15) days.

5. All personal kit and stores as required will be taken.

6. Mess Officer, CO Co. 'M' and Hq Commandant will arrange breakfasts for party at 0630 hrs.

Maj, R.A.
for Regional Commissioner

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1 - Mess Officer
2 - HQ AMG Eighth Army
1 - HQ A.C. G-3(s)
1 - HQ A.C. G-1(s)
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300 /S/ J. A. Quayle

E. TALBOT, Major

E. E. DRAKEMAN
Lt.Col, AGD
Adjutant

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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In view operational picture essential be given policy and direction on attitude to be adopted in TRIESTE. Particularly if Yugoslave control has been imposed in such control to be accepted under Allied Military Government alone or jointly with Yugoslav representation. Advance party for TRIESTE gone by road following Armed Forces and are at this moment no longer in touch. You have received copy instruction given officer in charge party.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS POLICY PLAN FOR
THE OCCUPATION OF NORTHEAST ITALY

1 OBJECT

To set up AMG and Civil Administration of North East Italy.

Note: These plans do not include matters connected with the Economic field.

2 OPERATIONAL BACKGROUND

Whatever may be the circumstances of the enemy's withdrawal or surrender, the final object to be attained in setting up AMG will, in broad outline, be carried out in accordance with established practice and procedures which have hitherto obtained in the occupation of ITALY.

There are, however, special circumstances connected with the sudden collapse or evacuation of N.E. Italy that require special consideration. There are too, special considerations to be taken into account, i.e. Frontier areas, industrial areas, large patriot organizations, etc.

3 N.E. ITALY is defined as comprising the following areas:
(1) VENETIA Region
(2) MARCHE Provinces
(3) EMILIA Region less the Provinces of PIACENZA and PARMA,
FORLI and RAVENNA.

4 METHOD

The normal method of existing Civil Affairs policies will govern the occupation of N.E. Italy through Regional Control. Plans of the following Sub-Commissions are attached:

Local	Enclosure I
Local Government	II
Public Health	III
Public Safety	IV
Displaced Persons & Repatriation	V

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There are, however, special circumstances connected with the sudden collapse or execution of N.F. Italy that require special consideration. There are too, special considerations to be taken into account, i.e. Prefect corps, industrial crisis, large patriot organizations, etc.

3 N.F. ITALY is defined as comprising the following areas:

(1) VENETIA Region
(2) MANTOVA Province
(3) EMILIA Region less the Provinces of PIACENZA and PARMA, MODENA and RAVENNA.

4 SCOPE

The normal method of existing Civil Affairs policies will govern the occupation of N.F. Italy through Regional Control. Plans of the following Sub-Commissions are attached:

Legal	Enclosure I
Local Government	II
Public Health	III
Public Safety	IV
Displaced Persons & Repatriation	V

Directives on the following have been published already:

Taxation Ref: DF/3A/01 of 10 Apl 45
Mine Clearance Plan for N.ITALY of 23 Apl 45.
Monuments & Fine Arts Ref: AFHQ Administrative Memo No. 20
Education Administration Instruction No. 1.

5 PERSONNEL

The allotment of personnel to Regions will be issued as a separate instruction by Establishment Section.

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

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ENCLOSURE I

(to A/KAW/2 of 30 Apr 45)

ROME EAST PLAN PLAN: LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

ALLIED MILITARY COURTS.

1 The operation of Allied Military Courts raises problems, similar to those already encountered in newly occupied territory, although these problems are likely to be intensified by the relatively small number of legal officers available for these areas. These problems will not, however, be simplified by any wider delegation of powers either for the purpose of reviewing of court cases or for the constituting or convening of courts.

2 A panel for General Courts will be appointed.

3 The local military authorities should, wherever possible, be requested to make available officers to sit on General Courts, and if required, also on Superior Courts and to act as prosecuting and, when necessary, defending officers in such Courts.

ITALIAN COURTS.

4 The great majority of judicial officials in N.E. Italy is believed to have refused the oath of allegiance to the Republican Fascist Government and it is thought that there should be no substantial shortage of judicial personnel who can be retained in office. Some 12 officials of varying grades who hold appointments in N.E. Italy are at present in Italian Government territory and can be returned to their posts when required.

5 In addition to the normal courts special Courts of Assize will be set up to deal with fascist criminals collaborating with the Germans. An Italian Government decree has been passed for the constitution of these courts; this decree has been implemented for [illegible] territory and the Courts should be brought into operation as soon as possible in order to assist the maintenance of law and order.

6 The provision of judicial personnel for these Courts and for general epuration purposes is likely to involve a heavy strain on the total personnel available. It will be necessary however to ensure that personnel are provided for these purposes and for the subordinate Courts as soon as possible. It will depend upon the numbers available, how soon the superior Courts can be opened.

7 In any case it will be necessary for the local HQs to make temporary appointments of judicial personnel locally available to fill magisterial

3 The local military authority should, whenever possible, be requested to make available officers to sit on General Courts, and if required, also on Superior Courts and to act as prosecutors, and, when necessary, defending officers in each Courts.

ITALIAN COURTS.

4 The great majority of judicial officials in A.M.G. Italy is believed to have refused the oath of allegiance to the Republican Fascist Government and it is thought that there should be no exceptional shortage of judicial personnel who can be retained in office. Some 12 officials of varying grades who held appointments in A.M.G. Italy are at present in Italian Government territory and can be returned to their posts when required.

5 In addition to the Assisi courts special Courts of Assize will be set up to deal with fascist criminals collaborating with the Germans. An Italian Government decree has been passed for the constitution of these courts: this course has been implemented for AMG territory and the Courts should be brought into operation as soon as possible in order to assist the maintenance of law and order.

6 The provision of judicial personnel for these Courts and for general operation purposes is likely to involve a heavy strain on the total personnel available. It will be necessary however to ensure that personnel are provided for these purposes and for the appellate Courts as soon as possible. It will depend upon the numbers available how soon the Superior Courts can be opened.

7 In any case it will be necessary for the local AMG to make temporary appointments of judicial personnel locally available to fill magisterial vacancies. These appointments by AMG will, in view of communication difficulties, have to be treated as the rule rather than the exception, but they should be reported to Legal Sub-Commission for ratification in the usual way.

8 The Italian Government has appointed by decree a Supreme Military Tribunal for Northern Italy. Sections may be established where required. It may be desirable for a Section to be set up in S.E. Italy.

9 It will be necessary to secure close liaison in the work of the AMG Courts, the Italian Civil Courts and the Military Tribunal to ensure that prompt disposition is made of the urgent cases. It may be necessary for AMG Courts, at least in the early stages, to handle cases which would normally be left for the Italian Courts.

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Enclosure II
(to [illegible] of 30 [illegible])

[illegible] - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE

The responsibility of the Sub-Commission is confined to the following matters:
a) the establishment of a temporary system of democratic local government;
b) ensuring the efficient working of the new structure and, where necessary, supplying personnel to fill official posts therein.

With regard to (a) the intended system will follow the plan which has hitherto been operating in Central and Southern Italy and which is also intended for N.W. Italy. Such plan is contained in SCB, III and full details, instructions and directives thereon have been issued to and are in the possession of AMG and PCR.

Whilst the plan itself and the details thereof remain unchanged, the method of its application in the Sub-Commission's area of Northern Italy may be affected by the CLN, particularly in areas where they have set up a form of provincial and/or communal administration. The policy to be followed and the attitude to be adopted towards the CLN in relation to local government administration to be established by AMG is detailed in [illegible] directive addressed to all officers, Ref. 9/20.1/CA of 27 April.

1 a) With regard to 1 (b) the procedure for filling vacancies varies according to the importance of the post.
b) As to [illegible] the agreed policy is that where a vacancy is found or a new appointment otherwise necessary the SC is empowered to fill the office by the appointment of a suitable person from the particular province concerned. This is governed by 9/20.1/CA of 27 April.
c) Owing to difficulties of communication, etc. AMG for Northern Italy will (by amendment 1 of 3 Centre Memorandum 30) appoint and remove Prefects Commissarii on their own authority and without the prior approval of SC, provided they report any such action with full particulars as soon as possible thereafter.
d) Where no people can be referred to in 1 (b) is available, or if it is otherwise impossible to secure such an appointment, the Sub-Commission will, on a post, [illegible] to the staff or add a Prefect from a reserve or "pool", which has been established in collaboration with the Italian Government. Such pool is to serve both N.W. & N.E. Italy. It is intended that, if possible, a proportion of the officials in the pool will be kept in Rome (employed at the Ministry) available to proceed forth at any 24 hours' notice, the remainder being distributed about the Prefectures in Italian Government territory whence they can be called to Rome to replace those sent forward. This paragraph should, again, be read in conjunction with 9/20.1/CA of 27 Apl.
e) As to Vice Prefects, a similar "pool" has been established.
2) With regard to [illegible] and [illegible], any vacancies will be notified by Prefects direct to the Ministry of the Interior (through AC channels) in accordance with the procedure contained in SC Central circular 1/30/10 of 1 April 1945.
3) Vacancies in subordinate ranks will be filled by temporary staff recruited [illegible] as soon as possible. If the Prefect is un-

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR - PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE

MEDICAL STAFF

1. SPHCO will be chosen with the best known names of medical personnel.

2. SPHCO will be furnished with a list of all the Civil and Italian Red Cross hospitals with their bed capacity.

3. Information as to the latest known conditions, concerning damage to hospitals, efficiency and numbers of medical personnel, lack of supplies, etc. are forwarded as received.

4. 40 lbs. of DDT and a spray gun for every province in the Region are being provided with the Regional medical supplies. These are for the distribution to and the instruction of every Medical Provincials in methods of Typhus control.

5. A small supply of Zerlin cream, to be used against anti-scabies in scabs, will also be provided with the Sectional medical supplies.

6. Supplies of liquid chlorine for water sterilising purposes if required should be requested from the HQ, Industry Sub-Commission.

7. It is accepted by all NGOs that should any serious epidemic arise, staff may be moved in from adjacent Regions to render assistance.

8. NGOs have been furnished with copies of all instructions and directives issued both by this HQ and the Medical Health Division, Italian Government, to date.

CENTRAL SUPPLIES

9. A requisition for six months medical supplies for the area was made in August 1944 and these supplies are expected to arrive some time in middle of July 1945.

10. There will be on hand at all times at least two months medical supplies in the event that the supplies requisitioned for this area do not arrive. These supplies will be issued from the M.T.O. stockpile in Naples.

11. When these areas are first occupied all supplies will be handled by A.M.G. in the same manner as at present and in accordance with Executive Memorandum No 2, and its amendments.

12. The medical depot now being organised in Florence will be closed at such time when suitable warehouse space will be available at Genoa. The space required will be between 20,000 square feet. It is anticipated that de-

[illegible] Bari [illegible], to be a current [illegible] is made, will [illegible] with the Regional [illegible] land supplies.

Chlorine or liquid chlorine for water sterilizing purposes if required should be requested from the M. Industry sub-commission.

7 It is expected by all units that should any serious epidemic arise, staff may be moved in from adjacent regions to render a assistance.

8 Units have been furnished with copies of all instructive and directive issued both by this HQ and the Public Health Division, Italian Government, to date.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES

9 A requisition for six months medical supplies for [illegible] was made in August 1944 and these supplies are expected to arrive each time in middle of May 1945.

10 There will be on hand at all times at least two months medical supplies in the event that the supplies requisitioned for this area do not arrive. These supplies will be drawn from the M.F.O. stockpile in Naples.

11 When these areas are fully occupied all supplies will be handled by A.M.G. in the usual manner [illegible] and in accordance with Executive Convention [illegible] and its amendments.

12 The medical depot now being operated in Florence will be closed at such time when suitable warehouse space will be available at Rome. The space required will be between 40/50,000 square feet. It is anticipated that additional warehouse space will be secured on the Adriatic Coast.

13 All medical supplies are requisitioned and initially delivered on a consignment basis. Using the regular formula, Venezia region will require about [illegible] tons per month and Emilia Region 50 tons per month. Initial requests have been made to Emilia Region and supplies are being requisitioned from in accordance with their needs.

14 Senior Public Health Officers of the Army Areas will give FULLEST every possible assistance in establishing a distribution system which will be put into effect as the areas are released to the Regions, and it will then be the responsibility of the Regional Public Health Officers of the Regions to assist FULLEST in an efficient distribution of medical supplies.

LIVESTOCK (Northeast and Northeast Italy)

15 Veterinary problems are expected to increase about three-fold upon liberation of Northern Italy. As approximately half of all Italian livestock was located in this area before 1940 it is assumed that approximately the same ratio will be found there upon its liberation.
At least 50% of the livestock as recorded by the 1940 census is expected to be found.

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1. There are reported to be 2000 Italian veterinarians in the areas and - list of known veterinarians has been furnished to the Regional Public Health Officers.

17. The livestock population is estimated for veterinary purposes to be about 5 million and the animal disease problems certain to appear include swine cryptococcosis, anthrax, foot-and-mouth disease, swine cholera, blacklegs and infectious tracheitis. A tentative list of veterinary biologics has been built up to total of anticipated needs. A six months supply of Allied Military Government supplies for this area is expected to arrive in June.

18. Vet Military Government laboratories are expected to be found in Milan, Venezia, Padova and Torino and immediate steps will be taken to activate these laboratories.

Disease

19. It is anticipated that welfare needs will be greater in North East and Central Italy than in Southern Italy. If the factories of this highly industrial section are destroyed, serious unemployment with resulting suffering will follow. In the Provinces of Italy, the lack of raw materials for production will cause more unemployment.

Plans of the Welfare Branch are based on the assumption that there will be large scale destruction and that 40% of the people will be in dire need.

20. Clothing furnished by American Relief for Italy and to be distributed by the National Italian Committee known as ENEI, is in warehouses in Leghorn. It is assumed that passes from Army areas can be obtained for the 50 trucks now operating under ENEI, but owned by American Relief for Italy. These trucks will also carry vitrain and food, especially milk for children.

21. Every effort is made to eliminate stockpiling of needed materials. Distribution of all essential materials will be made in areas the moment they are liberated. We have been provided 100,000 blankets for Northern Italy. As soon as [illegible] are received they will be turned over to Regions for distribution to [illegible] and distributed.

22. The American Red Cross under the direction of the Senior Public Health Officers will continue to distribute their clothing which is already at Leghorn.

23. American Red Cross clothing will meet the first and pressing needs in the different areas are liberated. American Relief for Italy Inc. clothing will be supplied to the liberated areas after the American Red Cross distribution has been completed and after the American Red Cross moves on to new areas.

24. The supplementary feeding plans will be similar to those used in Rome, Naples and Florence with public feeding stations being set up in the largest cities to meet the immediate needs. An information section this office is to assure any food requirements such information will be immediately passed to the Food Sub-Commission.

25. Immediate contact will be made with existing ENAL and ENAS for the purpose of having them function under good management as quickly as possible.

26. Labor, Industry and Commerce Sub-Commissions will be kept informed of the numbers and locations of unemployables on Relief.

[illegible] on the Allied Armies [illegible] based on the assumption that there will be no large scale starvation and that only of the people will be in dire need.

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[illegible] Every effort is made to eliminate stockpiling of needed materials. Distribution [illegible] initial period only will be made in areas the moment they are liberated. [illegible] provided 180,000 blankets for Northern Italy. As soon as [illegible] will be turned over to regions for distribution to [illegible] and institutions.

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[illegible] The supplementary feeding plans will be similar to those used in Rome, Naples and Florence. With public feeding stations being set up in the liberated cities to meet the immediate needs. All information reaches this office as to emergency food requirements and information will be immediately passed to the food sub-commission.

[illegible] Immediate contact will be made with existing CNRR and UNRRA for the purpose of having their function under food management as quickly as possible.

[illegible] Labor, Industry and Commerce Sub-Commissions will be most interested of the numbers and locations of employables on Relief.

[illegible] This Sub-Commission, with verbal agreements already made, will coordinate the work and efforts of the following and by so doing it is hoped to eliminate as nearly as possible all duplication of effort and distribution.

a) The American Joint Distribution Committee whose funds come from the people of Jewish faith in America.
b) The British and American Red Cross.
c) ENNSI, the Italian National organization set up to receive and distribute clothing, food and medicines for the needy.

[illegible] A letter from the President of the Italian Red Cross to Red Cross workers in this area, giving these workers complete instructions for immediate activation, is being held and will be immediately delivered as areas are liberated.

G.S. [illegible], Brigadier
Director,
Public Health Sub-Commission

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ENCLOSURE IV
(to AFHQ-A/G of 30 Apl 45)

NORTH EAST ITALY PLAN : PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

POLICING NORTHEAST ITALY

1 The procedure adopted throughout our occupation of Southern Italy will be followed in Northeast Italy. The preservation of law and order will be maintained through Italian Police Agencies, that is to say, C.C.R., C.C.P.P., Agents of Public Security, Municipal Guards and Forest Guards. If necessary, civilians may be enrolled as Special Police.

POLICE FORCES TO BE DISBANDED.

2 The unauthorized organizations will be disbanded immediately upon our arrival:

O.V.R.A.
Guardia Nazionale Repubblicana
Highway Militia
Post and Telegraph Militia.
Railway Militia.
Frontier Militia.

RETENTION OF POLICE PERSONNEL

3 Police personnel, other than CC.RR, will be utilized at once provided there is no objection to any individual on grounds of military security. Subsequently, ordinary epuration measures will take their course.

CARABINIERI

4 Special plans have been made for sending CC.RR. into Northern Italy for two reasons:

(a) The CC.RR. in the North are believed to have been disbanded by the Fascists and the Germans, and
(b) Ex-CC.RR. found in the North cannot be immediately re-enlisted because the maximum strength of 59,000 for the whole of Italy has already been reached.

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5 CC.RR. entering newly occupied territory will wear a distinctive shoulder [illegible] in Northwest Italy.

POLICE FORCES TO BE DISBANDED.

2. The undermentioned organisations will be disbanded immediately upon our arrival:

O.V.R.A.
Guardia Nazionale Repubblicana
Highway Militia
Post and Telegraph Militia.
Railway Militia.
Prestino Militia.

SCREENING OF POLICE PERSONNEL.

3. Police personnel, other than CC.RR. will be utilised at once provided there is no objection to any individual on grounds of military security. Subsequently, ordinary epuration measures will take their course.

REARMAMENT.

4. Special plans have been made for sending CC.RR. into Northern Italy for two reasons:

(a) The CC.RR. in the North are believed to have been disbanded by the Fascists and the Germans, and
(b) Ex-CC.RR. found in the North cannot be immediately re-enlisted because the maximum strength of 65,000 for the whole of Italy has already been reached.

5. CC.RR. entering newly occupied territory will wear a distinctive shoulder badge in order to distinguish them from the CC.RR. found in Northwest Italy. Regional Public Safety Officers will ensure that this is complied with.

6. Briefly, CC.RR. will be sent forward in three stages:

(a) Mobile CC.RR. attached to 5th and 8th Armies will move forward with the occupying troops.
(b) Spearhead CC.RR., already staged forward, will be sent into Northwest Italy for permanent duty as territory is occupied.
(c) Reserve CC.RR. will be sent to complete the strength of Venezia Giulia if local CC.RR. cannot be used for this purpose.

7. These plans are based on an authorised strength of 55,000 officers and men. Tentative plans have been made for increasing proportionately the CC.RR. strength if the maximum is raised from 65,000 to 65,000.

Detailed plans are set out in Appendix "A".

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CARABINIERI MOBILE BATTALION.

8 A Mobile Battalion of CC.RR. will be organised for patrolling Venezia Region to prevent civil disturbances and banditry.

Personnel	Transport.
1 Major	1 Motor Car
3 Captains	12 3-ton trucks
6 Lieutenants	12 Armoured cars.
6 Marescialli	
12 N.C.O's.	
277 CC.RR.	
Total 305	

All the vehicles (with the exception of 7 armoured cars which are now being procured) are available and the Battalion is in course of being mobilised.

CARABINIERI REPLACEMENT POOL IN NORTHERN ITALY

9 CC.RR. reporting for duty will be sent to CC.RR. Screening Centres established in forward areas, where they will be investigated by a Commission of specially selected CC.RR. Officers. If found suitable they may be re-enlisted, provided an equal number of auxiliary or over-age CC.RR. in Southern Italy are dismissed. In the interval between reporting for duty and acceptance into the CC.RR. it is proposed to pay and feed these men as partisans. (But this arrangement has not yet been confirmed.)

AGENTS OF PUBLIC SECURITY

10 It is proposed to allow the existing organisation to continue. However, it is likely that several Questori and senior Officials may have fled or may have been removed by partisans or by the CLNAI. The appointment of substitutes will be made, or confirmed, by the AMG Provincial Commissioner with the advice of the local Public Safety Officer.

MINORS GUARD

11 The existing organisation will be retained. Senior Officers are available in Rome for transfer to the North if necessary.

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Total 305

All the vehicles (with the exception of 7 armoured cars which are now being procured) are available and the Battalion is in course of being established.

ORGANISING PERSONNEL FOUND IN SOUTHERN ITALY

9 CC.RR. reporting for duty will be sent to CC.RR. Screening Centre established in forward areas, where they will be investigated by a Commission of specially selected CC.RR. Officers. If found suitable they may be re-enlisted, provided an equal number of auxiliary or over-age CC.RR. in Southern Italy are dismissed. In the interval between reporting for duty and reception into the CC.RR. it is proposed to pay and feed these men as partisans. (But this arrangement has not yet been confirmed.)

ARMS OF PUBLIC SECURITY

10 It is proposed to allow the existing organisation to continue. However, it is likely that several Quasori and Senior Officials may have fled or may have been removed by partisans or by the CLNAI. The appointment of substitutes will be made, or confirmed, by the AMG Provincial Commissioner with the advice of the local Public Safety Officer.

FINANCE GUARDS

11 The existing organisation will be retained. Senior Officers are available in Rome for transfer to the North if necessary.

12 It is expected that a large proportion of the GG.FF. strength will be found intact in the North, but a reserve of 600 men is available for transfer if the need arises.

The authorised strength of GG.FF. in Venezia is as follows:

Officers	NCO's	Men	Total
171	1,591	6,076	7,838

RATIONS

13 CC.RR. will draw rations at the Italian Army scale, while other Police Agencies will be supplied with rations at the special scale set out in Memorandum AG/13-1/Mess of 18 Oct 44.

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TRANSPORT

14 Apart from the Mobile Battalions of CC.RR. described in paragraph 8 above, no vehicles will be sent to Northern Italy. Use will be made of such transport as is found in the possession of the local Police or can be obtained from military sources or by requisitioning.

FRONTIER CONTROL

15 The frontiers to be considered are those of Austria and Yugoslavia.

The control of the frontiers is the responsibility of AMG, and no instructions have yet been published. However, the following principles are likely to be adopted:-

(a) The enforcement of the control will be carried out by Allied personnel - possibly C.I.C. - and not by AMG.
(b) The assistance of Italian Police will be sought to augment Allied Personnel in controlling the frontiers.
(c) As soon as Northeast Italy is secured the frontiers will be closed.
(d) At a later stage civilians in possession of Military Travel Authorizations or Allied Forces Permits will be allowed to cross the frontiers.
(e) At a very much later stage the frontiers may be opened to the conveyance of merchandise in accordance with plans made by Finance Sub-Commission.

16 The task of Public Safety will be to provide the Italian Police to work under Allied Military supervision. The Fascist Frontier Militia will be disbanded and its place taken by CC.RR. and GUARDIA. At the moment it is not proposed to use Agents of Public Security. The main work will be done by CC.RR. and it is expected that most of them will be found at their frontier posts.

17 No firm arrangements can be made until ASGR plans have been settled but the following reserves are being held in readiness:

CC.RR. 200 (to be available within a few days.)
CC.RR. 600 (to be available within a few days.)

CO-OPERATION WITH THE MILITARY.

18 Public Safety Officers in Northwestern Italy will keep in the closest touch with Allied Military Police (including S.I.B. and C.I.D.) and also with the Allied Military Security Services (MSS and CIC). In the event of situations arising with which the Italian Police are unable to cope, Allied Military assistance will be obtained.

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(b) The assistance of Italian Police will be sought to augment Allied Personnel in controlling the frontiers.

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17 No firm arrangements can be made until AFHQ plans have been settled but the following reserves are being held in readiness:

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18 Public Safety Officers in Northwestern Italy will keep in the closest touch with Allied Military Police (including C.I.B. and C.I.D.) and also with the Allied Military Security Services (FSS and CIC). In the event of situations arising with which the Italian Police are unable to cope, Allied Military assistance will be obtained.

19 No information is available as to the number of Allied or Italian Garrison Troops likely to be stationed in Northwest Italy.

SECURITY

20 It has been agreed that Regional Commissioners will have a Security Officer working under the Regional Public Safety Officer to advise and assist him with Security problems. A separate directive will be issued as to their functions.

Briefly, these will consist of screening local officials and Allied Commission civilian employees, liaison with other Military and Civil Security agencies, enquiries in regard to espionage, sabotage and subversive activities, liaison between Patriot officers and intelligence agencies, etc.

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PRISONS.

22 A list of prisons in the area is shown in Appendix "B", together with accommodation and classification. In this connection, attention is drawn to AC Directive 317/122/TY in regard to the requisition of such institutions.

FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE.

23 Italian Fire and Civil Defence organizations will be reorganized. At the earliest convenient moment the Civil Defence personnel will be reduced to numbers commensurate with the duties to be performed.

24 Six trucks with portable pumps are stationed in Rome ready to be sent forward to Venezia. Each truck carries two men. Trained crews of 10 men for each truck are available in Rome and can be sent forward with the vehicles if there is any shortage of trained personnel in Venezia.

25 Public Safety Officers will maintain liaison with Allied Military Fire and RAD Services, particularly in the Ports.

CONTROL OF CIVILIAN MOVEMENT.

26 For the purposes of the control of civilian movement newly occupied territory will continue to be regarded as being within the Army Zone until higher military authority authorises a change-over from Army Zone to Restricted Zone, or from Restricted Zone to Free Zone.

27 Proclamation No. 1, Article 16, will apply until the territory is turned over to Regional Control. General Order No. 20 will then be posted.

28 Local adjustments to the 10 Km. restriction may be considered necessary in the case of towns with large built up areas. Such adjustments are subject to the permission of the local military commander.

29 It is anticipated that the frontier provinces will continue to be regarded as a restricted area for an indefinite period.

30 The provisions of Executive Memorandum No. 77 will be complied with by all concerned on all occasions.

31 With regard to civilians wishing to leave Italian territory, appli-

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The portable pumps are stationed in Rome ready to be sent forward to Venezia. Each truck carries ten men. Trained crews of 10 men for each truck are available in Rome and can be sent forward with the vehicles if there is any shortage of trained personnel in Venezia.

25 Public Safety Officers will maintain liaison with Allied Military Fire and NAS Services, particularly in the Ports.

CONTROL OF CIVILIAN MOVEMENT.

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29 It is anticipated that the frontier provinces will continue to be regarded as a restricted zone for an indefinite period.

30 The provisions of Executive Memorandum No. 77 will be complied with by all concerned on all occasions.

31 With regard to civilians wishing to leave Italian territory, application for Military Travel Authorisations will be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of Executive Memorandum No. 61.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS FOR ARMY AREAS.

32 It is expected that all forms of local government will come under the control of civil agencies at an earlier date than in the present liberated portions of Italy. All public buildings and equipment will be reserved for the services named below and put at the disposal of Civil Government as early as is commensurate with military necessity.

Prefettura, Municipi.	Prisons.
Carabinieri Caserme.	Reformatories.
Police Stations.	Fire Stations.
Court Houses.	M.M.A.F. (Bomb Disposal and Mine Clearance organisations.)
Police Barracks.	

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APPENDIX "A"
(to ENCLOSURE 1V
to A/AGA/GX of 30 Apl 45)

ACTUAL STRENGTH OF CC.RR.

	Training	Spearhead	55,000 Ceiling
VENETO -	UDINE	152	523
	BELLUNO	19	228
	CONEGLIANO	58	697
	PADOVA	7	850
	VERONA	120	199
	VICENZA	116	269
	PADOVA	199	400
	TREVISO	119	284
	VENEZIA	198	336
	ROVIGO	50	193
VENEZIA GIULIA -			
	FORLI	62	691
	TRIESTE	80	1,275
	FIUME	32	269
	GORIZIA	81	189
	ZARA	22	151
		1,970	7,508

If a ceiling of 65,000 is approved, the total strength for Veneto will be increased from 7,508 to 9,510.

PLAN FOR MAINTAINING THE STRENGTH

Mobile CC.RR.	Already attached to 5th Army	289
	Already attached to 8th Army	208 — 497
		4557
Spearhead	On reserve at RIMINI	500
	On reserve at PESARO	146

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PRATINO	119	280
VENEZIA	139	336
ROVIGO	50	199
VENEZIA GIULIA -		
POLA	62	651
TRIESTE	80	1,175
MUGGIA	32	269
GORIZIA	41	483
ZARA	22	151
	1,250	7,508

If a ceiling of 65,000 is approved, the total strength for Venezia will be increased from 7,508 to 9,514.

PLAN FOR FURNISHING THE STRENGTH

Mobile G.C.T.	Already attached to 5th Army	285	
	Already attached to 8th Army	208	493
			1557
Spearhead	On reserve at RIMINI	500	
	On reserve at PESARO	416	
	On reserve at FLORENCE	254	
	On reserve at ANCONA	50	1,250
Vanguard	On duty in Southern Lagoons		2,000
Remainder	To be provided from Screening Centres or from Southern Lagoons as the situation develops		3,765
		TOTAL	7,508

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ANNEX "B"
(to Enclosure 1)
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MINISTRY OF GRACE AND JUSTICE

(ITALY)

Sit. No.	Situation	Type	Capacity before the war.	Name and surname of the last Director.
1	Milano	G.C.	130	Nando Fioravanzo
2	Padova (a)	G.C.	550	Ettore Tumiatelli
	Padova (b)	G.C.	270	
3	Gorizia	G.C.	90	(1)
4	Rovigo	G.C.	110	(1)
5	Belluno	G.C.	76	(1)
6	Treviso	G.C.	88	(1)
7	Udine	G.C.	307	Alfredo Michele
8	Venezia (a)	C.L. uomini	360	Vincenzo Nardiello
	(b)	C.C.	519	
	(c)	C.C. donne	415	
	(d)	C.L. donne	150	
	(e)	C.L. donne	35	
	(f)	CGR.M.	218	
9	Verona	C.G.	291	Olco Sergio
10	Vicenza	C.G.	218	Teolani Salvatore
11	Capodistria (a)	C.R.	400	Marcone Concetto
	(b)	C.C.	160	
12	Piano	C.G.	96	(1)
13	Gorizia	C.G.	200	(1)
14	Pola	C.G.	290	(1)
15	Trieste	C.G.	621	Gentile Vincenzo
16	Zara	C.G.	100	(1)
17	Bolzano	C.G.	119	Ventre Sebastiano
18	Rovereto	C.G.	70	(1)
19	Trento	C.G.	209	Criavito Francesco

N.B. C.G. = Judicial Prison
C.R. = Penal Prison
CGR.M. = Reformatory for minors.
Rif. Giud. = Judicial Reformatory.

(1) The direction is entrusted to the local Judicial

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4	Rovigo	C.G.	[illegible]	(1)
5	Tolmezzo	C.G.	75	(1)
6	Treviso	C.G.	98	(1)
7	Udine	C.G.	407	Ulvero Manlio
8	Venezia (a)	C.G. uomini	360	Minuzzo Guglielmo
	(b)	C.G.	519	
	(c)	C.G. donne	415	
	(d)	C.G. donne	156	
	(e)	C.G. donne	85	
	(f)	C.G.M.	212	
9	Verona	C.G.	281	Olga Sarfatti
10	Vicenza	C.G.	218	Dreiani Salvatore
11	Capodistria (a)	C.R.	400	Morassi Osvaldo
	(b)	C.G.	160	
12	Fiume	C.G.	90	(1)
13	Gorizia	C.G.	270	(1)
14	Pola	C.G.	280	(1)
15	Trieste	C.G.	521	Rettori Vincenzo
16	Zara	C.G.	106	(1)
17	Bolzano	C.G.	114	Vantini Tommaso
18	Rovereto	C.G.	70	(1)
19	Trento	C.G.	209	Celestino Francesco

N.B. C.G. = Carcere Giudiziario = Prison
C.R. = Carcere Reale = Royal Prison
C.R.M. = Carcere Reale Manicomio = Royal Lunatic Asylum
Ref. Giud. = Riformatorio Giudiziario = Judicial Reformatory.

(1) The direction is entrusted to the local Judicial authority (Pretore or Procuratore del Re = Magistrate or Prosecutor of the Kingdom.)

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Annexure I

Allied Military Government
A.M.G. 304
DISPLACED PERSONS AND RE-ADMINISTRATION SUB COMMISSION

SPR/1-5/JM.

SUBJECT : U.N.R.R.A. Plan for Northern Italy.

1. Area Covered.

As it is impossible to divide Northern Italy into two parts either for dealing with refugees during operations or later repatriation Italians from outside the Frontiers, this plan deals with Northern Italy as a whole and concerns the five Regions of LIGURIA, LOMBARDIA, PIEDMONT and VENEZIA.

2. General Plan.

This general plan is divided into two phases. The first phase being the operational phase, when the most important task is the care of our refugees. The second phase is mainly repatriation. These two phases may have to function concurrently if North West Italy is liberated before North East Italy.

3. PHASE I (Operational)

Refugee Centres modelled as previously in 6th and 8th Armies' areas, and in the rear of these, by the three existing Groups of Centres. Allied Nationals in large towns to be cared for by Forward Representatives of U.N.R.R.A. who will accompany A.M.G. spearheads, and in addition by mobile Forward Groups, who will deal with both Italian and Allied Nationals, as required. As far as possible centres selected for this phase will be those which will also be required in Phase II.

4. PHASE II (Repatriation)

a) Italians. There are approximately one million Italians to be returned to Italy from outside the Northern Italian Frontiers. It is impossible at present to forecast by which route most of the Italians now in Germany will arrive - Viz:- by train through Switzerland, or from the North West.

They may consist of:-

(i) Former Italian Soldiers.
(ii) Ex-Italian P.W.
(iii) Italian workers, including some women.

It has been agreed in view of the difficulties of distinguishing repatriates, that U.N.R.R.A. in conjunction with the High Commissioner for Italian Refugees, will establish an organisation to deal initially with all repatriates arriving in Northern Italy. After the initial processing of

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b) Non-Italian. It is estimated that at present there are some 90,000 non-Italian displaced persons in Northern Italy who will require to be returned to their own countries. The centres as proposed will deal with these, and in addition there will be centres at [illegible] and [illegible] from which Allied Nationals can be repatriated. These may be part of centres outlined in this plan, or separate centres according to available accommodation. Two further Allied National Centres to be selected later on.

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5. ORGANISATION.

a) Advanced Repatriation Headquarters consisting of advanced Representatives of R.A.P.R.S.C. with such representatives of War Material Disposal and Italian P.W. Sub-Commission and Land Forces Sub-Commission if required, as are considered necessary, and their opposite numbers in the Italian Government, will be set up either at MILAN or in the vicinity of the Allied Military Organisation concerned.

b) Group Headquarters will be set up at each Allied Commission Region Headquarters, except MILAN. R.P.R.S.C. Centres in MILAN would be eventually controlled from the Group Headquarters in VENEZIA Region.

c) Each Group Headquarters will control several Collecting and Transit Centres, which in turn will control certain Frontier Repatriation Posts.

Collecting and Transit Centres - Capacity 5,000 persons.
Frontier Repatriation Posts - Capacity 1,000 persons.

The most suitable accommodation is ex-P.W. Camps, Barracks, Schools, Hotels, or other large buildings. Such places are essential for centres as NO tents is available. Centres to be in or near to the places named, and if possible not more than ten miles away and sited on or near main communications.

d) Establishments of R.P.R.S.C. Group Headquarters and various R.P.R.S.C. Centres are shown in the attached Appendices "A", "B" and "C". These Appendices do not include the necessary personnel for handling and documenting Italian P.W.'s and soldiers. A further appendix will be issued to show this requirement. Additional personnel required have been requested from A.F.H.Q. C.C.R.R. If not available, will be replaced by Italian Military personnel.

Collecting and Transit Centres and Frontier Repatriation Posts are shown on the sketch map (Appendix "D") and listed by Sections (Appendix "E").

6. MEDICAL.

10 bedded Sick Bay - each Frontier Repatriation Post.
30 bedded Centre Reception Station - each Collecting or Transit Centre.
100 bedded hospitals will be installed at GENOA and TRIESTE for Allied Nationals.

Medical stores required will be supplied through Public Health Sub-Commission. Equipment be available locally and to be brought up to scale by what may be obtained from Army or A.M.G. sources.

7. TRANSPORTATION.

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7. TRANSPORTATION.

The normal method of moving refugees is by back-loading Army and Allied Commission transport. As this will be insufficient, one G.T. Coy. of 100 vehicles, 10 ambulances and 10 water carts for each Group Headquarters has been requested from A.F.H.Q.-

8. FEEDING.

a) Centres will be on the "Allied Commission Italian Refugees Scale". Supplies have been requested from Food Sub-Commission and will be included in bulk supplies to Sections.

b) In special centres set up for allied Nationals, rations will be A.F.H.Q. Scales 24 - 30.

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9. ACCOMMODATION, FUEL AND CLOTHING.

To supplement storage at present in possession of this Sub-Commission local purchase and army supply will be utilized.

10. DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Officers has under from headquarters of [illegible] will work in close touch, and will be available to assist in solving national problems on Italian authority of allied national problems.

In view of their limited numbers [illegible] are normally only responsible for inspection, or [illegible] refugees coming to and from [illegible] Centres. Refugees in [illegible] Provinces are [illegible] will continue to be the responsibility of the Italian authorities, supervised by [illegible] and Provincial Welfare Officers or [illegible] as the National Government may direct.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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P.R.O.A.C. (PARACHUTING PERSONNEL FOR ASSISTANCE TO ITALY
INCLUDING OF PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO MILITARY ADMINISTRATION
CENTRE (MILITARY) & CENTRE (CIVILIAN) P.R.O.A.C. LTD.

APPENDIX "A" Establishment for Centre for 5,000 Persons.
(22 Collection or Transit Centres)

	Officers	O.R.'s	Medical	Red Cross	Chaplains	Local P.R.
Allied	3 **	4	-	2	-	-
Italian	12	90	4	20	1	20

** 10 Centres at D.
12 " at D.

* 2 Allied Central Centres without Italian Personnel.

Total Requirements for 22 Collection or Transit Centres.

Allied	56	88	-	42	-	-
Italian	240	1980	80	400	20	400

APPENDIX "B" Establishment for Frontier Rehabilitation Post for 1,000 Persons. (20 Frontier Rehabilitation Posts).

Allied	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italian	4	35	1	4	1	6

Total Requirements for 20 Frontier Rehabilitation Posts.

Italian	80	700	20	80	20	120

APPENDIX "C" Establishment for Group Headquarters.
(2 Group Headquarters)

Allied	3	4	1	1	-	-
Italian	3	12	-	-	-	-

Allied	50	80	-	40	-	-
Italian	220	1200	80	400	20	400

APPENDIX "B" Establishment for Frontier Repatriation Post for 1,000 persons. (20 Frontier Repatriation Posts).

Allied	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italian	4	35	1	4	1	4

Total Requirements for 20 Frontier Repatriation Posts.

Italian	80	700	20	80	20	120

APPENDIX "C" Establishment for Group Headquarters. (5 Group Headquarters)

Allied	3	4	1	1	-	-
Italian	3	12	-	-	-	-

Total Requirements for 5 Group Headquarters.

Allied	15	20	5	5	-	-
Italian	15	60	-	-	-	-

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ANALYSIS OF REQUIREMENTS.

APPENDICES "A", "B" & "C".

	Officers	O.R.'s	Medical	Red Cross	Chaplains	C.C.R.R.
Allied	72	108	5	45	-	-
Italian	385	2050	100	480	30	520

a. Total Allied Military 184
" " Red Cross 45
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b. Total Italian Military 3045
" " Red Cross 480
C.C.R.R. 520
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NOTES :-

(i) Italian Military Personnel available for release from D.P.R.S.S. Centres in Central Italy - 750.

(ii) Italian Red Cross Personnel available for release from D.P.R.S.S. Centres in Central Italy - 40.

(iii) C.C.R.R. available for release from D.P.R.S.S. Centres in Central Italy - 50.

(iv) The number of Italian Military required as shown above does NOT provide for Italian Military staff for handling and documentation of Italian ex P.W. and former Italian soldiers.

..	Total Allied Military " " and Cross	184 49	3.	Total Italian Military " " Red Cross (Ex.POL.	3015 480 NIL)
		233			3495

NOTES :-

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(ii) Italian Red Cross Personnel available for release from D.P.H.S.C. Centres in Central Italy - 40.

(iii) E.P.W.S. available for release from D.P.H.S.C. Centres in Central Italy - 83.

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ANNEXURE "B"

LOCATION OF D.P.S.S. COLLECTING AND TRANSIT CENTRES AND FRONTIER REPATRIATION POINTS.

REGION	Group H.Q.	5,000 Capacity Collecting and Transit Centres.	1,000 Capacity Frontier Repat. Ports.
EMILIA		* RECCIONE * CARPI (MODENA) * PARMA BOLOGNA * RIMINI	
LIGURIA	GENOA	** GENOA BORDIGHERA	CAPRAIA
LOMBARDIA	MILANO	MILANO MONZA VARESE COMO	TRESA CERRIGO CHIASSO CHIAVENNA MILANO
PIEMONTE	TORINO	TORINO CUNEO SUSA AOSTA RAVENO	S.MAURIZIO DI TORINO VILLAIO OULX MARGNEROCHIA DOMODOSSOLA
VENEZIA	L.G. Padova	* PADOVA VERONA VICENZA TREVISO ** TRIESTE GORIZIA UDINE BOLZANO BRUNICO	FINO VILLA DEL MONCO PESCHIERA SOLA S.PIETRO DI GORMINO TARVISIO S.CANDIDO VIPITENO SPONDIGNA

	[illegible]	** [illegible] [illegible]	[illegible]
LOMBARDIA	MILANO	MILANO BERGAMO VARESE COMO	TORINO [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
PIEMONTE	TORINO	TORINO CUNEO ASTI NOVARA PAVIA	S. SEBASTIANO DI [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
VENETO	L.L. Padova	PADOVA VERONA VICENZA TREVISO TRIESTE GORIZIA UDINE BELLUNO ROVIGO	PADOVA [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] S.[illegible] DI [illegible] [illegible] S. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

NOTE:

* - FMSAP I only. Other temporary "centres" will be required in Phase I.

** - Centres for Allied Diplomats in addition. These two to be selected later.

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

DPR/1-8/ADM. Tel.489081 Ext.392 4 April,1945.

SUBJECT : D.P.R.S.C. Plan for Northern Italy - AMENDMENT No. 1

TO : DISTRIBUTION.

Please make the following amendments to "D.P.R.S.C. Plan for Northern Italy", forwarded under cover of this H.Q. Letter of even number dated 28 February, 1945.

1. At APPENDIX "B" under "Establishment for Frontier Repatriation Post for 1,000 Persons"

ADD

	Officers	O.R.'s
"Allied	1	2 "

and under "Total Requirements for 20 Frontier Repatriation Posts"

ADD

	Officers	O.R.'s
"Allied	20	40 "

2. APPENDICES "D" and "E" to be amended in accordance with alterations enumerated below:-

Region	Amendment
LIGURIA	Substitute VENTIMIGLIA for GENOVA as Frontier Post. Substitute SAN REMO for BORDIGHERA as Collecting Centre.
PIEMONTE	Add PINEROLO (the Italian Equitation School, with extensive barracks) as a Collecting Centre. SUSA and AOSTA are re-classified from Collecting Centres to Frontier Posts. Note. BARDONECCHIA will not be opened as a Frontier Post in the first stages.
LOMBARDIA	Substitute BERGAMO for MONZA as a Collecting Centre for 5,000.

For the Director.

B.F.POTHERGILL
Lieut.Colonel

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"Allied [illegible] 1 [illegible] 2 ".

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Chief Commissioner.

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I refer to your telegram 5720 of April 19th to Brigadier Dunlop in answer to his letter of April 17th.

In this letter he proposes to go with his Deputy Regional Commissioner to Trieste with the initial party. I deprecate the absence from the main part of the Region of both the Regional Commissioner and his Deputy and unless we can find another Deputy to act for him in his absence I think we should amend your telegram accordingly.

I am trying to get Colonel Carl Devers re-assigned to the Region from Austria, in which case he will go as Deputy of Venezia proper.

MSL

BU Tom 4/5

EC agree. Then tell Brig Dunlop

DS 30/4

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10. OCCUPATION OF VENEZIA GIULIA

(Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 24)

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THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Instructed the Chief of Staff to revise the draft telegram circulated under paper No. SAC (P) (45) 24 in accordance with the above discussion and to transmit the revised draft for their approval.*

* Subsequently despatched as NAF 952.

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ALLIED MILITARY CONTROL IN VENEZIA GIULIA.

Note by Deputy Chief of Staff.

1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff have still not defined their policy in regard to the occupation of VENEZIA GIULIA. However, events have now moved to such an extent that it is imperative to make detailed plans and preparations. A draft signal to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, which is self-explanatory, is therefore attached at Appendix "A".

2. The Supreme Allied Commander is requested:

(a) To approve as his policy for the occupation of VENEZIA GIULIA the proposals outlined in Appendix "A". BELOW

(b) To authorise the despatch of this signal to the Combined Chiefs of Staff informing them of the action which he intends to take.

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DRAFT SIGNAL.

To: ACWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff.
AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff.
Rptd: SHAEF Main

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This NAF_____

Subject is occupation of VENEZIA GIULIA reference signals ending with NAF 872.

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2. An Anglo-American task force will be set up to occupy the entire compartment of VENEZIA GIULIA under the direction of 15 Army Group. AMG will be set up in the wake of the occupational forces in the usual way. This will be a joint Anglo-American undertaking provided as far as possible equally from US and British resources. It will work through such local authorities as may be found functioning in VENEZIA GIULIA regardless of nationality.

3. Before the task force enters VENEZIA GIULIA I will inform Marshal TITO of my intentions and will request his cooperation in withdrawing all Jugoslav forces from the entire compartment. If necessary I will explain to him that it is my further intention to disarm all forces remaning, regardless of nationality, and to carry out any other measures required to ensure the orderly government and pacification of the compartment. I shall explain that my action is dictated by the agreed policy of the United Nations to reserve all questions of territorial revision until the peace conference, and by the paramount operational need for ensuring a peaceful and secure L of C for the Allied forces carrying out the occupation of AUSTRIA. It will in no way prejudice a decision on any territorial claims which he (Marshal TITO) may make at the final peace settlement.

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Ref: 504/AG/

23 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Occupation of N.E. ITALY.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
VENEZIE REGION. (Ad)
EMILIA REGION. (Ad)

1. Herewith for your retention Copy No.40/41 of 15th Army Group Administrative Directive No.2 of 17 April 1945.

2. Please acknowledge without delay on the attached receipt form.

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Chief Staff Officer,
to the Executive Commissioner.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE) To accompany Operations
NUMBER 2) Instructions Number 5 and 6.

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OCCUPATION OF NORTHEAST ITALY

1. Object. The object of this directive is to define the administrative responsibilities for the occupation of NORTHEAST ITALY.

2. References: Administrative instructions as given in:

a. Fifteenth Army Group Administrative Directive No. 1, "The Occupation of Northwest Italy", dated 19 February 1945 and amendments thereto.

b. Fifteenth Army Group Administrative Directive No. 3, "The Control and Administration of the Surrendered Enemy Forces", dated 18 April 1945.

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(1) Phase I.

The assumption of responsibility by Armies for:

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The assumption of responsibility by Armies for:

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(b) Establishment of Military Government.
(c) Initiation of relief measures.

(2) Phase II.

The assumption of responsibility for:

(a) Military Administration by PBS (US troops) and No. 1 District (British troops).

(b) Allied Military Government by Allied Commission in conjunction with AFHQ.

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4. Territory.

a. For the purposes of this directive NORTHEAST ITALY is defined as all of NORTH ITALY not covered in Fifteenth Army Group Administrative Directive No. 1, dated 19 February 1945, with amendments thereto, namely: (as shown in Appendix "A").

Compartimento of VENEZIA TRIDENTINA
VENEZIA PROPRIA
VENEZIA GIULIA
EMILIA (less Provinces of PIACENZA and PARMA)

Province of MANTOVA - In Compartimento of LOMBARDI
APUANIA/MASSA } In Compartimento of TUSCANA
LUCCA }
PISTOIA }

b. Zones of Responsibility. Appendix "A" indicates the administrative boundary between Fifth and Eighth Armies which will prevail on orders from this Headquarters in case of surrender. In case of a withdrawal the boundary between Armies will be on order from this Headquarters. In the latter case, until the order is issued by this Headquarters establishing the boundary as shown in Appendix "A", the inter-Army boundary will be as defined in Operations Instruction No. 4, Fifteenth Army Group, dated 24 March 1945, or as changed by subsequent order.

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5. AFHQ Administrative Responsibilities.

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b. Furnishing the Chairman of the Siting Board for TRIESTE. In addition to the Chairman, the Board will consist of representatives of Eighth Army, U.S. Base Section concerned and FOTALI.

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d. Repair of the following rail lines in priority listed:

First Priority:

PRATO - GRIZZANA - BOLOGNA
FAENZA - BOLOGNA (Single line)

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FAENZA - FERRARA

<u>Second Priority</u>:

BOLOGNA - VERONA - BRENNER
BOLOGNA - PARMA
FAENZA - BOLOGNA (Double line)

e. In addition to those rail lines in 5 d, above, repair of the line leading North to AUSTRIA from TRIESTE; priority to be assigned later, dependent on operational requirements and the time required to move rolling stock to put the line into operation.

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f. Development of POL bulk storage facilities at TRIESTE to supply military and civil requirements.

g. Construction and operation of the following 4-inch gasoline pipelines:

(1) From ANCONA - one via BOLOGNA to FERRARA
one via RAVENNA to FERRARA - ROVIGO

(2) From LEGHORN - one to BOLOGNA
one via BOLOGNA to MODENA
one via BOLOGNA to VERONA

h. On completion of Phase I to take over supervision of administration of surrendered forces and the guard forces.

i. Complete the disarmament and disbandment of surrendered forces.

j. Furnish personnel to assist in inspecting captured enemy supply and other service installations.

k. In case of a surrender or collapse, supply necessary resources to the headquarters listed below to enable the movement of civil supplies as indicated.

(1) Fifth Army - 400 tpd to VERONA (US responsibility).
(2) Fifth Army - 500 tpd to PADUA (British responsibility).
(3) Eighth Army - 350 tpd to PADUA (British responsibility).

Note: The transport made available for the purposes set forth in k, above, is subject to recall and it is not likely that it will be available to exceed one month. (In case of a withdrawal see paragraph 9 c (2), below, as to responsibility for the provision of transportation for the movement of civil supplies).

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6. Fifth and Eighth Armies Administrative Responsibilities.

a. Administration of forces under their command and such maintenance of the Air Forces as is a ground force responsibility.

b. Establishment of Allied Military Government. (See paragraph 9, below.)

c. Initiation of Civil Relief measures.

d. Traffic Control on main arteries within their respective zones.

e. Initiation of the mobilization of civil resources, (reference is made to AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 14, dated 7 March 1945).

f. Collection, concentration and guarding of surrendered forces (see Administrative Directive No. 3, Headquarters, Fifteenth Army Group, dated 18 April 1945.)

g. Primary disarmament and supervision of administration of surrendered forces (see Administrative Directive No. 3, Headquarters, Fifteenth Army Group, dated 18 April 1945).

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h. Safeguard military supplies, communications and stores.

7. Additional Administrative Responsibilities - Fifth Army.

a. Initiation of repair of roads in priority listed:

BOLOGNA - MODENA - VERONA,
VERONA - BOLZANO - AUSTRIA,
MODENA - PIACENZA,
GENOA - ALESSANDRIA (by IV Corps)
PIACENZA - ALESSANDRIA - TURIN (by IV Corps)
Best route to MILAN (by IV Corps)

8. Additional Administrative Responsibilities - Eighth Army.

a. Initiation of repair of following roads in priority listed:

BOLOGNA - FERRARA - PADUA,
Best route - PADUA - TRIESTE,
Best route - TRIESTE - AUSTRIA.

b. Opening and initial operation of the Port of TRIESTE to enable 5,000 tpd to be discharged and cleared through it. TRIESTE will be utilized as a transit port. Only the minimum necessary installations will be established at the port. Holdings to be as directed by AFHQ.

9. Allied Military Government in Northwest Italy during Phase I.

a. Object.

During Phase I it will be the responsibility of Fifth and Eighth Armies within their respective areas (zones) to re-establish law and order and to initiate relief measures among the civilian population, terminating in the establishment of Allied Military Government.

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(3) In the event of a surrender or collapse, AFHQ is to furnish Fifth Army and Eighth Army, from other than present Army resources, all transport necessary to move civil supplies from stockpiles to forward points and for local distribution. (See paragraph 5 k above).

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d. Finance

Allied Commission is responsible for stockpiles of Allied Military Lire for the needs of NORTHEAST ITALY. Fifth Army and Eighth Army will be responsible for transportation from these stockpiles to localities where required.

e. Labor.

The Directorate of Labor, Labor Offices, etc., will cooperate with Fifth Army and Eighth Army in making available sufficient civilian labor for all military requirements.

f. Public Safety.

(1) Allied Commission is responsible for concentration of CC RR, fully equipped and ready to take the field. Allied Commission is to provide CC RR with a distinctive shoulder patch in order to distinguish them from the CC RR to be found in NORTHEAST ITALY.

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(i) Russian Nationals.

Letters, Headquarters, MTOUSA, AG 383.7/414 A-O, 9 March 1945 and 9 April 1945, "Disposition of Soviet Citizens."

(ii) Other Nationals. (Exclusive of Italian Republican Army).

Chapter XVIII, Administrative Instructions for United States Prisoner of War Enclosures in MTOUSA, AG 383.6/326 PWD-O, Headquarters, MTOUSA.

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Letters, AFHQ, CR/3691/2 g-1 (Br), dated 6 March 1945, 7 March 1945, 15 March 1945.

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AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 60, dated 14 December 1944.

(2) Allied Commission will attach to Regions specialists and equipment for dealing with refugees, repatriates and displaced persons. This personnel will be attached to Headquarters, Fifth Army and Eighth Army to advise and supplement the existing Army staffs until Phase I is completed.

i. Civilian Relief - Clothing.

(1) Allied Commission, in cooperation with American Red Cross and American Relief for ITALY, is making available such clothing as is obtainable to meet the initial emergency needs, and is stockpiling such items in forward areas.

(2) Fifth Army and Eighth Army will be responsible for calling forward, transporting and distributing these items within their respective areas (zones).

j. Partisans.

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10. Additional Responsibilities - Allied Commission.

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11. Recovery, Maintenance and Evacuation of Allied PW's.

The protection, care, maintenance and evacuation of Allied PW's is the responsibility of Fifth and Eighth Armies. For maintenance and evacuation of Allied PW's: By air, see Appendix "E" to Operations Instruction No. 6, this Headquarters, dated 17 April 1945, "Recovery, Maintenance and Evacuation of Allied PW's"; by ground forces, see Appendix "E", Administrative Directive No. 2, "Occupation of Northeast Italy" (this directive).

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12. Administrative Buildings for AMG and AC.

It is expected that all forms of Local government will come under the control of civil agencies at an earlier date than in the present liberated portions of ITALY. All public buildings and equipment will be reserved for the service named below and put at the disposal of Civil Government as early as commensurate with military necessity. The service buildings required are:

Prefetture, municipi
Carabinieri Caserma
Police stations
Court houses
Police barracks
Prisons
Reformatories
Fire stations
U.N.R.A. (bomb disposal and mine clearance organizations)

13. Protection of Historical Monuments, Archives, etc.

It will be the responsibility of Armies to prevent unnecessary damage to historical monuments, deposits of important documents (archives), and artistic treasures within their area (zones). In this connection, Administration Memorandum No. 26, AFHQ, dated 3 April 1945, Subject: "Preservation of Property of Historical and Educational Importance," will be the document of reference and direction. Headquarters, Allied Commission will make available on request of Armies trained officer specalists to assist and advise in this important field.

14. Disposal of Captured Animals.

a. The policy of screening, collecting and disposing of captured animals is at present under consideration by AFHQ, and a separate directive is to be issued on this subject. Detailed instructions are being issued through Service channels.

b. For information, there is an Italian Remount Depot at SAN MARTINO, L.8297, just East of MINANIOLA, which AFHQ have earmarked as a future AFHQ Remount Depot and where as soon as possible they propose to locate an AFHQ Veterinary Unit. As soon as this is established it is probable that both Armies will be authorized to evacuate captured animals to this centre, irrespective as to whose boundary area the territory may lie within.

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It will be the responsibility of Armies to prevent unnecessary damage to historical monuments, deposits of important documents (archives), and artistic treasures within their area (zones). In this connection, Administration Memorandum No. 20, AFHQ, dated 3 April 1945, Subject: "Preservation of Property of Historical and Educational Importance," will be the document of reference and direction. Headquarters, Allied Commission will make available on request of Armies trained officer specialists to assist and advise in this important field.

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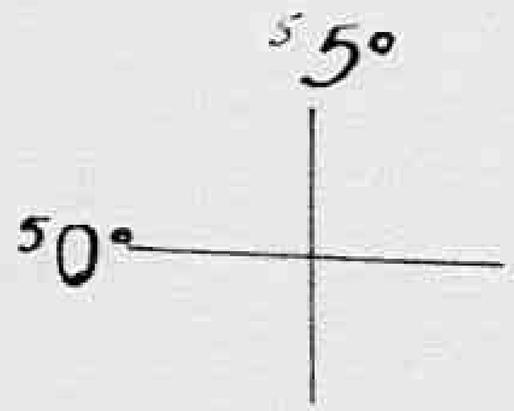

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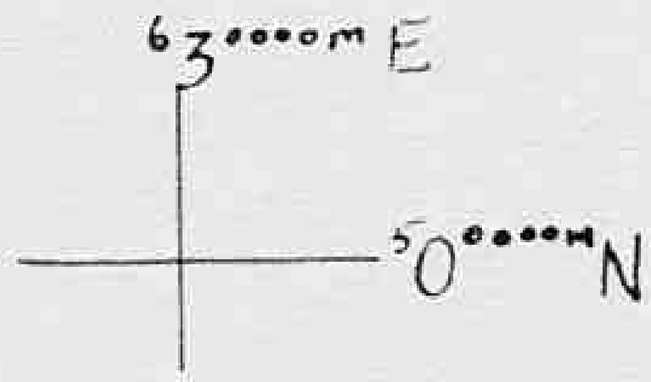

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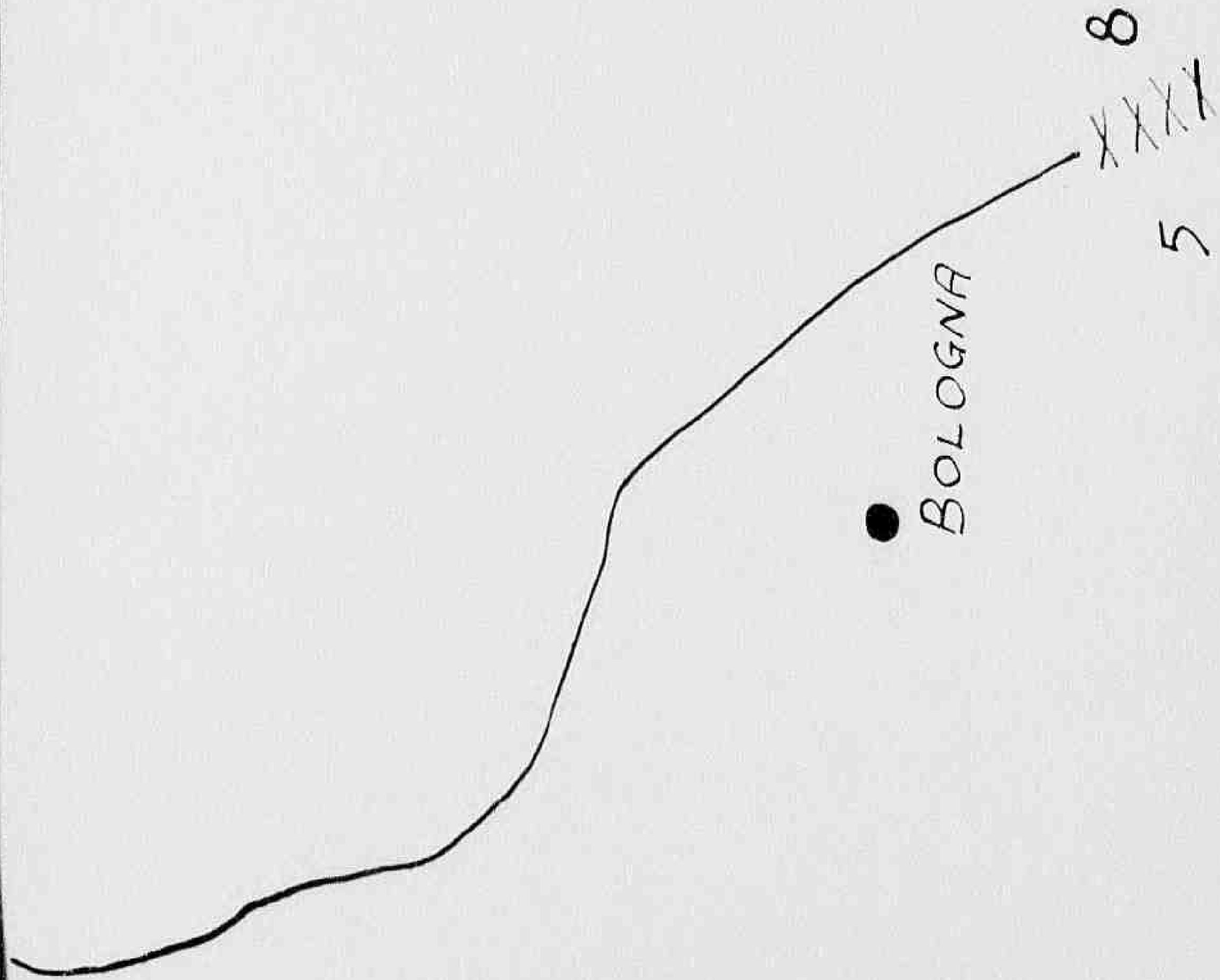

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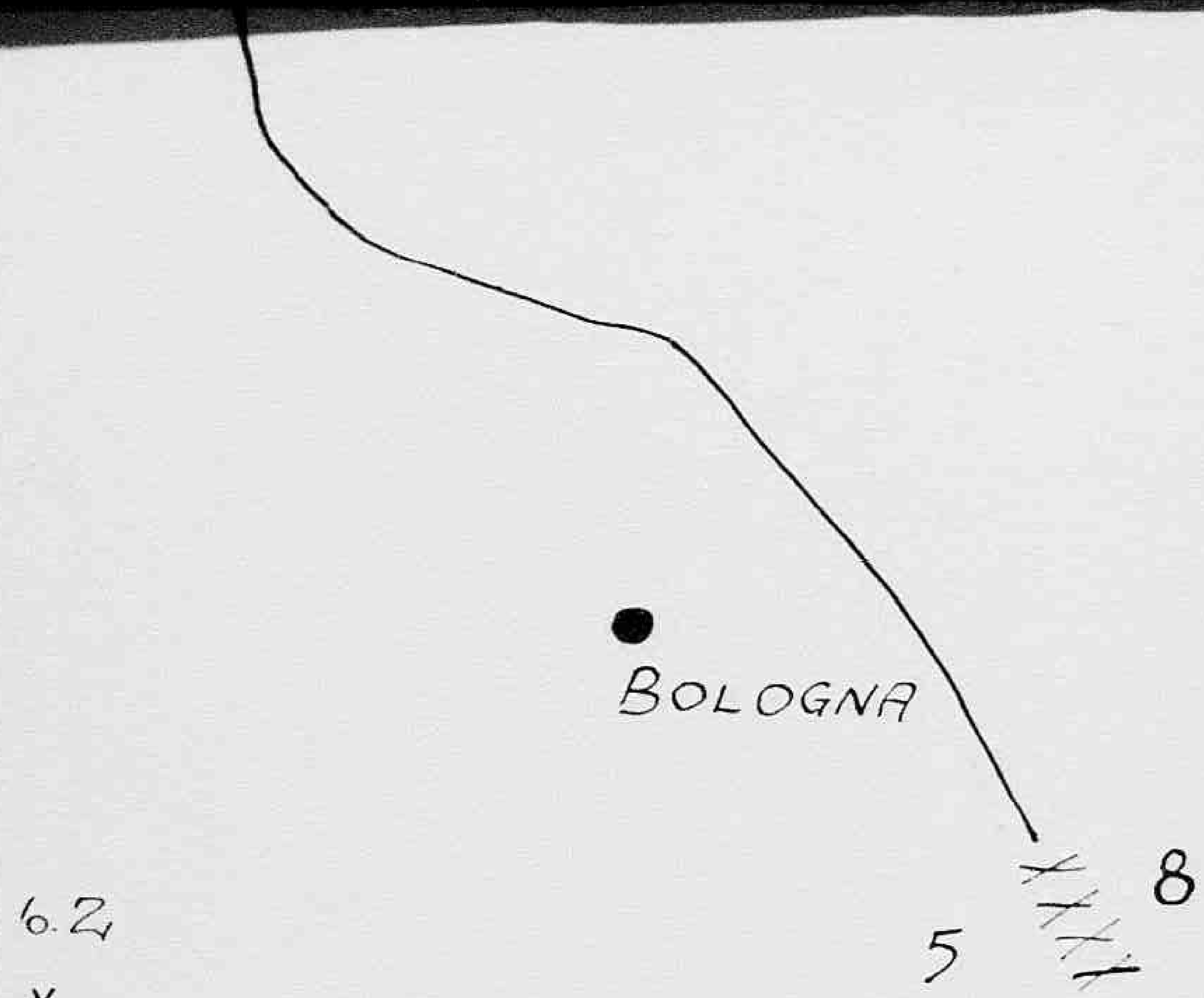

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APPENDIX "B"

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TREATMENT OF ALLIED PW's

1. The following references will be followed as a guide in the execution of these responsibilities:

a. Letter HQ MTOUSA, Subject: "Repatriation of American Personnel," dated 31 March 1945, AG 383.6/470 A-O.

b. Letter WD AGO, 29 March 1945, AG 383.6 (24 March 1945) OB-S-B-M, Subject: "Publicity in connection with Escaped, Liberated or Repatriated Prisoners of War, to Include Evaders of Capture in Enemy or Enemy Occupied Territories and Internees in Neutral Countries".

c. Letter HQ MTOUSA, AG 383.7/414 A-O, 9 March 1945, "Disposition of Soviet Citizens" and letter HQ MTOUSA same subject and AG reference number dated 9 April 1945.

d. Allied PW Repatriation Unit Instruction No. 9. Issued under reference 114 HQ dated 30 March 1945, copies furnished armies.

e. Letters AFHQ CR/3491/2/G-1 Br. dated 6 March and 15 March 1945, Subject: "Soviet Citizens" and "Disposal of Soviet Citizens in Italy", respectively.

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TRIESTE	500
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Of this total, the great majority are believed to be evaders and escapees, the numbers held in camps being small.

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b. Shelter.

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c. Food.

d. Clothing.

e. Medical Examination, care and supply.

f. Post Exchange/EFI Supplies.

g. Pay.

h. Preparation of necessary records.

i. Screening of PW's and preliminary interrogation.

j. Evacuation by quickest means.

In the case of British formations these functions will, where applicable, be carried out through Allied PW Repatriation Units or Detachments.

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4. Stay-Put Order.

Allied PW should be instructed to remain in camps until evacuated. To assist in this, Commanding General Fifteenth Army Group is preparing "Stay-Put" leaflets, to be dropped from planes upon his orders, if operationally feasible.

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5. To carry out the instructions in paragraph 4, above, where believed desirable by the U.S. commander concerned, a U.S. staff section may be organized whose duties would include the following:

a. Maintain close liaision with Allied PW Repatriation Units and Detachments.

b. Proceed to each PW Concentration or Transit Camp overrun by our forces, where their main functions will be as follows:

(1) Enforce the "Stay-Put" order.

(2) Take over all records at the camp appertaining to PW.

(3) Prepare nominal rolls of PW's within the camps.

(4) Screening of PW's and initial intelligence interrogation of US/Br PW's.

(5) Forward rolls to AG Casualty Sections for comparison with casualty lists.

(6) Conduct medical examination of PW's.

(7) Issuance of a PW Identity Card, signed by the PW, and retained by him at all times thereafter. For specimen identity card for Ex-PW's see Annexure 1. This form may be mimeographed.

c. Issue of PX/EFI supplies to US/Br PW's, and to other nationals as authorized by current instructions.

d. Arrange for payment to PW's.

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APPENDIX "B"

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SPECIMEN IDENTITY CARD FOR EX-PRISONER OF WAR

OUTSIDE OF CARD:

Certificate: I certify that the holder of this card has been given a preliminary interrogation, and no further interrogation should be given until detailed interrogation is given by proper authorities. (Signed) _____ (Rank) _____ _____(or) Endorsements	IDENTITY CARD FOR EX-PRISONER OF WAR 'This Identity Card must be retained until collected or disposed of by proper authority'

INSIDE OF CARD:

Service No. Serial No. _____	Nationality _____
Surname Last Name _____	
Initials _____	
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Holder's Signature _____	
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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
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4. EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN FORCES IN OCCUPATION OF VENEZIA GIULIA

(Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 21)

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MR. MINE agreed with the view expressed by Admiral Cunningham that military necessity in the use of Italian forces would overrule political desirability.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON was of the opinion that the introduction of any Italian troops into VENEZIA GIULIA was undesirable, even though those might be attached to British or American Army units. There were, for example, a number of Italian personnel attached to Headquarters Eighth Army as cooks, mess ordinlies, and batmen. It was his view that in the occupation of VENEZIA GIULIA these troops should not accompany that headquarters, especially as it would at a later date move into AUSTRIA.

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MAJOR GENERAL ARNOT considered that any introduction of Italian personnel would be undesirable from the counter-intelligence viewpoint.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER considered that it would be detrimental to Allied prestige if we were to remove Italian personnel, normally employed by any headquarters, simply because that headquarters was moving into VENEZIA GIULIA. Such personnel would not, however, be employed in AUSTRIA and could therefore be removed from headquarters destined for that country. In reply to a question by the U.S. Political Adviser as to whether this view applied to the use of cooperator companies, he stated that even though it might be necessary to use them in TRIESTE, they should not be moved to AUSTRIA.

GENERAL McNARNEY stated that the employment of Italians in TRIESTE was analogous to the use of Italians in FRANCE, and since we had found it necessary to use them in the latter country, the precedent so established could be applied to the area of our communications in VENEZIA GIULIA if necessary. He added that he had recently been pressed by the United States Chiefs of Staff to commence redeployment of certain American service troops to the FAR EAST. Lack of sufficient American service units might therefore require the employment of Italians in the occupation of the U.S. zone of AUSTRIA and the development of the L of C into it.

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE (POLITICAL).

EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN FORCES IN OCCUPATION OF VENEZIA GIULIA.

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(c) Whether personnel of Number One Italian Cooperator Company would be permitted to enter TRIESTE for work with Officer-in-charge, Works. (Note: These would be in substitution for the Royal Marine Engineer Company recently withdrawn from the theatre, and failure to use these would prejudice the work of the port).

5. The Supreme Allied Commander is therefore requested to:

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(a) Reaffirm that the general policy outlined at paragraph 3 above is, in the absence of further instructions from the Combined Chiefs of Staff, to form the basis of plans for the occupation of VENEZIA GIULIA.

(b) Authorise, as exceptions to the above policy, the use of TRIESTE by Italian naval vessels and the employment of Italian personnel at that port as suggested by Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, at paras 4(a), (b) and (c) above.

(Sgd) J.G. SWEETMAN,
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REGION VENEZIE
Allied Military Government

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17 April, 1945

APR 19 REC'D

Sir

I have the honour to report for your private information that I was today asked by 8 Army to submit my proposals for an AMG party to accompany a possible expedition by water to Trieste.

I was informed, on a top-secret level, that the proposal contemplated the securing of the city and a limited surrounding area only. It was also emphasized that the matter was only at the exploratory stage and it was by no means likely that such an operation would take place. As landing craft would be used, numbers would be cut to a minimum and limited to essentials.

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I shall not fail to keep you informed of any developments.

I am, yours very sincerely,

J. K. Dunlop, Brigadier
Regional Commissioner

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

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12 April 1945

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OPERATIONS INSTRUCTION)
NUMBER 5)

OCCUPATION OF NORTHEAST ITALY

1. In compliance with AFHQ Directive, "Occupation of Northeast ITALY" (AG 326/Opl SAC S-O), dated 18 March 1945, the following instructions are published. Instructions for the occupation of Northwest ITALY have been issued separately.

2. GENERAL:

a. The occupation of Northeast ITALY may come about in one of two ways:

(1) The enemy may withdraw from Northeast ITALY to some general Alpine line such as TAGLIAMENTO - GORONE - SOLLUNO - LAKE GARDA - SWISS frontier because of a collapse of German resistance or because our offensive is threatening his major line of withdrawal. In this event the enemy may continue to hold both VENICE and TRIESTE as fortresses.

(2) The enemy may surrender in ITALY on or North of his present line or at any time before a final withdrawal as indicated in a (1) above.

b. This instruction deals with the occupation of Northeast ITALY under normal operations. Separate instructions will be issued covering surrender conditions.

c. Extensive demolitions and the destruction of public utilities are to be anticipated.

3. DEFINITION:

Northeast ITALY will be defined as that portion of Northern ITALY East of the sector designated as Northwest ITALY in Operations Instruction No. 3, this Headquarters, dated 12 February 1945, as modified by [illegible]

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Compartimenti of VENEZIA TRIDENTINA - VENEZIA PROPRIA - VENEZIA GIULIA - EMILIA (except the Provincie of PIACENZA and PARMA. In the Compartimento of LOMBARDIA the Province of MANTOVA. In the Compartimento of TOSCANA the Provincie of AREZZO/MASSA - LUCCA - PISTOIA.

See the attached maps for defined area. See Map 24

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4. POLITICAL:

The Supreme Allied Commander has directed that the policy of the Allied Command will be to support the authority of the established government in ROME.

5. MISSION.

15th Army Group will:

a. Destroy enemy forces remaining in Northeast ITALY.

b. Obtain complete operational control and establish Allied Military Government in that portion of Northeast ITALY within the 1939 frontier which has been:

(1) Occupied by Allied forces as a result of our offensive.

(2) Voluntarily evacuated by the enemy.

6. PLAN:

The occupation of any or all of Northeast ITALY will be carried out in two phases:

a. Phase I
Under command of 15th Army Group to occupy and to establish Allied Military Government in that portion of Northeast ITALY which will be occupied as a result of normal operations in following up the enemy's withdrawal.

b. Phase II
Under command of AFHQ the assumption of responsibility for:

(1) Military administration by No. 1 District and FSS in their respective zones.

(2) Allied Military Government by the Allied Commission in that portion of occupied Northeast ITALY.

7. TROOP DIST:

a. Eighth Army - Current (Note when conditions

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7. TROOP LIST:

a. Eighth Army - Current (Note when conditions "FREEBORN" become operative, three British divisions with necessary supporting troops will proceed to AUSTRIA).

b. Fifth Army - Current (Note when conditions "FREEBORN" become operative, two or three U.S. divisions, depending on French participation in AUSTRIA, with necessary supporting troops will proceed to AUSTRIA. IV Corps will be released by Fifth Army when necessary to accomplish its mission for the occupation of Northwest ITALY). (See 15th Army Group O.I. No. 4 par. 3 f, dated 24 March 1945).

c. Boundary - Inter-Army boundary in the advance into Northeast ITALY against German resistance is given in Operations Instruction No. 4, this Headquarters, 24 March 1945. The continuation of the boundary as given on the attached map, may be used for planning purposes.

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b. MISSIONS FOR SUBORDINATE UNITS:

a. Eighth Army will, during Phase I:

(1) Occupy the Provinces or parts of Provinces in its operational zone of action. (See attached map for details of boundaries).

(2) Destroy any remaining hostile German or Italian forces in Provinces occupied.

(3) (a) Establish law and order.

(b) Be responsible for Allied Military Government.

(4) Safeguard military supplies, communications and stores.

(5) Initiate civil relief measures.

b. Fifth Army will, during Phase I:

(1) Occupy the Provinces or parts of Provinces in its operational zone of action. (See attached map for details of boundaries).

(2) Destroy any remaining hostile German or Italian forces in Provinces occupied.

(3) (a) Establish law and order.

(b) Be responsible for Allied Military Government.

(4) Safeguard military supplies, communications and stores.

(5) Initiate civil relief measures.

c. Phase II.

(1) Fifth and Eighth Armies will, on orders 15th Army Group, pass:

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[illegible] Allied Military Government.

(4) Safeguard military supplies, communications and stores.

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(3) (a) Establish law and order.

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c. Phase II:

(1) Fifth and Eighth Armies will, on orders 15th Army Group, pass:

(a) Responsibility for military administration of their occupied zones to PBS and No. 1 District respectively.

(b) Responsibility for Allied Military Government to the Allied Commission.

9. COMMAND AND RESPONSIBILITY:

a. Phase I:

15th Army Group is responsible for Phase I above, with Fifth and Eighth Armies as its operating agencies, with necessary attachments from PBS and No. 1 District. The Regional Commissioners for the Compartimenti indicated will come under command of Fifth and Eighth Armies as and when requested by Armies.

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b. Phase II:

15th Army Group for Phase II will pass responsibility for the Military administration of occupied Northeast ITALY to PBS and No. 1 District and for Allied Military Government to the Allied Commission both under command of AFHQ. 15th Army Group, on recommendations from Fifth and Eighth Armies, will report to AFHQ when Phase II can be implemented. If the situation is such that it would be more convenient to hand over Northeast ITALY to PBS and No. 1 District in stages, 15th Army Group, after consultation with Armies, PBS and No. 1 District will recommend a program for the transfer of responsibilities to AFHQ.

NOTE: In compliance with AFHQ Directive - Occupation of Northeast ITALY, dated 18 March 1945, No. 1 District will, on assuming military responsibility, take over command of all British, Dominion, Allied and Italian troops as remain in its geographical area. All U.S., British, Dominion, Allied and Italian troops in the PBS area will remain under command of Fifth Army or come under command of PBS or Commanding General, MTOUSA as directed by Commanding General, MTOUSA.

10. DISARMAMENT AND DISBANDMENT OF ITALIAN PATRIOT FORCES:

See Appendix 1, "Partisan Problems in Northern ITALY".

11. REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS:

See Administrative Directive No. 2, Headquarters, 15th Army Group, with reference to:

a. Refugees and Displaced Persons.

b. Treatment of Russian Nationals.

12. ADMINISTRATION:

See Administrative Directive No. 2, Headquarters, 15th Army Group. Being issued separately.

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BY COMMAND OF GENERAL CLARK:

OFFICIAL:

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Major General, GSC
Chief of Staff

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3 Incls:
1. Appendix 1, "Partisan Problems in Northern ITALY" (to be issued separately)
2. Map of Provinces of ITALY
3. Road Map - ITALY

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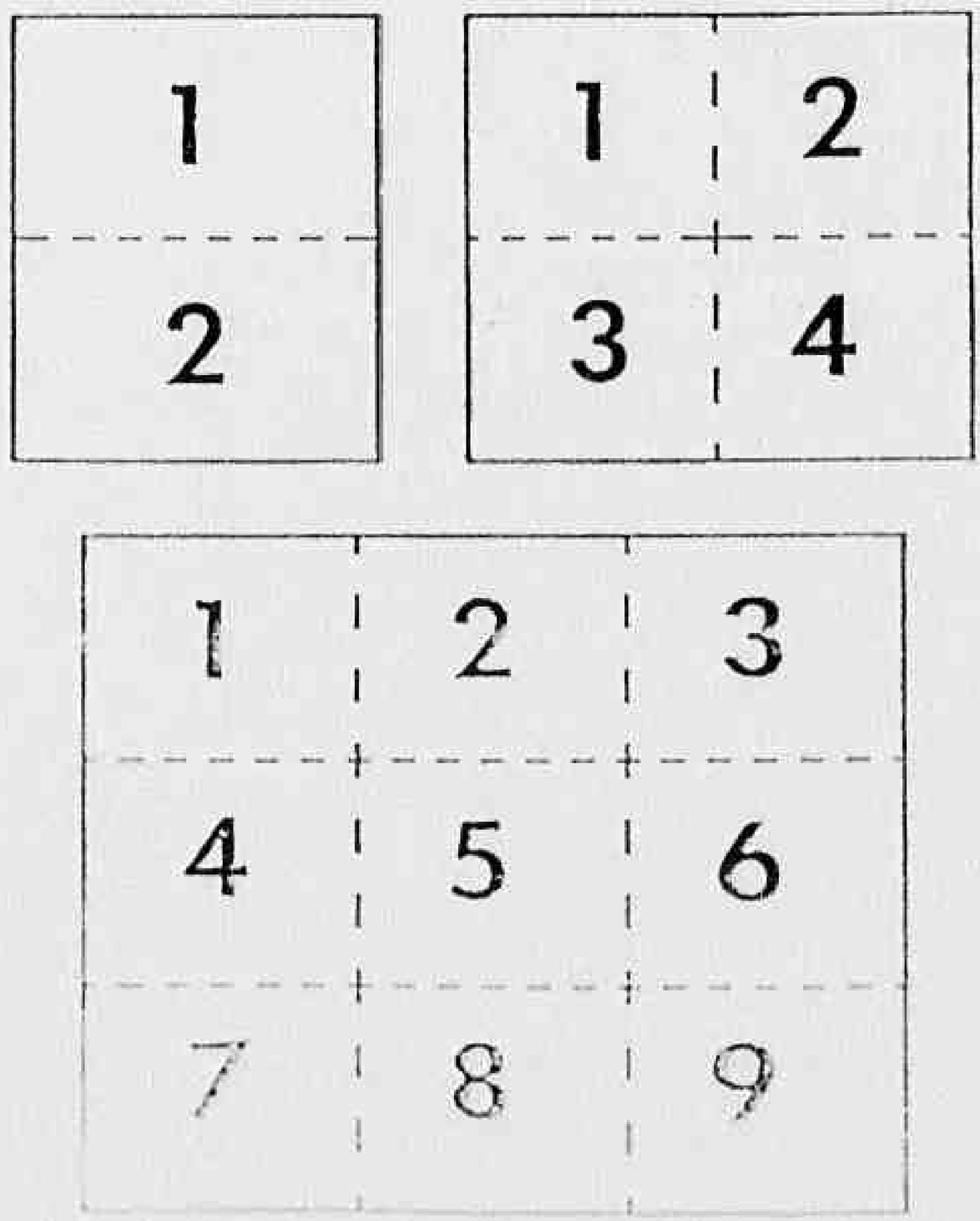

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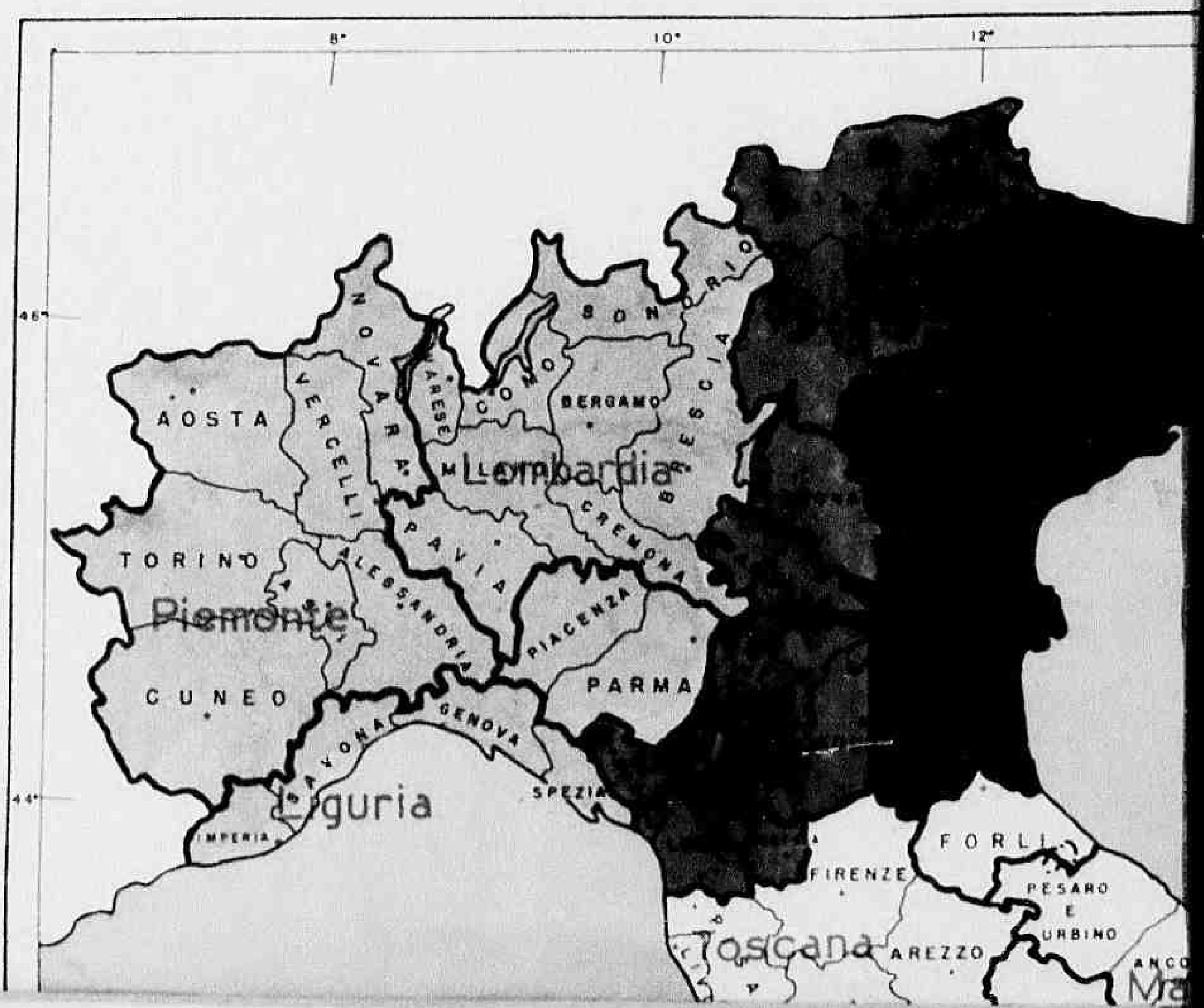

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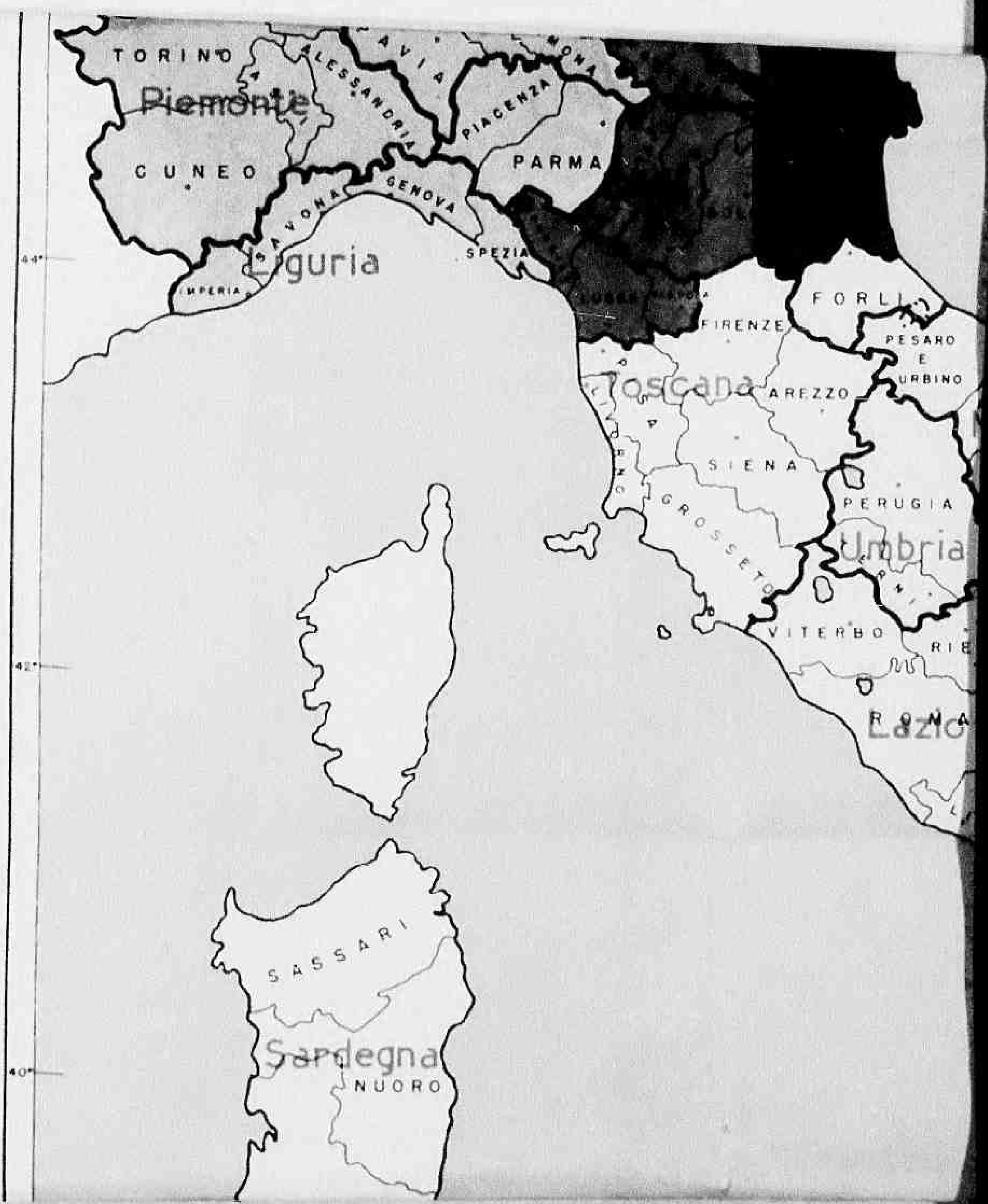

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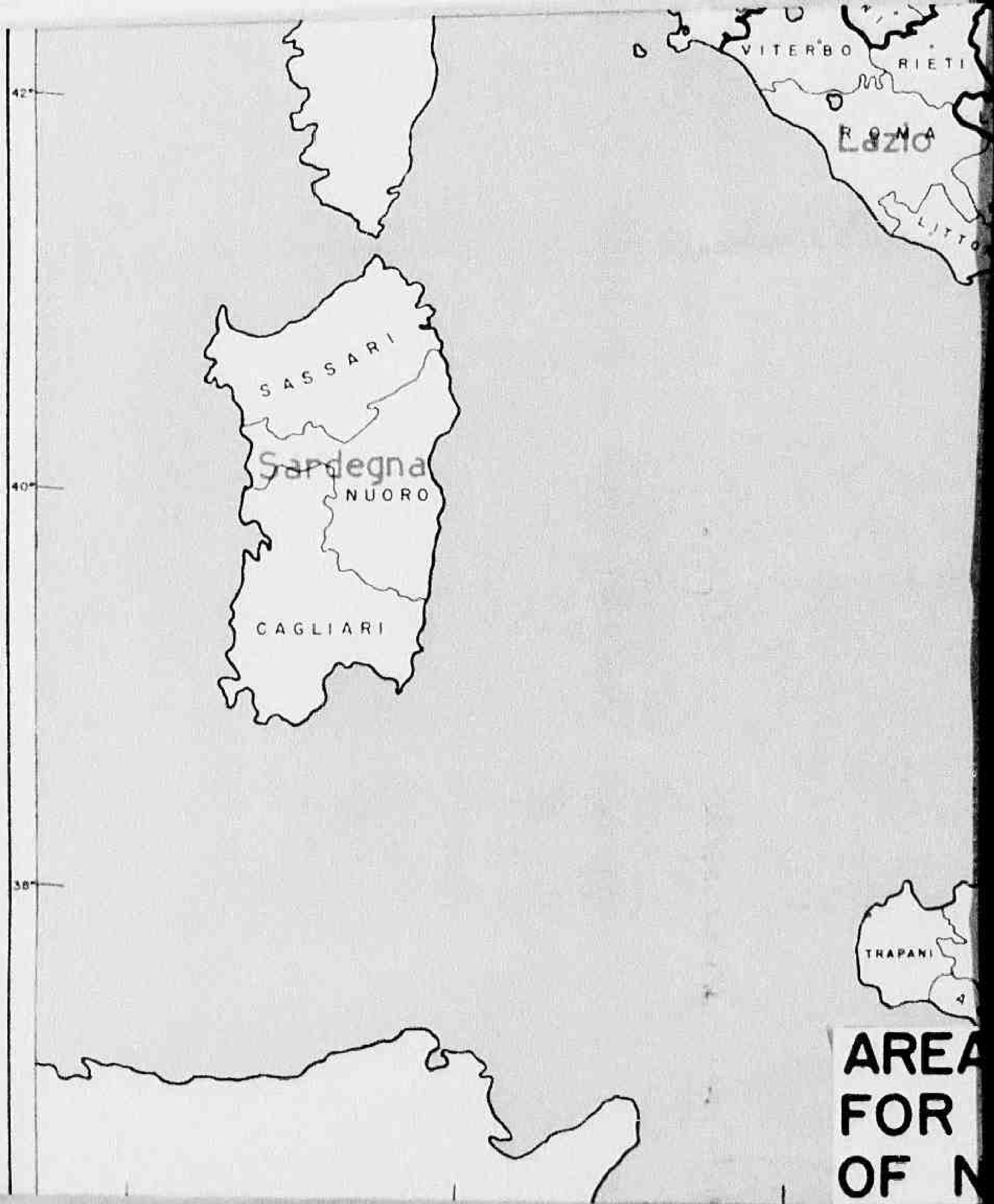

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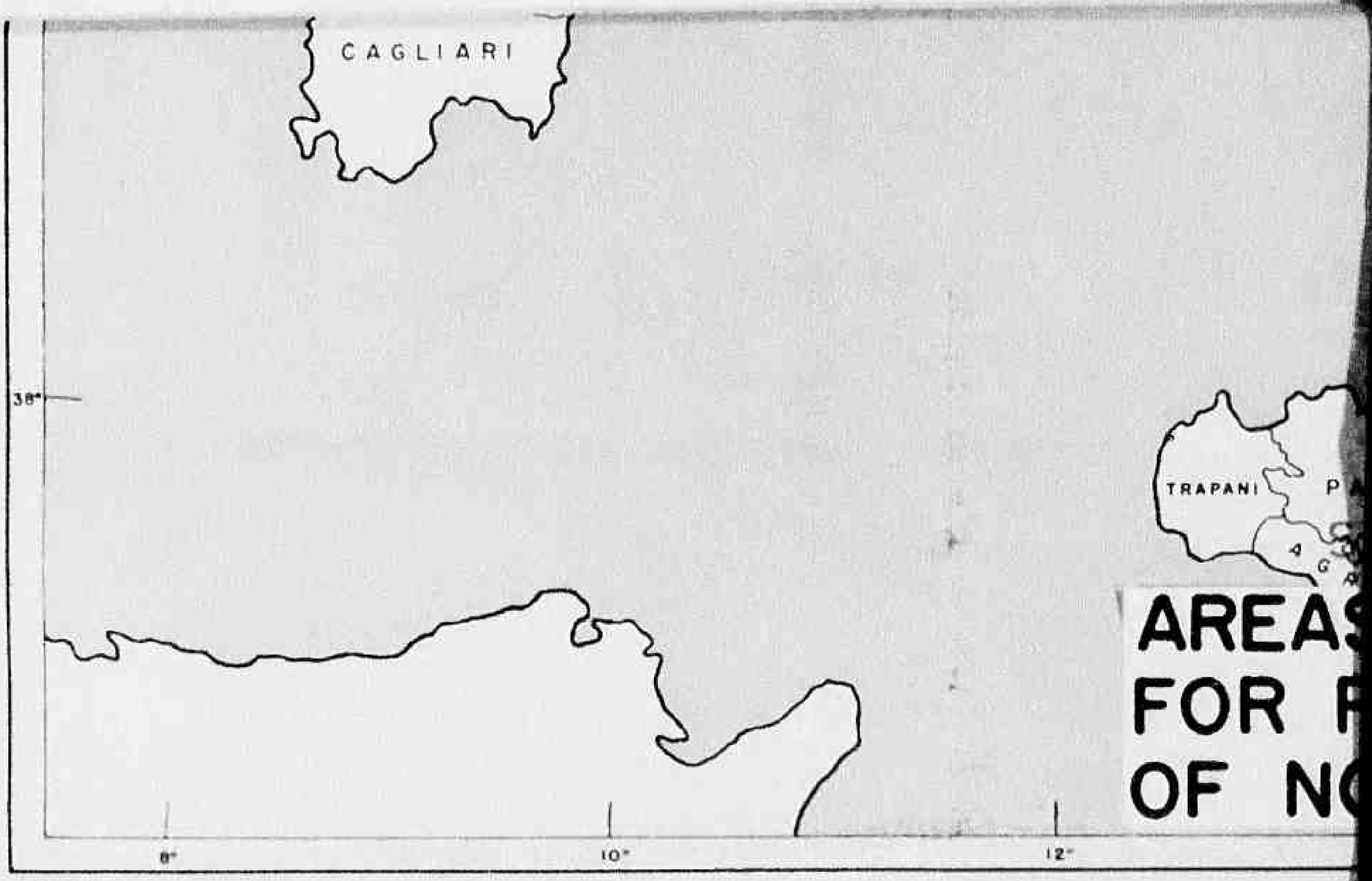

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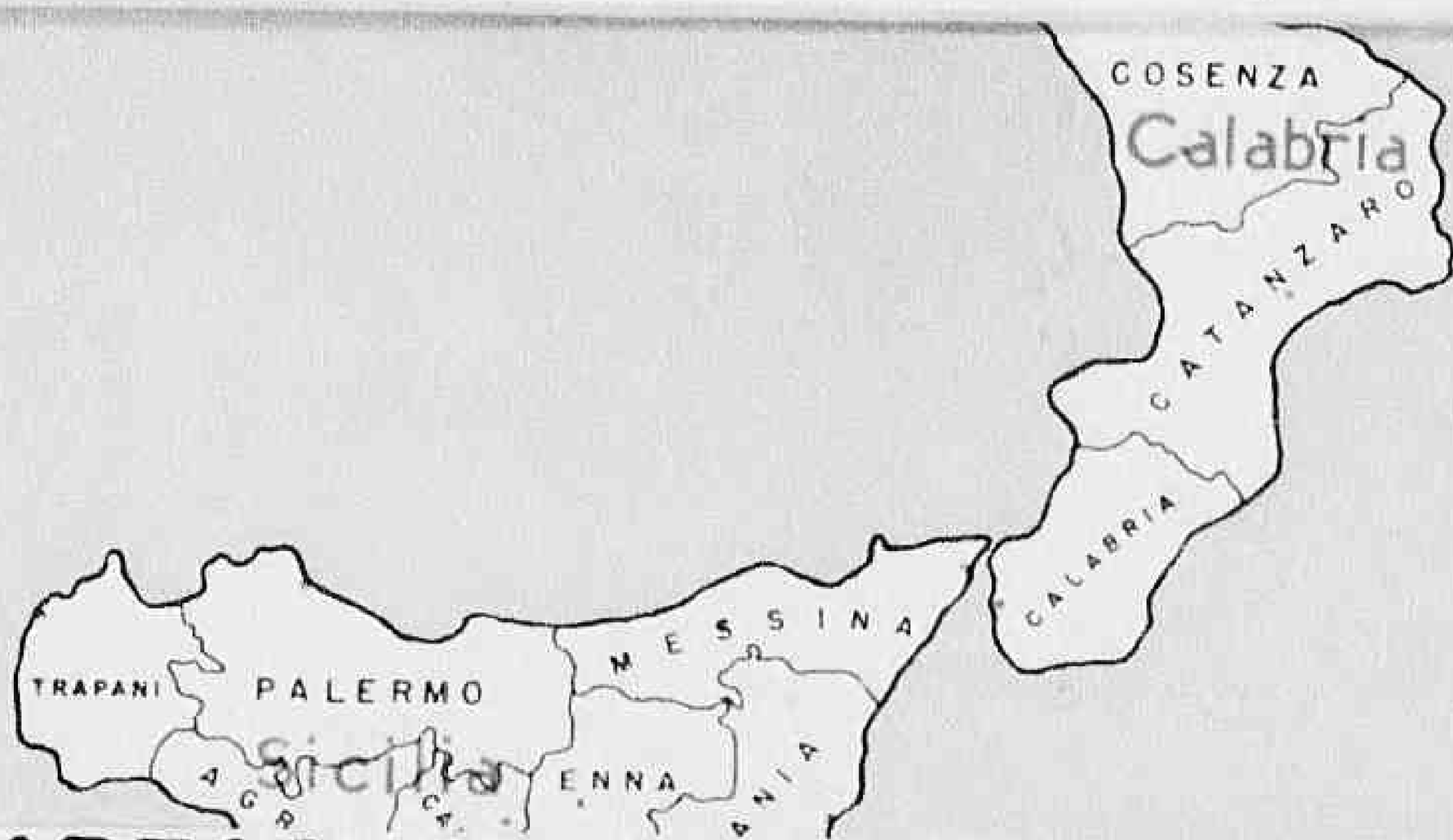

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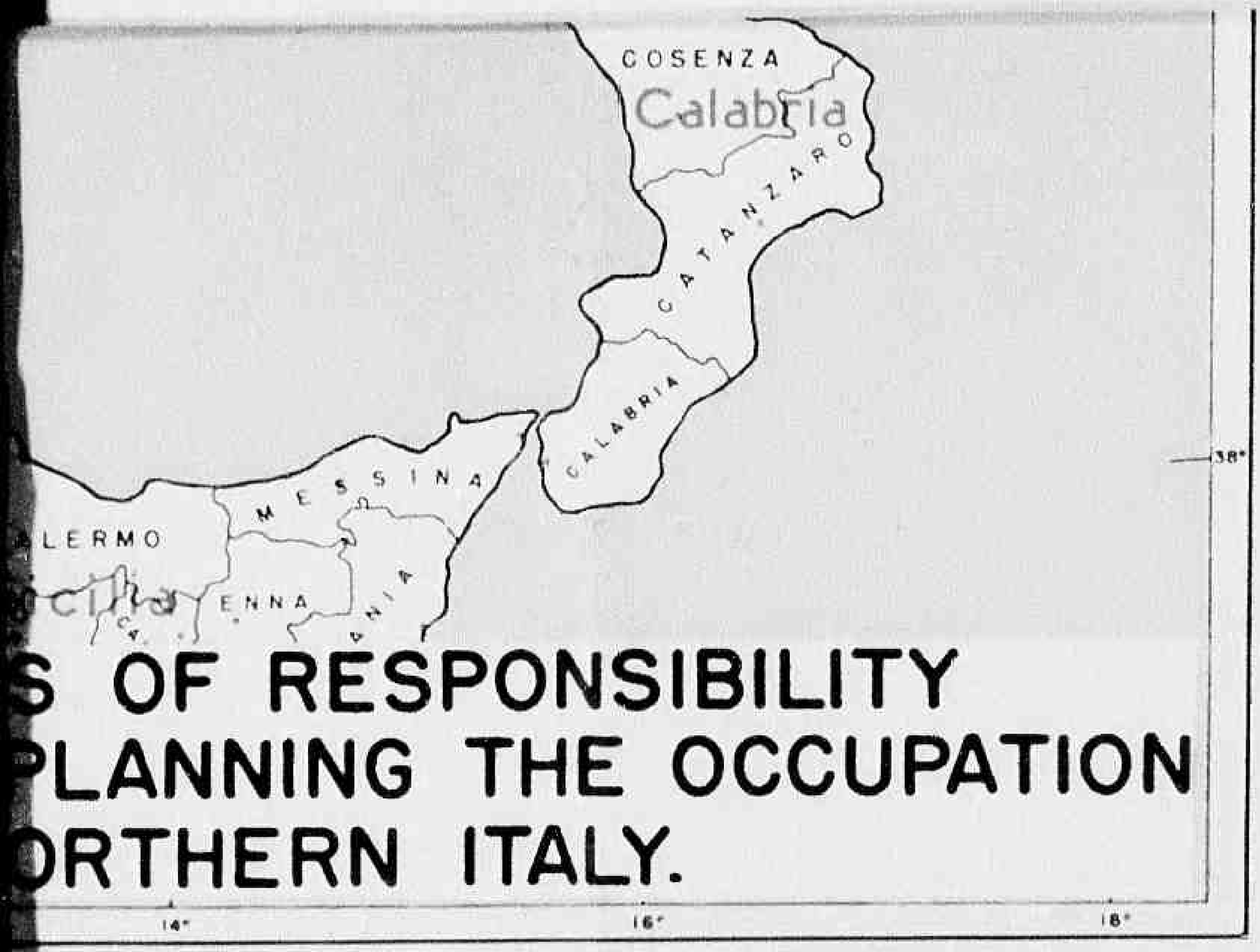

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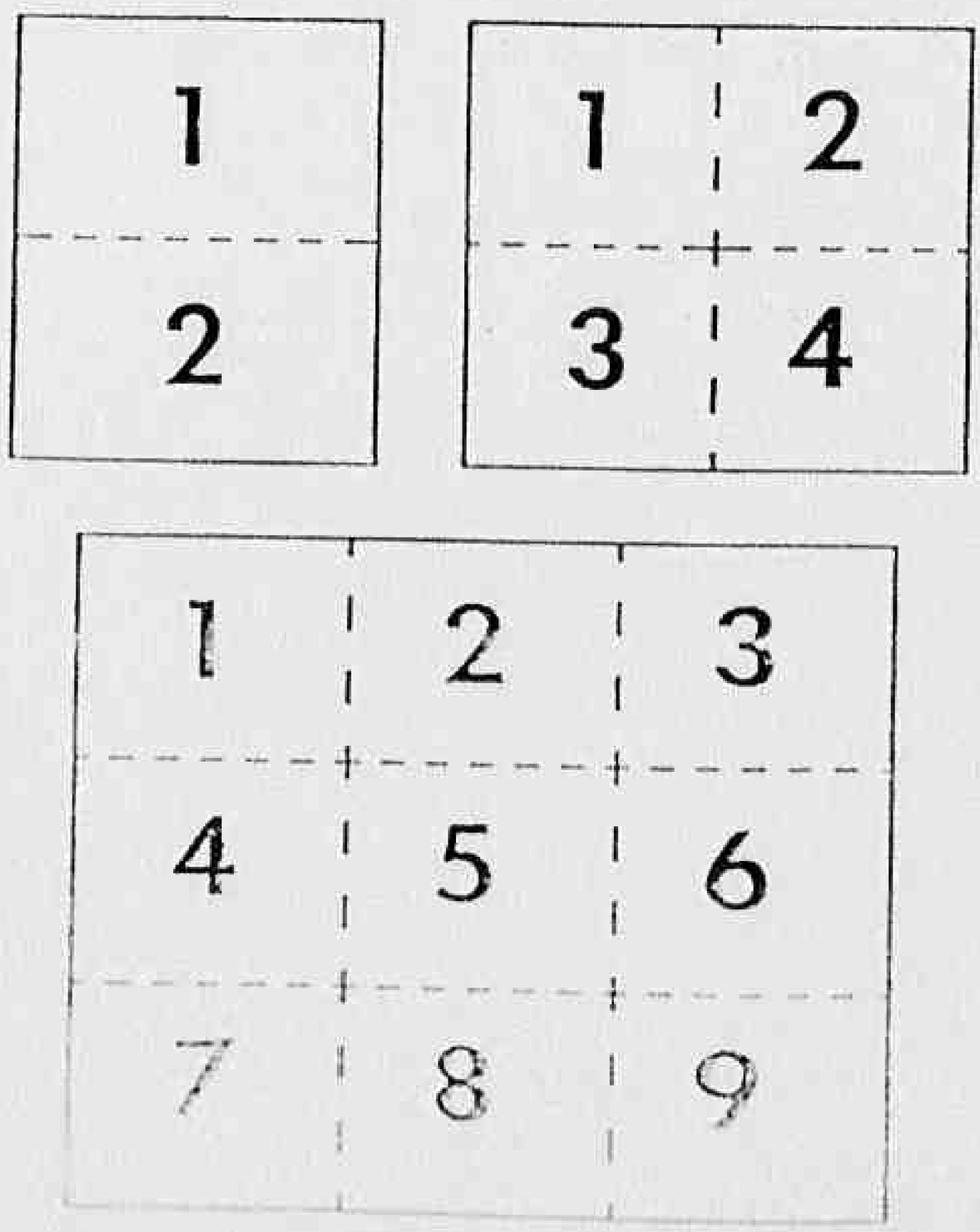

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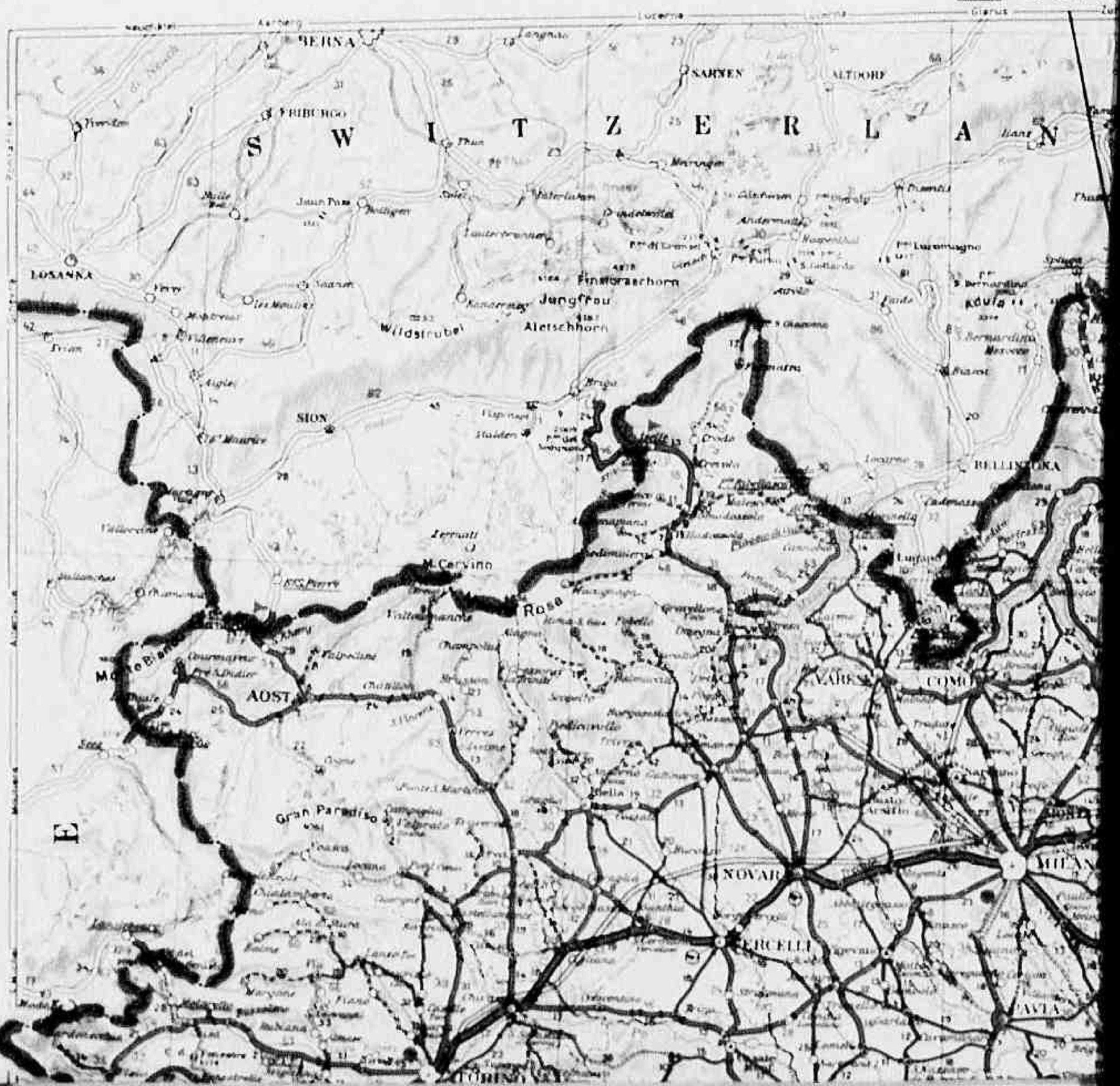

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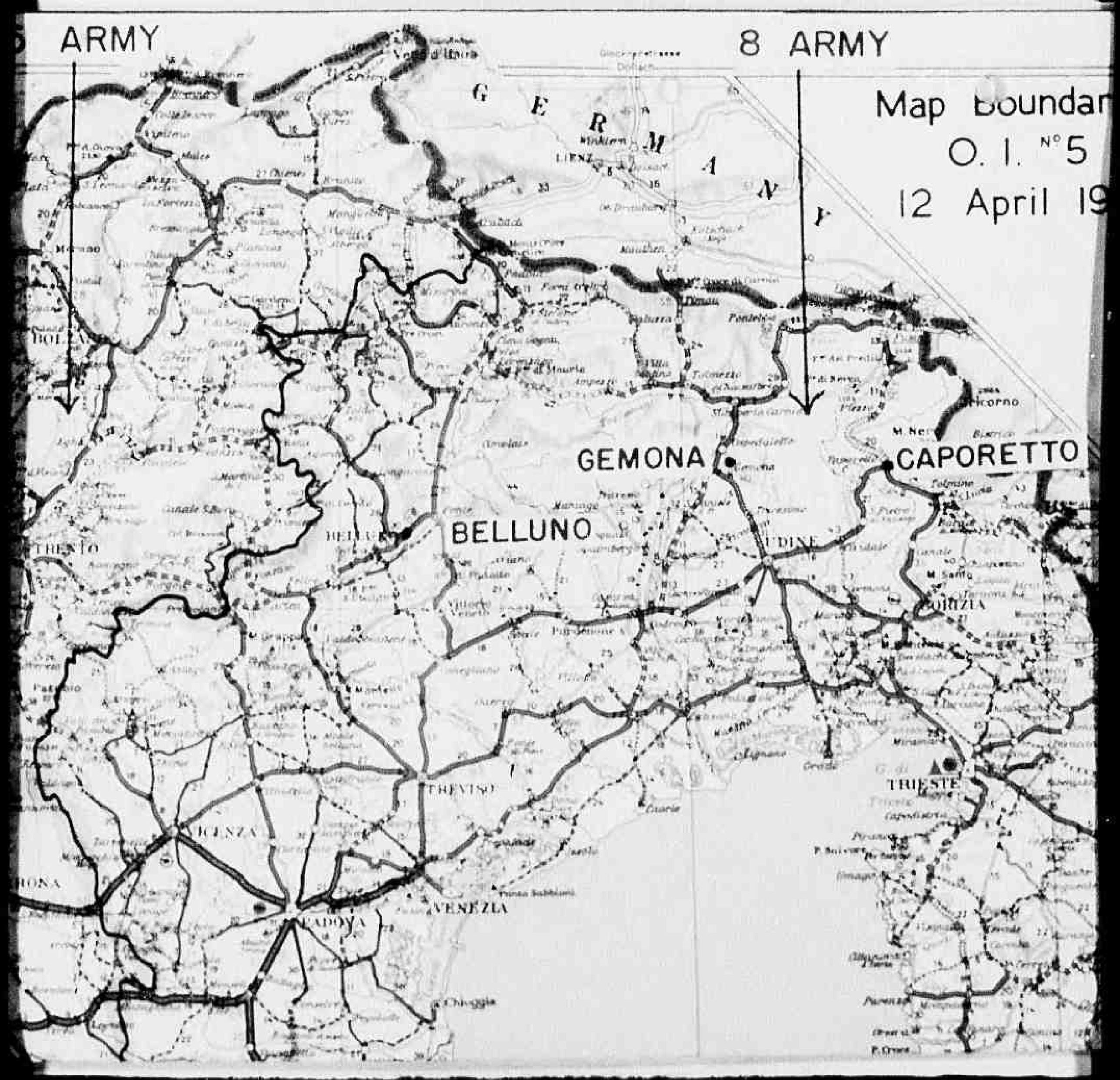

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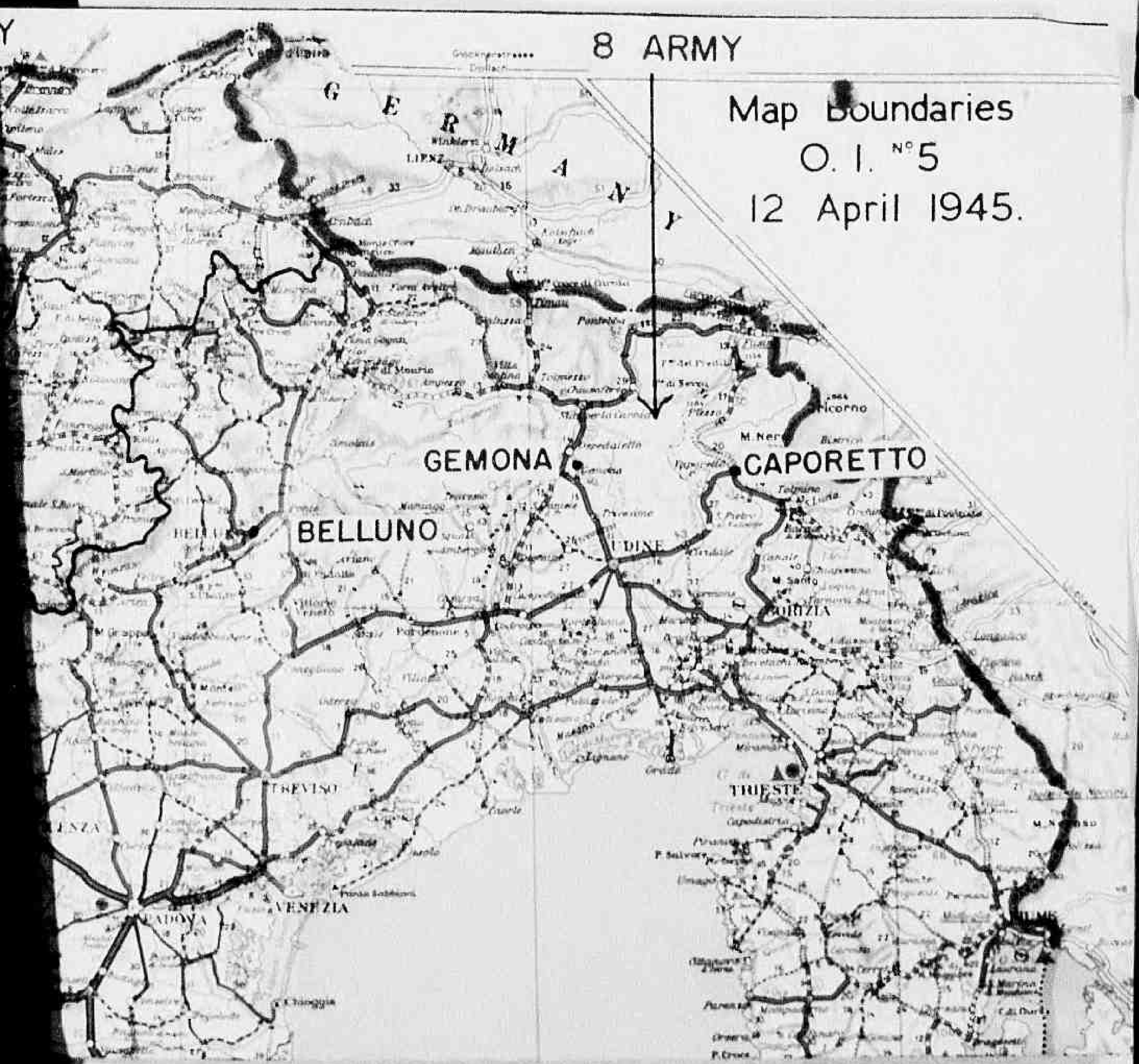

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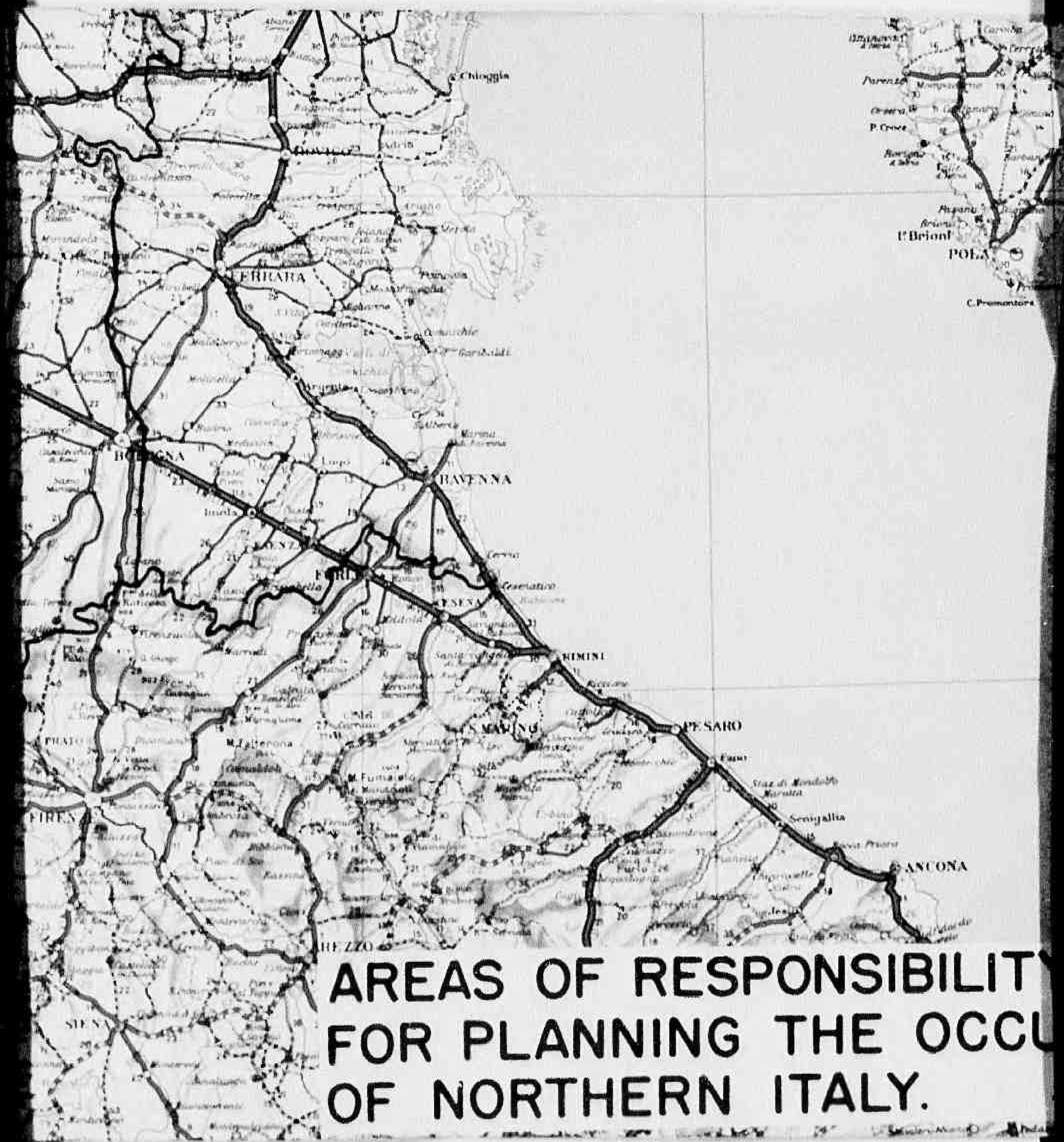

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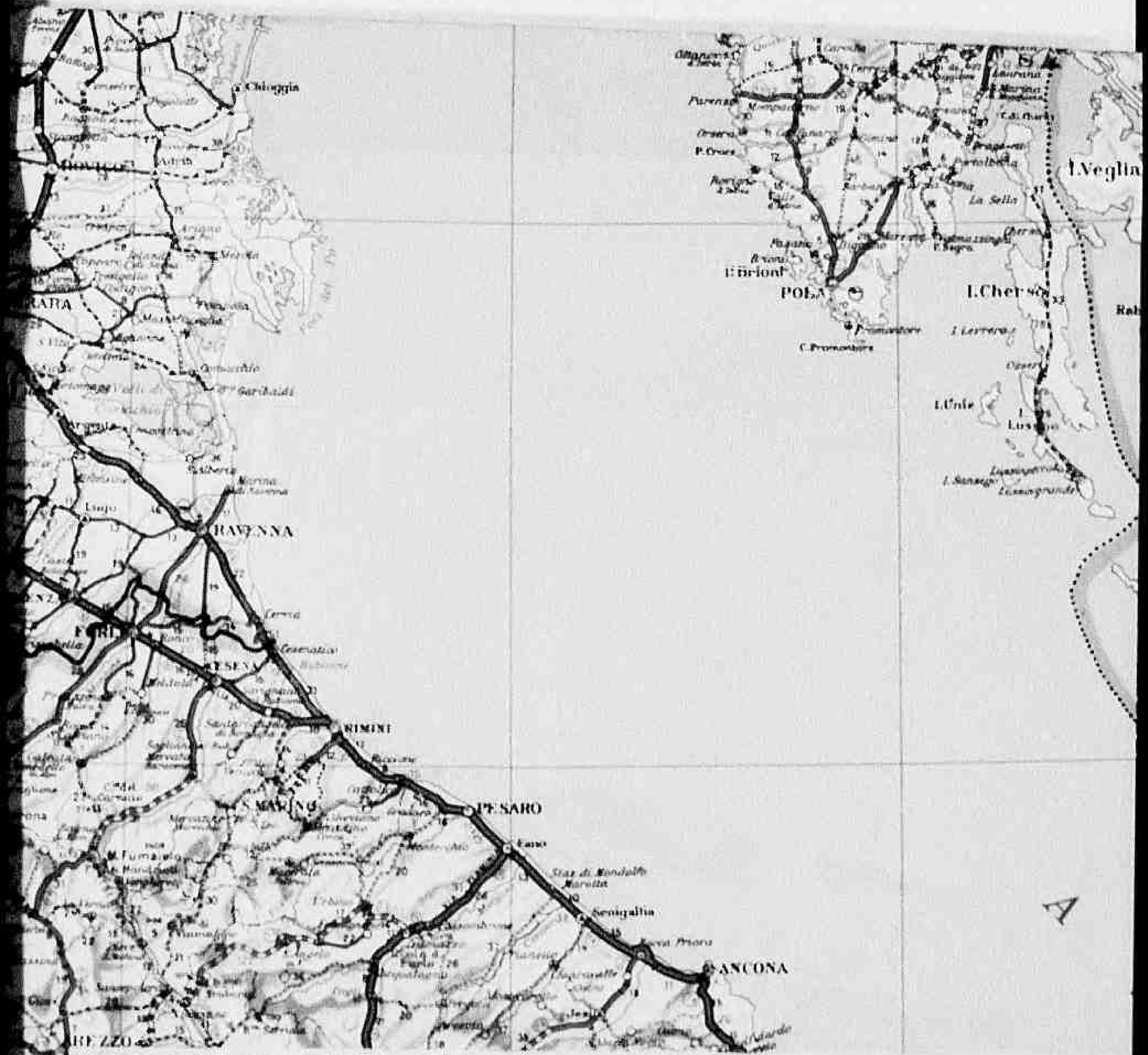

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MEMORANDUM :

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TO : Executive Commissioner

1. It is requested that conferences be arranged at the earliest practicable moment as follows:

a. A conference between the Commanding Generals, IV Corps, No.2 District, and such members of their staffs as they may deem desirable, and members of the Economic Section, AC. Regional Commissioners concerned should also attend this conference. The Economic Section representatives will comprise the Vice-President, two or three assistants to the Vice-President and the Directors of all Sub-Commissions. This conference is for the purpose of discussing the IV Corps plan for the occupation of North west Italy.

b. A similar conference as that indicated in a above between the Commanding Generals, 15 Army Group, 5 Army, 8 Army and District No.1, and such members of their staffs as they may indicate. Regional Commissioners concerned should also attend this conference. This conference is for the purpose of discussing the plan for the occupation of Northeast Italy.

/s/ A.G.ANTOLINI
/t/ A.G.ANTOLINI
Acting Vice-President
Economic Section

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SUBJECT: Occupation of Northeast ITALY

TO: Commanding General, 15th Army Group, APO 777
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
General Officer Commanding, No. 1 District
General Officer Commanding, No. 2 District

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Paragraph 9 b (1) of letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 3 April 1945, is amended to read as follows:

"9 b (1) By rail northward from ANCONA to railheads on line 86 and extensions of this line in the FERRARA area, and by road FERRARA-PADUA-UDINE."

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BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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JACK CARTER
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Asst Adjutant General

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Refer APOQ A6303/061 dated 3 April. Subject occupation North East ITALY.

Request you prepare North East ITALY standstill order to be issued for refugees and displaced persons also prepare separate standstill order for Patriots. This latter order may not be issued but it is wanted in case it is decided to stop all Patriot movements.

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6 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Feeding TOKYO.

TO : Economic Section.

The attached copy of letter from AGC Rear Eighth Army, reference OA/210 dated 3 Apr 45, is passed to you for information and any action considered necessary.

Chief Staff Officer,
To Executive Commissioner.

Incl:
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3 Apr 45.

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Copy to: HQ Allied Commission,
HQ AMG Fifth Army.
CMAGC, Eighth Army Tps.
HQ AMG Main Eighth Army.

Ref your letter S/26/G-5 dated 17 Mar 45.

1. It will be appreciated that if this HQ is expected to lift 93 TPD of imported supp by road from PORLI to BOLOGNA a detailed breakdown by commodities is required. By our calculation 95 TPD would be required as follows :

Total population = 784,000

Population of BOLOGNA Town = 285,000

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Flour	70.4	(160 gr per day + 10% for heavy workers for 400,000).
Sugar	6.5	(8.3 g.p.d., for total population).
D.veg.	3.7	(13 " " town only).
MSW or Meat	3.7	(" " " " ").
Salt	7.8	(10 " " total population).
P.Milk	1.2	(50 " " 3% total population).
Lard	1.9	(6.7 " " town only).
	95.2	

Your comments on these figures will be welcomed.

2. Information is requested on the amounts of POL which require to be lifted from PORLI, where substantial stocks are available at CIP Depot.

3. Some idea of the expected duration of this lift will prove useful in planning, since we have definitely committed ourselves to supplying the Province of FERRARA with 1001 G.T. Coy tpt. (See this HQ OA/113 dated 1 Apr 45, not to all).

4. A maximum/.....

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4. A maximum of 100 vehs of 1001 G.T. Coy per day will be available for all duties, assuming the present maintenance programme remains in effect. Not more than 80 of these vehs will be available for forward hauls. Assuming 1/2 turn round to BOLOGNA, 60 vehs will be required. Should the BOLOGNA haul still be a commitment when FERRARA falls, (which will require 68 TPD at 1/3 turn round - 68 vehs per day), a serious crisis will occur unless further tpt is made available. Two plns, placed under op control of this HQ is considered a minimum number.

5. Presumably, AMG 5th Army will communicate with this HQ by fastest means on the exact point of off-loading supp in BOLOGNA, providing sufficient labour. AMG 5th Army please confirm this.

6. If Eighth Army takes BOLOGNA first, this HQ will make arrangements, informing AMG Fifth Army and G-5, 15 Army Group.

Air Commodore,
Officer Commanding,
AMG, Eighth Army.

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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION 226

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: FILE No

TO : Acting Executive Commissioner 4 April 1945

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1. Reference 504/218/EC, 29 March 1945.

2. The Economic Section is opposed to any "Integrated Independent Regional AMG", and recommends that no action be taken toward establishing such a set-up.

G. ANTOLINI
Acting Vice-President
Economic Section

Enclosure:
504/218/EC - 29 March.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

REF: [illegible]. 5 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Occupation of NE Italy.

TO : Venezia Region (Rear).
Ravenna Region.
DCCAO, G-5 Gen 15 Army Group.
Torino Region
Lombardia Region.

1. Copy No. of AFHQ letter AG 323/061 GCS-O of 3 April 1945 on the subject of the occupation of NE ITALY is forwarded herewith.

2. RC, Venezia Region will please arrange to show this document to RC, Lombardia Region.

3. It is anticipated that DCCAO, 15th Army Group will be included on the distribution of this document by CC, 15th Army Group. RC Torino Region will please arrange to see copy held by DCCAO, 15th Army Group.

/JG.

[illegible] Chief Officer,
to the Executive Commissioner.

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AG 323/001 GDS-O

3 April 1945

APR 5 1945

SUBJECT: Occupation of Northeast ITALY

TO: Commanding General, 15th Army Group, APO 777
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
General Officer Commanding, No. 1 District
General Officer Commanding, No. 2 District

1. GENERAL. Operational Directives on the occupation of Northeast ITALY have been issued as follows:

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a. AFHQ letter, AG 323/001 SACS-O, dated 18 March 1945, subject: "Directive - Occupation of NE ITALY", which deals with the situation which will arise in the event of the withdrawal of the enemy from the PO Valley to some general Alpine line.

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b. AFHQ letter, AG 387/147 SACS-O, dated 31 March 1945, subject: "Local German Surrender in ITALY", (not to all addressees) which deals with the situation which will arise should German forces in ITALY surrender on or about their present line.

2. OBJECT. Object of this memorandum is to give the administrative instructions corresponding to the operational directives in paragraph 1.

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3. PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED. Administrative instructions in respect to the occupation of Northwest ITALY are given in AFHQ letter, AG 323/001 GDS-O, dated 25 January 1945, subject: "Occupation of NW ITALY", as amended by AFHQ letter, same file, dated 30 January 1945. These instructions remain unchanged in the event of a German withdrawal (paragraph 1 a, above). In the event of a German surrender or collapse, they will be subject to certain modifications as given in the following paragraphs.

4. SCOPE OF THIS INSTRUCTION. Northeast ITALY is defined as follows:

Compartimenti of VENEZIA TRIDENTINA
VENEZIA PROPRIA
VENEZIA GIULIA
EMILIA (except the provinces of PIACENZA)

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No 17 - Ex Com
No 18 - Exec Sec
No 19 - CA Sec
No 20 - Venezia Com
No 21 - Emilia Com } See below 220

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Provincia of SONDRIO)
BRESCIA)
BERGAMO) in the Compartimento of LOMBARDIA
MANTOVA)
CREMONA)

APUANIA/MASSA)
LUCCA) in the Compartimento of TOSCANA
PISTOIA)

i.e., that part of NORTH ITALY not covered in the instructions referred to in paragraph 5 above.

5. PHASES

a. The definition of "phases" of the occupation of NE ITALY given in the AFHQ directive referred to in paragraph 1 a above, is also followed in this instruction.

b. Phase I will be deemed to be complete, and Phase II to start, in respect to any particular territory, when the rear boundary of Armies is moved forward and the territory passes from control of Armies to HQ 1 District, HQ 2 District, or CG PBS.

6. TERRITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATIC HEADQUARTERS

a. In the case of progressive liberation of NORTH ITALY as a result of enemy withdrawal:

(1) The territory to be controlled by HQ 2 District will be as given in the administrative instructions on NE ITALY referred to in paragraph 3 above.

(2) HQ 1 District and CG PBS will take over the responsibilities of the Armies as the rear army boundaries are moved forward.

(3) At a later stage, on completion of enemy withdrawal from NORTH ITALY and when the Army rear boundaries have been moved forward to the Austrian frontier and VENEZIA GIULIA, boundaries of static HQs will be adjusted to correspond with those laid down in sub-paragraph b, below.

b. In the case of the simultaneous liberation of NORTH ITALY, as would occur as a result of enemy surrender or collapse, the eventual territories to be controlled by static HQs in ITALY will be as defined in AFHQ directive referred to in paragraph 1 a, above.

c. Initially VENEZIA GIULIA will be the responsibility of HQ Eighth Army. Subsequent responsibility for this Compartimento will be [illegible]

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d. Instructions giving the territorial responsibilities of PBS and District HQs will be issued separately in amplification of instructions already issued in paragraph 15, AFHQ letter, AG 091.711-00b GCT, dated 3 January 1945, subject: "Reorganization of British Command and Static Headquarters", and AFHQ letter referred to in paragraph 1 a, above.

7. ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF ARMIES. Within their respective areas, Fifth and Eighth Armies will be responsible for:

a. The administration of ground forces under their command and such maintenance of Air forces located in the Army area as is a ground force responsibility.

b. The initiation, in conjunction with Army AMG organizations, of civil administration and relief measures.

c. The execution of specific administrative tasks as given in succeeding paragraphs.

8. ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATIC HQs IN NE ITALY

a. HQ 1 District will be responsible for:

(1) The local administration of all British troops in its territory and in that of PBS, North of the northern boundary of the Compartimento of TOSCANA.

(2) The coordination, in conjunction with HQ Allied Commission, of matters being undertaken in its territory jointly by military and civil authorities.

(3) The execution of specific administrative tasks as given in succeeding paragraphs.

b. HQ 2 District will be responsible for the local administration of all British troops in the territory of PBS, within the boundaries of the Compartimento of TOSCANA, in addition to the responsibilities defined in the administrative instruction referred to in paragraph 3 above.

c. CG PBS will be responsible for:

(1) Supply matters in respect to US Forces in Fifth Army in accordance with normal administrative procedure.

(2) Supply matters in respect to US forces in the territory under its control.

(3) The coordination, in conjunction with HQ Allied Commission, of matters being undertaken in its territory jointly by military and civil authorities.

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(4) The execution of specific tasks as given in succeeding paragraphs.

c. HQ Allied Commission will be responsible for:

(1) The continuation of civil relief measures

(2) The development and operation in accordance with policies laid down by AFHQ of essential communications, industries and public utilities which are not a military responsibility.

9. DEVELOPMENT OF L of C IN NORTH ITALY. Subject to changes which may be dictated by the course of operations, relative state of damage to communications or other considerations:

a. The US GZ will be by rail and road from LEGHORN through BOLOGNA and the BRENNER to AUSTRIA.

b. The British L of C will be:

(1) By rail northward from ANCONA to railheads on line 86 and extensions of this line in the FERRARA area, and by road FERRARA-PADUA-UDINE.

(2) By sea, through the port of TRIESTE, and thence by the least damaged road and rail route to AUSTRIA.

10. PORTS.

a. It is not planned to open the port of VENICE immediately on capture. Later, when resources can be spared for the purpose, it will be opened for the importation of civil supplies.

b. TRIESTE will be developed as a military port and opened as a higher priority than VENICE.

c. With reference to the administrative instructions on NW ITALY referred to in paragraph 3 above, there are sufficient naval and military resources available to enable GENOA and TRIESTE to be opened simultaneously. However, should any conflict arise in the allocation of resources between these two ports, TRIESTE will have priority.

d. Naval responsibilities in respect to the opening and operation of TRIESTE and VENICE have been given to FOTALI.

e. TRIESTE

(1) TRIESTE will be developed to enable 6,000 tpd to be discharged and cleared through it.

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(2) The opening and operation of the port will be a British responsibility in respect of all tonnages handled. Should it be necessary to handle US tonnages the US will give counter-vailing assistance in discharge and clearance at a port elsewhere in ITALY.

(3) TRIESTE will be developed as a transit port forming the southern end of the L of C to AUSTRIA and only the minimum necessary installations will be established at the port.

(4) Responsibility under e (1), (2) and (3) will be undertaken initially by HQ Eighth Army subject to the following reservations:

(a) The key plan for the port will be prepared by AFHQ in conjunction with HQ Eighth Army, CG US base section concerned and PDTAM.

(b) Chairman of the Siting Board, on which the HQs given in (a) above will be represented, will be provided by AFHQ.

(c) Allocation of tonnages between HQ Eighth Army and other bidders, whose requirements are not the responsibility of HQ Eighth Army, will be made by AFHQ.

f. VENICE

(1) The opening and operation of the port will be the responsibility of HQ Allied Commission in all respects other than those which are a naval responsibility (see sub-paragraph d above).

(2) Other than certain organizational assistance of a supervisory nature, it is unlikely that any military resources can be allotted to HQ Allied Commission for this purpose. The extent of this assistance will be notified later.

11. RAILWAYS.

A. The general order of priority of repair and construction will be as follows:

First Priority	:PRATO-BOLOGNA
	Single line FAENZA-BOLOGNA
	FAENZA-FERRARA
Second Priority	:BOLOGNA-VERONA-BRENNER
	BOLOGNA-PARMA
	Double line FAENZA-BOLOGNA
Third Priority	:PARMA-ALESSANDRIA-TURIN
	:Fastest route to MILAN
	GENOA-ALESSANDRIA

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b. In addition to the above a line leading north to AUSTRIA from TRIESTE will be repaired. This line will be inserted into the above priorities according to operational requirements and the time required to move such locomotives and rolling stock, as may be necessary, to put the line into operation.

c. The above order of priority will be subject to adjustment in accordance with the speed and manner in which NORTH ITALY is occupied and whether the occupation follows a progressive enemy withdrawal or surrender.

12. ROADS

a. Fifth and Eighth Armies will be responsible for road repair and construction within their own areas to meet the operational requirements of CG 15th Army Group.

b. Should the whole of NORTH ITALY be liberated simultaneously as a result of enemy surrender or collapse, responsibility and priority for repair of roads during Phase II will be as follows:

Priority 1	Responsibility
BOLOGNA-MODENA-VERONA	CG PBS
BOLOGNA-FERRARA-PADUA	HQ 1 District
Priority 2	
VERONA-BRENNER	CG PBS
Priority 3	
Best route PADUA-UDINE-TRIESTE	HQ 1 District
MILAN-PIACENZA	US HQ, designated at the time by CG MTOUSA and HQ 2 District in their respective territories
Priority 4	
GENOA-ALESSANDRIA	HQ 2 District
Priority 5	
PIACENZA-ALESSANDRIA-TURIN	HQ 2 District
Best route to MILAN	HQ 2 District

c. Responsibility for the subsequent repair of the road L of C leading north from TRIESTE into AUSTRIA will be allotted in the separate instructions referred to in paragraph 6 c.

13. IWT. HQ Allied Commission will be responsible for the restoration and operation of the IWT system to the maximum extent possible for the movement of civil supplies.

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14. POL BULK STORAGE AND PIPELINES

a. Bulk storage facilities will be developed as follows:

(1) At TRIESTE, to supply military and civil requirements. This will be a military responsibility.

(2) At VENICE, to supply civil requirements. This will be the responsibility of HQ Allied Commission. The provision of facilities at TRIESTE will have first priority.

b. Pipeline construction will take place to provide the following four-inch lines:

(1) From MODENA - one via BOLOGNA to FERRARA) One of these lines
-) to be extended to
- one via RAVENNA to FERRARA) ROVIGO.

(2) From LEGHORN - one to BOLOGNA
- one via BOLOGNA to MODENA
- one via BOLOGNA to VERONA

15. CIVIL SUPPLIES

a. In Phase I the provision of supplies for the civil population will be the responsibility of Armies, in conjunction with their attached AMG organizations.

b. In Phase II the provision of supplies for the civil population will be the responsibility of HQ Allied Commission.

c. Should German forces in ITALY surrender or collapse on or about their present line, and subject to overriding operational requirements, the following will be undertaken as a military responsibility to assist HQ Allied Commission in the movement of civil supplies:

(1) Movement of 350 tpd to PARMA. This will be a British responsibility to be undertaken by HQ Eighth Army in Phase I and HQ I District in Phase II.

(2) Movement of 400 tpd to VERONA. This will be a US responsibility to be undertaken by CG Fifth Army in Phase I and CG PBS in Phase II.

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This assistance is in addition to the movement of 500 tpd to PARMA which has been accepted as a British military responsibility in the administrative instructions to NW ITALY referred to in paragraph 3 above.

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d. AFHQ/MTOUSA will be responsible for the allocation of the necessary resources to enable the responsibilities allotted to the HQs concerned in sub-paragraphs c (1) and (2) above, to be implemented. These resources will be subject to recall and should be assumed to be available for a period not exceeding one month.

16. ADMINISTRATION OF ENEMY FORCES FOLLOWING A CAPITULATION IN ITALY.

a. General. The policy will be that the surrendered enemy forces will carry out their own administration. To this end enemy forces will retain or, where they have disintegrated, be reformed into formation and unit organizations. In accordance with this general policy, as amplified in sub-paragraphs b and c below, the arrangements for the concentration, holding and maintenance of enemy surrendered forces will be the responsibility of Fifth and Eighth Armies under the coordinating direction of CG 15th Army Group. When the Army rear boundaries are moved forward (Phase II) this responsibility will pass to AFHQ/MTOUSA. Separate instructions on this subject will be issued at the time.

b. Concentration of Surrendered Enemy Forces. Surrendered enemy forces will be concentrated where they can be easily maintained and where they can be put to work in accordance with the Terms of Surrender, in relief of Allied administrative resources. The most suitable area, from these points of view, is that between the River PO and Highway 9 (exclusive of this route, major towns in the area and the material coastal belt adjoining the ADRIATIC Coast). Subject to operational requirements, this area should be the main concentration area for enemy forces surrendering south, and in the general vicinity of, the PO. As soon as it is operationally possible, forces surrendering north of the PO should be moved to this concentration area.

c. Holding and Evacuation of Surrendered Enemy Forces. Surrendered enemy forces will be held in the main concentration area. Recalcitrant enemy personnel will be evacuated to PW cages south of the APENNINES. Movement of these recalcitrant elements out of Army areas will be the responsibility of AFHQ/MTOUSA. Ultimate disposal of surrendered enemy forces will be the subject of separate instructions as required.

d. Accommodation of Surrendered Enemy Forces. Surrendered enemy forces will accommodate themselves, using their own resources. Use will be made of warehouses, large buildings, etc., only if these are not required for Allied military or civil purposes. There will be no requisitioning of houses for the accommodation of enemy forces.

e. Maintenance of Surrendered Enemy Forces. The maximum use of enemy administrative resources will be made for this purpose. When these resources are exhausted these forces will be maintained from Allied depots. Except for such items as are declared surplus to Allied military and civil requirements, local resources will not be used for the maintenance of these forces without the authority of AFHQ.

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f. Use of Enemy Transport and Service Units. Enemy transport and service units will be used for the maintenance of the surrendered enemy forces regardless of whether they are being maintained from their own resources or from Allied depots. Maximum use of enemy animal transport will be made for this purpose in place of enemy motor transport units. The latter units will be used to assist in the movement of civil supplies in relief of Allied military transport employed on this task (see paragraph 15 c).

g. Disposal of Surrendered Enemy Material. Separate instructions will be issued on this subject.

17. PARTISANS. Policy regarding partisans is defined in AFHQ signal F 20018, dated 14 February 1945 to HQ 15th Army Group only. Instructions regarding their feeding, clothing, payment and hospitalization will be issued separately.

18. REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS

a. Initially, refugees and displaced persons will be subject to a "standstill" order, to be issued through military channels by CG 15th Army Group.

b. In Phase I, Armies, in conjunction with their attached AMG organizations, and in Phase II, HQ Allied Commission, will be responsible for screening, registering and maintaining displaced persons.

c. Overall plans for the disposal of these persons will be the responsibility of HQ Allied Commission in conjunction with the military HQ concerned in matters affecting their movement within ITALY.

19. RUSSIAN CIVILIANS. Feeding, clothing and hospitalization of Russian civilians will be a military responsibility to be implemented in Phase I by Armies, and in Phase II by PBS and the District HQ concerned.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTIE-BARRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Ext: 289.

Ref: 504/218/00.

29 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Planning, VENEZIA GIULIA.

TO : Economic Section.

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The A/Executive Commissioner will be grateful for any comments you may have on the attached letter, subject as above, (TOP SECRET, Copy No. 4) from R.C., Southern Region, dated 23 Mar 45.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

Encl: As stated above.

See 226.12

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NKF/mrd
27 March 1945

Ref: 304/216/30

Memo:

To : Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region 213

1. Reference is made to your memorandum to G-5, AFHQ, of 23 March 1945, copies No. 3 and 4 to this Headquarters.

2. The Chief Commissioner wishes to call your attention to the fact that direct communication between a Region and AFHQ has not been authorized and to enjoin you, in the future, to deal with all matters affecting your Region through the recognized appropriate channels.

/s/ NORMAN K. FISKE

NORMAN K. FISKE
Colonel
Acting Executive Commissioner

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Colonel Fiske

File No.

SUBJECT: Channels of Communication 27 March 1945

MAR 28 1945

TO: Chief Commissioner

I presume I am correct in saying that you have not authorized Dunlop to deal officially with G-5. He and Henn have had informal conversations on this subject, to which I see no serious objection, but I think we must insist that channels of official communication be observed.

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NORMAN S. FISKE
Colonel
Acting Executive Commissioner

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SOUTHERN REGION
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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

Subject : Venereal Disease March 28th

MAR 28 1945

To: HQ Allied Commission (Attn Col. R.T. Pirie)

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1. [illegible] two copies (Nos [illegible]) of a secret reply [illegible] to Red Cross [illegible] Italians.

2. Please arrange [illegible] receipt.

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DEPUTY REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

23 MARCH, 1945
MAR 28 1945

SUBJECT: Planning, Venezia Giulia

TO : G-5, APHQ

1. Reference, conversation of 22 March, (Henn-Dunlop speaking) I forward herewith

(a) Suggested establishment for an integrated independent Regional A.M.G. administering an autonomous Venezia Giulia.

(b) Points of administrative detail which would require- if possible- prior consideration before the setting up of such a Regional A.M.G.

2. It may save your further reference if the following facts concerning Venezia Giulia are tabulated. The Provinces are given in order, North to South.

PROVINCE	AREA (Km-sq.)	POPULATION	COMMUNES	TOWNS OVER 10,000
Gorizia	2,724 46	205,795	42	Gorizia Idria
Trieste	1,279 42	370,864	30	Trieste Monfalcone Muggia
Fiume (Carnaro)	1,121 57	109,018	13	Fiume
Pola (Istria)	3,720 46	307,983	42	Pola Albona Capo D'Istria Dignano D'Istria Parenzo Pinguente Pirano

[illegible] Regional [illegible] administering an autonomous Venezia Giulia.

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Total	8,845 31	993,660	127	

3. The city of Trieste with a population of 260,000 is the only large city in the Region and accounts for over one quarter of the total population.

4. The attached tables are compiled on the basis that;

(a) The opening and management of the ports will be an Army responsibility.

(b) The handling of AMG supplies entering the port of Trieste for Austria or Jugoslavia will be the responsibility of the AMG (Venezia-Giulia).

(c) Allied Military Police companies and garrison troops will be available to support in case of need locally raised police forces.

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5. About half the towns listed above are old Venetian trading settlements built on peninsulars on the Western coast of the Istrian peninsular. They form Italian blocks with a Slovene or Croat hinterland. It would be valuable to find out beforehand to what extent Jugoslav partisan activities have actually affected, to date, the machinery of town administration.

J.K Dunlop
Brigadier, Regional Commissioner.

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ENDIX A

Draft Establishment For Integrated Independent HQ.

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Commissioner	1	
Deputy Commissioner	1	
Staff Officers	2	
Commander, Co. X , 2675 Regt.	1	
Commander, British Detachment	1	
Purchasing Officer	1	
TOTAL	7	
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.		
Education	1	
Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives	1	
Legal	13	(3 Reg. HQ.) (4 Trieste) (2 each others)
Public Health and Welfare	8	
Public Safety	15	(3 Reg. HQ.) (6 Trieste) (2 each others)
TOTAL	38	
ECONOMIC SECTION		
Finance	10	(Incl. Property Control)
P.W.U.	6	
Agriculture	2	
Commerce	2	
Industry	2	
Labour	1	
Food	7	(2 Reg.HQ.) (2 Trieste) (1 eachothers)
Transportation	6	
TOTAL	36	
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Public Health and Welfare	8	
Public Safety	15	(3 Reg. HQ.) (6 Trieste) (2 each others)
TOTAL	38	
ECONOMIC SECTION		
Finance	10	(Incl. Property Control)
P.W.U.	6	
Agriculture	2	
Commerce	2	
Industry	2	
Labour	1	
Food	7	(2 Reg.HQ.) (2 Trieste) (1 eachothers)
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Compared with
present establishment of 60.

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APPENDIX B

Administrative matters requiring prior consideration in the event of the organisation of an independent Region administring A.M.G. in Venezia Giulia.

1. Civil Affairs Section

(a) Local Government

i. Are Prefects and Sindaco to be appointed. If so, what styles are to be used.

ii. Is the complete Italian Administrative machinery of capo di gabinetto, vice prefetto etc. to be followed.

(b) Legal.

i. Is the Italian code of law to be followed.

ii. Is the Italian language or both Italian and Slovene to be used.

iii. Will the Court of Cassation at Trieste also act as ultimate Court of Appeal.

iv. To what extent, if any, are Italian government decrees to be carried into Venezia Giulia.

(c) Public Safety.

i. Assuming that no carabinieri are imported, and it is proposed to raise a local uniformed police force, what is to be its strength. Prewar figures were:

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Trieste	857	
Pola	668	
	600	(special for Arsenal possibly not needed)
Fiume	262	
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(d) Public Health. No very difficult points.

i. Is the Medico Provincial system to be maintained.

(e) Education.

i. Is the University of Trieste to open. If so, under what direction.

ii. Are schools to reopen. If so, is Italian or Slovene to be taught.

2. Economic Section.

(a) Finance

i. How is the Region to be financed. Presumably the Italian Government will refuse to accept its financing as a charge against the Italian Budget.

ii. Is Lira currency to be used.

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iii. Are the local (Trieste) branches of North Italian Commercial Banks to be allowed to communicate with their head offices, or is the Banking System to be autonomous.

iv. Are Post Offices to be reopened. If so, are Italian stamps etc., to be sold.

v. What will be the status of Post Office Savings Bank deposits.

(b) Food. No special problems, except as linked with 2a (i) above.

(c) Industry.

i. The status of the coal mines of Arsa will have to be worked out.

ii. Status of works at Monfalcone.

(d) Commerce. No problems in first instance.

(e) Transportation. No special problems in first instance as civilian traffic will be negligeable.

(f) Labour. How far will Italian Government legislation regarding rates and condition of labour be implemented by AMG decree.

(g) Public Works and Utilities. No immediate problems, except that Trieste Gas Works depend on Istrian coal.

3. General Matters.

i. What will be the status of Italian soldiers who have been fighting with the Partisans of Venezia Giulia.

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Ref: 504/184/EC. 20 March 1945.

Subject: Responsibilities of the Allied Commission.

To : G-5 Section,
AFHQ.

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1. The Deputy Chief Legal Adviser of this Commission has considered the opinion expressed by Col. Hammond and sent to this Commission in your letter G-5: 387.4-1 dated 6 March 45, and I attach his memorandum in reply thereto for your records.

2. In view of the statement made in paragraph(3) of your letter, I suggest that the whole matter may be allowed to rest for the time being.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

Major E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl.

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Copy to: C.A. Sec.

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Note for Nr Italy file (Work up case)

(20)

AFHQ have approved a scheme whereby Ven Guelia comes within Venice Military Region.

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Ref: 509/20.

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19 March 1945.

Subject: Occupation of Ex ITALY

To: Regional Commissioner, VENEZIA Region (Fleurdy: E) - No.03
Regional Commissioner, JULIA Region. - No.04

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I enclose for your information and guidance copy No. 1 of AMGI Directive AG 383/062 SACMED dated 15 March 1945.

Please acknowledge on the enclosed receipt form.

Major E. Talbot

Chief Staff Officer,
to Executive Commissioner.

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Initials: NHF
Date: 18 March 45

AG 323/061 SACS-O

18 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Directive -- Occupation of North East ITALY.

TO: Commanding General, 15th Army Group, APO 777
Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 782
General Officer Commanding, Number 1 District

1. GENERAL.

a. (1) The occupation of NE ITALY is likely to take place in one of the two following general sets of circumstances:

(a) Withdrawal of the enemy from the PO VALLEY and the coastal area of NE ITALY to some general Alpine line, such as CADORETTO - GEMONA - BELLUNO - LAKE GARDA - Swiss frontier. In this event, however, the enemy may continue to hold both VENICE and TRIESTE as fortresses.

(b) Surrender of the German forces in ITALY any time before withdrawal as indicated in (a) above being carried out.

(2) This instruction deals with the occupation of NE ITALY in the circumstances in a (1) (a) above. Some modification will be necessary in the circumstances envisaged in a (1) (b). This will form the subject of a separate instruction.

b. Italian Fascist divisions are unlikely to remain intact in NE ITALY after a German withdrawal, but many deserters from these divisions may be picked up and some ardent Fascists may attempt prolonged resistance as guerillas.

c. Extensive demolitions and the destruction of public utilities are to be anticipated.

d. From the political aspect, the occupation of NE ITALY will be guided by SACMED's declared policy to support the authority of the established government in ROME.

2. INTENTION. To obtain complete operational control of that portion of NE ITALY within the 1939 frontier evacuated by the enemy and to establish Allied military government therein.

3. METHOD. The occupation will be carried out in two phases.

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a. Phase 1. Initial occupation and establishment of Military Government which will take place in the normal course of operations by 15th Army Group in following up the enemy's withdrawal.

b. Phase 2. The assumption of responsibility for:

(1) Military administration by Number 1 District and PBS.

(2) Allied military government by the Allied Commission.

4. PHASE 1.

a. This phase is the responsibility of 15th Army Group.

b. Tasks are:

(1) The elimination of any remaining German and Fascist Italian formations, the securing and rehabilitation of essential road and rail communications to TRIESTE and UDINE, the securing of the port of TRIESTE and the UDINE airfields, and the rehabilitation of such portions of the BRENNER and TRIESTE - TARVISIO routes into AUSTRIA as are in our hands.

(2) The disarmament and disbandment of Italian patriot forces (see paragraph 7 below) and the re-establishment of law and order among the civil population, concurrently with the establishment of Allied military government by Fifth and Eighth Armies.

5. PHASE 2.

a. Number 1 District, PBS and Number 2 District will take over as army rear boundaries are advanced.

b. Eventual inter District/PBS boundaries will be as indicated on map attached as Appendix "A".

c. On assuming military responsibility from 15th Army Group, Number 1 District will take over command of such troops as remain in its geographical area. All troops in the PBS area will remain under command of Fifth Army or come under command of PBS or CG MTOUSA, as directed by CG MTOUSA.

d. Tasks of Number 1 District and PBS will be:

(1) Assume command of all US, British, Dominion, Allied and Italian troops which are passed to their control under the provisions of 5 c above and be responsible for their local administration.

(2) Assist the regional commissioners to maintain law and order in their districts.

(3) Secure their respective army L of C behind army rear boundaries.

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(4) Safeguard military supplies, communications and stores.

(5) Coordinate the demands by Allied troops for local resources.

(6) Coordinate the military and essential civil movement requirements.

6. PASSING OF COMMAND. With the advance of Fifth and Eighth Armies, application for the adjustment to the rear boundary of armies will be submitted by headquarters of armies, after consultation with Number 1 District and PBS, to AFHQ copy to Headquarters, 15th Army Group, who will comment as necessary to AFHQ.

7. DISARMAMENT AND DISBANDMENT OF ITALIAN PATRIOT FORCES. In dealing with patriot forces the provisions of paragraphs 2 - 6, inclusive, of cable, this headquarters, reference number F-26918, dated 14 February 1945, will apply.

8. ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN VENEZIA GIULIA. The precise measures which will be taken for dealing with Allied Military Government in VENEZIA GIULIA are not yet determined but for planning purposes it will be assumed that the whole area will come under Allied military government.

9. ADMINISTRATION. Separate administrative instructions will be issued.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Compartments & Provinces
of ITALY

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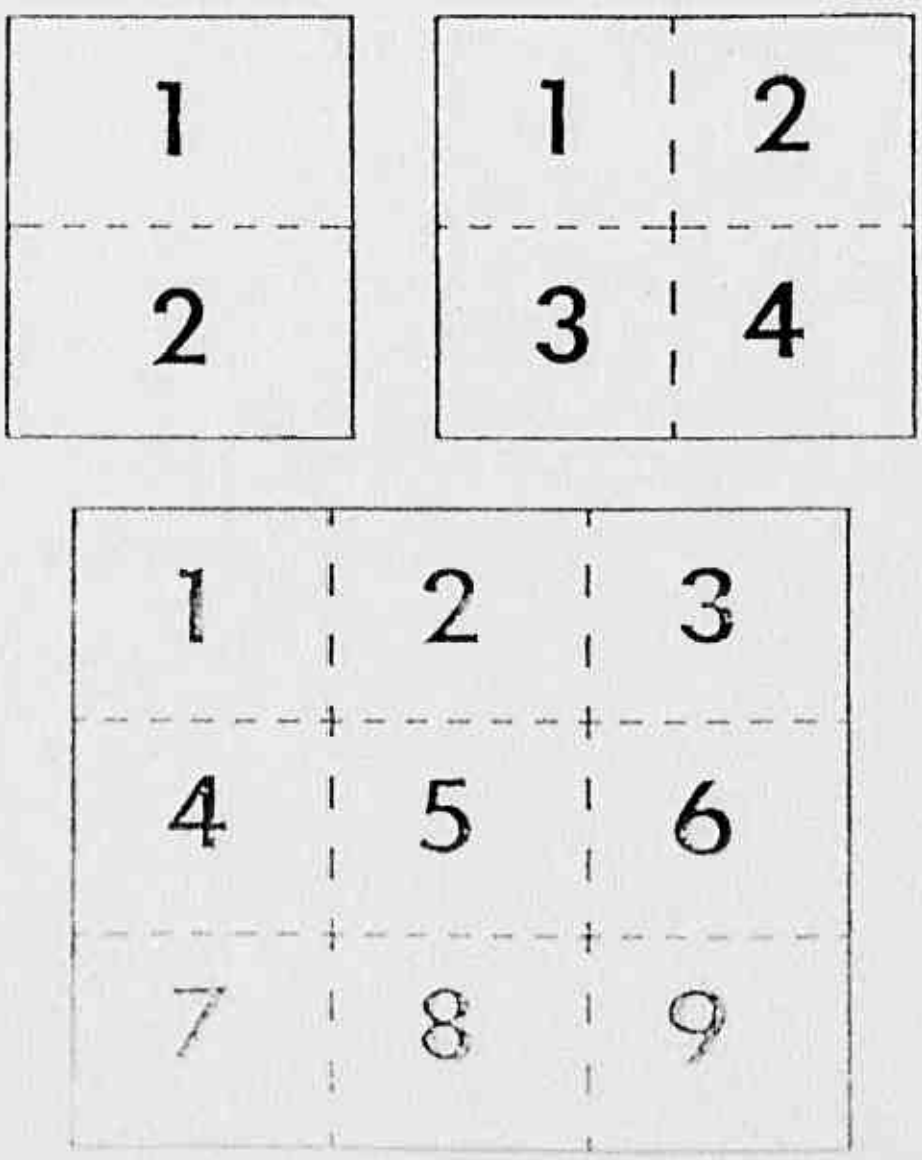

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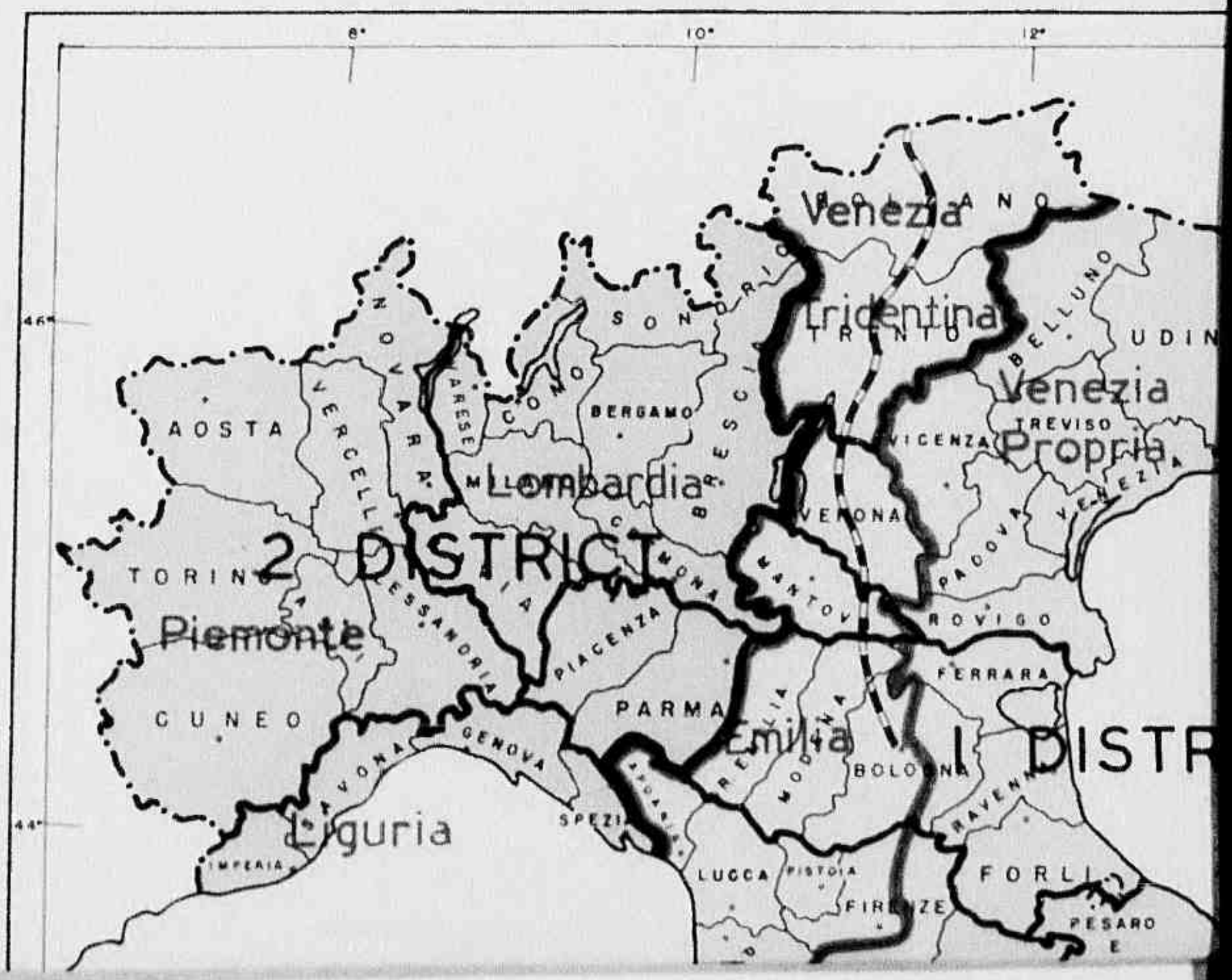

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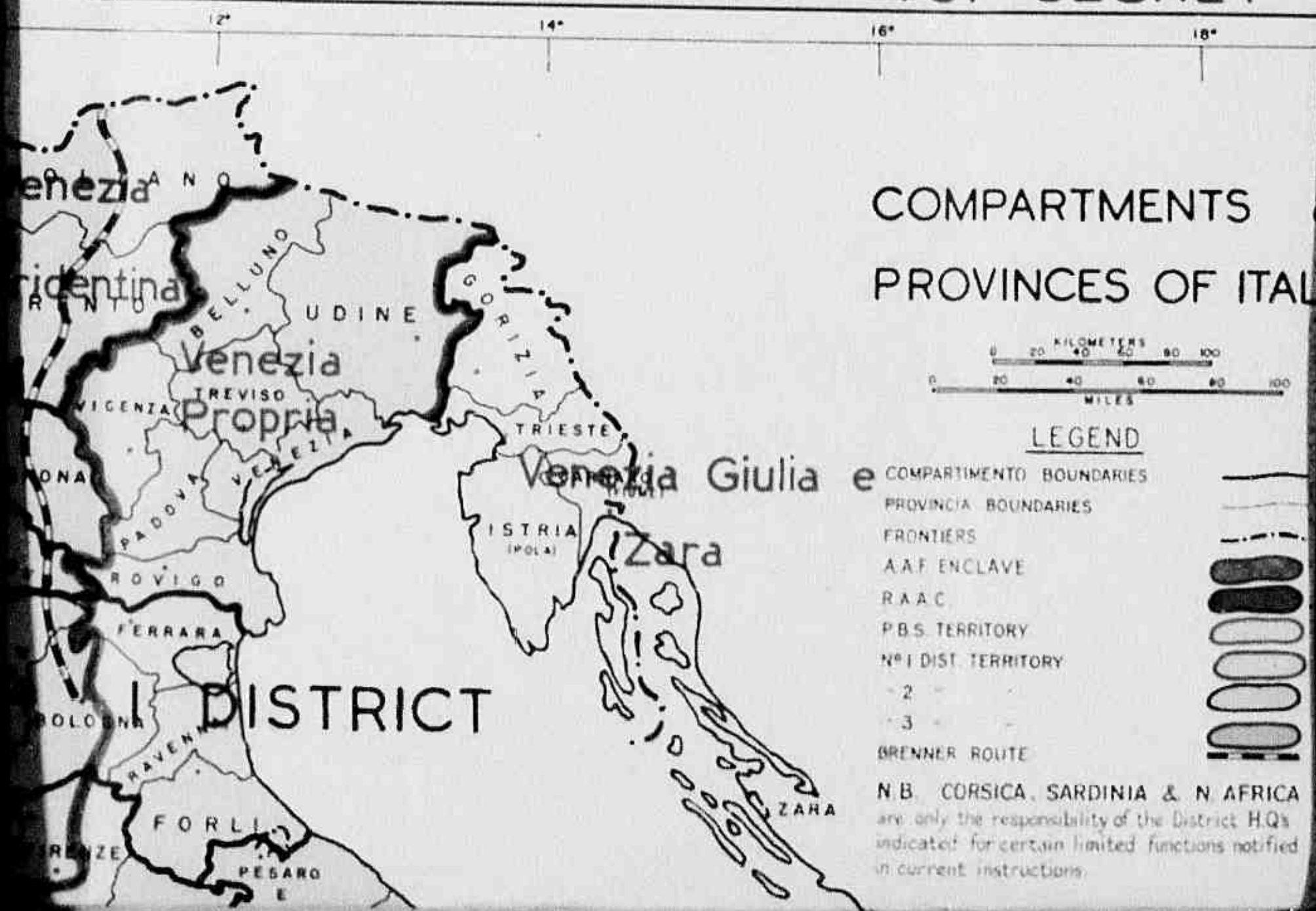

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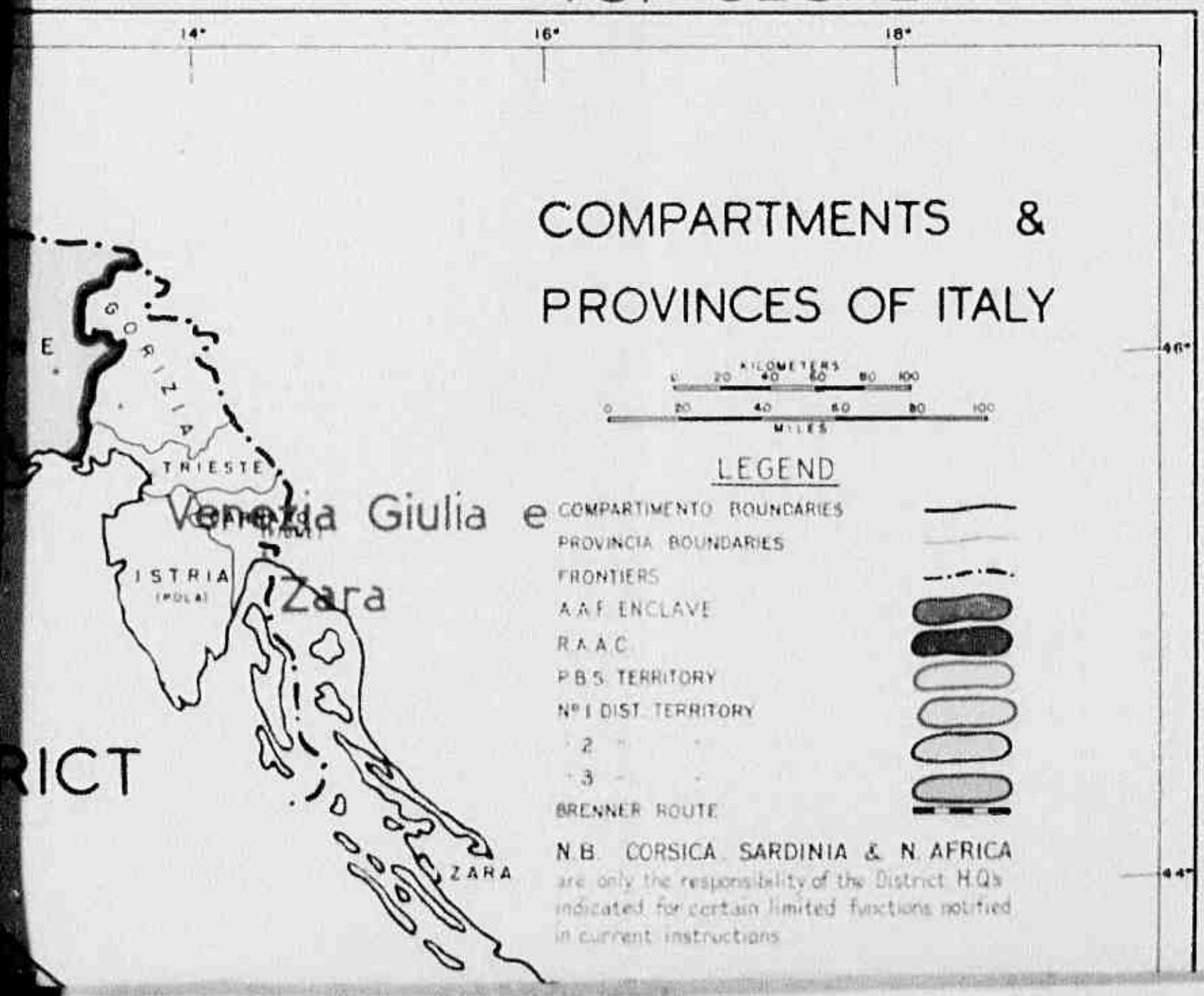

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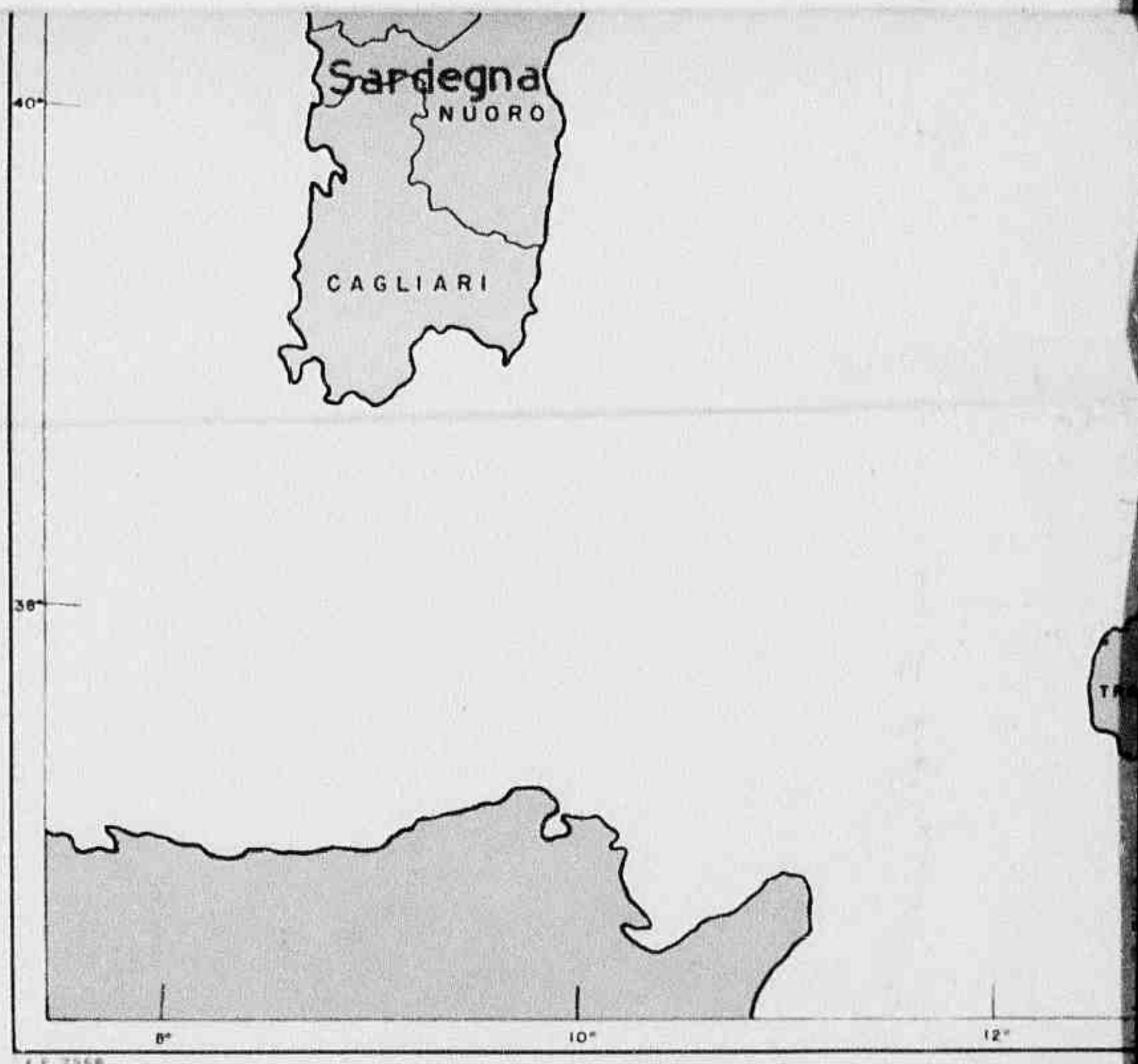

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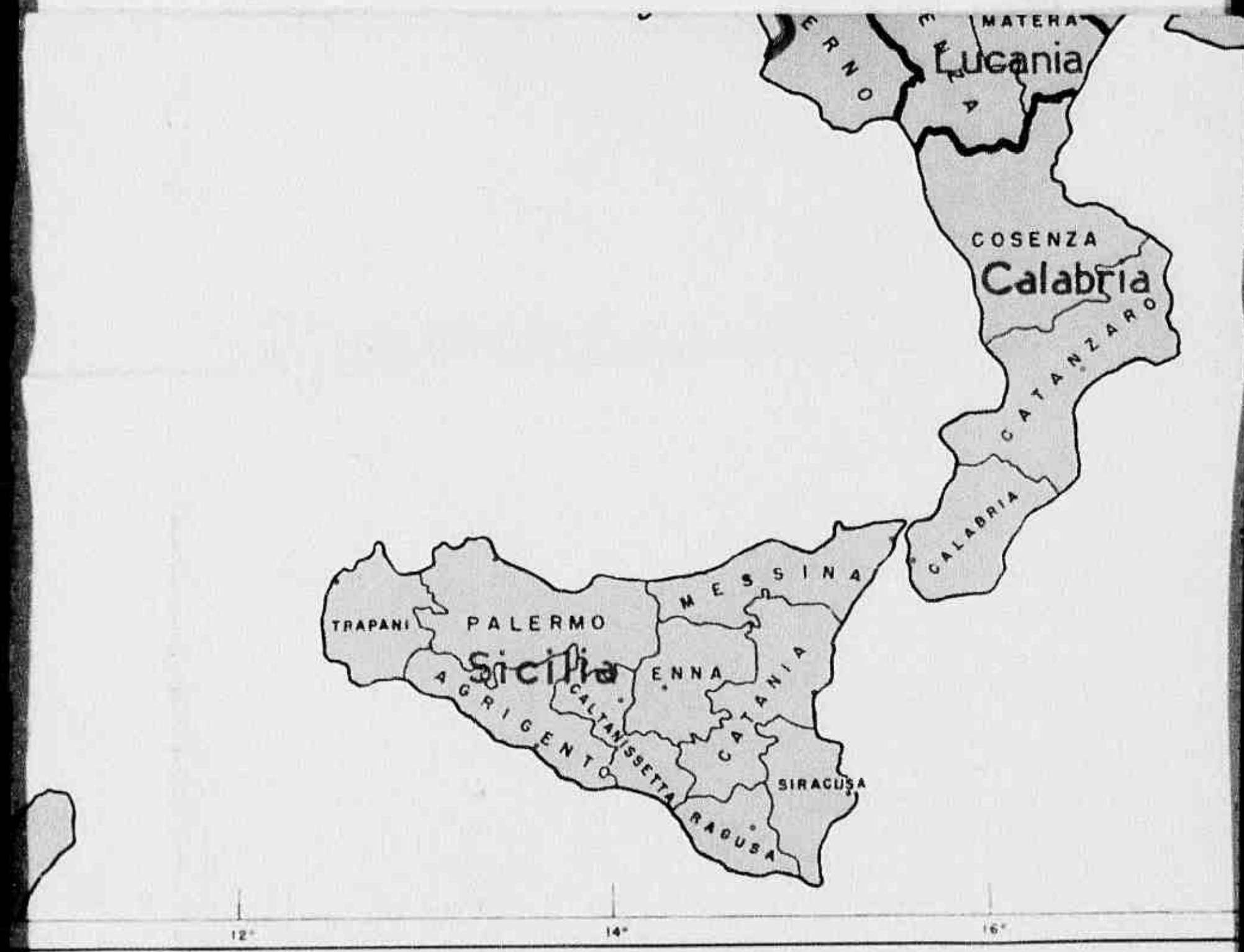
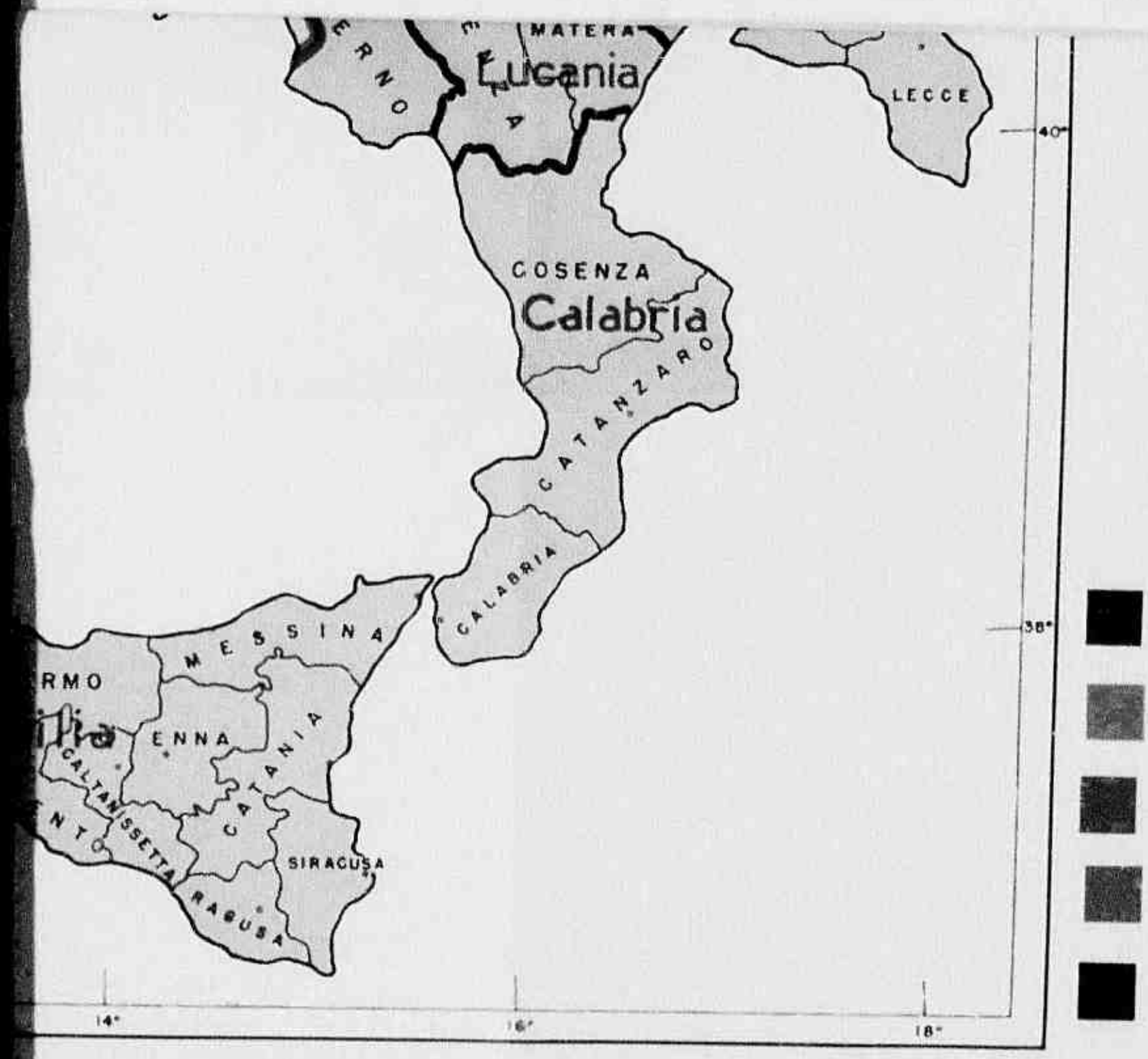
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