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INFORMATION, VENEZIE GIULIA
MAR. - AUG. 1946

Office Note.

496

July 29th 1946

I spoke to Colonel Hamblen G-5 to-day on the telephone.

He said he was not certain whether the telegram at 493 was supposed to be the reasonably comprehensive paper called for. He stated that he intended to wait a week or so and then needle AMG XIII Corps for a fuller report. I said I presumed that 493 was their report as they made no mention of a further communication. I further stated that if any needling was to be done it would be better done now, and Colonel Hamblen agreed that we should do this.

MC

M. CARR, Brigadier.
I/C Executive Commissioner.

498

To: Executive Commissioner.

August 1st 1946

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McLan Bryader
M. CARR, Brigadier.
VP. CA. Section.

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Chief Commissioner

I found that G 5 were preparing a good memorandum in the Col Hamblen does not want to needle AT76 XIII Corps. Do you wish to add anything?

MS 12/8

AUG 2 1946

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490.

Ex Comm.

Letter opposite (1 485) re-submitted
for signature in accordance with your
amendments. This is in answer to
1 457 and 1's 474 & 475 refer. JH. 2217

491.

Encl. (485)

Submitted for your signature

Approved

This is answer to P.M. letter at 457 and
is based on AM 9 v.g. report which is at 474

McLean Bury

Ref/Ex Comm.

24/7/46.

0907
JUL 24 1946

494.

Ex Comm.

See 1's 492/3 in reply to our request
at 1 489. Who do you consider study

Chief Commissioner.

Endorsed (885)

Signature to be submitted for your information

491.

This is answer to P.M. letter at 457 and
is based on A.M.G. v.G. report which is at 474

M. Van Buren

24/7/46.

0907
JUL 24 1946

Ex Comm.

494.

See 4's 492/3 in reply to our request
at 4 489. Who do you consider should
now compile comprehensive paper required
by AFHQ?

29/7

495.

Discussed with C.C. Gen Hamilton to be 'placed
as to whether 493 is to be considered as reasonably
comprehensive paper.

In any case C.C. has so far no report to make
which will be in general the same as he
expected in the 5th 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

M. Van Buren 29/7

CSO Ex Comm.
 469 2 enclosures
 Please see folio 5 for info. so you
 wish copies to go to the Embassy
 please. Adm 4/6 H.S. 22/6

Tes - Adm 24/6

Esc Comm. 481

Ref CC's min on folio 479. Letter at
 480 for signature please. This is addressed
 to both de Gaperis & not to the p.m. as letter is
 from min of F.A. not from Paris office. Adm 4/6
 Copy to ATIC. V.G. Adm 13/7

1 Adm Hand-Smith 484.

Ref 483.
 This may be inferred the E.C. I think, as
 a British correspondent on
 comment of Grulca.
 Venezuela
 ADG

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480 for signature please. This is addressed
to both de fayeri & not to the p.m. as letter is
from min of 7.07. not from P.M. office. *Ref 479*

Copy to ATG. V.C. 18/10/79

11/11/79 H.M. Smith 484.

*Ref 483. This might interest the E.C. I think, as
a British correspondent on
comment of Venezuela. Guala. /*

11/11/79

17.7.76. 486

Ex Comm. 11/11/79
1) *Ref folio 479 and reply at 475 -*
Letter at 485 for signature, please
2) *See p 483 for info. in 484 refn.*
Aut 19/7
18.8.1977

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To Cso

Ref mem 445 + 6. Letter re-submitted
for signature. Sir Noel Charles is a
Colonel *AB 24/5*

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Cso:

Letter opposite for signature. Folios 438
and 436 refer also p's 447 + 448.
558 116

A/C.C. 437

437
 Folio 433 for signature, please. ~~437~~
 This is in answer to 437
 no 3-436 refer. H.S. 514

As enclosed 437/514

CSO 437
 See previous reply p. 302, vol. III.
 As I see it, we may either:
 1) ~~inform~~ Write or write ~~Attg~~ ^{Seco} ~~the~~ ^{III} ~~Com~~ as to the
 necessity for taking over premises and adequacy
 of alternative accommodations.
 2) Write ministry that we can do nothing,
 and matter is closed

may I have your suggestions. 25/4.

Cost per f.

447

C.S.O. Letter at. Folios 442 + 43 for Signature
 please. Folio 366 refer. Ref. the last para
 in article 7 of Release Agreement: 1-43

see previous reply of 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000

As I see it, we may either
 1) Write on wire ~~with~~ ^{to} the
 necessity for taking over premises and adequacy
 of alternative accommodations.

2) Write ministry that we can do nothing,
 and matter is closed

may I have your suggestions

25/4

Cost ref.

444

C.S.O. Little at. Folios 442 + 4 for Signaline
 please. Folio 366 referi. If the last para
 re article 7 of Belgrade Agreement: I have
 checked this. It is contained in folio

124 of vol 2 of 522/EC and confirmed at
 folio 100 of same file. No action was taken
 by miss S. as she apparently mistook
 miss 403 + 403A (dis vol) and thought
 that they referred to folio 379. whereas they
 refer to 380. 445

will sign amended
 letter 25/4 (23/4)

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~~426~~ 419

CSO ⁴¹⁸ letter at 425 for signature please. I have
upgraded the security classification
as I consider that this subject is a higher
military formation demands a greater
classification than 'Confidential'. Auth 22/3
do you agree, please.

~~422~~ 424

CSO Ex Comm.

letter at 425 for signature by in comm please Auth 24/4
H.S. 3/4

CSO A/L.L.

~~424~~ 427

⁴²⁶ Auth 26/4 Auth 26/4 Auth 26/4 have noted the
last para. Auth 26/4 H.S. 5/4

PA

~~424~~ 428

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Auth 26/4 Auth 26/4 Auth 26/4
Mr. Auth 26/4 Auth 26/4

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A 415

(SO. to

Ex. Com.

412.

I think the letter at p. 8 is very stupid on the part of the Italians — they know perfectly well that the issue is in dispute, but they feel they must protest for the record.

My inclination is to either to leave the letter unanswered or to reply thanking — taking note of the views expressed without undertaking to do anything about it.

A 416

[Signature]
28/4/46

Agree with Polak (B). Copies of Italian note (pages ⁴² 8) were sent to Embassies who informed their Govts and Italians are undoubtedly aware of this action.

J. M. Jones
Polak (A) Apr 2/46

405
404 for info. 21/3

406
404 for info - shall we send it up to
SCAD? It is rather nasty. 21/3
407
408 for info. 21/3
True 22/3.

412
413
At 4 is rather a poor. The Commission of Experts
want to advise on the 25th or 30th, to investigate
the borders - the Val Karale, both of (Tunich
which the route to Austria runs), both of which
areas are claimed by TLE, but naturally
the Valians think there is no claim, as
the latter point out. It is admitted that the
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400 to info. 4/3 20/3
True
22/3

4/2 4/13
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presume that it is under AMB solely for
military necessity; if not, then the Commission
should go. I don't know whether the draft
helps at all or not. 4/3 20/3

29.5. 4/3 20/3
4/3 20/3

You can write a draft at 9a in
answer to 4/2 would be appreciated.
See 4/3 above also refers. 4/3 20/3

403.

Read B.

the for prepared to deal with letter from P.O. at
335? After Venezuela Giulia have naturally
returned. 29/5.

1st 8/4

CSO to Ex. Com.

206. 403A

Your minute 100. 403

been has been taken by the British
No action by the Commission.

Enhy.

2/10/16

Shapard
(R. H. H. H.)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: P 55978

Date/Time of Origin: AUG.011843B

Message Centre No: H/5281

Date Time Rec'd: AUG.021600B

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITY FHQEG

TO: ALCOM ROME

AUG 3 1944

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2. Further details not necessary unless you know of reports or information not already available to AFHQ.

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EX COMM 2
CHIEF COMMISSIONER

POLAD (A)
" (B)

C.A.S.
FILE
FLOAT 2

ACTION

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHCEG
TO: ALCOM ROME

AUG 8 PM

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EX COMME 2
CHIEF COMMISSIONER

POLAD (A)
" (E)

C.A.S.
FILE
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ACTION

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HEADQUARTERS

7 AUG 1946

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7. In deference to the pre-fascist concepts of punishment under Italian law, which the present Italian Government has re-affirmed, because I consider that military authorities governing under the law of occupation in a civilized state are but custodians of its fundamental legal institutions, and because I do not conceive it to be Allied policy towards Italy to override Italian basic concepts of justice with respect to a civil crime committed by Italians against Italians, regardless of how such a crime would be dealt with in Allied countries, the death sentences against are modified to sentences of imprisonment for life.

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*Concepts in law + fundamental legal institutions
Preserved in favor of justice*

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Folio 492-493

CABLE. 8/72

DATE. 26 July 46.

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HQ ALCON CITE AUMXC

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AMC HVAR XIII CORPS

AFHQ

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REFERENCE AMHQ SIGNAL FOX XRAY SIX NINE FOUR SEVEN NINE OF TWO ONE JULY INFORMATION
COPY TO YOU PD
REQUEST THAT YOU COMPILE REPORT REQUIRED AND SUBMIT THIS HEADQUARTERS EARLIEST PD

COPY TO: READ 'A'
READ 'B'
E.A. Sec.

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PRIORITY

Office of the Executive Commissioner

NICHOLAS
CWO
Asst

[Handwritten signature]
25/1/46
USA
Asst

See 7-492

[Handwritten initials]
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION N

Originator's Reference: *EX 53575*

Date Time of Origin: *JUL 22 1946*

Message Center No: *11/45852*

Date Time Recd: *JUL 22 1946*

Precedence: *ROUTED*

FROM: *ARMY STAFFED SACKED CITY FIVE*

TO: *ALCOA LAFAYETTE AND LEAN WITH CORPS*

JUL 22 1946

RECEIVED

Assistant ~~to~~ us Sec. War has requested that he be informed as to whether it was necessary for ditches to change type government introduced in Venezuela *Blulla* by Venezuela during their interim control. Desire that any private military paper, sent to to you for editing and augmentation if desirable, and that you submit paper to us. Paper should be reasonably comprehensive.

ACTION

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JUL 22 1946

JUL 23 1946

TO : ALLCOY INFO: 403-4446 2:11 PM '46

TO :

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RECEIVED.

Assistant is too far has requested that he be informed as to reason
it was necessary for Alites to change type government introduced in
Venetia Italia by Yugoslavs during their interim control.
Desire that US provide original paper, send it to you for editing
and presentation of articles, and that you submit paper to US.
Paper should be reasonably comprehensive.

ACTION

at 11:01

EX COM

UNITED STATES DEPT. OF JUSTICE

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U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

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U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

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EXC 4871
487.

18 July 1946.

JUL 22

The following is a translation of a telegram
received which you may care to pass on to your delegation in Paris:

"VETERANS ITALIAN PARTISANS DIVISION 'GARIBALDI' IN
THE NAME OF THEIR COMRADES WHO HAVE FALLEN ON BALCAN
SOIL FOR THE LIBERTY OF ITALY AND YUGOSLAVIA STRENGTHENED
BY THE SACRIFICE OFFERED WITHOUT ASKING ANYTHING PROTEST
VIGOROUSLY AGAINST PLANNED MUTILATION OF THEIR COUNTRY."

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLEERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Sir Noel Charles, St., KCMG,
British Ambassador,
84 Via XX Settembre,
Rome.

Mr. David McK. Key,
Charge d'Affaires, a.i.,
American Embassy,
Rome.

9/28/47

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Ref. 4 SPA/22/73

24 May 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

With reference to your letter No. 2456 dated 6 June 1946 and my acknowledgment of 15 June 1946 on the subject of Railway Workers or Refugees from Zone II of Venezia Giulia.

I have been advised by the Senior Civil Affairs Officer of AG, Venezia Giulia that no officer of AG has intervened with the liberty of the refugees in question and that no regulation order has been issued.

Some time ago, several railway workers and their families decided to leave Zone B. They arrived in Trieste together with most of their household luggage and 63 families comprising 371 persons were housed through the efforts of the local Military Railway Operating Group in a school in Via Sappada Nuova and others in the "Golden Lion" hotel in Gorizia. Some of these railway workers have already been found railway employment in other parts of Italy and have transferred there, while others are awaiting similar employment. They are not in want as they receive their salaries from the Railway.

As other railway workers from Zone B are also expected to arrive it will be appreciated that the transfer of these railway workers from Zone A will greatly ease the situation.

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM A. SMITH
Deputy Chief, USA
Chief Coordinator

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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Ref. 571/480/E

16 July 1946

My dear Mr. Minister:

Thank you for your letter no. 22123/45 dated 5 July 1946 enclosing a copy of your letter no. 15/21445/194 addressed to the United States and British Ambassadors.

It is of great interest and I trust that the two Governments will take action.

Yours very truly,

Walter W. Stone

WALTER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
Rome.

Copy to AMG Venezia Giulia

See no 4872

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F.C. De Stefanis
Ministero degli Affari Esteri
1022123/45

Rome, July 5th, 1946.

Dear Admiral Stone,

In the belief that it may interest you, I am enclosing herewith copy of a letter which I have addressed today to the Embassies of the United States and of Great Britain concerning other outrages committed by the Yugoslav Authorities against the Italians of the Venezia Giulia B zone.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

Very sincerely yours,

sgd. DE GASPERI

Admiral W. STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission

ROME

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JUL 13 1948

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Chief Commissioner

Allied Commission - ROME -

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(copy)

Ministero degli Affari Esteri
n. 15/21645/198

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ROM TRANSLATION

Rome, July 2nd. 1946.

Dear Ambassador,

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Ministro degli Affari Esteri

Roma, 11

- 5 LUG. 1948 -

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Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE

Capo della Commissione Alleata

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Caro Ambasciatore,

Il Presidente del Gruppo Esercizi Istriani di Trieste mi ha segnalato che le autorità jugoslave della zona B della Venezia Giulia avrebbero dato l'ordine di mettere all'asta i beni mobili dei profughi della zona stessa.

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De Gennaro

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Sir Noel CHARLES, Bt. K.C.M.G.
Ambasciatore di Gran Bretagna

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, 13 CORPS

Office of the Senior Civil Affairs Officer

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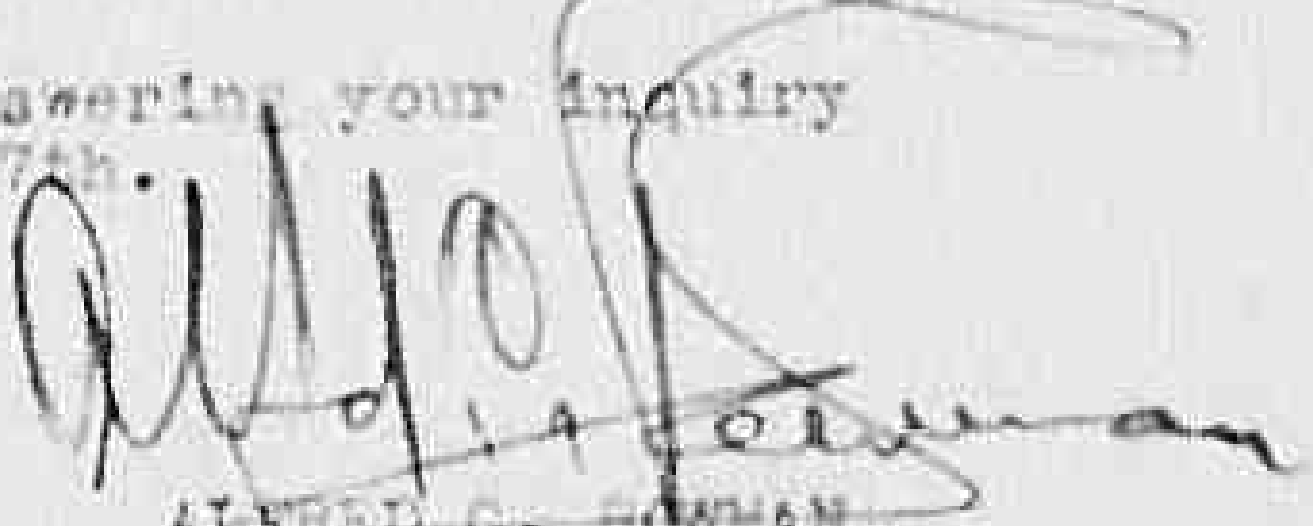
SUBJECT: Alleged Expulsion of Refugees from Occupied Territory.

TO : Executive Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 794, US Army.

1. Reference is to your letter of 12 June enclosing a letter from the President of the Council of Ministers dated 6 June, on the subject of the alleged expulsion of refugees (railroad workers) from the occupied territory.

2. I enclose a copy of a letter addressed to me by my Displaced Persons Officer which I think is fully explanatory of this subject, and indicates that once again Mr. De Gasperi's source of information was untrustworthy.

3. I regret the delay in answering your inquiry necessitating your signal of the 27th.


ALFRED G. BOWMAN,
Colonel, JAGD,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

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Replaced Persons Division.

Headquarters
Allied Military Government
15 Corps.

27.6.1946

Telephone No. 29794 ext. 36

Reference No. 136/AMG/AM/24

Subject Railway workers from zone "B"

To A.G.M.G.

The attached letters from the Executive Commissioner A.G.M.G. and A.G. Prime Minister of Italy refer.

It is with regret I have to report that Signor de Gasperi has been recipient of misleading information. No refugee is forced to leave zone "A" of Venezia Giulia against his will and no officer of A.G.M.G. has interfered with the liberty of these refugees nor would it be proper to countenance such a proposal.

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As other railway workers from zone "B" are also expected to arrive it will be appreciated that the transfer of these railway workers would greatly ease the situation here and for that reason the Italian Government might not be ill-advised if A.G.M.G. requested this to be done, but even so no person in this category has been ordered or forced to leave this zone.

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Signed, John Sellett,
Major.

Copy to: U.S. Railway Operating Group

Atty. Gen. J.A. Massey M.C., M.P.

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I am enclosing herewith a translation of a telegram received today which you may care to pass on to your delegation in Paris.

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EMERY V. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Sir Noel Charles, St., KCMB,
British Ambassador,
84 Via Venezia Sottosere,
Rome.

Mr. David M. Key,
Charge d'Affaires,
American Embassy,
Rome.

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TRANSLATION

Telegram by hand

2 July 1946.

TO : Admiral STONE, Rome.

THE "CONFEDERAZIONE INDUSTRIALI", IN THE NAME OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE TRIESTE BRANCH, CALLS TO YOUR ATTENTION THE SERIOUS ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES RESULTING FROM ACCEPTANCE FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR FREE STATE OF TRIESTE AND FRENCH LINE FOR ITALIAN-YUGOSLAV BORDER. OUT IN TWO, THE INDUSTRIALISTS WOULD BE SENTENCED TO A QUICK END: LIMITATION OF THE FREE STATE TERRITORY WITHIN NARROW FRONTIERS WOULD CHOKER EVERY PRODUCTIVE INITIATIVE: CESSION TO YUGOSLAVIA AND NON-INCLUSION IN THE FREE STATE OF ALL MINING COMPLEXES OF ARSA AND ISTRIA AND NUMEROUS ALIMENTARY INDUSTRIES OF THE ISTRIAN COAST AS WELL AS CEMENT FACTORIES IN THE POJA ZONE WOULD CAUSE SERIOUS IRREPARABLE LOSS TO OUR PRODUCTIVE APPARATUS.

THE PRESIDENT
Dr. Angelo Zato

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. 591/8/C

26 June 1946

SUBJECT: Province of Udine - Eastern Boundary.

TO : U.S. Embassy
Rome.

The attached copy of an "order of the day" passed at a meeting of the Provincial Committee for the Eastern Boundary of the Province of Udine under the chairmanship of ex - Fort Dandolo is forwarded to you for information.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

A. W. Kasey.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encls. as above.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. 591/7/82

24 June 1946

SUBJECT: Province of Udine-Eastern Boundary.

TO : British Embassy
Rome.

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FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

A. W. Knisely

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Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

Tel. No. 1516
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17 June 1946

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Subject : "Order of the Day" of the Provincial Committee
of Udine, for the Eastern Boundary.

To : H. Q. ALLIED COMMISSION

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The attached Order of the Day passed at a meeting of the Provincial Committee for the Eastern Boundary of the Province under the chairmanship of the ex Prefect Candolini, is forwarded for such action as may be considered necessary.

HNB/gt.

H. N. BRIGHT, Lt. Col.,
Provincial Commissioner.

Recd. (C).

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ORDINE DEL GIORNO DEL COMITATO PROVINCIALE DI UDINE
PER IL CONFINE ORIENTALE

Nella seduta dell'8 Giugno 1946, con intervento dei rappresentanti di Gorizia, il Comitato Provinciale di Udine per il problema del Confine orientale, ha appreso, con stupore e con sdegno, che le pretese della Jugoslavia e della Russia per il confine orientale d'Italia, ad appuntano ancora, non solo su tutta la Venezia Giulia, ma anche sulla parte della Provincia di Udine; e cio' nonostante ogni realta' geografica, etnica ed economica, quali furono rilevate anche dalla Commissione degli esperti alleati.

Protesta contro tali ingiuste pretese.

E, sensibile al problema nazionale piu' vasto, che si dibatte al confine orientale, invoca che sieno qui salvaguardati i diritti della Nazione e le ragioni di vita del popolo italiano.

L'assegnare totalmente o prevalentemente, l'Alto Isonzo alla Jugoslavia, secondo il tracciato della linea Russa, e anche secondo i piu' favorevoli tracciati delle linee alleate, se puo' ritenersi in apparenza fondato per dati etnici, costituirebbe pur sempre un assurdo politico, in quanto la regione dell'Alto Isonzo e' legata da vincoli naturali e inscindibili, geografici ed economici, a Gorizia Italiana e costituita per parte del naturale retroterra di Trieste.

La delimitazione invocata rappresenterebbe inoltre, per ragioni geografiche e di basso territoriale, una necessaria salvaguardia di liberta' e indipendenza del Friuli e dell'Italia.

Perciò' invoca dal Governo la piu' strenua difesa dei diritti nazionali al confine orientale. Il Governo non accettera' mai una pace che sacrifichi il diritto naturale dei popoli e le ragioni di vita dell'Italia e costituisca cosi' una deprecata ragione di attriti, fonte di futuri conflitti fra le due nazioni confinanti.

N. R.

Il Comitato e' costituito dalle maggiori rappresentanze pubbliche della Provincia (Provincia - Comune di Udine - Soc. Filologica - Soc. Dante Alighieri - Camera di Commercio etc.) e da altre personalita'; ed afferma' anche in occasione dell'esame della Commissione Alleata, la

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ORDER OF THE DAY OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE PROVINCE OF UDINE
FOR THE EASTERN BOUNDARY.

In the meeting held on the 8th June 1946 (present also the representatives of Gorizia), the Provincial Committee dealing with the problem of the Eastern Boundary was informed that the demands of Yugoslavia and Russia for the Eastern Boundary of Italy include not only Venezia Giulia but also a part of the Province of Udine; and as the allied experts of the Boundary found out there are no reasons whatsoever (Geographical, ethnical or economical) for such demands.

This Committee protests against such unjust claims.

Fully aware of the great national problem which has to be settled at the eastern boundary, the committee requests that the interests and rights of the Italian Nation and people be safeguarded.

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C O P Y (translation attached)

COMITATO PROVINCIALE DI UDINE
PER IL CONFINE ORIENTALE

Udine, 10 Giugno 1946

A S.E. Col. H.K. BRIGHT
Governatore della Provincia di Udine
U D I N E

Adempie al dovere di sottoporre, a nome del Comitato Provinciale per il confine orientale, copia dell'8ordine del giorno approvato nella seduta dell'8 corrente, con la presenza dei rappresentanti di Gorizia.

L'ordine del giorno venne rimesso al Ministero degli Esteri.

Il Comitato confida che, come per il passato, Ella vorrà accordare alle legittime aspirazioni del Friuli, tutto il suo autorevole interessamento.

Di ciò ringrazio vivamente.

P. IL COMITATO PROVINCIALE

P.to CANDOLINI

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PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE - UDINE
FOR THE EASTERN BOUNDARY.

H.E. Lt. Col. H.N. BRIGHT
Provincial Commissioner
A.M.G. Udine Province
U D I N E

Udine, 10 June 1946.

On behalf of the Committee of this Province for the Eastern Boundary (representatives from the Province of Gorizia also having been present at the meeting), I wish to forward to you the attached Order of the Day which was written and approved in the meeting of the 8th June 1946.

The attached "Order of the Day" has been also forwarded to the Ministry of Interior.

The Committee has faith that you will take an interest, as you have already and continuously done in past, in the legitimate desires of the inhabitants of the Friuli region.

I wish to thank you on behalf of the Committee.

for THE PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE
Sgd. CAMDOLINI

P.S. The Committee is formed of representatives of the Province (Province, Comune of Udine, S. Filologica, S. Bente Alighieri, Camera di Commercio, ecc.) and other persons of authority; it affirms the will of the Friuli people to maintain the liberty and independence of this territory.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

Ref. 102/458/IRB

24 June 1946

Press Release - Immediate.

The following statement was issued today (Monday, 24 June, 1946) by Lieutenant General Sir William Morgan, Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater of Operations:

"Statements have been circulated recently to the effect that the line of demarcation between Zone 'A' and Zone 'B' in Venezia Giulia is being moved 5 kilometers towards the east. Also that a large number of German and Japanese troops in American uniforms have been observed among the Anglo-American units in Zone 'A'.

"These statements are untrue. The policy of the American and British Governments is as laid down in my statement of last March. It is their firm intention to maintain their present position in Venezia Giulia until an agreed settlement about the future of the territory has been reached and put into effect."

(The March statement referred to by General Morgan was issued on 27 March at Caserta, and text is attached for your information.)

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Statement issued by Lieutenant General Sir William Morgan,
Supreme Allied Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, at Caserta
on 27 March, 1945.

"Recent troop movements have occurred in the area of Venezia
Military
Giulia under Yugoslav Administration. At the same time there has been
received and unwarranted criticism from abroad of Allied Military Government
(ALG) in Zone 'A'.

"Attempts have been made to create incidents detrimental to
public order in Allied Military Government territory and to undermine the
authority of public security agencies in Venezia Giulia.

"There should be no question as to what attitude the Allied
will take in the circumstances.

"The Allied Military Government Authorities will continue as
in the past to administer the territory in Zone 'A' in the interests of
peace and security and to uphold the authority of the civil police.

"The troop reinforcements in the Yugoslav Zone have been
described as defensive in character. But the only deterrent to this area
with armed forces in Zone 'A' is Yugoslav itself.

"Defensive measures are obviously not necessary against the
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to maintain order pending the peace settlement.

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"Defensive measures are obviously not necessary against the only other forces in Zone 'A', British and American forces stationed there to maintain order pending the peace settlement.

"The representatives of the Soviet Union, France, the United States and Great Britain are now at work preparing a just and fair peace settlement.

"Until this settlement is achieved our obligations and our responsibilities are clear. Public order will be enforced with justice and in our zone we shall tolerate no attempt to prejudice in any way the final disposition of the territory.

"To this end, the American and British Governments have authorized me to declare that it is their firm intention to maintain their present position in Venezuela until an agreed settlement of the territorial dispute has been reached and put into effect."

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Ref. : 594/459/EC.

12 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Refugees.

TO : S.C.A.C.
ADM Venetian Giulia.

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The attached translation of a letter from the Italian Council of Ministers forwarded for your comment please.

As these people are due to be further deployed by the Italian Government it would hardly seem necessary to evacuate them.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

A. W. Kelsch.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref. : 591/458/21.

13 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Refugees.

TO : The President of the Council of Ministers,
Rome.

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Receipt is acknowledged of your letter No. 6456 dated 6 June
on the subject of State Railway Employees in Zone 'B'.

This has been referred to the Allied Military Government in
Venetia Giulia.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. W. [Signature]

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

6456

Rome, 6 June 1946.

Dear Admiral,

I have received from Venezia Giulia a communication about a particularly piteous question regarding the refugees of zone B. The Yugoslav military command has dismissed all the employees and functionaries of the State Railways who were on service in the zone occupied by them. Having been warned in time, the assistential organizations of zone A have provided accommodation for these refugees in Trieste, in the school of via Ruggero Fieschi, and in Gorizia in the Hotel "Leon d'oro". The Allied Military Government of Venezia Giulia, worried by the flow of refugees, has ruled that none of them be allowed to stay in Zone A giving as reason the question of food which in this case should not cause any preoccupation as the railroad-men and their families who would come to Gorizia and Trieste, only amount to a few hundreds of persons.

Being personnel of the State, they will be distributed in the various branch-offices through the country so that their stay in zone A of Venezia Giulia will be brief. In order to avoid making the conditions of the refugees still worse, I shall be grateful if you will request A.M.G. Venezia Giulia to revoke the expulsion order and recognize the existing organization for the assistance to these refugees.

Believe me

cordially yours,

/s/ De Gasperi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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*Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*
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Roma, 10 11 1940

Caro Ammiraglio,

mi viene segnalata nella Venezia Giulia una questione particolarmente pietosa che riguarda i profughi della zona B. Il comando militare jugoslavo ha licenziato tutti gli impiegati e i funzionari delle Ferrovie dello Stato che prestavano servizio nella zona da loro occupata. Le organizzazioni assistenziali della zona A, avvertite in tempo, hanno provveduto ad allestire dei ricoveri di tali profughi a Trieste, nella scuola di Via Ruggero Manca, e a Gorizia nell'albergo Leon d'oro. Il Governo Militare Alleato della Venezia Giulia allarmato per l'afflusso di profughi, ha disposto che nessuno di essi possa trattenersi nella zona A, adducendo ragioni riguardanti l'alimentazione che nel caso in parola non devono costituire una preoccupazione, perchè i ferrovieri e i loro familiari che confluiranno a Gorizia e a Trieste saranno poche centinaia.

In quanto dipendenti dallo Stato essi saranno distribuiti nelle varie sedi del Regno, sicchè la loro dimora nella zona A della Venezia Giulia sarà breve. Per non aumentare i disagi dei profughi sarà grato se verrà interpellare il C.A. della Venezia Giulia perchè sia revocato l'ordine di espulsione e sia riconosciuta l'organizzazione assistenziale esistente.

La creda cordialmente

All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata

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The British Embassy,

Rome.

5th June, 1946.

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My dear Brigadier,

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The Ambassador has asked me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 591/442 of 25th May regarding Yugoslav activities in Albania and to let you know that he was approached direct on this matter by Signor de Gasperi. We have already asked our Embassy at Belgrade to take action with the Yugoslav Government.

Yours ever

A. S. Halford

A. S. Halford.

Brigadier H. S. Lush, C.B., C.B.E.,

Executive Commissioner,

Allied Commission.

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Ref. : 691/42/103.

6 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Civitate - Appeal of the Sindaco.

TO : Provincial Commissioner,
A. E. G.
Udine Province.

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With reference to your letter No. 27/47 dated 31 May, I have to inform you that the appeal of the Sindaco of the Municipality has been forwarded to the Council of Foreign Ministers.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

A. W. K. M. S.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 691/453/EC.

6 June 1961.

SUBJECT: Cividale - Appeal of the Sindaco.

TO : The Secretary,
Council of Foreign Ministers,
Lancaster Gate,
London.

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The attached copy of a statement signed by the Sindaco (Mayor) of the Valley of Valsicura in the Cividale area is forwarded for the information of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

For the Chief Commissioner.

A. W. Smith.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to:- Provincial Commissioner, UDENR.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
UDINE PROVINCE
OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

Tel No 1516

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File No

PC/47

31 May 46

JUN 5 1946

To : H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject : Appeal from the Sindaci of the
Natisone Valleys-Cividale Mundamento.

The attached renewed appeal from the Sindaci
of the Natisone Valleys-Cividale Mundamento, is forwarded
for information, and such action as may be considered
advisable.

HNB/Gt.

H.N. Bright
H.N. BRIGHT, Lt.Col.,
Provincial Commissioner.

Copy to : H.Q. 13 Corps Main.

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C O P Y

Protest against the unjust Yugoslav claim on the Valleys of Natisone.
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The undersigned Sindaci of S. Pietro al Natisone, Pulfero, Savogna, Stregna, Drenchia, Grimsacco and S. Leonardo :
having seen that in spite of the repeated and uncontested proof of the sentiments of attachment to the Italian Motherland always shown in peace as in war by the peoples of the Valleys of the Natisone (proofs which have repeated themselves without interruption from the time of the constitution of the old Venetian Republic (1420) then under Austrian domination and lastly under the unit of the Italian Realm) the Yugoslavs are still continuing to put forward claims on these territories and this against every principle of liberty so much proclaimed and for which one has so much fought, principle solemnly laid down in the Atlantic Charter:

Having seen, if the above is not sufficient, the right to the claim mentioned has provoked, right from the beginning, in other words from the first contacts with the Yugoslav partisan forces, a state of open rebellion amongst all the people of these valleys and that such demonstrations of the peoples' state of mind have provoked from the Yugoslav side ferocious attempts to smother them, beginning from the destruction of Municipal Offices and finishing with the deportation and shooting of youths;

Observing that now the unjust claims announced to the world without the veil of any scruple with clear signs of an insatiable imperialism on the part of the Head of the Yugoslav State, have raised a state of real preoccupation amongst this population which in block, cost what it may, wants to oppose itself to such claims, knowing that it thus safeguards the sacred historical decision passed on by their fathers with the plebiscite of 1866;

Repeating what has already previously been said to the Italian and Allied Authorities, once again

THEY INVOKE

the immediate benevolent interest of the Provincial Commissioner so that he may urgently render himself interpreter to the Governments which are now deciding the destiny of the people, of the cry, imploring justice which rises from the most Italian population of the

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THEY INVOKE

the immediate benevolent interest of the Provincial Commissioner so that he may urgently render himself interpreter to the Governments which are now deciding the destiny of the people, of the cry, imploring justice which rises from the most Italian population of the Valleys of the Natisone, population which at all costs wants to remain Italian and as such are ready to sacrifice everything in order to safeguard the "italianità" of their land, land which is incontestably Italian as nature and centuries old history shows.

16 May 1946

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Signed by the Sindaci of S. Pietro al Natisone, Pulfero, ~~Assogna~~ Assogna, Stregna, Drenchia, Grimaedo, S. Leonardo.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. 591/449/83

4 June 1946

My dear Doctor Prinas:

I refer to your letter of 17 April 46, reference 5/595, on the subject of the Ufficio Minerario of Trieste.

The Senior Civil Affairs Officer at Trieste has investigated the matter and assures me that the moves in question were necessary and were made after careful consideration of the interest of the various parties.

I quote you an extract from a letter which the Senior Civil Affairs Officer received from the Area Commission of Trieste.

"Ufficio Minerario was only using the accommodation in Piazza Verdi No. 1 through the hospitality of the Prefettura and was ordered to move by A.M.C. to make room for the Ufficio Alloggio, at the end of 1945.

At the beginning of 1946 the Comune required the above office for Circolo di Cultura and Ufficio Minerario was offered 3 rooms and accessories in the State Archive building, Via IX Ottobre No. 7.

This move was necessary and the interests of Ufficio Minerario have not been overlooked. They appear however, to be doing little or no work."

Yours very truly,

R. W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Doctor Renato Prinas,
Secretary General,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government
Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, 13 C. M. F.
Office of the Senior Civil Affairs Officer
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130/AMG/43/1626

24th MAY, 1946.

MAY 25 1946

SUBJECT: Ufficio Minerario of Trieste.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Commission. ✓

1. Reference your letter No. 591/438/EC dated 27th April 1946 on the above subject.

2. I forward herewith an extract of a letter received from the Area Commissioner of Trieste Area. I think this extract will answer your letter.

3. I have also discussed the matter with the Area Commissioner and it is considered that this move was necessary.

For the Senior Civil Affairs Officer:

H.P.F. Robertson
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H.P.F. ROBERTSON,
Colonel,
Deputy S.C.A.O.

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER RECEIVED
FROM AREA COMMISSIONER, TRIESTE
AREA, DATED 22nd MAY, 1946.

" Ufficio Minerario was only using the accommodation in Piazza Verdi No. 1 through the hospitality of the Prefettura and was ordered to move by A.M.G. to make room for the Ufficio Alloggio, at the end of 1945.

At the beginning of 1946 the Comune required the above office for Circolo di Cultura and Ufficio Minerario was offered 3 rooms and accessories in the State Archive building, via XIX Ottobre No. 7.

This move was necessary and the interests of Ufficio Minerario have not been overlooked. They appear however, to be doing little or no work."

Ref. : 99V/44V/23

25 May 1946.

The Prime Minister has brought to my notice certain abuses to which Italian citizens in Rome "IF" of Venezia Giulia are subjected.

It appears that Italian personnel are being dismissed from municipal and governmental employment in ever increasing numbers.

In the final paragraph of a letter from City Popular Committee of Albania (copy enclosed) it is stated that all rights acquired by those employed by virtue of their services with the Government of Albania will be settled "after the final settlement of all questions now pending between the Italian State and its successor".

Such an assertion is contrary to the conditions governing the occupation of Rome "IF" as stated by article 7 of the Belgrade Agreement dated June 9, 45, and the Chief Commissioner would be grateful if you would ask your Embassy in Belgrade to take up this matter.

M. S. LUSH

Mr. David H. Kay,
Chargé d'Affaires ad Interim,
American Embassy,
Via Vittorio Veneto 119
Rome

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Ref : 591/142/23

25 May 1946.

The Prime Minister has brought to my notice certain abuses to which Italian citizens in Zone "B" of Venezia Giulia are subjected.

It appears that Italian personnel are being dismissed from municipal and governmental employment in ever increasing numbers.

In the final paragraph of a letter from City Popular Committee of Abbazia (copy enclosed) it is stated that all rights acquired by these employees by virtue of their services with the Comune of Abbazia will be settled "after the final settlement of all questions now pending between the Italian State and its successor".

Such an assertion is contrary to the conditions governing the occupation of Zone "B" as stated by article 7 of the Belgrade Agreement dated June 9, 45 and the Chief Commissioner would be grateful if you would ask your Embassy in Belgrade to take up this matter.

Yours very sincerely,

M. S. LUSH

Sir Noel Charles, St. KINGS, M.C.,
British Ambassador,
Rome.

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ORDINANCE POPULARS OTTOMANIS
ALBANIA

Segreteria
N. 2634/45

27 Dec 1945.

SUBJECT: Reception from Service.

With the payment of salary, additions and indemnities up to and including the 31.12.45 according to the standard in force at the date of the liberation, all the permanent personnel departing from the Government of Albania will be considered to have no further claim against this administration which will therefore from henceforth not consider the said personnel as being at its disposition.

Although it is regretted that the change which has taken place in the administrative system of the local firms and institutions permits the reabsorption into the new popular administration of only part of the personnel in question, it is however understood that the rights which you have acquired during your previous services to the discontinued Government, remain intact and unprejudiced. At a future date it will be possible to determine the substance of these rights through diplomatic channels, when normal relations are in force and there is a general definition of matters now pending between the Italian State and its successor.

DELEGA TO PARLAMENT

LINCEY PER DE PARLAMENT

The President

The Secretary

SEN. Tomaso Leonardo

SEN. Milla

(cont.) Generali Savoia Gallofilaidi Officer - Opatic.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of Political Adviser (A)

MAY 10, 1946

MAY 22 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: Executive Commissioner

SUBJECT : Dismissal of Italian Personnel in
Zone "F", Venezia Giulia

Reference is made to the letter from the Ministry
of Foreign Affairs to the Chief Commissioner dated
March 4, 1946. (Your file SC 591, Volume IV, Foglio 360).

No action appears to have been taken on the recommen-
dation of the SCAG, XIII Corps, that this matter be taken
up through diplomatic channels (Foglio 372) and it is
suggested that such action should be initiated through
the British and American Embassies in Belgrade. *by reference*

to the 2 Embassies here.

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J. Wesley Jones
J. Wesley Jones,
Political Adviser (A)

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Ref: 591/439/EC

27 April 1946.

My dear Doctor Prinas,

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I have your letter of 17th April, last, bringing up once more the subject of the Ufficio Minerario of Trieste, who last November were moved from its offices in the Prefettura, and now have been ordered to move from the premises only recently occupied by them.

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I have written to the Senior Civil Affairs Officer of 13th Corps, enclosing a copy of your letter, and I have asked him to investigate the matter.

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I enclose a copy of my letter for your information.

Yours very truly,

/s/ N. W. HIND SMITH
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Major
Executive Controller

Doctor Renato Prinas,
Secretary General,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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Ref. : 394/33/31
SUBJECT: Ufficio Minerario of Trieste.
TO : SCAG, 13th Corps.

27 April 1946.

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1. Reference your letter 130/33/43/1/305, dated 12 December 1945.
2. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is again bringing up the subject of the Ufficio Minerario of Trieste, whose offices in the headquarters were turned over to the Ufficio Alloggio, on orders from the Area Commandant.
3. As I indicated the letter from Dr. Parnes, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (copy of letter enclosed), the Ufficio Minerario has again been ordered to move from the premises only recently occupied by it.
4. If this is the case, it may be that the interests of the Ufficio Minerario are being entirely disregarded, and the Ministry has real grounds for complaint.
5. Please look into the matter and insure that this latest move is necessary and that the interests of the Ufficio Minerario have not been overlooked.

/s/ N. W. HUNT SMITH
MMF

Major, Brigadier,
Executive Air Division.

Enclosure: Copy of Dr. Parnes' Letter.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Il Segretario Generale

5/595

17 Apr 1946

Dear General,

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With reference to your letter N. 594/23 of the 27 December last, I am obliged to return to the subject of the Ufficio Minerario of Trieste as this office has recently been served with a new order of distraint on the premises which they are at present occupying.

As you will remember, in November 1945 the Ufficio Minerario of Trieste had to leave their offices in the Prefettura and transfer to other premises, situated in Piazza Verdi 1, belonging to the Comune. To adapt these to their requirements considerable work was necessary.

As the recent removal interrupted the normal activity of the a/m office, and as the premises which would be assigned to them in the State Archives in Via XXI Ottobre are small and not adapted to the equipment of the office, I beg you to intervene once more with ASG of Venezia Giulia with the object of suspending the measures in question.

I would again like to add that the Ufficio Minerario of Trieste at the present time is called upon to carry out a very lively activity in order to satisfy the pressing requests for statistical data required both by mining companies and public firms, and that these requests are in relation to the work now in progress for the adjustment of the eastern frontier.

I am most grateful to you for your interest in the matter and beg you to believe me dear General,

Most sincerely yours,

(Signature)

Brigadier General M.S. LUSH,
Executive Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

5/345

Roma, 47 APR 1946

Caro Generale,

mi riferisco alla Sua lettera n. 551/40 del 27 dicembre u.s. e sono lieto a ritornare sull'argomento della sede dell'Ufficio Minerario di Trieste, dato che il medesimo ha avuto recentemente una nuova intimaione di sfratto dei locali attualmente occupati.

Come Lei ricorderà, l'Ufficio Minerario di Trieste dovette nel novembre 1940 lasciare i locali della Prefettura e trasferirsi in altri, di proprietà del Comune di Trieste, situati in Piazza Verdi 1, che richiesero notevoli lavori di adattamento.

Poiché il recente trasferimento di sede ha già determinato una interruzione della normale attività dell'Ufficio in parola e dato che i ristretti locali che verrebbero ora assegnati presso l'archivio di stato in via XXX Ottobre risultano non idonei all'attrezzatura dell'Ufficio stesso, vorrei pregarla di voler cortesemente intervenire presso il D.S.A. della Venezia Giulia per far sopprimere dal provvedimento in questione.

Desidero ancora aggiungere che l'Ufficio Minerario di

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Caro Generale,

Mi riferisco alla Sua lettera N. 591/AC del 27 dicembre U.A. a loro contenuto e ritornare sull'argomento della sede dell'Ufficio Minerario di Trieste, dato che il medesimo ha avuto recentemente una nuova intimaione di stretto dei locali attualmente occupati.

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Desidero ancora aggiungere che l'Ufficio Minerario di

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Signor
Generale G.S. Lush
Executive Commissioner
Commissione Alleata

R. Q. M. A.

urteile nelle attuali particolari circostanze è chiamato
a svolgere un'attività particolarmente viva per soddisfare
le pressanti richieste di dati statistici in parte sia di
origine mineraria che di enti pubblici, richieste che hanno
attinenza con gli stessi lavori in corso per l'assetto della
frontiera orientale.

Grato nel suo interessamento, La prego di esprimersi
caro Generale, molto cordialmente.

R. Rinaldi

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Ref: 591/EG.

8 April 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I thank you for your letter no. 5/426 of 23rd March regarding the visit of the Allied Boundary Commission to the Province of UDINE. It is my understanding that this visit is in fact taking place in order that the Commission may obtain a complete picture of the whole area.

The reason for the maintenance of Allied Military Government in the Province of UDINE is as stated in the communication made by the Allied Commission to the President of the Council of Ministers on 1st January.

Yours very truly,

M. G. LUSH

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
ROME.

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Ref: 594/441/30

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4 April 1946

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 28 enclosing a message from the students of Rome University.

Would you please assure the students that this message and the feelings of the Italian people are constantly in our minds.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd) W. L. Lusk

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

See in 1124

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
ROME

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.
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Rome, March 28, 1946.

Dear Admiral,

A deputation of students from the university of Rome came yesterday to the Viminale to testify to the Government their solidarity towards the Italian population of Venezia - Giulia. They also asked me to send you, as the Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission, the attached message in which, recalling the joint efforts of Italy and Allied Nations during the first world war, they hope a fair peace treaty will be granted to Italy.

In complying with this request, I have the pleasure of sending you my best greetings,

(s) De Gasperi.

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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TRANSLATION

ADMIRAL STONE
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ALLIED COMMISSION
ROME

The University students express the wish and the feelings of all the Italian people.

THEY HOPE

that the principles established by the Atlantic Charter will be truly applied, recognizing the sovereignty of the Italian Territories of Istria and Venezia - Giulia, the redemption of these territories cost the Italian people who fought side by side with the Allies, 600,000 lives, 400,000 mutilated soldiers, and 1,000,000 wounded ones.

THEY HOPE

the present situation that has already cost so many lives to the population of Venezia - Giulia, will soon be clarified by a fair peace treaty.

THEY REG

you to interpret the just and deep feelings of the Italian University Youth to the Governments of the United Nations.

THE COMMITTEE

Tibaldi - Scraminolo - Miccioletti - Arranesi - Sabatini.

Rome, 27 March, 1946.

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*Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

Roma, 28 MAR 1946

Caro Ammiraglio,

una commissione di studenti dell'Università di Roma, venuta
ieri al Viminale per esprimere al Governo i sentimenti di soli-
darietà con le popolazioni italiane della Venezia Giulia, mi ha
chiesto di far pervenire a Lei, autorevole Capo della Commis-
sione Alleata, l'unito messaggio, col quale, ricordandosi il sacri-
ficio comune dell'Italia e delle Potenze Alleate nella guerra
1915/'18, si auspica un equo trattato di pace per la nostra
Patria.

Nell'adempiere al gradito incarico, La prego, caro Ammira-
glio, di voler accogliere i miei cordiali e amichevoli saluti

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All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE
Comissario Capo della Commissione Alleata

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Ammiraglio STONE

Capo della Commissione Militare Alleata

ROMA

Gli studenti universitari, esprimendo la volontà e il
sentimento degli italiani tutti

F A N C V C T I

che i principi sanciti dalla Carta Atlantica siano effettivi-
mente attuati riconoscendo all'Italia la sua sovranità sui
territori italiani dell'Istria e della Venezia Giulia
la cui redenzione, in comunanza di spiriti, d'idee e d'intenti
con i combattenti Alleati, costò al popolo italiano 600.000
morti, 400.000 mutilati, 1.000.000 di feriti;

M A N I F E S T A N O

la speranza e il desiderio che al più presto sia posto fine,
con un equo trattato di pace, alla dolorosa e ininterrotta per-
tenza che più tanti lutti ha arrecato alle popolazioni giuliane;

P R S G A N O

V.S. di rendersi interprete presso i Governi delle Nazioni
Alleate di questi giusti e puri sentimenti della gioventù gio-
iurdica italiana.

Gli studenti universitari, esprimendo la volontà e il
sentimento degli italiani tutti

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la cui redenzione, in comunanza di spiriti, d'idee e d'intenti
con i combattenti Alleati, costò al popolo italiano 600.000
morti, 400.000 mutilati, 1.000.000 di feriti;

M A N I F E S T A M O

la speranza e il desiderio che al più presto sia posto fine,
con un equo trattato di pace, alla dolorosa e inesorabile per-
tessa che già tanti lutti ha arretrato alle popolazioni giuliane;

P R E G A M O

V.S. di rendersi interprete presso i Governi delle Nazioni
Alliate di questi giusti e puri sentimenti della gioventù ge-
litaliana.

IL COMITATO PROMOTORE

Tibaldi - Soramensis - Ricciotti - Azzone - Sabella.

A Roma il 27 marzo 1945.

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THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

5/426

Rome, 23 March, 1946.

Dear Admiral,

It has just been signalled me that recent gestures make us suppose that the Allied Commission of Experts intends extending its enquiries into the province of Udine in relation to the existence of a small Slav infiltration in the Valle del Natisone.

It is a small group of around 30.000 Slavs scattered in the Alta Valle del Natisone and along its tributaries, who were loyal subjects of the Venetian Republic for many centuries, and who after the long Austrian rule, became part of the Italian State in 1866, and who, though living up to their old traditions, speak both Italian and Friulano fluently. These people of Slav origin always proved to be excellent Italian citizens, and many of them fought during the last war in Alpine Battalions and showed great attachment to Italy. And recently, too, when my predecessor, President Ferri made a trip to Friuli, the Mayors of the Communes of the Valli del Natisone handed him requests in which the people affirmed their wish to be united to Italy, and their desire to sacrifice everything to this end.

But the news which has just reached me is surprising, more especially as you, my dear Admiral, in our conversation of 12 December 1945, assured me that when on the 1 January, 1946, the North of Italy was turned over to the Italian Government, the Allies would keep on the Military administration of the province of Udine, only for military necessity and not because this territory was in any way contestable. In fact this was communicated by the Allied Commission and by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers on January 1, 1946.

I have no doubt that the province of Udine is not contestable and therefore not included in the zones which are submitted to inquiry by the Commission of Experts.

I hope you will take an interest in the matter, and thank you,

Yours truly,

(s) De Gasperi.

ACTION - EX COMM

Admiral Ellery V. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission

Il Ministro degli Affari Esteri

5/406

Roma, 14 23 MAR 1946

Caro Ambasciatore,

Si viene ora segnalato che alcuni recenti atteggiamenti fanno ritenere che la Commissione Alleata degli Esperti intenda estendere la sua inchiesta alla provincia di Udine in relazione all'esistenza di piccole infiltrazioni slave nella Valle del Natisone.

Si tratta, com'è noto, di un gruppo di poco più di 20.000 sloveni sparsi nell'alta Valle del Natisone e lungo i suoi affluenti di sinistra, che, già lesali suditi della Repubblica veneta per secoli, sono passati dopo la non lunga dominazione austriaca a far parte sin dal 1866 dello Stato italiano e che, per avendo mantenuto le antiche tradizioni, parlano correttamente anche l'italiano ed il friulano. Inoltre questi abitanti di origine slava subirono sempre a considerarsi e dimostrarsi ottimi cittadini italiani, tanto che molti di essi dettero durante le ultime guerre nei battaglioni alpini elevate prove di attaccamento alla Patria italiana. Ed anche recentemente

Caro Ammiraglio,

mi viene ora ora sommato che alcuni recenti atteggiamenti fanno ritenere che la Commissione Alleanza degli Esperti intenda vedere la sua incidenza alla provincia di Udine in relazione all'esistenza di piccolo infiltrazioni slave nella Valle del Natizone.

Si tratta, com'è noto, di un gruppo di poco più di 10.000 sloveni sparsi nell'Alta Valle del Natizone e lungo i suoi affluenti di sinistra, che, già molti secoli fa, nella Repubblica Veneta per secoli, sono passati dopo la non lunga dominazione austriaca e far parte sin dal 1865 dello Stato italiano e che, pur avendo mantenuto le antiche tradizioni, parlano e scrivono anche l'italiano ed il friulano. Inoltre questi abitanti di origine slovena o hanno sempre a considerarsi e si considerano ottimi cittadini italiani, tanto che molti di essi hanno fatto durante la ultima guerra nei battaglioni alpini elevate prove di attaccamento alla Patria italiana. E anche recentemente, in occasione del viaggio effettuato dal mio predecessore, il presidente Barbi, nel Friuli, i sindaci dei Comuni della Valle del Natizone rimasero nelle sue mani un indirizzo in cui veniva solennemente riaffermata la volontà di questi abitanti di vivere strettamente uniti con l'Italia democratica e il loro proposito di tutto sacrificare per la sua rinascita.

All'Ammiraglio Elliott W. STONE

Capo della Commissione Alleanza

B. O. E. A.

Ma la notizia pervenutami desta tanto maggiore sorpresa. In quanto, come Ella ricorderà, caro Ammiraglio, nella nostra conversazione del 12 dicembre 1943 Ella ebbe la cortese promessa di consigliarmi che all'atto della riassunzione da parte del Governo Italiano dell'esercizio di tutti i poteri dello Stato nell'Italia del Nord, attestata poi col 1° gennaio 1946, gli Alleati consentivano l'amministrazione militare della provincia di Udine soltanto per esigenze militari e non perché si trattasse di territorio contestabile. In tale senso fu emesso in pari data un comunicato circostanziato da parte della Commissione Alleata ed un altro della Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.

Non dubito che la provincia di Udine, benché sottoposta ancora all'A.M.G., sarà considerata senz'altro fuori contestazione e pertanto non inclusa nelle zone sottoposte all'incisione da parte della Commissione degli Esperti.

Confinio per tale particolare questione nel suo autorevole intervento e la prego di credere, caro Ammiraglio, i sensi della mia alta considerazione.

Yammy

del nord, ricevuta poi nel 10 gennaio 1946, «li allenti sentono-
vano l'amministrazione militare della provincia di Ulsan soltanto
per esigenze militari e non perché si trattasse di territorio
conteso». In tale senso fu deciso in pari data un comunicato
circonanziato da parte della Commissione Alleata ed un altro
dalla Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.

Non dubito che la provincia di Ulsan, benché sottopo-
sta ancora all'A.M.G., sarà considerata senz'altro fuori conte-
stazione e pertanto non inclusa nelle zone sottoposte al incide-
sta da parte della Commissione degli Esperti.

Confido per tale particolare questione nel Suo autore-
vole intervento e la prego di esprimere, caro ammiraglio, il
senso della mia alta considerazione.

W. J. J. J.

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Telegram from American Embassy, Belgrade, dated March 14, 1946.

Foreign Office note dated March 13 states Allied civil police at Skedun, Trieste March 10 fired on crowd injuring 28, killing 8, after crowd assembled while police attempted remove Yugoslav flag from church belfry. Note says Yugoslav Government deeply moved by killings under AUS of Yugoslavs who express national feelings and wish to see Julian March united to Yugoslavia.

Yugoslav Government draws to attention U.S. Government complaints from Julian March that local authorities, Allied police, and soldiers repress displays and manifestations of Slovene and anti-Fascist population, take down and destroy triumphal arches. Notes give 19 instances.

Note states "people's feelings are being continuously insulted by organs of public authority" and conduct of responsible authorities in Zone A proves "utterly partial and hostile to state of mind of local population" and create atmosphere unfavorable to righteous solution of Italo-Yugoslav frontier.

For these reasons, Yugoslavia lodges energetic protest not only for police conduct at Skedun, but also all official measures taken to repress people's expression of national loyalties and will be united to Yugoslavia.

Second Foreign Office note also dated March 13, relates 13 instances from December 27 to March 6 when Allied Forces or police in Zone A treated objectionable Yugoslav flag, national emblems and Tito portraits. Note states they "can only be explained by systematic propaganda which is being spread in that zone against Yugoslavia and her Prime Minister, Marshal Tito, and by unfriendly attitude of certain Allied Organs in this Zone who are responsible for offences against Yugoslav national emblems". Yugoslav Government lodges "strong protest against insults which are taking place in Zone A against national feelings of Yugoslav peoples and Yugoslavia" and hopes "competent authorities will take necessary measures to prevent recurrences of similar incidents".

CC: Executive Commissioner ✓
Polad (B)

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