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Tel : 478201

5 June 1945

SUBJECT : Administration.

TO : Commissioner HQ, AME, ANCONA Commune.

Reference your AMO/A/224 of 30 May 45, no instructions are issued to officers in AME territory other than those contained in the book entitled "Instructions for the Guidance of Officers of the Commission". You should already be familiar with this book.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG
ANCONA PROVINCE
BRIZZI-MARCHE REGION
CMF

Ex Comm (2)

Subject: Administration
To: HQ AC
From: AMG Ancona

Ref: ANCIA/22/4
Date: 30 May 45

Ref. visit of Lt. Col. Elwes to your HQ. It is understood that instruction outlining the duties and functions of this HQ in accordance with your letter VOOB/EC of 24 March would be forwarded to this HQ immediately. This letter has not been received to date and it is requested that it's despatch may be expedited.

O. J. Maunder

O. J. Maunder, Major R.A.
Acting Commissioner,
Ancona.

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(to Com Ancona)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner
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Ref: 7000/EC. 24 March 1945.

Subject: Functions of Liaison Officers in
Italian Government Territory.

To: VP Economic Section (15)
VP Civil Affairs Section (10)
VP Establishments Section (3)
Navy Sub Commission
Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA)
Air Forces Sub Commission
War Materials Disposal & Italian PW Sub Commission
IRO
Lt.Col. E.P. MORTON, LO Palermo (5)
Maj. H. BENTLEY, LO Catania (5)
Col. J.C. PLATTIGAN, Local Commissioner, Naples Command (5)
Lt.Col. L. DAVSON, LO Bari (5)

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2. Liaison officers will, by study of previous Regional monthly reports and other records, inform themselves of the present position of various Commission functions now being handed over to Italian agencies. They will specially watch those cases where previous difficulties have been encountered.
3. Liaison officers will keep close touch with the senior military formation, American and British in their areas. They will endeavour at all times to assist military formations in their relations with Italian Government departments and agencies. They must, however, remember that they are liaison officers and not executive officers and will not be able to carry out many of the Commission's duties.

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Land Forces Sub Commission (ASLA)

Air Forces Sub Commission

War Materials Disposal & Italian PW Sub Commission
PNO

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Points which may require special attention are:

- a. Law cases affecting Allied personnel or property.
- b. Epidemics endangering Allied personnel.
- c. Requisitioning and deacquisitioning.
- d. Relations between Allied and Italian police forces.

4. Liaison officers will, in the absence of specialist AC officers, assist the Allied Forces Local Resources Board, or Allied Procuring Agencies, as may be necessary, in their relations with the Italian authorities.

5. Liaison officers will be stationed at centres of importance to Allied interests. They will assist, as necessary, relations between the Allied Services and the local Italian officials.

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In addition they will have a general duty as defined in para. 1 over wide areas as under:

SARDINIA: L.O. (MGA senior L.O.)

SICILY: L.O. Palermo - Provinces of Palermo, Trapani, Agrigento, Caltanissetta.

L.O. Catania - Provinces of Catania, Messina, Enna, Ragusa, Siracusa.

SOUTHERN ITALY: L.O. Naples (M.L.C. Commissioner, Naples) - Provinces of Naples, Salerno, Benevento, Avellino, Campobasso, Caserta, Catanzaro, Reggio.

L.O. Bari - Provinces of Foggia, Bari, Brindisi, Lecce, Taranto, Matera, Potenza.

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11-5-44

NORMAN E. PISKES,
Colonel,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

Copies to: Political Adviser (Br.)
Political Adviser (A)
G-5 AFHQ (3)
RG Sicilian Region

Catanzaro, Reggio.

L.O. Bari

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RC Lazio-Umbria Region
RC Umbria-Marche Region
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