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ADMIN. REMONTE REGION
APR. 1945 - MAR. 1946

Q1

Ex Com.

~~Q1~~ Please see Q3. Passages of interest have been marked

~~True~~ info.

Q3.

Ex Com.

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~~True~~ info. ~~True~~ info.

~~Q1~~ ~~True~~ info.

Q3.

Q4 is info - not interesting.

info.

~~66~~
C80 Ex. Com.

63-65.

Please see John's 61 & 60. Passages of interest have been marked.

Final 60 4/10.
SP

67

VP. E. R. Sec.

Ref 3 last para.

Understand that the Region has of about

100 officers left (on paper) 75 (the so

if it is why all the change in Province

118/6/1

68.

Exe. Com.

Ref your minute 67

3213

! append a slide showing situation of

100 officers left (on paper)
 if it is why all the changes in Province

MS/OLA

68.

Exe Com.

3434

Ref your minute 67

I append a table showing situation of
 the 4 Regiments so far as HQ staff & P.O.s are
 concerned.

J.L.J.

9/10.

MS/OLA

REGIONS - as at 9 Oct 45.

	<u>LIGURIA</u>	<u>PIEMONTE</u>	<u>LOMBARDIA</u>	<u>VENETIE</u>
HQ Staffs	5	9 + 1 Liaison	9	8 + 1 Liaison
Provincial Officers (inclusive Prov. Commissioners)	21 + 2 Liaison	33 + 3 Liaison	39 + 1 Liaison	53 + 4 Liaison

10. These figures are steadily falling, both British and American

53.

C.S.O.

Please see Folio 52. Passages of interest have been mailed.

John.

24.12.65

53

Excerpt

54 for information! I suggest

we reply "Approved" 24.12/65

C.S.O.

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remain?

175/25/65

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Estab. Sec. (Col. Jones).

Excerpt

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remain?

57

(Estab. Sec. (Col. Jones).

Can you say - 56?

P.L. Treat as urgent.

Final
20/9

TO Ex Com 27/9.

58

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| <u>Alessandria</u> - Maj Zervadachi (B) | <u>Norance</u> - Maj Munkie (B) |
| <u>Aosta</u> - Maj Howell (B) | <u>Torino</u> - Lt Col Fione (A) |
| <u>Asti</u> - Maj Koopman (A) | <u>Vercelli</u> - Lt Col Coghlan (A) |
| <u>Cuneo</u> - Maj A.H. Gardner (B) | |
- (all these officers with the Region now according to latest information.)

Executive Commissioner.

At 44 is a report of the Regional meeting Piemonte for 4 September. Points of interest are:-

- 1) That a French LO and three ORs are still operating in TEND. You will remember that, if by 6th Sept. LOs had not been removed, 2 District was to get the French to issue a further order. *delivered 5-54*
- 2) Raids for hidden arms in NOVADA resulted in considerable finds.
- 3) The coal situation is improving. The figure promised for Sept. (58,000) represents half the normal industrial needs of the Region.
- 4) Commerce Division of the Region has been instructed to tell HQ of the importance of getting the gas works working in order to avoid the overloading of the electrical systems. In the column "Industry" it talks about coke being needed for this purpose, and in para: 4, under the heading "Commerce" it talks about coal being used. *delivered*

10/9/45.

SH
CSO.

46.

Chief Commissioner.

Attached is submitted for your *signature* information.

772/1119.

1745-
Noted by CC

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10/9/45.

CSO.

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Chief of Confidential Cover.

Attached is submitted for your ~~signature~~ information

5711/54

1745-

Noted by CCPS

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Explain

Premiato l'acquisto 11/9 cl. 45.

Thick bearded plants of barter.

Who are the Russians in Tibet? 17/8

twirls

1981

Director's Commission

discussed with S.C. Proctor

Noted
in August

Whitcomb
Capt. J. J.
for Capt. J. J.

ATP 14/8

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See Com

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Col Thomas about personnel and we
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14 Aug 1948

L. J. Jones

779/16/8

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14/Jan/45
 L. C. Thomas

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C.S.O.

Minutes of ANG Piedmont Region meeting of 28 Aug. can
 be seen at 38. Passages of interest have been marked.

Your attention is specially drawn to (1) the appearance of
 Russian Missions in the Region (see para 1 under Cusco & Toriko)
 D.R. S/c. tell us that these have not been authorized.
 (2) Para (2) "Finances": it might be useful to ask Finance S/c
 to draw the attention of other Regions to this matter.

19/45
 D.H.
 41.
 Checked: Finance S/c says leave it
 as it is. D.H. 9/12

20/45
 D.H.
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Executive Committee

26
for information

775/386

ExCm

10.

MSO

1. At 30 places are statement concerning deficiency of officers in Piemonte Region, called for by the Ex Com at his meeting on Aug 8.
2. It will be noted that the 1st staff, Public Safety & Agriculture are between them. 6 officers over strength. ~~that~~ Total deficiency for the Region is consequently only 16, although the number of vacancies in the remaining departments Total 22.
3. When R. P. T. officers were first appointed it was decided that they had to be found out of the existing allotment of Provincial officers, 1,000 thereby speaking the deficiency of 2 (6) is only 2 & not 3.

10 Aug 45

A. P. T. S. S. C. and

Ex 145

- 10 Aug 45

A. Fish
See
Road

157, See

Then the R.C. bases his complaint more on the paper shortage than the actual deficiency. Please discuss with him when he comes in.

8/31/1978

Wheat

3404

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; ~~Establishments~~ Section

Executive Commission

Reference Executive Commissioners remarks Pp 17 and 19 the following information is submitted:-

(1) C.A.Os. - Major Willcockson

Capt. Amore

Major Ashford Russell

Major Le Brocq

Major Ballard (found unsuitable and replaced by Capt. Oughtred).

Major Ashford Russell since reporting here, has had to go to London to report; he is expected back daily. Of the rest, it is anticipated that all will have reported by 25 June 45.

(2)

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- (5) A fair example of how the balance of the original allocation of the 1355 officers of the Commission, as agreed by the Executive Commissioner and Regional Commissioners last March has been disturbed, is the case of Public Safety, who have had to allocate 7 officers in excess of the original Appx "C" ceiling to Venezia and Venezia Giulia and 4 to Emilia - a total emergency commitment of 11 officers above the original estimate.

23 June 45. 22

But it is to deal promptly & satisfactorily with such emergencies that the best Sec exists

MS 117

Summit

Box

9-1 (P. 11)

SM

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To: Executive Commissioner
station in initial to 13

for all U.P. 13/6/15

Est. Sec.

V.P. Est Sec. 15

Minute 13 is a most unsatisfactory answer.

- 1 What is the situation in Prescott
- 2 Is the R.C. correct or not
- 3 What reply has been sent to the R.C.

MS/13/6

18
Executive Commissioner

To see folios 16 & 17, please
W. Thompson
for Col. V.P.

Est. Sec.
18 June
W. 20/6

Est Sec. W. B. 19

- 1 What is the situation in Piemonte
- 2 Is the RC correct or not
- 3 What reply has been sent to the RC

MS 13/6

19.
Subscriber Commission

To see files to +17, please
show me
for Cal. V.P.

Spec.
15 June
W. 20/6.

Est Sec ~~W~~ G.I.B. 19.

See my note opposite Most cassette factory

Shall be
for Ex. Sec.

22 June 45.

G-1 (B): 20.

To see 19 and take immediate action,

please.

Spec.
22 June

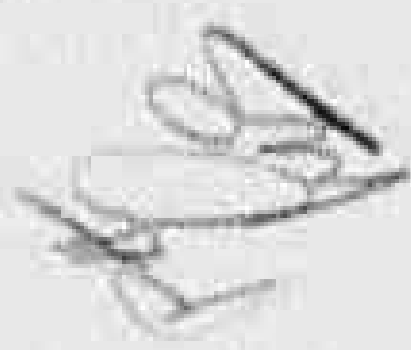
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for Cal. V.P.

5.

Executive Commission

Please see Folio 4

D.L. notes 29/6/45

Folio 4 seen by C.C. and E.C. $\frac{1}{5}$ 

Executive Commission 3:

Please see para 1. of Folio 7.

D.L. 18/5/45

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Chief Commissioner

Attached is submitted for your information. 

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W. 15/5



Est. Sec.

Something wrong here? L.C. ~~referred~~ for Curry

Some of that Kereki?

Under Development

Attention is directed to your information of this item/subject.

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7/5/51

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Est. Sec.

Something wrong? LIC ~~xxxxxx~~ Curry

Canis offered to Kerrel?

12/4/51

in Officer (B3)

To see "in reply, please"

in the meantime
for Capt. W.P.

Suppose
1/2

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Est. Sec. 1. The appointment of Lt. Col. Curry as PC
Kerrel's appearance in PERSONAL R 5099 12345
2. no exec. order has yet been published, yet.
but 9-1(A) is pending.

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HQ ALCON CITE AIXCO

07 March 1946

File
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ALCON LO PISMONTE

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UNCLASSIFIED

COLONEL ROBERT CHARLES ROSS PAREN AKA PAREN IS APPOINTED CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
PIS MONTE WITH EFFECT FROM SEVEN MARCH PD COLONEL ROSS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE
TUESDAY ELEVEN MARCH

Int Dist
VP CI Sec
VP Econ Sec
EX O A.
EX O B.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

/s/ N. W. HIND-SMITH

PA 18
31508

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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE LIAISON GROUP
ALLIED COMMISSION

2 March 1946

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMO)

NUMBER 2)

1. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER.

Announcement is made of the appointment of Lt Col F. C. GREEN (B) as Acting Chief Liaison Officer during the absence of the Chief Liaison Officer: effective 28 Feb 1946.

ROY E. BARONE
1st Lt., PA,
Admin Off

no
14th

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Chief Liaison Officer during the absence of the Chief Liaison Officer; effective
28 Feb 1946.

ROY E. BARONE
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1st Lt., FA,
Admin Off

Ex ltr. informed of this by PO letter.
JS. 713.

(cso) JS. 713.

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ROUTINE

16 Dec 45

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AND PINEBLUFF REGION

UNCLASSIFIED PD

ON RECONSIDERATION CONSIDER YOU SHOULD REMAIN AT YOUR
PART TO AND PINEBLUFF REGION PERSONAL TO TURNER OOLIES FROM IN ALCON
SIGNED LUSH CITY AGED PAREN
POST UNTIL AFTER HANDOVER

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18 Dec 45

ROUTINE

UNCLASSIFIED PD

ON RECONSIDERATION OCCASIONED YOU SHOULD REMAIN AT YOUR

PAPER TO AND FLEMING HAZARD PERSONAL TO TURNER CULLEN FROM HQ ALCON

SIGNED LETH CITY ACHIC PAPER

POST UNTIL AFTERHANDOVER

Mr. Commissioner

MAJ

W. B. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
PISMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

24 October 1945

Reference: 001.

Subject : Regional Meeting - 23 Oct 45

To : See Distribution

1. Regional Commission. It is suggested that civilian employees be reduced by one third, in Region as well as Provinces. The same applies to tn and vehicles should be turned back to Region HQ for further disposal.

2. PROVINCES.

Cuneo. It is suggested that all correspondence intended for Italian agencies be translated into Italian at Region HQ, thus reducing the work which otherwise would have to be done individually at each Provincial HQ.

A demand for 3/4 months' hard rations for the Carabinieri was agreed to by AFED.

Asti. Italian officials appear to be objecting to the new POL scheme. AM Lire currency is being refused by shopkeepers and not a single AM Lire is at present circulating in the Province. All such money is held by the banks who are also reluctant to accept it.

Novara. Everything as normal as could be desired. Prices generally more modest than anywhere else.

Vercelli. Major Bertelli pointed out the threat of impending strikes due to scarcity of work and food.

Aosta. 4 death penalties were passed on political crimes, 3 executions carried out; one still pending.

Turin. Alessandria have nothing special to report.

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Finance. After a lengthy debate a decision was reached during the meeting on future procedure regarding AMB expenditure. P.Os will have the option of either having their own imprest a/c (being Sub-Accountants) or submitting receipted pay-rolls to RPO prior to monies being handed over to them for payment to civilian employees etc. The suggestion of handing the RPO temporary receipt chits pending the arrival of receipted payrolls and P/Os was rejected by RPO.

Public Safety. Only 5 counterfeit notes were handed in during one month. A suggestion was made to take legal proceedings against people who refuse to surrender voluntarily such counterfeit notes.

Labour. Criticism are made on the new wage agreements, especially as they are done by districts and not by industries. The allegations that all industries had brought their wage levels down to the Fiat basis have proved to be incorrect. These matters have been included in the Monthly Report of the Labour Division.

Local Government. P.Os have done an excellent job with regard to the groundwork done in respect of the pending elections. Such work should be kept up, and it may be necessary to comment on observations made by Prefects.

(MISS SAMSON)

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In view of the pending elections, R.C. raised the question as to the population's attitude towards the Monarchy. Replies differed in the various Provinces roughly as follows:

- Asati - The armed forces and police are in favour of the Monarchy but officials are against.
- Torcello - 50% pro and 50% contra.
- Turin - The majority of the people proffered the Monarchy, but not the King.
- Novara - The majority are against the Monarchy, especially the farmers.
- Cuneo - The majority are in favour of the Monarchy.

RPSO added his own opinion based on a careful study made for some considerable time past: 25% are for and 25% against the Monarchy. The remaining 50% are indifferent, but could be swayed easily one way or the other, influenced by small things.

4. GENERAL. It was decided that regular Meetings will be suspended and held on special request only.

By order of Colonel de PIZZ

[Signature]
2015, 1800
1st Lieut., PA
Adjutant.

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PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

24 October 1945

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Reference: OGI.

Subject : Regional Meeting - 23 Oct 45

To : See Distribution

1. Provinces

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AGO are been neglected at recent meetings of the Board.

Cuneo - P.C. Cuneo reported that he has discovered what is
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2. Special Divisions

Finance - The Regional Finance Officer stated that all financial
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Public Safety - The Regional Public Safety Officer announced that the Ministry of War has undertaken the responsibility of clothing and fitting the CC RR. A further improvement in the attitude and cooperation of the Italian police agencies was reported.

Welfare - Deal is needed for the heating of hospitals, and linen and medical supplies, although here in warehouses, have been practically unobtainable. The Commerce Officer will aid in the procurement of these items.

80 (5) - Returns of outstanding expenditures have been requested, but have been slow in arriving, especially from the provinces. All were asked to make these returns as soon as possible.... The Prefects report from Torino and Vercelli has not been received.

3. Regional Commissioner

Personnel - The Regional Commissioner gave a brief resume of the gloomy personnel picture, which, between British IIAF and American redeployment, is fast becoming critical. With the next American draft, there will be but 15 U.S. officers in the Region. All were asked to continue operations until the last, however, keeping a skeleton staff in each province as long as possible.

By order of Colonel MORRIS:

ROY M. BARON
1st Lt. Col., IIA
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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 304

9 Oct 45

OCT 12 1945

Reference: 001.

Subject : Regional Meeting - 9 Oct 45

To : See Distribution

1. Provincial Commissioners

Cuneo - P.C. Durno reported that the massing campaign is still showing effects in the mountains which continue to come into the vacancouses. Over 1,000 quintals were massed during the first week of October.

Alessandria - A Prefect problem exists in Alessandria. The incumbent is a Member of the Constitutive at Rome, and consequently is not believed eligible to continue as Prefect. A ruling is at present awaited from the Local Government Sub-Commission before the appointment of a successor is made. 10,000 quintals of grain were reported massed in Alessandria during the first week of October.

Asti - The P.C. of Asti reported that rumors still persist regarding the uprising which will take place when A. leaves the area.

Torino - An incident occurred at the prefettura during the week which gave cause for alarm when a young friend of the Prefect entered and claimed to have overheard a conversation in which reference was made to a bomb which had been planted in the offices of the Prefect. He asked the Prefect and others present to withdraw while he made a search. Presently he appeared carrying a small parcel which he deposited in adjoining gardens. A minor explosion followed. Persistent investigation on the part of the P.F.S.O. has brought to light the fact that this same youth was responsible for having planted the bomb in the Prefect's chambers. Tozzetti and Menzi are to visit Torino on Oct 15th and have asked for the Studio to hold a meeting. In view of breaches of promise on a former occasion by these individuals, the P.C. has asked the advice of the Regional Commissioner. The P.C. reported that he has repeatedly told the Prefect that public buildings must not be made available to certain political parties to the exclusion of others, but since he has received no cooperation in this regard, he has now issued an order that all public buildings not properly leased must be vacated.

Aosta - Vercelli - Novara - Nothing of general interest to report.

2. Special Divisions

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Transportation - The Regional Transportation Officer announced that the Lamia works are beginning to produce on a small scale and have asked permission to spread their vehicles over a large part of Italy. Fiat is producing 289 units per day, without tires. Trucks are not to go south for wine. Depots are located at the larger wine producing points in the south, and any truck which violates this order will not be loaded.

Public Works - This division will receive 750 tons of coke during October for generating of gas works. All P.S.'s were urged to hold up the heating of works in their area until advised by this headquarters, as a schedule will be worked out by Public Works which will enable all plants to begin production at about the same time. Genio Civile officials should be notified that no more road projects are being accepted.

Telecommunications - It was announced that a telephone circuit from Milan to Paris is now open for civilian use.

(Miss Sanderson)

Displaced Persons - P.O.'s were urged to see that Displaced Persons personnel are familiar with the routing which limits luggage to 40 kilos. According to the Regional Displaced Persons Representative, 12 Yugoslavs recently arrived from a province in AG trucks with what appeared to be a high percentage of the province's assets.

Legal - Duration returned have been unsatisfactory, and P.O.'s were urged to see that the Duration Commissions are familiar with their duties.

HQ Commandant - The HQ Commandant announced that more rooms will be needed in this HQ building for the use of the Italian Army. All divisions are to notify HQ Commandant of rooms which are not in use, so that a rearrangement may be made which will make further space available to the Crema Division for its headquarters. All were urged to give as much advance notice as possible to civilian employees before they are dismissed.

Patriots - The Regional Patriot Officer, announced that reports have reached his office of unfair election of officers in the various communal ADPI organizations. These elections are held in the presence of a limited number of members, so that instead of being representative elections they are, in fact, self appointments.

O.C., 151 - Because of the withdrawal of considerable numbers of American troops from this area, many ration dumps have been closing, and the problem of drawing rations for American personnel has reached a stage where it approximates a scavenger hunt from week to week. The most recent experiment of drawing from Leghorn via Genoa has proved unsatisfactory because a third formation was involved, and plans are now being worked out by which it is hoped that Co. 8 may draw from Udine via Milan. The R.O. and O.O. Co. 3 will consult with the O.O.'s of Companies "C" and "D" at Milan in an effort to improve the situation.

3. Regional Commissioner

British Officers - It was announced that HQ Alcon had informed the northern regions of their intention to draw on the British officer personnel for duties at HQ and Venezia-Giulia. It was stated that such drafts would be kept at an absolute minimum until the closing of the region.

Wood for Lombardia - The Regional Commissioner stated that he had received a request from the R.O. of Lombardia for wood for Milan. It was reported by P.O. Costa and by the Regional Commerce Officer that buyers have been coming from Milan, but for the most part they are industrialists who are willing to pay any price. This has upset the market, and as a result the merchants are holding out to sell to these agents.

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Captured enemy vehicles - The deadline for declaration of captured enemy vehicles in the provinces has been extended to Oct 24 instead of the 10th. The Regional Transportation Officer requested that the Ufficio Autotrasporti be consulted in compiling the lists, and that they be forwarded to the Regional Transportation Officer for transmission to the War Materials Disposal Sub-Commission.

Prefects Reports - The Regional Commissioner requested that P.C.'s. thank the Prefects for their cooperation in forwarding their bi-monthly reports.

4. Action to be taken

Commerce - To arrange with 7 AGAA regarding movement of wood, so that P.C.'s. will know what requests are authorized.

All P.O's. - To search for any place which may be possibly be making arms. Report by Oct 15th.

To forward list of captured enemy vehicles to Regional Transportation Office. Due on Oct 12 (or 19).

To investigate the ANTI officials, and ascertain if they have been elected by a fair election, or whether it has been a case of self-appointment.

P.C. Torino - Food - To present a case regarding the shipments by rail of wine from Apulia, citing the cases of merchants who have been assured transportation only to have it withdrawn.

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Subject: Regional Meeting - 2 October 45

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1. Provincial Commissioners

Alessandria - P.O. Lessandra reported that the Prefect of that province had returned from Rome, where he has served as a member of the Council. It is understood that he cannot continue to serve as Prefect, and efforts are being made to provide a successor. The Prefect of Asta was mentioned as a possible choice... 100 quintals of rice were recently confiscated at a road block in Alessandria.

Asti - P.O. Asti reported that a regiment of Italian troops of the Cremona Division had moved in and had created a good impression.... For the third consecutive week, P.O. Asti deplored the working of the Commissariato for fuel wood, and warned that the situation is fast becoming serious.

Torino - Approximately 300 representatives of industrial organizations gathered during the week to impress upon the P.O. the inadequacy of the amended bread ration. They were told of the shortage of grain, but it was promised to bring their petitions to the attention of higher authorities. Letters expressing fear of the consequences of the prospective turnover to the Italian authorities continue to reach the office of the P.O. in large numbers. Yearly all state that this fear is based on the fact that the CO 33 are of insufficient numbers, are not mobile, and that the radical elements are well-armed.

Novara - Following an agreement between a local partisan leader in Novara and the public safety officer, a manifesto was circulated by the leader asking for the surrender of arms. At least 35 truckloads have been surrendered as a result.... Considerable unrest was reported over the employment of German POW's in Novara province with consequent unemployment of Italian workers.

Asta - P.O. Asta reported that there is a feeling that province that the presence of troops to aid in the corn smasking would be desirable. The Regional Agriculture Officer stated that the smasking of corn is important enough in certain areas to war ant special attention.

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Vercelli - Cuneo - Nothing of general interest to report.

2. Special Divisions

Transportation - The Regional Transportation Officer reported that Fiat military vehicles must be turned in to MIA. There are five remaining in use in the Region, which may be retained if Italian military personnel are used as drivers....It has been reported that Italian Air Force officers have been taking vehicles in the Region, not only those belonging to the Air Force, but Italian Army and civilian vehicles as well. This is not authorized unless they have previously cleared with MIA.

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Food - The Regional Food Officer stated that there is no chance of obtaining an increase in the bread ration. Rice will be a valuable substitute, and care should be taken to see that it does not find its way into the black market. Road blocks should be set up at once to see that there is no unauthorized movement of rice.

Telecommunications - It was announced that there is now a direct telephone communication with Switzerland.

Legal - The Regional Legal Officer stated that the majority of cases in which there is discontent over the length of time required to confirm sentences are the fault of the provincial officials. An important factor in the confirming of the sentences is the opinion of the Procuratore del Reame in the province, and these officials are often dilatory in forwarding their opinions.

Agriculture - The Regional Agriculture Officer stated that Italian Army personnel who are examining horses which were captured from the enemy are looking for horses which at one time belonged to the Italian Army. They cannot sell or make any other transactions regarding these animals.

Public Works - The Regional Engineer announced that the Tenda tunnel should be open within a week, and should ease the road situation....The Genio Civile in each province should be urged to hold all pending projects for submission to the Italian authorities.

B. Regional Commissioner

Assessing Campaign - The Regional Commissioner thanked all P/O's for their interest and work in the recent train-assessing campaign and commiserated them on the results obtained. A conservative estimate reveals that approximately 110,000 quintals were collected as a direct result of the drive. P.O's were urged to talk to their Prefects and make them aware of the fact that the Allied Government consider this section of Italy to be self-sufficient. Although there are stores of flour and other foods in warehouses throughout Italy, they have been brought to supply the deficient areas, and cannot be used for this section of the country.

Redeployment - American Officers - The I.G. stated that copies of Cable No. 5127 dated 26 Sept from HQ 2675th Regt had been sent to all American Officers. All P.O's were urged to see that these officers reported to Headquarters on 2 October to sign the appropriate certificates, so that a prompt return may be made to regimental headquarters.

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Transfer Campaign - The Regional Commissioner thanked all P/O's for their interest and work in the recent train-raising campaign and commended them on the results obtained. A conservative estimate reveals that approximately 110,000 quintals were collected as a direct result of the drive. P.O's were urged to talk to their Prefects and make them aware of the fact that the Allied Governments consider this section of Italy to be self-sufficient. Although there are stores of flour and other foods in warehouses throughout Italy, they have been brought to supply the deficient areas, and cannot be used for this section of the country.

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4. Action to be taken

Commerce - To provide P.O. Owen with a list of the obligations of the wood commissariat; to advise P.O. Acti of progress in getting its requirements filled.

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All I.C.'s - To ask Prefects to give publicity to the necessity for corn marketing.
To eat blind road blocks, were necessary, to control the movement of rice.
To provide Food Division with the needs of the provinces for agricultural salt.

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PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY COMMAND
ASO 394

Reference 001.

25 Sept 45

Subject : Regional Meeting - 25 Sept 45

To : See Distribution

1. Provincial Commissioners

Cuneo - P.O. Cuneo reported that all Sindaci have been duly appointed except three, which are expected to be taken care of today by the Prefect of that province.

Alessandria - P.O. Alessandria reported all Sindaci appointed and confirmed. It was reported that the wood Commissariato is not serving its intended purpose. The Post of Questura is not yet filled, the appointee having shot himself.

Vti - All Sindaci in list have been confirmed.

Verona - All Sindaci in Verona province have been appointed. The wood Commissariato is not functioning satisfactorily in this province, the Italian official in charge trying to get the wood to Turin rather than meet the needs of the province. It was also reported that many partisans in this area are still wearing Allied uniforms, with no marks to distinguish them from British or American soldiers.

Vercelli - Sindaci appointed and confirmed. 3 truckloads of hidden arms have been impounded.

Novara - All Sindaci confirmed. Six Fascist prisoners were executed on Sunday.

Torino - Nothing of interest to report.

2. Special Divisions

ASO Commandant - The ASO Commandant reported that the civilian mess at Headquarters will close as of the 30th of Sept. Civilians may eat the mid-day meal at one of the Messes at Torino in the vicinity. It was requested that patrols in respect of civilian employees be reduced to a bare minimum before 30 Sept., so that no one remains after that date who is not absolutely essential.

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Labor - The Regional Labor Officer announced a rather strong bid by the Consiglio di gestione for recognition. The Labor Officer will prepare a report for the Regional Commissioner on the movement, which is an attempt to place organized labor in the administrative and financial posts of industry.

Transportation - The Regional Transportation Officer announced that the provinces are receiving their tire and tube allotments today.

Public Health - The Regional Public Health Officer asked all to be on the alert for reports regarding the pilfering which took place in the recent distribution of drugs to Vercelli and Torino provinces. Public Health and Public Safety should be informed if any clue is uncovered as to the whereabouts of the insulin and insulin which was stolen.

Education - The Regional Education Officer announced that he will meet with the Provveditore agli Studi on Friday to discuss their problems, chiefly the question of heating the schools during the winter months. He also reported that he had received a request to form an Italo-Russian society, non-political.

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Food - The Regional Food Officer reported that the food situation is about the same. Although the regional amassing campaign has been successful, this wheat will not supply the demands of the region for the winter. Free inter-provincial trade is therefore encouraged, and will in fact be required, so that surplus provinces may aid the deficient until such time as an import plan goes into full operation. Prefects and army civilian officials of food-handling agencies must be impressed with the importance of this trade with other provinces, and made to understand that it is all a part of a national program.

Public Safety - Although weapons for CC PR have been requested many times by the Regional Public Safety Officer, it is reported that they have not yet been sent to him at a release. Arrangements are being made to send a new Questura for Alessandria.

Adjutant - The Chief Clerk asked that all Provincial Commissioners comply with the instructions which have been issued regarding the clearing out of files and their secure and indexed tabulation for the Archives Branch of AS CR. Divisions were notified that they are not to box their files, but merely tie them in the required 12" bundles, and hand in to the Chief Clerk.

Displaced Persons - The Regional Displaced Persons representative asked all P.O.'s that charitable organizations be discouraged from importing refugees without his prior knowledge.

Agriculture - Regarding the wood situation, the Regional Agriculture Officer stated that, the Regional Forestry Officer reported a great deal of wood cut and stacked, but a lack of transport to bring it to the centers. It was also reported that the provinces of Torino, Asti and Alessandria have Prefect's orders blocking the sale of hay.

Commerce - The Regional Commerce Officer announced that glass and glass substitutes are controlled by the Italian government. The North Italy Industrial Council have been informed of the glass situation and will make allocations at their next meeting. FCI allocations have been cut, but there is nothing which can be done, as this also is controlled by the Italian agencies under a plan announced at last week's meeting. The Commissariato for wood has been warned to give more attention to an equitable allotment of fuel-wood.

Finance - Within the next week four provincial finance officers will be called in. P.O.'s were asked to see that these officers clear up all financial matters prior to their departure.

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Public Works - The Regional Public Works Officer announced that he will send officers to the provinces to see that all outstanding projects now with the Genio Civile are handed to the Intendente di Finanza.....in officer of this division recently went to Rome to submit bids, and all were approved except a few road and large building projects.

Staff Officer (B) - Announced that monthly reports for September are due on 1 Oct. If a Special Division cannot have its complete report in on that date a two or three hundred word synopsis will be acceptable.

3. Comments by the Regional Commissioner

Foreign Missions - Because of the presence in the Region of missions representing various countries, the Regional Commissioner sought information as to how they might be dealt with, and the reply has come that they can be questioned and must have in their possession travel orders from AMF, giving names, destination, description of mission, etc.

Monetary - The Regional Commissioner requested the Finance Division to urge cooperation of the banks in creating a greater respect for the currency. It appears that reluctance to accept this currency is widespread, because of forgeries in 1000 lire denominations, and faith is not encouraged among the population when the banks themselves are wary of the notes.

Amassing - The R.C. congratulated P.O.'s for their part in the amassing campaign, which has been successful to date. Better than 65,000 quintals as a result of the campaign have been amassed as of 20 Sept. and this figure will rise until the final day of the campaign, 25 Sept. The general opinion has been that the services of the Italian soldiers in this regard has been desirable, and some provinces are considering carrying on under the plan after turnover to the Italian government.

Transportation - The R.C. expressed regret over the recent call for good vehicles, but announced that the order must be complied with.

4. Action to be taken

Letter - To submit complete report regarding Consiglio di Gestione to the Regional Commissioner.

P.O. Atti - To procure rifles for his CO 21 from Cuneo.

Agriculture - To investigate and report on the tax problem.

Welfare - To consult with Industry Officer regarding coal for the heating of hospitals and welfare institutions.

Commerce - To check on wood Commissariato to ascertain that the allocations between Turin city and the provinces are made on an equitable basis.

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1. unless contrary orders are received immediately I shall proceed to close FIENSTE Region field operations on 30 September.
2. continual withdrawal of personnel and lack of transport make it impossible to maintain more than a regional HQ pending further delay in closing date.

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PIEMONTE REGION
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Reference: COL.

19 Sept 45

Subject : Regional Meeting - 18 Sept 45

To : See Distribution

1. The meeting convened at 0930 hours with the Deputy Regional Commissioner in the chair in the absence of Colonel Thomas, who had come to the airport to meet Colonel Fiske. Upon the arrival of the Regional Commissioner and Colonel Fiske, a brief ceremony took place in which Bronze Star medals were presented to Major A.J. Malatesta, Captain S.V. Hoe and Lt E.E. Nevans. After the presentations, Colonel Fiske addressed the assembly and discussed various matters of interest. Regarding the actual turnover date, he was unable to give any information except that 30 Sept is tentative. Concerning the awarding of further decorations, it was stated that although MIOUSA is anxious to have all awards made as soon as possible, and had set a final date to this end, it was thought that Military Government personnel would be given further consideration, in view of the fact that AMG activities in this area did not commence until the approximate date of the ending of the war in Europe. It was also announced that AFHQ has not approved the tables of organization for liaison groups which were forwarded by A.C. There must be a reduction in the sizes of these groups, and hence officers who have planned on remaining cannot consider that these posts are secure.

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Alessandria - P.C. Alessandria reported that he is not satisfied with the public safety situation. There have been an increasing number of armed robberies. It is generally felt that the police agencies are not of sufficient size or quality to cope with the situation.... The CLN is attempting to dictate on the appointment of a Provveditore agli Studi, trying to force the resignation of the present AGC-appointed incumbent.

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5. Action to be taken

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Nevers - The collection of arms is proceeding in Nevers, and it was reported that during the past week 3 truck-loads had been collected in Nevers as the result of a voluntary report from a partisan chief.

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Vercelli - P.O. Vercelli urged that the Italian soldiers who are to assist in the grain collection campaign be allowed to take part physically, but it was thought that their presence alone would be enough to assure the Carabinieri of authoritatively carrying out the actual law-enforcement duties.... It was reported that competition has forced the CIA newspaper at Vercelli out of business.... It was learned that representatives of the High Commissioner for Agriculture in Rome have set up operation commissions, without reference to the Provincial Commission. The Regional Legal Officer stated that many Prefects are under the wrong impression regarding the set allotment of these commissions, and have been busy in covering their formation. The true situation is that operations proceed under GO 35 until the departure of 'G, at which time GO 159 goes into operation. The representatives of the Italian Government may set up commissions in preparation for their work after the turnover, but should not in any way interfere with present operations under GO 35.

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Education - The Education Officer reported that the Provveditori Agli Studi have not received reports of the operation of school teachers.... The withdrawal of the German troops from the school buildings at Alessandria has eased the problem there, and it is thought that school sessions will commence on schedule.

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Telecommunications - The Regional Telecommunications Officer announced that telegraph service has now been established between Torino and Zurich, in Switzerland.

Agriculture - The Regional Agriculture Officer announced that Italian statistics are not reliable criticisms of the actual situation, especially regarding missing reports.... The RAO urged the Regional Transportation Officer to carry patrol to any agriculture official until the Agriculture Officer knows which of these officials are authorized to have vehicles.

Public Works - The Regional Public Works Officer announced that the price of steel and the prices on contracts are gradually coming down to a more reasonable level.... Projects for snow removal should be submitted as soon as possible.

3. Comments by the Regional Commissioner

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Telecommunications - The Regional Telecommunications Officer announced that telegraph service has now been established between Torino and Zurich, in Switzerland.

Agriculture - The Regional Agriculture Officer announced that Italian statistics are not reliable criticisms of the actual situation, especially regarding harvesting reports. The IAO noted the Regional Transportation Officer to deny petrol to any agriculture official until the Agriculture Officer knows which of these officials are authorized to have vehicles.

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4. Letter to be taken

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4. Action to be taken

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Adjutant - To see that copies of the Gazzetta Ufficiale receive a side a distribution to the Social Division as necessary.

All P.O.'s - a. To report every 48 hours on the progress made in the grain collection campaign. This report should be placed in the Agriculture Division, Extension 157, and followed up on paper. It should be given as follows: 1. Total collections for the 48 hours just ended, and 2. Total collections for the campaign to date.

b. To forward history of about 300 words of the chief events of interest in their provinces to Staff Officer (B).

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C. To give special attention to seeing that civilian officials are appointed by Prefectural decree, and that reports giving the names of the most important officials are forwarded to Regional Headquarters.

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HEADQUARTERS PLEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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Reference: 001.

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Vercelli - Nothing of general interest to report.

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2. Special Divisions

Transportation - The Regional Transportation Officer announced that four Italian trucking pools are now in operation in the Region, but a change in the allocation of trucks to the provinces will have to be made because of the poor condition of the most recent allotment of vehicles, about 20 per-cent of which arrived in roadworthy condition.... Fiat has available some 4 ton trucks, Topolino and 1100's for sale to agencies or persons who need transportation.

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P2 Commandant - Urged a closer guard be kept on official stamps, which have been used by civilians in forging permits, etc.

Industry - The coal situation is improving, with 13,000 tons allocated in July, 27,000 in August, and a promised 50,000 for September. The latter figure represents about one-half of the normal industrial needs of the Region..... Coke is needed daily for the reactivation of gas works.

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Commerce - The Regional Commerce Officer requested the names of the heads of the provincial Chambers of Commerce and C.P.O.'s, so that the appointments may be confirmed by the Italian Ministry. Regarding P.O.L. it was announced that applications had been given the customary Petsec treatment, with the result that some provinces are to receive more than requested, while others, notably Torino, will receive far less than is required. A plan for the collection and distribution of firewood has been drawn up by the Commerce Division and sent to the P.O.'s. A Commissioner has been established at Torino, and it is recommended that this body be given legal status and made to accept the responsibilities.

Public Works - The Regional Public Works representative urged that every effort be made to acquaint Headquarters, A.C. with the necessity for reactivation of the gas works. In his opinion, because of a lack of gas, the people will use electricity to cook and heat, with a consequent overloading of the electrical systems. Cables and transformers which will be turned out as a result cannot be recharged. P.O.'s. were urged to forward at once all urgent or necessary project bids, so that approval may be given before the closing of the Region.

Welfare - Z.O.'s. were requested to instruct their Vice-prefects to prepare a list of all welfare institutions which will need coal. The American Red Cross Civilian War Relief workers will withdraw before 15 Sept. Regarding ambulance fees, the Welfare Officer announced that 20 lire per kilometer is a reasonable charge.

Patriots - The Regional Patriots Officer announced that signing and distribution of Alexander certificates have been completed in three provinces.

3. Comments by the Regional Commissioner

Personnel - The Regional Commissioner announced that redeployment of both British and American personnel is taking place on an accelerated scale. P.O.'s. were told that many of their officers will have to combine functions during the few remaining days.

Transportation - A letter was read from the Regional Motor Maintenance Officer which cited many instances of vehicles being out of commission because of carelessness on the part of the drivers. All present were asked to urge their drivers to exercise the utmost care in operating and caring for their vehicles.

Reports - The R.O. asked that the final monthly reports be as full and comprehensive as possible, since they will undoubtedly be conserved for historical reports at a later date. A final turnover report will be required by the R.O. when the ultimate closing date is known. This will not be a history of the particular province or department, but merely a concise summary of pending business which will require the attention of the liaison group which will remain in the Region. There should be little to report undone if P.O.'s.

Payment Vouchers - The A.C. requested that in the future all authorizations for payment of bills in excess of 10,000 lire which are sent to him for approval bear the prior approval of the initiating officer in the space provided on the voucher. The bills themselves should also bear the "O.K." and signature of the submitting officer.

Confirmation - Death Sentences - My Provincial Commissioner who feels that the continued failure of the Ministry in Rome to confirm any particular death sentence is a menace to public order in his province may present the details of these special cases to the Regional Commissioner for his action.

Assessing - The Regional Commissioner announced that Cremona troops will be available, about 20 or 30 to a province, to assist the civil police authorities in speeding up the grain assessing program. About 5 vehicles will be needed in each province to insure adequate circulation.... In the future, in addition to submitting the results of the grain collection campaign in figures, the Italian officials should be instructed to submit an additional statement as to what relationship this figure bears to the actual needs of the province. A statement to the effect that a certain province has amassed sufficient grain to last until a certain specified date will be of far greater use in planning for the future than the mere figure of total number of quintals amassed.

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HEADQUARTERS PRINCETON REGION
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1. Provincial Commissioners

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Aspi - P.C. Aspi requested that attention be given to the matter of confirming the death sentences of prisoners at present held in his province, stating that such confirmations would be used to sustain the actions of the civil or locals. It was pointed out that such cases must go to Rome for confirmation, and that because of poor communications, the investigations often take what seems to be an unreasonable length of time. The matter was referred to the Regional Legal Officer.

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Verocelli - P.C. Verocelli reported that many applications for publication of newspapers have been received and submitted to the Allied Publications Board, but as yet no reply has been received. It is hoped that an early meeting with the APB representative for the area will expedite the procedure. The Regional Commissioner cautioned the P.C.'s that it is not within their power to authorize a publication, although the application to APB may be accompanied by their recommendations. Consultation will be had with Mr. Allison, the APB representative in Turin.

2. Special Divisions

Prato - The Regional Patriots Officer announced that all P.C.'s have been sent copies of a recent Patriot Directive issued by A.C. Headquarters. It was also announced that in the future all expatriation matters and problems, including the operations of APB, will be the responsibility of the Prefects. The remaining work on houses, preparation of Alexander Certificates, etc., is expected to be finished by the end of the month.

Company "B" - The Company Commander of Company "B" announced that the American PX issue will be late due to the closing, without notice, of the PX warehouse at Modena. The PX ration will be drawn from Verona and distributed as soon as possible.

Displaced Persons - The Regional IDP Officer stated that 2000 POW's are being repatriated from the north each week. It was announced that in most of the camps there are now Italian managers who are ready to take over when APB withdraws.

Public Health - The Regional Public Health Officer announced that P.C.'s will be informed of the final distribution of drugs. A 100 percent increase in typhoid fever was reported. This was referred to the R.P.H.O. for investigation and report.

Telecommunications - The Regional Telecommunications Officer announced that authority for telegram and telephone communications for all of Italy, including the Venezia-Giulia area, has now been granted. A limited international service has also been established. Regarding the poor quality of the service between Turin and Rome, it was stated that boosters are being installed where possible.

Public Safety - The Regional Public Safety Officer announced that the units of the ASIR are about to begin operations in the Region. The ASIR are to be equipped with better weapons. Raids are being staged in an effort to uncover hidden stores of arms and munitions. It was also announced that an informant had

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Public Health - The Regional Public Health Officer announced that P.O.'s. will be informed of the final distribution of drugs..... A 100 per- cent increase in typhoid fever was reported. This was referred to the R.P.H.O. for investigation and report.

Telecommunications - The Regional Telecommunications Officer announced that authority for telegraph and telephone communications for all of Italy, including the Venezia-Gliata area, has now been granted. A limited international service has also been established.... Regarding the poor quality of the service between Turin and Rome, it was stated that boosters are being installed where possible.

Public Safety - The Regional Public Safety Officer announced that the various units of the RS are about to begin operations in the Region. The RS are to be equipped with better weapons.... Raids are staged in an effort to uncover hidden stores of arms and however possible, P.O.'s. are informed of an imminent raid. However, "unsub" raids must be made on very short notice, the Provincial Commissioner concerned will be notified after.

Industry in the Region is being hampered by lack of coal. The present coal allotment represents only about 25 is needed to reactivate industry.

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Finance - The Regional Finance Officer expressed the opinion that all will eventually be blessed by the Italian Government for the inflationary state in which the country will find itself. In this regard all were asked to keep a close watch over expenditures made by civilian officials, especially unauthorized increases in salaries, bonuses, presents, etc. All such expenditures must receive the approval of A.C. All P.O's. and Heads of Divisions were asked to give special attention to the extent of clearing up outstanding bills before the closing of the Region.

Agriculture - The Regional Agriculture Officer stated that a new agricultural decree is about to be issued stating that farmers must slaughter 75 percent of their bovine stock, unless they have three animals or less. This decree will seriously affect the building up of herds, but since it must be followed, every effort must be made to see that the meat which will be available finds its way to the legitimate market.... Citing facts and figures, the P.O. explored the results of the raising program in the Region to date. Some interest on the part of all officers and closer supervision of the work in each province was urged. More police control is to be desired, with special attention given to the larger producers.

Public Works - The Regional Public Works Officer stated that directly is being experienced in the matter of public works contracts. Contracts for various projects have been let, but the contractors now find that materials cannot be bought for the prices which prevailed when the contract was made. In the absence of any control over prices, work is proceeding, with supplementary contracts being drawn up in cases where material cost is higher than had been anticipated.

Food - The Regional Food Officer announced that too much attention cannot be given the remaining problem, since there is no provision made for organized transportation of flour to the West Region. Prior to the occupation of the Region, A.C. flour, based on the fact that the Region had always been self-sufficient, made no provision for importing grain after 1 Aug.

Transportation - The Regional Transportation Officer announced that Sig. Sofia has been appointed Regional Transport Officer when all leaves the Region. Sig. Orsenti, or any organization which he represents, will not be recognized.... P.O's. were asked to keep a roster of all their civilian cars, with thought given to the order in which they are willing to sacrifice the vehicles for de-mobilizing purposes.

3. Comments by the Regional Commissioner

Regional Activities

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Agriculture - The Regional Agriculture Officer stated that a new slaughterhouse device is about to be issued stating that farmers must slaughter 15 percent of their bottom stock, unless they have three cows or less. This device will seriously affect the building up of herds, but since it must be followed, every effort should be made to see that the meat which will be available this way is the highest marketable. Citing facts and figures, the R.A.O. deplored the manner of the slaughtering program in the Region to date. More interest on the part of all officers and closer supervision of the work in each province was urged. More police control is to be desired, with special attention given to the larger producers.

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Food - The Regional Food Officer announced that too much attention cannot be given the rationing program, since there is no provision made for organized importation of flour to the Region. Due to the occupation of the Region, A.O. prices, based on the fact that the Region had always been self-sufficient, made no provision for importing grain after 1 Aug.

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2. Comments by the Regional Commissioner

Weekly Meetings - The Regional Commissioner announced that meetings between heads of Divisions and Provincial Commissioners would be weekly affairs in the future. The purpose is not to obtain verbal reports of the people's activities, but to bring all P.O's. and Heads together to coordinate activities and make on-the-spot decisions on matters which might otherwise require lengthy correspondence.

Transportation - Anyone having civilian vehicles on loan or on any other unofficial arrangement, should be asked to return such vehicles at once. The R.O. requested that the "Safe Driving Campaign" be brought to the attention of all drivers in the Region.

Civilian Officials - It is the wish of the Regional Commissioner that this office be supplied with a list of all civilian officials in the provinces who have been properly appointed by Prefectural Decree. In the case of Prefects, Vice-prefects, Provosts and Judges, the names of the incumbents are desired. In the case of other officials, Donatarios provinciales, Simos comitales, heads of UPIC, UPIC, the Comandante, etc., all that is required is a statement that the post is filled by recognized officials.

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Food Program - All possible attention and aid on the part of the Provincial Commissioners was urged in facilitating the collection of food for use during the coming winter. P.O's. can help most in the matter of providing as much transport as possible for this purpose.

FIN - The Regional Commissioner asked to be advised of any instances of interference by any person or body in matters of administration or policy. Reference was made especially to the Committee of National Liberation, whose powers have long since ceased in any region governed by AAF, but who continue to be a source of annoyance in some instances. Strong action must be taken to limit this organization that its capacity in Pichante Region is strictly of an advisory nature, and only when advice is sought.

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Time of next meeting - The next Regional Meeting will convene at 0930 hours, Tuesday 4 Sept, in Room 324 at Regional Headquarters.

4. Action to be taken

Regional Commissioner - To investigate status of the Russian mission which has been appearing in the provinces.

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Legal - Public Safety - To prepare a list of prisoners at present awaiting confirmation of death sentences, stating what action has been taken in each case.

Welfare - The Regional Welfare Officer to submit plans and recommendations for a winter welfare program.

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Colonel - a. Regional Commerce Officer to consult with Regional Commissioner re food collecting program.
b. R.C.O. to acquaint himself with the results of the meeting of Industrial needs at Milan.

All P.C.'s. - a. To pass on immediately to this HQ any information of hidden caches of arms or ammunition.
b. To see that all outstanding bills are paid as soon as possible.
c. To stir up USMA officials and provincial police agents with a view to improving the standard of what.
d. To investigate their Civilian offices in an effort to have public works projects submitted for approval before the departure of ASF.
e. To submit monthly reports to this HQ by 1 Sept.

By order of Colonel MICHAEL:

JUDY N. LUCAS
Major, AUS
Exec St O (1)

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All Heads of Divisions
All Staff Sections
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Executive Commissioner, HQ AC
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Economic Section, HQ AC (3)
Public Relations Branch, HQ AC (3)
File

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Major, AUS
Exec St O (1)

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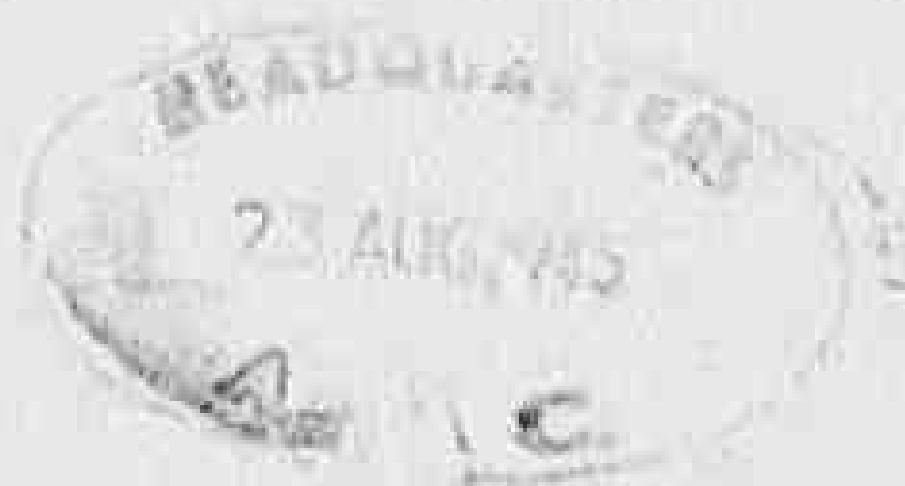
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AUGUST 22/1745B
ROUTINE

AICOM PIEMONTE REGION SIGNED MARSHALL
AICOM FOR AM EXC

AUG 24 1945

UNCLASSIFIED.

1. Colonel THOMAS will assume duties of Regional Commissioner PIEMONTE as of 1800 hours 22 August 1945.



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ACTION : EX COMMISSIONER (29)

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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ACTION

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PA 23/6.

Tel. Ext. 573

MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : G-3/50/0

7 August 1945

SUBJECT : Regional Personnel

PIEMONTE Region

TO : Executive Commissioner (2)

AUG 9 1945

Reference Minutes of Executive Commissioner's Meeting held on 7 Aug 45, and issued under 210/EC of 8 Aug 45, sub para 1 (a).

1. The following is the present position with regard to officers assigned to PIEMONTE Region:-

(a) Ceiling	150
(b) Assigned	138
(c) Deficiency	16

2. The deficiency of 16 officers as above is made up as follows :-

(a) HQ Staff + 2 on ceiling	
(b) Prov Officers 3 deficient (incl. 1 Patriots officer)	
(c) Communications 1	"
(d) Legal 4	"
(e) Public Health 2	"
(f) Public Safety +3 on ceiling	
(g) Agriculture +1	" "
(h) Commerce 2 deficient	
(i) Finance 2	"
(j) Food 3	"
(k) Industry 1	"
(l) Public Works 4	"

3. Only two Piemonte officers are on TD elsewhere.

J. L. Jones

J. L. JONES,
Colonel,
Executive Officer (B)

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(3/22/45)

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Date: 29/5/2022.

6. August 1915.

MENTES OF ALGUTV, CHRISTOPHER'S MENTIS - 7 AUGUST.

1. Duration of last ventricle.

- (a) - 1. National Personnel. VP CA Sec said that RC Piemonte Region had complained that he was 25% under strength in personnel. Ex C directed Est Sec to study the matter and report.
- (b) - 5. Transport in Milan. Est Sec confirmed that Venezia Giulia were getting top priority for transport. Ex C directed team to look into the question of drivers. Ex C wanted to see the plan of disposal of ex-Giulia transport, which he had asked Est Sec for at the last meeting.
- (c) - 6. Office Hours. Ex C announced that it had been decided to have a day and a half off per week instead of one day. Est Sec to work out a plan and submit it to Ex C.
2. Handback in the North. Est Sec had not yet received the proposals from RCs (except Liguria and Emilia) on the retention of liaison officers in the North, and Ex C instructed those to press for them. Ex C would go through with Est Sec the ideas they had at the moment and hold a meeting with VPs on Friday, 10 August, to get out a directive for RCs. Subject to CC's approval he would call a meeting of RCs on Monday, 13 August, to discuss the whole problem of the handback of territory.
3. Visit to the North by VP CA Sec. VP CA Sec reported that the general feeling was that if AM did not continue for another six months the turnover should take place as soon as possible. On the surface there was a great improvement in law and order, although some observers considered this was a lull before the storm.
4. French Liaison Officers. VP CA Sec asked the position. Ex C stated that we had recommended to AM that there should be no French military liaison representation below District level.
5. French incidents in the North. Pelat (B) asked if more detailed reports could be given by RC Piemonte Region regarding the alleged incidents following the departure of French troops, so that we could give more information to the French Embassy. Ex C agreed and directed that a letter be sent to the RC.

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Chief State Officer,
to the Executive Commission.

DISTRICT:

C-5, 5PMQ
 Executive Commissioner
 Deputy Executive Commissioner
 Regional Commissioners
 Point (A)
 Point (B)
 CA Sec
 Econ Sec
 Nat Sec
 Chief Financial Advisor
 PRC
 Liaison Division
 Land Forces S/C (MGA)
 Communications S/C
 HQ & ITC S/C
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 Spaces for QSO to Dr C 2

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JUNE 21/0830R
ROUTINE

AME FIFTH ARMY CITE: OUR 246

ACTION: IV CORPS, EMILIA LIGURIA, LOMBARDIA, PIEMONTE, VENEZIA AMG INFO ALCOM

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Hitherto the Military Government officer commanding a region within
FIFTH ARMY Area has been known as Deputy Senior Civil Affairs Officer.
Hereafter these officers will be referred to as Regional Commissioners.

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INFO-ACTION : EX COMMR (2)
INFO : CHIEF COMMR
CA SEC
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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Deputy Regional Commissioner.

DO/JCS/13

20th June, 1945.

JUN 28 1945

Dear Brigadier,

Thank you for your letter of 12th June about flags.

Actually Micklewright did send off a telegram, his P.62, and received an Alcom telegram No. 9295 dated 7th June in reply.

The desired quantities of flags have now been received and distributed to all concerned.

Thank you very much for your help in the matter.

*Yours sincerely,
Geoffrey Selby.*

Brigadier M. S. Lush, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission.
C.M.F.

(CSO)

*CSO informed
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HEADQUARTERS IV CORPS
APO 304 U. S. Army

GENERAL ORDERS:
NUMBER 43:

22 June 1945

JUN 27 1945

Rescissions - - - - -
Announcement of Duties - - - - -
Downgrading of General Orders - - - - -

I - RESCISSIONS.

The following General Orders, this headquarters, are rescinded:

Paragraph	General Orders No.	Subject	Date
2	24	Announcement of Duty	8 May 1945
-	26	Announcement of Duty	11 May 1945
-	28	Announcement of Duty	13 May 1945

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OFFICIAL:

G. H. McArthur

G. H. MCARTHUR
Colonel, AGF
Adjutant General

L. K. LADUE
Colonel, GSC
Chief of Staff

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Ref: SYL/uc
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12th June 1945.

At the meeting of Provincial Commissioners held in your Regional Commissioner's office on 6th June I asked Captain Micklewright to send a telegram in my name ordering US and British flags to be sent. No signal has been received here. I understand some flags have been sent but you should now signal your requirements of which I did not take note.

M G LUSH

Colonel J. C. Salby,
Headquarters,
Allied Military Government,
PISMONTE REGION.

MSL/30.

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CSO

I sent a signal from Turin about flags.
What action has been taken.

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CSO

Ref 6 I cannot trace signal referred to
but independent action has been taken &
union jacks were sent by G-4 (B) to
Piemonte Region last week.

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Executive Commissioner.

See minute 7 in answer to your query at 6.

I have not seen the Turin signal.

11 June 45.

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C.S.O.

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Letter to Piemonte to issue MS/11/6

NOTE: Above Minutes Extracted
From File 151/EL.

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TO : Executive Commission

18 June 1945.

1. Situation in Piemonte

a. Lt.Col. CURRY CARTER is being appointed P.C. Vercelli by Executive Order No. 46.

b. Deficiencies agreed at this HQ are :-

- 5 C.A.Os
- 1 Industry
- 2 Commerce

*When will
start.*

of which all the CAOs are already assigned and some have reported. The Sub-Commissions concerned will give names of Specialist Officers when Toscana is handed back. *Toscana has been handed back*

Who are they

c. Reference officers on T/Duty (para 3 of Signal at Folio 80 A) these are located as follows:-

- 1 Agriculture officer in Emilia
- 3 Public Safety Officers
- 1 Transportation
- 1 Food
- 2 Emilia
- 1 5 Army
- 5 Army
- U.K.

What efforts are being made to extract them

2. Records at this H.Q. show a surplus of 38 EM/ORs.

3. Regional Commissioner Piemonte has been kept informed by telephone and Signals of all action taken.

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Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt.Colonel,
G-1(B)

19.20.9.21

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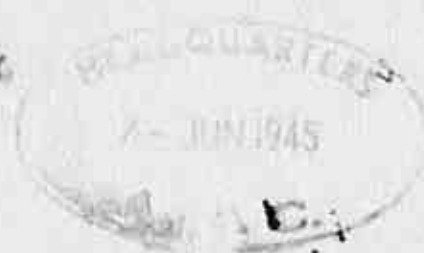
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GENERAL DUTY.	5	10	15	4	30	34	19	-
COOKS.	5	1	6	5	3	8	2	-
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FROM HQ PIEMONTE REGION SIGNED MARSHALL
TO: ALCON ROME INFO AND IV CORPS



JUN 4 1945

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1. On basis approved table organization following actual body deficiencies in officers EMS/ORS exist as at 31 May namely one provincial commissioner for VERCELLI 7 provincial officers one Public Health Sanitary 2 Industry, 2 Commerce, 1 Labour, 1 Food, none Transportation, EMS/ORS 51.

2. The foregoing table is based on actual strength for duty in Region and does not include officers or EMS/ORS assigned or earmarked but not yet reported nor officers and EMS attached to PIEMONTE for T.D. from IV CORPS units. It is anticipated the latter will be relieved at early date.

3. In addition to the foregoing deficiencies the following are on T.D. elsewhere and not with Region namely 1 Agriculture officer 3 Public Safety, 1 Transportation, 1 Food, none provincial officers and 15 ORS.

4. In view of unusual situation in CUNEO TORINO and AOSTA provinces it is requested that this region be brought to full TO strength in officers and EMS/ORS immediately.

5. Request matter be treated as urgent.

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Action - Ext Sec
Info - Chief Commissioner
Exec Commissioner
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(Lt Col T.M.G.)

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II COMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: P 2
Time/Date of Origin: MAY 13 1030B

Message Centre No: E/644
Date/Time Recd: MAY 14 0830
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: HQ PIEMONTE REGION AMI
TO: HQ ALCOM ROME CITE ACEXP

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CONFIDENTIAL.

1. PIEMONTE Regional Hq established TURIN. Provincial Hq's in all provincial capitals.
2. Until direct mail service available all mail should be routed through 4 CORPS.
3. Direct W/T signal communication will be established shortly and notified.
4. All communications to higher echelons clear through 4 CORPS by order of that Hq.

ACTION

AC DIST

ACTION - EX COMM 2
INFO - A/PRESIDENT
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
CA SEC
ECON SEC
EST SEC
HQ SIGS O.
INFO DIV
HQ COMDT (M.T.O.)
ADJT. (M.C.)
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Note: Message Center
HQ Sig O on 13 May.

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(THAT KNOWLEDGE)
(HAT STEARNS)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

(4)

Originator's Reference: 449

Date/Time of Origin: APR 27 1831B

Message Centre No: 7/9014

Date/Time Recd: APR 28 1008

Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: IV CORPS

TO: HQ ALCOM

APR 29 RECD

ACTION

CONFIDENTIAL

Authorized to move forward by IV CORPS to CORPS Area are
PIEMONTE and LOMBARDIA Regions. Advance parties should proceed.
WALKER will instruct direct to Regions. I remain at IV CORPS.

Dist

Action - Exec Comm 2 A. C.
Info - A/President
Chief Commissioner
Ext Sec
File 2
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See 5 and 6
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28 APRIL 45

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~~SECRET~~ PD

ISSUING IS PARAPHRASE OF THIS HEADQUARTERS SIGNAL SIX TWO EIGHT FIVE DATED TWO SEVEN APRIL AS AMENDED BY SIX FOUR ONE FIVE OF TODAY ADDRESSED TO YOU AND POLETTI PD

PAREN TO FIVE NINE AREA FOR THE FIDELITY REGION FOR MARSHALL FROM HQ ALONG CITE ACXO PAREN

PARA ONE PD PERMISSION HAS BEEN GIVEN BY ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP FOR YOU AND YOUR STAFF OF CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICERS TO ACCOMPANY THE ARMY CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICERS INTO THE LIBERATED TERRITORY OF YOUR REGION PD YOU WILL FUNCTION UNDER THE DIRECTION OF SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER ARMY PD

PARA TWO PD BEFORE PROCEEDING VISIT GENERAL SALTMAN AT ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP.

Int Dist
G-1 (B)

EXECUTIVE COMMANDER

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