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TRAINING AREAS FOR MILITARY UNITS
FEB. 1944 - AUG. 1946

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Capt. Horden:

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in a "Mischelmann" Regional Center

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Spoke as see ref 40. They will check dist. "R" to
ensure 14210. UMBRA Region advised.

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Executive Committee

Draft letter is submitted for approval. It is in reply to letter 48
in which it is stated if it would have objection to a part of "American being
used as a bombing & stopping range. V.A.M.'s letter is at 48.

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Issue 10/68

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ensure LAZIO. UMBRIA Region advised.

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Executive Committee

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in which AC is asked if it would have objection to a part of [unclear] being
used as a bombing & staffing range. V.A.M. [unclear] is at 40.

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Issue 15/6/48

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Case 100-57 is [unclear] photo 36 concerning [unclear]
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 542

G-5: 68-1

2 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Artillery Ranges.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
(Attn: Executive Commissioner)
APO 794.

Reference your 549/68/EC dated 16 July 1946, and further
to our 68-1 dated 30 July 1946.

1. The question of the proposed ranges at SAN MARTINO has
been thoroughly examined by this Headquarters. It has been decided
that the use of the area would involve only inconvenience and no
appreciable economic loss to the local civilians for the follow-
ing reasons:

(a) There is sufficient adjoining grazing land, which can
be utilized when troops are not using the firing ranges;

(b) The area selected is sub-divided into 5 self-contained
ranges, thus making it possible for the civilians to use the ranges
when no firing is taking place, and enabling rotational grazing to
be carried out;

(c) There are sufficient dairies located just outside the
firing areas, which can adequately take care of all dairy production
within the region;

(d) Timber cutting within the required areas can be trans-
ferred to adjoining areas.

2. Tanks and artillery will NOT be used on the ranges. Firing
will be confined to small arms and weapons not heavier than the 3"
mortar. Detailed arrangements have already been made concerning the
safety precautions for the ranges, and local authorities will be
informed 4 days in advance of any firing.

3. It is pointed out that the intense agricultural and
economic utilization of all available land in ITALY makes it practi-
cally impossible to find an area suitable for field firing which

EC 5457-6/2/46

ACTION: G-5 Sec
(for 100% AGRIC)

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does not involve some economic loss to local civilians. Great care has been taken to select a mountainous area where damage can be kept to the minimum.

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

/s/ A. L. HAMILTON
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 684-1.

30 July 1946.

AUG 1 1946

SUBJECT: Artillery Range.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
(Attn: Executive Commissioner),
APO 794.

1. Your letter reference 549/68/EC, dated 18 July 1946, has been received, and the points raised therein are being investigated.

2. You will be advised as soon as the results are known.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLER
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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(CAPT K)
See 7-71
PA 482

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Ref. : 349/58/M.

18 July 1946.

SUBJECT: Artillery Range.

TO : G-2 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

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The attached copy of letter No. 9246, 100/2 dated 8 July 1946, from the Ministry of Agriculture protesting against the establishing of an Artillery Range near SAN VICENTE and S. MARTIN de CANTONIA, is forwarded for any action that you can take in this matter.

For the Chief Commissioner

A. W. Kitchin

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl. As above.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH

TEL. 263

12 July 1946

REF. AGR. 4.50

JUL 13 1946

SUBJECT : Artillery Range.

TO : Office of Executive Commissioner
Allied Commission.

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1. Attention is invited to the enclosed letter from the Ministry of Agriculture protesting against the establishing of an Artillery Range near Paneveggio and S. Martino di Castrozza.

2. The Chief of the Land Forces Sub-Commission has suggested that the letter be forwarded to GHQ by the Executive Commissioner's Office A.C.

Roscoe R. Snaff
ROSCOE R. SNAFF
Lt. Col. F.A.

Director Food & Agriculture Branch

Enclosures: 1 letter.

see 68 see 71

9/1/46
(LIT K)

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Translation

Base, 8 July 1966

No. 3016, 100/2

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Washington

TO : Allied Commission,
Department of Agriculture,
Executive Division.

SUBJECT : Artillery Range in the Departmental Forests of Pinar del Rio and
B. Martin de Sastre.

2. The 1st Army intends to establish an artillery range in the area of
B. Martin de Sastre and Pinar del Rio and in the latter of (distance) 5650/15
m. dated 1.6.66 communicated the project to the 247 area, to the Chief of the
Office, Pinar del Rio, to the Director and to the 6 Artillery Div.

The office of the 6th Artillery Div. has been directed with instructions
Pinar del Rio, Sastre Pinar del Rio, has been directed with instructions
instructions and within the 6th Artillery Div. has been directed with instructions.

The area in question is located within an area of 76 km to the valley of
B. Martin de Sastre across the 6th Artillery Div. has been directed with instructions
area of about 6 km in all at the sides of the road.

The immediate effect of this plan would be the necessity of removing
all the upland pasture enclosures where, in the future, there are no enclosures
of cattle and where in the forest of Pinar del Rio there are about 3000
cattle and 1000 sheep.

This is not a question of calculating indemnity for the loss of
pasture but of the life of thousands of head of cattle. In view of the fact
that for centuries the area has been used in this way, it cannot be altered for
a moment, of the present without serious consequences which would imply the
sacrifice and destruction of the traditional wealth of these valleys which have
already suffered a lot through the war.

It would further entail the ruin of numerous and farms who derive a
large part of their income from the leasing of the land pasture. It
would mean also a failure to supply the market with all the products of milk,
and the unemployment of thousands of persons who only or exclusively live by
this already poor mountain industry.

In addition to the upland pasture it would be necessary to evacuate
the woods as well as falling in to progress everywhere and the mountain activity
which signifies life, in addition to the money as well.

Also in this case the immediate consequences would be the loss of in-
come to the Pinar del Rio, Pinar del Rio, Pinar del Rio, Pinar del Rio, Pinar del Rio,
and a large pasture, and thousands of unemployed. This without counting the
repercussion on the reconstruction activity of the country which would thus be
deprived of this essential material - wood, as of the few thousands of cattle which
it is necessary to have in the country. It is not only 1,000 cattle

The office of the Chief Engineer for the United States Army, located at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., has been contacted for information regarding the status of the various projects.

of damage to the windmill by artillery fire (attached in photo)
 Date: 1941

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- b) Damage to the gun recovered.
c) An stated above suspension of used falling down in it.

2. LOSS OF CATTLE

Removal of the cattle from the undergrowth and certain persons (about 200 head of cattle, half with cattle and half with) and (100) head of sheep. The cattle would all have to return to their country of origin with great loss to the stockholder. The majority of the majority of the cattle, as it would not be possible to find them through the loss of the cattle. The result that the cattle would be lost or be obliged to return from 10 - 100 of the 1/2 head.

Besides the great loss of a general character as above, also, there is also the loss which would be caused in the individual interest of the pasture who have already paid the rent for the pasture in 1960 and engaged all the pasture.

These loss items can be specified as follows:

1. LOSS OF CATTLE - Property of S. Martin H. Robinson, Inc.

Containing:	100 milch cattle	
	150 milch cattle (bulls and calves)	
Expense:	Cost of cattle	\$ 50,000
	Service (including the loss of the cattle)	
	7 years, covered daily with 2,500 per year	
	50 days of employment	\$ 250,000
	Total loss	\$ 300,000

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Contest Along:	120 miles outside
	100 miles inside (Chattanooga, Knoxville and Dalton)

Equipment: 100 M16 rifles
100 M16 magazines (30 rounds)
100 M16 magazines (30 rounds)

Expenses: 100 M16 rifles \$ 100,000
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Total \$ 120,000

6. EXPENSES - Expenses for the purchase of 100 M16 rifles and 100 M16 magazines (30 rounds) from the Department of Defense.

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100 M16 magazines (30 rounds) \$ 10,000
Total \$ 120,000

Summary of Expenses (See over)

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SUMMARY OF LOSSES

1. Pasture Collection	L. 307.500
2. " "	L. 420.000
3. " "	L. 630.000
4. " "	L. 640.000
5. " "	L. 650.000
6. " "	L. 660.000
7. " "	L. 670.000
total of general loss live	L. 3,502.000

I therefore earnestly beg your consideration to intervene in order that the projected measures should take into account the further areas to be affected in with the ancient Forestal Areas (Administration of the Decentralized Forests of Brazil and of Cavaleiros) so as to limit as much as possible the damage which would be caused to the rural economy.

THE DIRECTOR

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Ministero
dell'Agricoltura e delle Foreste

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE FORESTE DEMANIALI
UFFICIO DI STATO PER LE FORESTE DEMANIALI

Aria Commissione Alleata
Sottocommissione Agricoltura

Div. Foreste

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UFFICIO DIREZIONE

Prot. N. 5016 Pos. 100/2

Allegati 2

Risposta al foglio del

N. Prot. Pos.

OGGETTO Esercitazioni di artiglieria di reparti Alleati nelle

Foreste Demaniali di Paneveggio e S. Martino di Castrozza.-

L'H Q 13 Corps ha in mente di effettuare dei tiri di artiglieria nella Zona di S. Martino di Castrozza e Paneveggio, tanto che con foglio G (Training) 5654/G Trg. in data 1/6/1946 comunicava il progetto al Comando 217 Area al Chief Liaison Officer Venezia, al H Q District e alla 6 Brit. Arm. Div.-

Per il calcolo delle indennità e per i preventivi accordi locali è stato incaricato l'Ufficio Genio Militare per le requisizioni Anglo-Americane-Nucleo di Verona-Stradone Porta Palio 49.-

La zona di manovra si estende fra il Km. 70 circa a valle di S. Martino di Castrozza, attraversa il Passo Rolle e termina a Paneveggio per una fascia di circa 8 Km. complessivi ai lati della strada.-

Effetti immediati della manovra sarebbero lo sgombrò di tutte le malghe che ospitano già in questa stagione varie migliaia di bovini e precisamente solo nella Foresta di Paneveggio circa 2000 bovini e 1000 ovini.-

Cui non si tratta di calcolo di indennità per mancato pascolo della

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Qui non si tratta di calcolo di indennità per mancato pascolo ⁴⁷⁸⁷della vite di migliaia di capi grossi, che per essere l'economia della zona così impiantata da secoli, non può venire sconvolta da una necessità momentanea e contingente senza conseguenze estreme, che significherebbe il sacrificio e l'annientamento del patrimonio zootecnico di queste valli, già tanto provate in genere dalla guerra.--

Significherebbe inoltre una rovina per Comuni ed Enti, che dall'affitto delle malghe ritraggono gran parte delle entrate normali.--Significherebbe

altresì il mancato conferimento al mercato di tutti i prodotti del latte, la disoccupazione di centinaia di persone che direttamente o indirettamente vivono su questa già misera industria montana.

Oltre alle malghe bisognerebbe far sgombrare i boschi, perchè i tagli in ogni dove sono in corso e l'attività in montagna, che significa vita, è limitata alla stagione estiva.

Anche qui, come conseguenze immediate: il mancato reddito agli Enti proprietari, che dai boschi e dalle malghe ritraggono gli unici cespiti d'entrata, e migliaia di disoccupati. Senza contare la ripercussione sull'attività di ricostruzione del paese, a cui verrebbe a mancare questa materia prima: il legno, una delle poche ricchezze di cui si dispone senza ricorrere al mercato e per necessità che parzialmente all'estero. -- I danni futuri sono poi più che mai imprevedibili per il danneggiamento che inevitabilmente ne deriverà da ai pascoli di montagna ed ai boschi da tiri di artiglieria e da passaggio di truppe o carri armati sui pascoli, danni che si ripercuoterebbero sensibilmente sull'economia anche futura della zona.

Si riassumono qui di seguito i danni diretti oltre a quelli di carattere generale e sociale su cennati, che deriverebbero alla zona dalla progettata manovra:

1° DANNI INEVITABILI ALL'A.S.P.D.

e non valutabili preventivamente :

- a) - danneggiamento del bosco sia con i tiri di artiglieria (scoppio dei proiettili) sia colla manovra di carri armati;
- b) - danneggiamenti alle strade di smacco e camionabili con il transito dei carri armati e d'altri mezzi meccanici;
- c) - danneggiamenti alle malghe di Juribello-Contoncella (pascoli e cascine);
- d) - danneggiamenti alla selvaggina nobile stanziale;
- e) - sospensione come sopradetto del pascolo boschivo stagionale 18

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I° DANNI INEVITABILI ALL'A.S.P.D.

e non valutabili preventivamente:

- a)-danneggiamento del bosco sia con i tiri di artiglieria (scoppio dei proiettili) sia colla manovra di carri armati;
- b)-danneggiamenti alle strade di smacchio e camionabili con il transito dei carri armati e d'altri mezzi meccanici;
- c)-danneggiamenti alle malghe di Juribello-Costoncella (pascoli e cascine);
- d)-danneggiamenti alla selvaggina nobile stanziale;
- e)-sospensione core sopradetto del baglio boschivo sezione 18

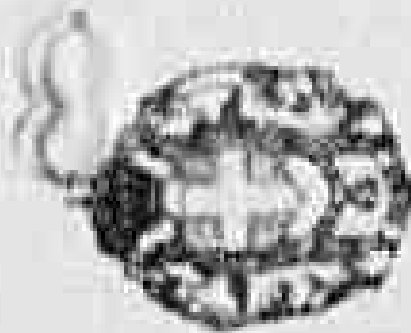
II° DANNI A TERZI

Evacuazione del bestiame dalle sottolencate malghe (circa 2000 capi di bestiame bovino (metà da latte metà assottiti) e 1000 capi ovini. Il bestiame bovino dovrebbe tutto ritornare ai paesi di provenienza con enorme danno al patrimonio zootecnico delle Valli di Fiemme e di Fiemme in quanto non è possibile produrre sufficiente foraggio per mantenerlo durante l'inverno e quindi gli allevatori sarebbero costretti a ridurre del 40 - 50% i capi sopracitati.

Oltre all'enorme danno di carattere generale sopracennato, vi è da aggiungere

(Nimite)

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*Ministero
dell'Agricoltura e delle Foreste*

MILIZIA NAZIONALE FORESTALE
AZIENDA DI STATO PER LE FORESTE DEMANIALI

Ufficio di _____

Prot. N. _____

Posiz. _____

Allegati _____

Risposta al foglio del _____

N. _____

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Pos. _____

OGGETTO _____

gere il danno che verrebbe arrecato ai singoli affittuari delle malghe i qua-
li hanno già pagato l'affitto per la stagione 1946 e reclutato tutto il per-
sonale di servizio.-

Danni questi ultimi che possono essere così specificati:

1)-MALGA COLERICOON - Proprietario Priorato di S.Martino di Castrozza affittua-
rio Giacomo Fossen di Primiero.-

Carico: 100 bovini da latte

150 allievi (manze e vitelli)

Spese : affittoL. 55.000

personale di servizio e di custodia

n.7 persone-media mercede giornaliera per

persona L.400 - 90 ES. di monticazione.....L.252.000

Danno Totale...L.307.000

OGGETTO

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persona L.400 - 90 gg. di monticazione.....L.252.000

Danno Totale...L.307.000

2)-MALGA BOLLE - Proprietario Priorato di S.Martino di Castrozza
affittuario: Soc.Contadini Mezzano (Primiero)

Carico: 130 bovini da latte

150 allievi (manze e vitelli)

Spese : affitto.....L. 60.000

personale di sorveglianza e custodia n.10 persone

media L.400 al giorno per persona -90 gg.di monti-

cazione.....L.360.000

Danno totale.....L.420.000

3) -MALGA JURIBELIO-COSTONCELLA

Proprietario: Azienda S.F.D.-Ufficio di Cavalese
 Affittuario: Consorzio d'Alpeggio Trento, rappresentato
 dalla Società Allevatori di Predazzo.-

Carico: 160 bovini da latte

110 allievi (manze e vitelli)

Spese: affitto..... L. 250.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.10 persona e L1

re 400 al giorno per persona-88.100 di monticazione L. 400.000

Danno totale.....L. 650.000.-

4) -MALGA VENEZUELIOTTA - VALLAZZA- Proprietario comune di Tonadico

(Primerio) affittuario Lega Contadini Tonadico)

Carico: 130 bovini da latte

280 allievi (manze e vitelli)

300 ovini

Spese: affitto.....L. 300.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.15 operai

a L.400 - media per giorno e per persona 90 gg.

di monticazione.....L. 540.000

Danno totale.....L. 840.000

5) -MALGA VANEGLIA - proprietario Comune di Transacqua

affittuario Soc. Contadini di Transacqua

Carico: 100 bovini da latte

120 allievi (manze e vitelli)

100 ovini

Spese: affitto.....L. 150.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.6 persone a una

media di L.400 al giorno per persona 90gg. di monticazione 288.000

4) VALLE DI LOMBARDIA - VALLETTA - Proprietario comune di Tonadico

(Priniero) affittuario Lega Contadini Tonadico)

Carico: 180 bovini da latte

220 allievi (manze e vitelli)

100 ovini

Spese : affitto.....L. 300.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.15 operai

a L.400 - media per giorno e per persona 90 kg.

di monticazione.....L. 540.000

Danno totale.....L. 840.000

5) VALLE VAREGGIA - proprietario Comune di Transeacqua

affittuario Soc. Contadini di Transeacqua

Carico : 100 bovini da latte

120 allievi (manze e vitelli)

100 ovini

Spese : affitto.....L. 150.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.8 persone a una

media di L.400ml giorno per persona 90kg. di monticazione.....L. 228.000

Danno totale.....L. 438.000

6) VALLE CASONI-JUREBRUTTO - Proprietario-Azienda S.P.A.-Ufficio di

Cavallegio-Affittuario Pradel Centro e C.

di Priniero

Carico : 100 bovini da latte

100 allievi (manze e vitelli)

100 ovini

Spesa : affitto.....L. 50.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.8 persone

Ad una media di L.400 al giorno per persona-90 gg. di menticazione L.288.000

Danno totale...L.338.000

Malga Rocche- Proprietario Comune di Moena
affittuario Latteria Soc.Moena

Carico : 120 bovini da latte

100 allievi (manzo e vitelli)

300 ovini

Spesa : affitto.....L.180.000

personale di servizio e di custodia n.100 persone a

lire 400 per persona 90gg.di menticazioneL.360.000

Danno totale.....L.540.000

RIASSUNTO DANNI :

1)-Malga Colbricon.....	L. 307.000
2)- " Rolle.....	" 420.000
3)- " Juribello-Constocella.....	" 650.000
4)- " Venegiette-Vallenza.....	" 840.000
5)- " Venegia.....	" 438.000
6)- " Casoni-Juribritto.....	" 338.000
7)- " Bocche.....	" 510.000

Totale generale danni.....lire 3.503.000

Ciò premesso, debbo rivolgere viva preghiera a codesta Commissione, perchè si compiacca autorevolmente intervenire per ottenere che la progettata manovra sia svolta in altra zona, da definirsi di accordo con i competenti Uffici

personale di servizio e di custodia n. 100 persone a
 lire 400 per persona 90gg. di monticazione L. 360.000
Danno totale.....L. 510.000

RIASCUNTO DANNI :

1) Malga Colbricon.....	L. 307.000
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3) " Juribello-Costoncella.....	" 650.000
4) " Veneggiotta-Vallurza.....	" 840.000
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 Forestali, (Amministrazione Foreste Demaniali di Primiero e di Cavalese) in modo
 da limitare il più possibile i danni che ne deriverebbero, e l'economia
 locale. -

IL MINISTRO

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ALLIED COMMISSION
PUBLIC SAFETY LIAISON OFFICE
R. A. A. G. QUESTURA - VIA SAN VITALE
TEL. 478805

Urgent

Ref. PSL/

Rome,

24th Jan 1945

To:

Lang. Thompson

Office of the E.C. ACHA

FOR YOUR

Information

Perusal & Return, please

Necessary action, please

Investigation & Report, please

Onward transmission

REMARKS
Attached translation of message
received by phone at 1200 hrs
today from Ministry of Interior
who had not succeed in getting
it through to ACHA direct.

I understand it is in ref. to your

549/57/CC

of 21 Jan 45 - 118.

For Lt. Col.
T. MILLHOUSE I.C.

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From : Ministry of Interior - Gabinetto - Rome.
To : Allied Commission - Ufficio Commissario Esecutivo
(attention Brigadiere Generale SMITH)

JAN 25

783/2086 Gab.

Orders have been issued to ensure that local Italian
Authorities at Lampedusa Island be informed in time of
British Air and Navy manoeuvres on the 25th January 1946.

Sgn. CHIEF OF CABINET
Vicari

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PIA J.S. 2611

by Blanchard

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IMPORTANT

Ref: 549/57/53

21 January 1946

SUBJECT: Navy Air Attacks.

TO : Ministry of Interior, Italian Government.

55-1045

1. Navy air attacks will be carried out by British Naval Aircraft on the Island of Lampedusa on Friday, 25 January 1946, between 0900 hours and 1200 hours.

2. Aircraft will carry no live ammunition, bombs or flares.

3. It is requested that the local authorities on the Island be informed.

4. Please acknowledge this letter stating what action you have taken.

For the Chief Commissioner

H.S.

for Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Copy to: A.C.I.O. Sicily
Navy 3/0.

Liaison Officer telephoned Mr. of J. & ascertained that instructions had been carried out & that confirmation acknowledgment of this letter was on its way to us.

H.S.
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originals & References:

Date/Time of Origin JAN. 20 1229A

Message Centre No: G/7731

Date Time Recd JAN. 20 1430

Precedence IMMEDIATE

JAN 21 1946

FROM: ALCOM (FOIL) from May etc.
TO: EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

UNCLASSIFIED

Dummy air attacks will be carried out by British Naval A. on Lampedusa between 0900 and 1200A on Friday 25th Jan. Rec Italian Government and local authorities on island may be in 2. Aircraft will carry no (H) ammunition, bombs or flares.

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ACTION: E COMM 2
INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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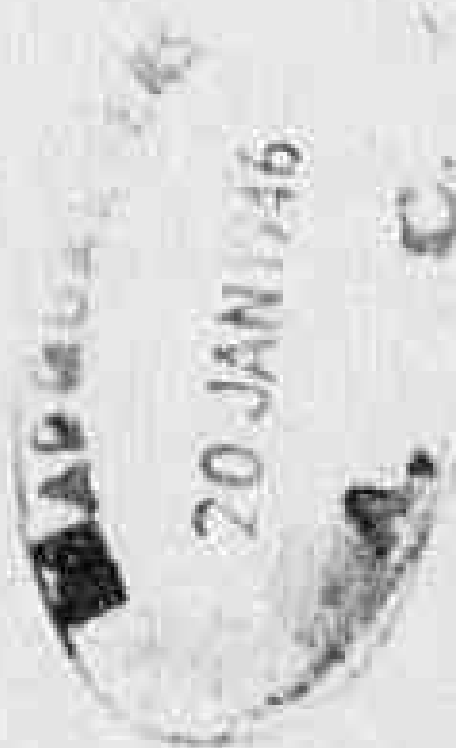
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INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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(20 JAN 1946)

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APC 394

N3C/3278
18 August 1945.
AUG 18 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Executive Commissioner, Hq. Allied Commission. -
Subject: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges - Use of Lampedusa.

1. It would be appreciated if an early reply could be given to Navy Sub-Commission letter N3C/3167 of 7 August 1945.

H. St. J. Butler
H. ST. J. BUTLER,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

Copy to:
VAM
AFHQ 9-5 Section.

Spoke L. Waterspoon &
pointed out that we
had answered at 51.

Yh. 18/20/45

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Ref: 549/51/XC

16 August 1945

SUBJECT: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges -- Use of Lampedusa

TO : Naval Subcommittee, Allied Commission

1. With reference to your letter NED/3167 dated 7 August 1945 in which you asked if the Allied Commission would have objection to the use of Lampedusa as a Bombing and Firing Range.

2. Our Civil Affairs Officer on the island has agreed that it would be possible to move the inhabitants from the danger area. We should, however, be opposed to this action being taken, when all hostilities have ceased and the people are striving to resume a peaceful life.

3. The opinion expressed by Vice Admiral, Malta, in paragraph 4 of his letter -- Malta 3465/512/P/5 dated 20 July 1945 addressed to Commander in Chief, Mediterranean, is to be recommended. The sentence reads: "There are however, 40 inhabitants and a cactus farm in this area and these would have to be displaced -- not a very desirable action to have to take in a very small island of such limited resources."

4. We must point out nevertheless, that permission to use the island must come from AFHQ and not from the Allied Commission.

R. B. Kennedy
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: AFHQ G-5
CA Section
Pol Ad (A)
Pol Ad (B)
Palermo AC Liaison Officer

see 175253

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INC⁵⁴⁹OMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Ex. Center

Originator's Reference:

Message Centre No: 8/3943

Date/Time of Origin: AUG 14 1903

Date Time Rec'd: 8/15 151000

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: MONTON ALSON PA13350

AUG 15 1945

TO: ALSON ROSE FOR AGFAC

UNCLASSIFIED.

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SAC LANPHEUBA states that it is quite possible to remove inhabitants from west end LANPHEUBA with adequate notice before bombing begins. Desires to be informed if range required permanently or only on isolated occasions.

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ACTION: SA COMMISSIONER 2
INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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HEADQUARTERS
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ALOOK LO PALMED

34.31

10 Aug 45

ROUTINE

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NAVY DESIRES ISOLATE THAT PART OF LAMPEDUSA WEST OF A LINE DRAWN AT ANGLE OF THREE FIVE ZERO DEGREES FROM THE POINT IMMEDIATELY WEST OF ISLA DEI CONIELI FOR USE AS PRACTICE BOMBING GROUND PD

PAUSE TO ALOOK LO PALMED FOR CMO LAMPEDUSA FROM HQ ALOOK CITE ACHIC PAUSE

UNDERSTAND THIS AREA INCLUDES A CACTUS FARM AND THAT PROJECT WOULD NECESSITATE DISPLACING FORTY INHABITANTS PD YOUR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ARE REQUESTED PD PLEASE TREAT AS URGENT

see 51

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Noted

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Int Dist

C.A. See

Nav Sub-Comm (ref your HSC/3167 of 7 Aug 45)

Office of Executive Commissioner

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M. PROBY
S/Comd

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 304

HSC/3167
7 August 1945.
AUG 8 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Executive Commissioner, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges - Use of Lampedusa.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of SIKORP ltr. Med.45/00270/11A, dated
1 August 1945 and enclosures thereto.

1. Enclosure (A) is a copy of a letter that has been received from the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean and which requests permission from the Allied Commission to use the western end of the Island of Lampedusa as a bombing and strafing range for Naval aircraft.

2. Information is requested as to whether the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean may be informed that the Allied Commission has no objection to the use of the Island of Lampedusa for the purpose contemplated.

H. M. J. Butler
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CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

Copy to:
VAN - w/o Encl.
G-5 Section, A.F.H.Q. - w/o Encl.

Spoke Capt Butler

See 49751

He does not think AFHQ has given approval in principle to this project. Our reply should therefore state that HC does, or does not, object to the scheme, but that the permission requested to use the island must come from AFHQ, not from us.

MP 10/8

3/10/45

DUPLICATE

Office of Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station
Allied Forces Headquarters.
1st August, 1945.

Ref. 45/00274/11.

THE NAVY AIR-RECONNAISSANCE, MALTA.

(Copies to:- The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central
Mediterranean.
G-5, Allied Forces Headquarters).

AIR RECONNAISSANCE AND FUELING RANGES - USE OF
MALTA

With reference to Ref. 45/00274/11, dated 5th
June, 1945, reconnaissance of these islands has now been
carried out, and LUSSEMBURG appears to be the most suitable.
No contact has been made with the Chief Administrative
Officer, Lapedusa, as he has been absent from the island.

2. Permission of the Allied Commission is requested
to use the western end of the island of LUSSEMBURG as a
bombing and straffing range for Naval aircraft. The eastern
limit of the range would be a line drawn 3000' from the
western end of the Isle del Conigli. It is understood that
this would involve the displacement of about forty inhabi-
tants from the range area.

3. Copies are enclosed of the Vice Admiral, Malta and
Central Mediterranean's Malta No. 3463/312/5/5, dated 20th
July, 1945, and the Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section,
Mal Far's No. 352/1, dated 3rd July, 1945 (without enclosure).

H. A. FLEMING
FOR ADMIRAL

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C O P Y

Subject:

AIR BOMBING AND FIRING RANGE

From:

VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA.

Date:

20th July, 1945.

To:

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN.

(Copies to: Captain (Air) Mediterranean.

Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section, Hal Far).

Ref: Malta 3465/512/R/5.

With reference to your No.45/00270/1 of 5th June, 1945, the attached copy of letter No.352/1 of 3rd July, 1945, from Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section, Hal Far, is forwarded with the following remarks:-

2. With regard to the requirements indicated in paragraphs 2 and 3 of your above quoted letter, Lampedusa Island appears to afford the most promise for the following reasons:-

- (a) 95 miles is considered to be an acceptable range from Malta for the type of practice envisaged.
- (b) the availability of a landing strip is a considerable asset in the event of an emergency landing and for communication purposes.
- (c) the possibility of employing local labour.
- (d) the type of country is not ideal and does not afford much variation, but there are features which can be made use of subject to safety height limitations in low level bombing attack.

3. With reference to paragraph 1(c) of Hal Far's report and the enclosed photograph, I do not consider that the proposed site on Lampedusa fully meets requirements for the following reasons:-

- (a) the narrow width (only 500 yards) is too small having regard to safety range restrictions in bombing attacks. This would necessarily limit freedom of choice in direction of attack.
- (b) inconvenient for clear range supervision and marking the range limitations.
- (c) it is undesirable to close the East-West track across the island.

4. It is considered that a better alternative site could be arranged by isolating all that part of the island west of a line drawn 3500 from the point immediately west of the Isla dei Conigli, giving an area approximately 1 1/2 by 1/2 miles. This is not large but should meet limited requirements. There are however, 40 inhabitants and a cactus farm in this area and these would have to be displaced - not a very desirable action to have to take in a very small island of such limited resources.

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5. With reference to paragraph 3 (b) of your letter it is not considered that there would be any particular difficulty in keeping the range clear providing a boundary fence or marks were established.

6. As an additional safeguard and to meet range ground to air control requirements, it is considered that a lookout control tower should be erected at any convenient high point outside the range limits and overlooking the range area. For range control a portable VHF R/T Set could be installed in this tower for direct communication with aircraft.

7. With reference to paragraph 3 (c) of your letter, it is considered that a party of 7 men should suffice for range patrol and maintenance duties. These could be recruited locally at little cost to the crown.

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8. With reference to paragraph 3 (e) of your letter, and paragraph 2 (g) of Hal Far's report, it is considered essential that W/T communication should be available with both Malta and Aircraft carriers in order to give warning of practices, cancellations etc., and for general communication. This station and the VHF 2/T Set need only be manned during practice periods, personnel being flown over from Malta.

9. With reference to paragraph 2 (d) of Hal Far's report I concur that photographic marking only is required which, for realism, should be carried out by aircraft from the squadrons concerned, as in the case of operational attacks on shore objectives.

10. For additional realism on the range suitably sited camouflaged targets such as dummy pillboxes, guns, vehicles and tanks should be provided.

11. With reference to paragraphs 4 and 5 of your letter it has not yet been possible to interview the local representative of the Allied Commission for the reason stated at paragraph 2 (b) of Hal Far's report.

(Sgd.) P. DALRYMPLE-HAMILTON

VICE ADMIRAL

Enclosures: Copy of C.O. N.A.S. Halfar's No. 352/1 of 3.7.45.
Photograph (to C-in-C., Med. only).

C O P Y

Enclosure No. 1 to Malta . 65/513/4/5 of 20.7.45.

From: The Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section, R.A.F. Station, Hal Far.

Date: 3rd July. 1945.

No. 352/L.

To: The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean.
(Copy to: Captain (Air) Mediterranean).

SURVEY OF LAMPEDUSA GROUP OF ISLANDS FOR PURPOSE OF AIR BOMBING AND
FIRING RANGES.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in the Commander in Chief, Mediterranean's letter Number Med.45/00270/11 of the 5th June, 1945, I visited the above islands with my Operations Officer Lieutenant (A) R. GRILLIS, R.N.V.R., and report as follows:-

(a) Lampione visited 25th June, 1945.

This small islet is triangular in shape and lies about twelve miles west by north of Lampedusa, approximately 117 miles west of Malta (Hal Far). On two sides it is bound by cliffs about 80 feet high and on the third side (S.E.) it slopes steeply down to the sea where a small concrete landing stage has been built. The surface is flat but rocky, and strewn with boulders and covers an area approximately 400 yards by 300 yards. At one corner there is a stone structure which once comprised a lighthouse. It is now disused and without equipment. This islet is uninhabitable and could only be used as a straffing ground. The flat top could be marked out as a target but in the absence of a range party results would have to be assessed by photographs. Owing to the nature of the surface there would be danger to aircraft from ricochets if really low level attacks were carried out. This is not much better than Filfola and is not to be recommended as a bombing and straffing range.

(b) Lincea visited 23th June, 1945.

This island lies about 25 miles north, north east of Lampedusa and about 80 miles west of Malta, and is about one mile square. Almost the entire area is covered by three extinct volcanoes - the highest being about 600 feet. The small piece of intervening land which is by no means level is entirely cultivated and used as grazing land for cattle on the island. The population is approximately 350. There is no electricity and the only water supply is obtained by storing rain water collected by catchments on the hills. There are no wells. There are no harbours but three or four bays provide precarious anchorages. A few slabs of concrete have been dumped in one bay on the South side of the island in an attempt to provide a quay for small fishing boats. The island has telegraphic communication with Lampedusa and Sicily. It is totally unsuitable for any sort of bombing or straffing range.

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This island is about 6 miles by 1½ miles at the widest point and lies approximately 95 miles west of Malta. The population is approximately 3,500 and they make their living by fishing, fish canning and the sale of sponges. Nearly the whole island is made up of rocks and boulders - only a very small proportion being cultivated. A few sheep and goats are to be found. There is a limited supply of electricity (130 A.C.) for lighting and supplying power for pumping water, but the water supply is very limited and has to be rationed. There is telegraph communication with Lampedusa and Sicily. There is one good harbour on the South side of the island and an anchorage or small harbour on the North East side. There is an air strip on the South East side of the island close to the harbour but the runway is approximately 800 yards and somewhat rough, and therefore only suitable for light wing traded aircraft. There is a site on the north side of the island approximately 1½ miles by 500 yards which contains a shore battery and several dug-outs which could fairly readily be turned into a bombing and straffing range.

2. It was decided to proceed with the project special attention is drawn to the following points:-

661. This site is 95 miles from Malta and although surface is rocky and strewn with boulders is suitable for practice dive bombing and air to ground straffing.

(b) /

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(b) The existing 4 gun (88 mm) shore battery would make an excellent target but several hundred unexploded shells would have to be removed from in and around the gun emplacements and dug-outs.

(c) While the area was being used it would be necessary to close the main east to west road which is in fact only a track used by about a dozen people a day. This could be done by the local police on being given an hour's notice.

(d) **Marking** should be done by photographic reconnaissance only as employment of naval personnel on the island should be reduced to a minimum or eliminated altogether.

(e) There is a disused signal station at the western end of the proposed site in which 20 ratings could be accommodated if necessary. The island is a dreadful place to expect British Naval ratings to live on. Constant reliefs would be necessary if they did so.

(f) It is considered that a small range party of Lampedusians could be enlisted for service on the range and it is suggested that these could be put in charge of the "Chief Constable" who appears to wield great power. His pay amounts to 10/6d. per week and for an extra 10/6d. per week he would no doubt be delighted to take charge of the party, who would be well paid at 1/- a day per head.

(g) Owing to the difficulty of manning (see paragraph 5) a W/T set should be dispensed with. Communications with the local authorities and range party could always be maintained by dropping message bags or landing on the air strip, which is perfectly safe for slow landing aircraft and could always be kept clear and even improved if necessary. It could always be used by pilots in an emergency. I landed in an Anson a week ago, and there was no difficulty in spite of strong cross wind.

(h) Unfortunately it was not possible to see the Chief Administration Officer of Lampedusa - Captain MOORE - as he was away sick in Sicily, but from conversations with the Harbour Master, Signor Tamasi, it is not anticipated that any objections would be raised by the local inhabitants. They are a desperately poor lot and anything which is likely to bring trade is appreciated.

(i) Aerial photograph of the island is attached hereto showing the proposed bombing range site and other features referred to in this report.

(Sgt.) A.C.S. IRWIN.

Commander (A) R.N.V.R.
In Command.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

JUN 10 1945

NAC/2605
9 June 1945.

10 JUN 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.
To : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

Subject: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges - Provision.

Enclosure: (A) SINGAPORE Ltr MED.45/00270/11. of 5th June 1945.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for the information of the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

W. H. Munn
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

Copy to:
Civil Affairs Section, A.C.
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POLAD(B)
A.C. Liaison Officer, Palermo.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean,
Allied Force Headquarters.
5th June, 1945.

MED. 45/00270/11.

THE VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA AND CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN.

(Copies to:- G-5, Allied Force Headquarters.
Navy Sub-Commission, Rome.)

AIR BOMBING AND FIRING RANGES - PROVISION.

It is under consideration to obtain permission from the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean, to use one of the islands in the LAMPEDUSA group, or a part of such island, as a practice and dive bombing and air to ground strafing range.

2. It is considered that such a range if of sufficient size, and covering suitable types of country, would enable more realistic practice strikes to be carried out by carrier borne or shore based carrier aircraft, than is possible on the existing ranges at Malta.

3. Consideration should be given to :-

- (a) Distance of the range from Malta airfields.
- (b) Practicability of keeping the range clear so that exercises can be carried out in the area with the minimum of warning.
- (c) Size of range party which would be required.
- (d) Type of marking required and whether this could be adequately dealt with by subsequent photographic reconnaissance by own aircraft and assessment of the photographic results.
- (e) Provision of portable W/T arrangements with Malta.

4. It is requested that you will arrange for a reconnaissance of the island selected, and for the views of the local representatives of the Allied Commission to be obtained at an early date.

5. The officer referred to in paragraph 4 is the Chief Administrative Officer, LAMPEDUSA and is responsible to the Allied Commission through their representation in CATANIA.

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H. A. PACKER.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ASO No. 794 U.S. Army

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OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM

20 March 1945

MEMO

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SECURITY AREA: OSTIA LIDO

MAR 22 1945

INFO: 1500 1/50, 310, Street 149 (IV), OSTIA LIDO

INTENTION

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1. The area, hitherto known as the Security Area at OSTIA LIDO, as defined in para 4 of Operations Memorandum No. 18 dated 1 Jan 44, is de-restricted with effect from 17 Mar 45, and is thereby released for such use as may be required by the Italian authorities in conjunction with Allied Commission.

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PASSEES

2. Passes are not now required from G-3 or Real Estate, Rome Area Allied Command to permit entry into the area.

NOTICE BOARDS

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3. Notice Boards at present in position around perimeter of area, as laid down in Operations Memorandum No. 18, para 4, will be removed by Det. 1 Bn 1st of 4 Pz.

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RESTRICTED TRAINING AREA

4. The Restricted Training Area defined in Operations Memorandum No. 4 dated 27 Jan 45, i.e. 1000m back of Tiber from all incl 532199 - 540500 - incl rd 540503 - incl rd 540507 - incl rd to coast 543427, is NOT affected by the foregoing para and will continue to remain "Off Limits" (BS) and "Out of bounds" (BS) to all Military and Civilian personnel until further notice.

By command of Brigadier General BROOK

DISTRIBUTION

J. E. C. C. C.
J. E. C. C. C.
Captain and
Adjutant General

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 794 U. S. Army

HEADQUARTERS
4 DEC 1944
OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM

1 December 1944

5 DEC 1944

MEMORANDUM
TO :

SECURITY AREA: OSTIA LIDO

Map: Italy 1/50,000, Sheet 149 (II) OSTIA LIDO

INTENTION

1. The de-restriction of a certain part of the Security Area at OSTIA LIDO with effect 3 Dec 44.
2. The return to the Italian Authorities of that part of the Security Area thus released by this Operations Memorandum.
3. The cancellation of Operations Memorandum No. 3 dated 22 July 44.

BOUNDARIES: SECURITY AREA

4. With effect 3 Dec 44 the boundaries of the Security Area at OSTIA LIDO will be amended as follows;

- | | |
|----------|---|
| a. NORTH | Viale dello Galles - Viale Duca di Genova. |
| b. EAST | Viale Duca di Genova - June rd Route 8 - ROME. |
| c. SOUTH | June rd Route 8 - ROME - Sea at Viale della Marina. |
| d. WEST | Sea. |

5. The area thus de-restricted is thereby released for such use as may be required by the Italian Authorities in conjunction with Allied Commission.

SECURITY AREA

6. The amended Security Area as given vide para 4 will ON NO ACCOUNT be utilized for any purpose without the written authority of this Headquarters.

Houses, Villas, and all other premises within the Security Area WILL NOT be entered by Allied Military personnel, civilians or Italian Military personnel without the authority of this Headquarters (see para 5).

NOTES

8. Passes to enter this Area will be issued as hitherto by G-3 Rome Area. Passes to enter or take over premises as outlined in para 7 will be issued by Post Estate Rome Area.

NOTICE BOARDS

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BOUNDARIES: SECURITY AREA

4. With effect 3 Dec 64 the boundaries of the Security Area at OSTIA LIDO will be amended as follows:

- a. NORTH Viale delle Galce - Viale Duea di Genova.
b. EAST Viale Duea di Genova - June rd Route 8 - ROME.
c. SOUTH June rd Route 8 - ROME - Sea at Viale delle Marina.
d. WEST Sea.

5. The airmen thus de-restricted is thereby released for such use as may be required by the Italian Authorities in conjunction with Allied Commission.

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5. The intended Security Area or River side town & will on NO ACCOUNT be utilized for any purpose without the written authority of this Headquarters.

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NOTICE TO READERS

39. C-2 will arrange for Notice Boards at present in position around perimeter of Area 28 laid down in Operations Memorandum No. 3, para 3, to be re-erected by Det 1 SA 1 of C PSS as required on the new boundaries of the Security Area as shown in para 4 above WCF LATER than 3 Dec 64.

10. 1 SA L of C FSS will remain for duty at OSTIA LIGO until further notice.

By command of Brigadier General BROWN;

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Capitán AGD

Adjutant General

PA 1/2

ROME AREA LIMITED COMMAND
APO 794, US Army

OPERATION'S MEMORANDUM)

27 January 1945

NUMBER

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RESTRICTED TRAINING AREA, OSTIA LIDO

JAN 30 1945

MAP, ITALY 1:50,000 SHEET 148/2 . OSTIA LIDO

POLICY

1. A new Restricted Training Area as given in para 2 below, is "Off limits" (US) and "Out of Bounds" (Br), to all Military and Civilian personnel with effect 28 January 1945 and until further notice.

BOUNDARIES

2. The boundaries of the area referred to in para 1, are as follows:

SOUTH bank of Tiber from all lock: 532999 - 546504 - incl rd
546507 - incl rd junc 544502 - incl rd to Coast 533497.

SECURITY OF AREA

3. HQ AC is requested to ensure that Italian authorities are made clearly aware of the ban.

4. G-2, Rome Area will arrange for det Field Security Section already in the area of OSTIA LIDO to be responsible for general supervision of the Restricted Area in addition to their present duties.

PASSES

5. RE Bridging Wing will ensure that NO ENTRY will be permitted, attempted or effected UNLESS individuals are in possession of a pass issued by Rome Area.

6. All applications for passes together with reasons for entry will be made direct to G-3 (Br), Rome Area.

GENERAL

7. Real Estate, Rome Area will liaise with Claims and hirings and will make such arrangements that are necessary in respect of this area required for use by Allied Troops.

By command of Brigadier General BROWN:

J. E. CHURCH
Captain ASD
Adjutant General

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Plus: Major Lunken, OC 1 Bk 1 of C 38 Sec.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: ACC ROME 64 GARRISON

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 102/15

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CLASSIFICATION:

PRECEDENCE:

IMPORTANT

REFERENCE No: C. 1021

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 14 1630A OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

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GRATWICK - SPRAY. Exercises in CERVARO area involving firing live
ammunition will not take place without specific authority of 64 Garrison
and prior consultation ACC. Exercises schedule start 16th Oct are can-
celled.

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REFERENCE NO. C-1024 PRECEDENCE:

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DATE and TIME of RECEIPT OCT 16 0630A

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TO: Chief of Staff.

1. Reference attached. 3 District (G.Ops) say that no exercise will take place (nor had been planned to take place) at CERVARO. He told me he had given orders that no exercise was to take place without first consulting with A.C.C.
2. Incidentally there are only about 100 people in CERVARO and not 5000.
3. Draft signal to P. M. submitted.

14th October, 1944

Stallat Hughes
Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

*Seen by Be C.O.S.
Signed MS from Mr. Hinton
L.O. when the range
P.M. H 15/10*

TRANSLATION

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TELEGRAM FROM: H.E. IVANOV-BONONI

TO: COMMODORE STONE, A.C.C.

13 Oct 44

Received information that Allied Military Authorities have ordered maneuvers using live ammunition to be carried on village of Carvero lasting 15 days beginning Monday next. Consequently inhabitants must leave village for entire period of maneuvers and remain idle in the country exposed to autumn weather. Communal Authority state serious damage deriving to Carvero population who already suffered loss of all property and bombardment for months during battle for Casale and had to move once northward and once southward; now they would endure more sufferings just when starting reconstruction with own means and overcoming all difficulties. Said maneuvers to be made in village inhabited by five thousand people cannot fail to damage (as it has already happened) to buildings recently repaired. Therefore, dear Admiral, I beg you to prevent danger pending on town already much affected by war.

Ivanov Bononi

Its take immediate action

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17 OCT 1944

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Nome		Cognome		Data di nascita		Data di morte	

DANNO CHE NE DERIVEREBBE POPOLAZIONE CERVARO CHE HA
SUBITO ASPORTAZIONE DI OGNI BENE E BOMBARDAMENTI
DURANTE LE BATTAGLIE DI CASSINO PER LUNGI MESI
CHE HA SUBITO DUE SFOLLAMENTI A NORD ED A SUD D ITALIA
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- PREGOLA BUONI - CARO AMIRAGLIO - DI VOLER SCONGIURARE POSSIBILMENTE IL PERICOLO CHE INCORRE SU BVEL COMUNE GIA TANTO PROVATO DALLA GUERRA -

IVANDE BONCHI -----

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INFO LEXIO REGIONAL HEAD OFFICE; 3-2 (Br) '4' TWO THREE RAG, HQ AGC
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WIDE AREA

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15 OCT Recd

~~SECRET~~. WIDE AREA 1736.

- 1st. Imperative OBTAIN LIDO area completely clear all persons in accordance with our OPA 1230 number 3 of 23 July.
- 2nd. Prepare for evacuation where necessary, to be effective within 48 hrs notice from date to be given by this HQ.
- 3rd. EWH may move in soon as guarantee received restricted area LIDO ready for use.
- 4th. Treat as urgent.
- 5th. Letter follows additional to our 18/60/03(Br)* of 5 not to all.
- 6th. AGC AGRICULTURAL Branch expect cancellation all permits civil labour for crops.
- 7th. Authy main AAI TWO 403 of 13.

BW 15/10

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* R/C Note.

So record these reference.

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Will sign up if
any difficulty

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO No. 794 U. S. Army
Office of G-3 (British)

RAAC/18/SI/G3(Br).

16 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Restricted Area.

TO: HQ ACC. ✓
AMG Region IV.
Real Estate, Rome Area.
G-2, Rome Area.

1. AFHQ signal FX 14766 time-dated 132027B to Rome Area, info AAI, is passed for information and notation;

"REFERENCE YOUR SD 1075. RETAIN THE OSTIA LIDO AREA FOR FUTURE USE ON AIRBORNE FORCES".

2. OSTIA LIDO remains as hitherto - a Security Area.

HEADQUARTERS

17 SEP 1944

A.C.C.

E. Sedwick
E. SEDWICK,
Major,
G-3 (British).

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Subject: Training Areas.

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Main H.Q., A.M.C.
Right Army.

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1 Sep 44.

H.Q. A.M.C. Section,
H.Q., A.M.C.
A.P.O. 104.

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6 SEP 1944

Ref: 112/28/CA Dated 24th August, 1944.

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1. The above communication together with enclosures were received at this H.Q. on 30th August, 1944.
 2. Action by this H.Q. has been taken as per attached copy of letter to Prov Comm. Perugia Province herewith enclosed.

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Staff Capt.
For Army Captain,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.C. Right Army Main.

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Subject: Training Areas.

Main H.Q., A.M.G.
Eighth Army.

DA/206.

1 Sep 44.

Provincial Commissioner,
Parang Province.

1. Copy of letter HQ No. 1 Army Replacement Gp C.M.F.
Ref: 50/5/12/3, dated 21st August, 44, received by this H.Q.
30th August, is herewith enclosed, together with trace of
area, South of Lake Trasimene, concerned.

2. Your H.Q. will make all A.M.G. arrangements required
to advise and warn civilians concerned of the use required of
the area concerned, because of military operations as outlined.

Staff Capt.
for Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.G. Eighth Army Main.

Copy to: H.Q. & M.G. Section,
H.Q., A.M.G.

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QUARTERS
ALLIED OFFICIAL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

REF : 145/30/CA.

31 August 44.

SUBJECT : Training Areas.

TO : AMG. Eight Army.

It would be appreciated if a reply could
now be made to our 145/28/CA of 24 August 44.

MORRIS E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive,
Commissioner.

145/30/CA
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 594

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REF : 145/29/CA

25 August 44

SUBJECT : Damage by Practice Firing.

TO : AMEL 8th. Army

1. We have been in correspondence with Region V with reference to the attached copy of letter dated 8 July concerning damage to CASTEL AL VOLTURNO on 8 June.
2. None of Region V personnel had any knowledge of the incident until it was reported but as on the 8 June the village was still in the Army boundary it is thought you may be able to throw some light on it.
3. Will you please let us know as soon as possible.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive,
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.O. & M.C. Section
APO 394

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Ref/145/28/CA.

24 August 1944

SUBJECT: Training Areas.

TO : AME Eighth Army.

1. Herewith copy of letter from HQ 1st Armored Replacement Gp dated 21 Aug 44, together with traces referred to.
2. It is understood that you have made all arrangements for this area to be available.
3. Will you please let us have your confirmation.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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Hq 1 Dist

Tel: Via Main Eighth Army

File: 32/4 12/0.

Date: 21 Aug 64.

3 AUG Recd

Hq 1 District

Copies:- 1st Lt. AMT, GSC.
 2(AMT) HQ BAC, GSC.
 AMT, HQ AMT.
 3(AMT) Main Eighth Army
 AMT HQ 1 District
 HQ 1 Army Rpt Regt

SUBJECT:- Move of 1 Army Rpt Regt BAC.

1. 1 Army Rpt Regt are moving into the area South of Lake TROBEN
 as shown on the attached trace, and the authority of HQ, HQ BAC and
 Eighth Army has been obtained for this area to be occupied by 1 Army
 Rpt Regt. AMT AMT have also been informed and raised no objection.

2. As this will affect the allocation of sites in your District,
 the attached sketch is sent to show the areas affected and the purposes
 for which they will be used.

3. The move into the camp area is to take place on 24 Aug and into
 the training area on the 28th Aug.

4. No firing will take place until the appropriate arrangements
 have been made with neighbouring units and AMT authorities in the area,
 and HQ Army Rpt Regt will send a rep to contact you on arrival.

Field.
 May 64.
 Recd.

Hq Army Rpt
 Colonel,
 GSC.

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TO : H.Q. AGC. (For R.C. & M.G. Section)

FROM : H.Q. REGION V - A.M.G.

SUBJECT : Damage to Village by Shellfire.

REF : R5/507/26.

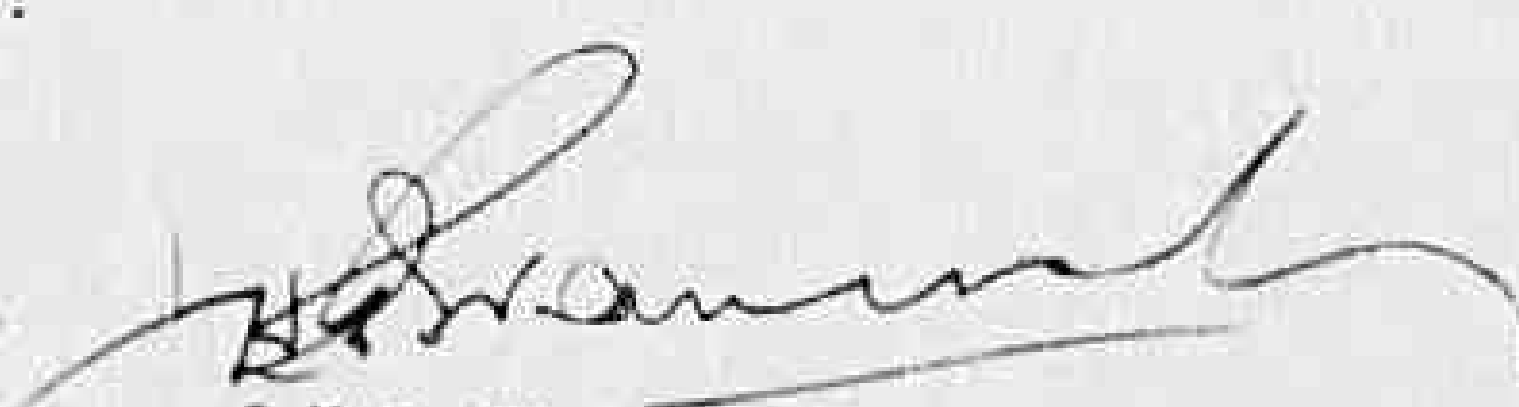
DATE : 20 August 1944.

22 AUG Recd

Reference your 145/19/CA dated 7 August 1944.

Attached please find letter from Provincial Commissioner, Campobasso, which however, does not add much to the information already known.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER :


J. H. G. WOMERSLEY
Major
for Executive Officer.

TC/no

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HEADQUARTERS

A. C. C.

CAMPORASSO

17 Aug 1944

SUBJECT: Damage to Village by practice Shellfire
TO : HQ. Region 5, A.M.G.

1. The only verification of the facts of the matter that can be made is the word of the residents of Castelnuovo al Volturno. The Commune is located near the Province of Frosinone and is indeed badly damaged.
2. The nearest AMG Officer was stationed at Venafro. This HQ. knows of no Regional Officer who knows anything of the matter.
3. The Prefect of Campobasso and the CC.RR. are confident that the information contained in this HQ. communication of 8 July 44 are factual.

507/26
19 AUG 1944

Harold V. Reilly
HAROLD V. REILLY
Major, AUS, P.P.S.C.
for Prov. Comm., A.C.C.
CAMPORASSO PROVINCE.

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAID
APO No. 794 U. S. ARMY

EDD/hah
9 August 1944
10 AUG Read

OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM

NUMBER

1. The following change is to be made in Operations Memorandum No. 4, this Headquarters, in Para 1. 1.1:

NO BATTLE BOUNDARY. Lake Bracciano: across lake from coordinate 457 550 to 552. 040.

By Command of Major General JOHNSON:

Howard K. Doolen
HOWARD K. DOOLEN
Lt Colonel, GSC,
AC of S, G-3

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & H.C. Section
APO 396

Phone:
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Ref/145/23/GA.

CONFIDENTIAL
10 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Training Area.

TO : HQ. E.A.A.C.

1. Reference Operations Memorandum No. 3 dated 22 July 44. It is represented to us that part of the area evacuated includes 900 hectares of the best irrigated land in the neighbourhood, its produce going to the RICE market where it contributes to a solution of the city's food problem.
2. 200 hectares are devoted to vegetable crops, and unless explicit orders are issued on the importance of their preservation as far as possible, it is feared that avoidable destruction or loss by other means may take place as a result of troops being in the area.
3. It would be appreciated if you would take appropriate action.

[Signature]
W. S. FINE,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: HQ AAI
ACC LG with AAI.
Region IV.

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HEADQUARTERS

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

REGION IV

APO 394

R/5014

8 August 1944

SUBJECT: Isola Sacra Roma Province

9 AUG Recd

TO : H.Q.ACC

1. Isola Sacra, following on orders from AFHQ through AAI, has been evacuated for operational reasons.

Asst Chief of Staff G J, RAAC, states that no action is possible without AFHQ orders.

2. This area represents 900 hectares of the best irrigated land in the Region. 200 Hectares are under vegetable crops.

The loss of this would be a serious blow to the already difficult food problem of Rome city.

3. May strong representations be made to AFHQ to issue very strict orders with a view to saving as much of this crop as possible? May, in particular, orders against "looting" be stressed?

For the Regional Commissioner:

A.D. Bonham Carter

A.D. BONHAM CARTER

Lt. Colonel

Executive Officer (Provincer)

Recd by ... 17th Aug 44
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For the Regional Commissioner:

A.D. Bonham Carter
A.D. BONHAM CARTER
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer (Provinces)

Copy: to Agricultural Section
Region IV

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO No. 794 U. S. Army

HQ/AFV
6 August 1944.
JUG Reed

OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 4)

SECURITY ZONE

1. The following area is STRICTLY "OFF LIMITS" and "OUT OF BOUNDS" for reasons of Security to ALL Military Personnel and Civilians on and after 9 Aug 44, until further notice.

Map: Italy 1/100,000 Sheet 143 "PRACCIANO".

a. NORTHERN BOUNDARY. Lake Bracciano: across lake from grid line NORTHINGS 84 to 88. *up to 5000*

b. WESTERN BOUNDARY. From 500909 - incl road at 492901 - excl Rly line 510880.

c. SOUTHERN BOUNDARY. From 510880 - level crossing 528883 - excl Rly line at 535880 - along grid 88 to 550680.

d. EASTERN BOUNDARY. From 560860 - 560880.

2. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES will this Ban be violated by any person.

3. Bathing is forbidden within the area given with effect from 9 Aug 44 inclusive.

4. Passes will be issued per procedure as laid down in this Headquarters Routine Orders Serial 4 dated 25 July and Operations Mc Order No. 3 dated 22 July 44.

By Command of Major General JOHNSON:

HOWARD K. DOUGEN,
Lt Colonel, GSC,
AC of S, D-3.

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WORTHINGS 94 to 55. 497900E 582900N.
a. NORTHERN BOUNDARY. Lake Bracciano; across Lake from grid line
line 510880.
b. WESTERN BOUNDARY. From 500909 - Incl road at 492801 - excl Rly

c. SOUTHERN BOUNDARY. From 510880 - level crossing 528869 - excl
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By Command of Major General JOHNSON:

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ACTION/ AMG REGION 4 INFO: HQ AGC HEADQUARTERS, SURGEON RAAC,
ENGRS RAAC

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

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HEADQUARTERS
9 AUG 1944
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PRIORITY

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PARA 1. FURTHER TO THIS HQS OPERATIONS MEMORANDUM NO. 3 DATED
22 JULY SECURITY AND RESTRICTED AREA OF OSTIA LIDO. ATTACHED
OVERLAY (1/100,000) OF A SECOND SECURITY AND RESTRICTED AREA ON
SHORE OF LAKE DIAOCIANO F 5589 IS PASSED FOR INFORMATION AND
NECESSARY ACTION.

PARA 2. THE AREA AS BOUNDED IS REQUIRED FOR SPECIAL TRAINING
IDENTICAL AS FOR OSTIA LIDO.

PARA 3. ARRANGEMENTS TO CLEAR CIVILIANS FROM THIS AREA WILL
BE PROCEEDED WITH PROMPTNESS AND EVACUATION COMPLETED WITHOUT DELAY.

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMED FORCES COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

PHONE 1-73201

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REF : 145/19/CA

7 August 44

SUBJECT : Damage to Village by Shellfire.

TO : Region V.

1. With reference to your letter R5/507/25 dated 4 August 44 concerning damage to CASTLEBAYO A VILLAGE on 8 June it seems a little unusual that only after this lapse of time is a complaint made and you will appreciate it is going to be very difficult to fix responsibility.
2. Have you verified the facts of the matter and was an AML officer in the neighbourhood? You took over this area three days later so there may be a Regional officer who knows something of the matter.
3. It is suggested that further investigation should be made before we take the subject up with AAL.

MICHAEL E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785017

To: ~~IRB, AIG.~~ 145 + CA DR 18

From: IRB, Region 5, AIG.

Subject: Damage to Villages by Shell Fire - 8th June 1944

Ref: R5/507/26

5 AUG Recd

Date: 4 AUG 44

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The attached copies of correspondence on the above subject are forwarded.

May this be taken up with R. AIG, please?

FOR REGIONAL CONSIDERATION

5 AUG 1944

J. H. G. Wainwright
J. H. G. WAINWRIGHT,

Major,

Admin Offr (B)

Copy to: R.G. Camacho (ref letter dated 8th July, this office letters of even number dated 11 July and 28 July)

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SUBJECT : - Damage to village by shell fire 8 Jul 44

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HQ REGION 5
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3 District
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Copy to: - 55 Area (your 4006 of 21 Jul 44 refers)

25 Jul 44

Ref your RG/567/26 of 11 Jul 44.

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1. The village of CASTRILHOVO AL VENTUROSO was not within
3. District boundary at the time the alleged damage took place. No records are available at this HQ to show what direction was then in the area in question.
2. It is suggested that the matter should be taken up through ADC with HQ AAI.

(JF WATSON)
for

Major
Ref Gen Comd

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Province of Campobasso

Lt. Col. R. A. PARSONS
Provincial Commissioner

Subject: Damage to Village by shell practice

TO: Regional Commissioner Region V
Copy to R.F.S.C.

Date: 8 July 44

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1. The Prefect has advised that, on 8 June 44, a British officer asked the residents of Castelnuovo al Volturno, a village under the jurisdiction of the Comune di Rocchetta, to vacate their properties for a period of ten days. The reason given was that a gunnery practice was contemplated and it was desired to safeguard the people.
2. Upon returning to the a/m village the citizens found that two-thirds of their village had been destroyed, practically leveled. It is also alleged that there had been some looting including the unauthorized taking of a piano.
3. Castelnuovo al Volturno normally housed about 500 people but because of previous evacuation due to occasional shell fire the resident population on 8 June 44 was under 100.
4. It is further alleged that previous combat shellfire had caused only nominal damage.
5. The unit involved has not been identified.

Harold V. Reilly, Major AUS.
R.F.S.C.
For Com. Serv., C/Basso Prov.

HEADquarters
THE CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & H.C. SECTION
APO 324

5 August 1944

Ref: 145/15/CA.

Subject: Training Areas

To: Region IV.

1. An area embracing VISTA DI VALLE F 5387 is about to be used as a training area by military units.
2. We have not been asked to evacuate the area, but we have received instructions to keep civilians away from the sea plane station at VISTA DI VALLE.
3. Will you please arrange to post the necessary notices forthwith.

Copy to: AGC L.O. HQ A.A.I.

HERMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Message from Reg IV on 6/8/44 already
ordered to evacuate
by R.A.A.C.

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7 AUG 1944 WILL BE THIS AREA VERA DI VALLE F 5387. PMS HAVE ADVISED USE OF
AREA BUT STRESS IMPORTANT THAT ROAD WATER SUPPLY DETAIL NEAR ANQUILLAS SAGARIN
F 5799 KEPT CLEAR OF ALL TRUCKS. AREA USUALLY USED AS OFF LINES AND AREAS
UNAVAILABLE THIS NO. FOR AIC REQUEST FOR ENOUGH CIVILIANS KEPT AWAY FROM
STATION VERA DI VALLE

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION IV
APO 394

R/3114

2 August 1944.

4 4 AUG Recd

SUBJECT: Training Area.

TO : Hq. ACC (HC & MG Section)
Att.: Deputy Executive Commissioner.

Your Ref.: 145/9/CA. - 27 July 1944.

1. Necessary action has been taken on the part of
AMG, Rome Region, in regard to operations memorandum No. 3
issued by RAAC, dated 22 July 1944.

2. Personnel has been cleared from the required
area. The ferry has been moved.

For the Regional Commissioner:

John D. Ames
JOHN D. AMES
Lt Colonel, AGD
Executive Officer

- R E S T R I C T E D -

R/3114

2 August 1944.

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Executive Officer

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UNSUBJ: - Use of Agricultural Land for Military Exercise

RE ALLIED ARMY IN ITALY.

AAI/5063/72/A(P3).

27 Jul 44.

29 JUL Recd

HQ FIFTH ARMY.

1. It is reported by HQ ADC that 85 Div have been causing damage to the wheat fields on the Borgese del Vivaro farm, Pratica di Mare (Rome).
2. Will you please investigate and take such action as you consider necessary.

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Brigadier,
D.A.C.

ND/IV.

Copy to: - HQ ADC, HQ & MI Section,
APO 394. - Your 190/54/01 of 22 Jul refers.

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

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27 July 1944

SUBJECT: Naval and Military Exercises - Evacuation of
Local Italian Populations in Connection with.

TO : R. C. & M. G. Section
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

1. It often occurs in connection with exercises of the a/m type that considerable numbers of persons have to be evacuated.
2. Units of the Armed Forces carrying out these exercises call upon the local ACC/AAG or Italian authorities to carry out the displacement of those concerned, and expect these latter authorities to find the necessary transport for this purpose.
3. Owing to the transfer of M. T. to other Regions further north, it is now quite impossible for local authorities to transport the populations involved.
4. If any future exercises are contemplated involving the evacuation of local populations, it must be made clear to all concerned that transportation must be made available to the local authorities by the units concerned in the exercises. In no case can transport be provided by this Region.

Alex. H. D. Smith

for JOHN V. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Acting Regional Commissioner

JWC/AMW/JJH

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JOAD WARTER
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & H.C. Section
APO 394

Phone:
473301

Ref: 145/9/CA.

27 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Training Area.

TO : R.C. Rome Region.

1. Reference our letter 145/7/CA of 23 July 1944 to Region IV, attached is copy of Rome Area Allied Command Operations Memorandum No. 3.

2. Please report when the necessary action has been taken.

HAROLD E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: R.C. Region IV.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.C. Section
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23 July 1944

Ref/145/7/GA.

SUBJECT: Training Area.

TO : R.O. Region IV. *Region IV*

1. Herewith is copy of 2030/15/02 dated 20 July from A.A.I. together with map.
2. You will note that action is required to enable training to commence on 1 August.
3. Before we inform all concerned will you please advise us if the clearance required presents any special problems to you.
4. Please treat this matter as URGENT.

RM/SM.

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NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Reg IV
Copy to Home Region
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SUBJECT:- Training Area

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OF

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20 Jul 44

HEADQUARTERS
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A. C. C.

To:- Cdr, Base Allied Area Command

1. The 7 Br Arm and Pde are to undertake certain special training in the near future.
2. The area selected for this purpose is shown on the marked map attached.
3. For security reasons it is essential that the whole of the marked area should be cleared of both civil and military personnel, and it is requested that you arrange for this clearance to be effected immediately with the assistance of ACC. Training is scheduled to commence on 1 Aug 44.
4. Clearance of the area will also necessitate the removal of the ferry from map reference 566514. If the ferry is still required there is no objection to it being established at map reference 576516.
5. Part of the area in question is the site of Roman remains. This ground is not required for training but forms part of the security belt, to prevent access to the actual training grounds.
6. It is understood that HQ 59 Area are proposing to move to the Hotel Belvedere, which lies just within the area to be cleared. HQ 59 Area will be allowed to retain this building, they will however, be instructed that entry into the cleared area is restricted to personnel authorised by this HQ.
7. The Cdr 7 Br Arm Pde will be responsible for all security measures within the area. It is however requested that you arrange for the necessary civil and military authorities concerned to be informed that entry to the area is prohibited except as detailed in para 6 above.

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Patwardhan
Major General
Chief Administrative Officer

Copy to:- HQ ADC (Adv)
Comd 7 Br Arm'd Bde
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

22 February 1944.

Ref/145/5/GA.

SUBJECT: Training Ground for C.M.T.C.

TO : R.C. Region III.

1. Reference your GMC/29/RP of 11 February 1944, enclosing copy of document with the same reference from S.C.A.O. BENEVENTO dated 6 February 1944. — 2
2. It is correct that the Italian Government is obligated to pay compensation for property taken in accordance with the facts stated in the letter from S.C.A.O. Benevento. These claims are properly submitted to the Italian Engineering Organisation located in the Prefettura at NAPLES, with a Mr. TARANO in charge. There is a branch office of this organisation in Benevento City.
3. Since no action can be taken directly by this H.Q. in the matter without the persons displaced making application through the usual channels, it is suggested that the farmers in question take their claims up with the above-mentioned Italian Organisation, either in Benevento or Naples.

MORRIS E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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Col. Frasca

This should be
dealt with by
Italian Government Org.
headed by Mr. TORANO
who is located in
Naples (Prefettura)
with a branch office
in Benevento City.

Compensation is
payable by It. Govt.

LEAO should be
so advised through
R.O.

He might issue a
warning to persons not
to go too deep into such
cases whilst holding a
regard for fair play.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/145/4/CA

16 February 1944

SUBJECT: Training Ground for C.M.T.C.

TO : Lt. Col. L. R. Hulls, Italian Refugee Branch

1. Enclosed is copy of report from the SGAO at Benevento, together with copy of letter of Lt. Col. Lord Foxeater regarding the same.

2. It is suggested that your Branch take this matter up with the Interior Subcommittee and through that Subcommittee to the Italian Minister of the Interior and thence to the Italian Minister of Finance.

By order of Lieutenant General MASON MACFARLANE:

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

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11 February 1944

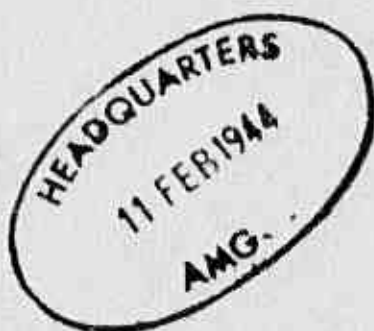
SUBJECT: Training Ground for C.M.T.C.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

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Forester
LORD FORESTER
Lt. Colonel, R.R.C.
D. R. C. A. C.

Incl.
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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

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LORD FORESTER
Lt. Colonel, A.H.G.
D.R.C.A.O.

Incl.
as above

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PROVINCE OF BENEVENTO

Case/29/11.

Headquarters AMF., Region 3 (2 copies)

1. The C.M.T.C. at Genvento is taking over approx. 4,000 acres of farmland for :

- (a) Seattle School
(b) Wayson Training School
(c) Chemical Warfare School

in the vicinity of Benevento City.

2. This involves the complete evacuation of 21 farm houses and the temporary evacuation, during expediences of others. The latter raises no special problems nor undue hardship.
3. In the case of those farmers who have to be permanently evacuated from their houses and from their farmlands, extreme hardship will result, apart altogether from the re-housing of the families involved, (an average of 10 persons a farm) which is a very serious matter indeed. It means that these people are deprived not only of their habitations but also of their sole means of livelihood.
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PROVINCE OF BENEVENTO

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5. I feel that, if the responsibility of paying compensation rests with the Italian Government, steps should be taken to ensure that some immediate compensation is paid by them to the displaced farmers. It may be very convenient, on our part, to say that it is not our responsibility, but, after all, the British Army is responsible for the displacement of these people. Moreover, since we pride ourselves on the pains we are taking to protect Ancient Monuments in this Country, vide statement of the Secretary of State for War in the House the other day, we should take equal pains to ensure, as far as lies in our power, that justice is done to those who suffer misfortune at our hands away from the combat area.

6. It is in that spirit that I submit this report, and appeal for action to be taken to ensure the prompt payment of compensation to those unfortunate farmers.

Benevento
8 Feb 44

P. J. Armstrong
Major.
P. J. ARMSTRONG,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

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