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CA Tomlin (G.C.R.)

Is not this a matter for G.C.R. should

not Major W. be attached to you?

Mr 18/7

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Note

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14/7 Tomlin: No further action necessary - Major W.

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES
ALLIED COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS
A.P.O. 394, C.M.P.

Reference: 6/63

19th July, 1945.
JUL 1945

To: The Executive Commissioner, Allied Commission Headquarters
From: The Resident Representative, IGCR, Italy.
Subject: Personal Representative of General ANDERS.

I am referring your 2206/16/EC of the 18th July to my Headquarters in London, as a question of policy is involved upon which I am not competent to comment at this stage.

Julian Tomlin

Lt. Col. Julian L. Tomlin,
Resident Representative,
I.G.C.R.

124 671533
Letter from London has been received but Col Tomlin would prefer to discuss this verbally with Mr. Talbot on his return. R.H.

B/c CSO's return. 21/8.

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Q. 24/7. PA.

B/c CSO. 24/6
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Ref: 2206/16/EO.

18th July 1945.

SUBJECT: Personal Representative of General ANDERS.

TO : I.G.C.R.
Attn: Lt.Col. Tomlin.

I refer to the attached copy letter, DPR/57/G-II(DP)
dated 14 July 45.

The Executive Commissioner has asked whether this is not
a matter for the I.G.C.R. and if Major WIERSKI should not be attached
to your organisation. Will you please let me have your comments.

E. Talbot

Chief Staff Officer,
to the Executive Commissioner.

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DEPN/57/C-11 (DP)

14 July 1945.

JUL 14 1945

SUBJECT: Personal Representative of General ANTWERP
Polish Corps attached to Displaced Persons
and Repatriation Sub-Commission.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. In order to assist in the care of such Polish citizens who wish to remain in Italy rather than return to Poland, I have agreed to the attachment of Major WIERNI to the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission.

2. Major WIERNI will make his headquarters at MILAN and Regional Commissioners will give him every facility in his work regarding dissident Poles.

3. Major WIERNI will work through Regional D.P. & R.S.C. Representatives.

/s/ MILITARY W. STONE

MILITARY W. STONE
Deputy Chief, USDP
Chief Commissioner

Distribution:

Regional Commissioners,
Piemonte Region
Lombardia Region
Venetia Region
Emilia Region
Liguria Region

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
USF
Office of the Chief of Staff.

REF : 2206/1/COS.

3 Oct 1944

SUBJECT : Provision of ITALIAN Army and other Personnel
to assist Displaced Persons and Repatriation
Sub-Commission.

TO : Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Comm.

With reference to AFHQ letter HSD/424 of 27 Sep-
tember 44, addressed to A33 a copy of which has been passed
to you, please take the matter up and submit a draft reply
for signature by the Chief of Staff, through your Section.

(Sgd) C WISHIFF
LT COL
Chief Staff Officer,
The Chief of Staff.

Copy to:
Civil Affairs Section
Army Sub-Commission.

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HQ AGO FOR ITALIAN REFUGEE BR RPT TO AGO BARI

HQ SOUTHERN REGION

SR/284

SEP 301603A

Full INFORMATION UNCL/30

NONE 1 OCT Recd

RESTRICTED. BARI PREFECT AND ZONE COMMISSIONER STATE MINISTRY OF WAR ORDER THAT EXPERIENCED ITALIAN OFFICERS ON REFUGEE COMMITTEE ARE TO BE REPLACED BY CIVILIANS WILL CRIPPLE WHOLE REFUGEE ORGANIZATION WHICH DEPENDS ON LIAISON WITH ALLIED MILITARY AUTHORITIES BEST DONE THROUGH MILITARY CHANNELS AND ON PRESENT ORGANIZED STAFF BEING AVAILABLE. ZONE COMMISSIONER WILL HAVE NO TIME TO DO WORK INSTEAD. REQUEST ORDER SUSPENDED. PLEASE ADVISE AGO BARI AND THIS HQ OF ANY ACTION TAKEN.

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ACTION - Disper & Rep SC (2)
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*Learn Disper for info.
11/2/10*

*Reply sent 3/10 by
DPRSC to effect that
Ministry of War have
no knowledge of above
& that no change will
be made.*

Capt Marder

Pl follow up

See 6/10.

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1 OCT 1944

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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HEADQUARTERS

30 SEP 1944

27 Sep 44

30 SEP Recd

FILE NO : HSD/424

SUBJECT : Provision of ITALIAN Army and Other Personnel to Assist Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission.

TO : ACC

Reference 75/470/CA 4/CC. 353.7 of 26 Aug.

1. Arrangements are being made to supply the following ITALIAN Military personnel :-

(a) Medical

Medical Officers	20
Offrs Pharmacists	1
NCOs Medical	16
ORs Medical	80
	<u>117</u>

(b) General Duty

Officers	30
NCOs	44
ORs	469
Chaplains	5
	<u>568</u>

2. (a) The Medical personnel will be attached to you until 31 Dec 44. It is understood that it will be possible for you to replace these personnel by civilians except for the Medical ORs (see para 3 (B) below). Will you therefore take steps forthwith to carry out this replacement, which should be effected as early as possible, and at latest by 31 Dec. As regards medical personnel, circumstances may arise which will necessitate their removal by 30 Nov, so that every effort should be made to obtain their replacements by that date. MMIA are arranging to provide these personnel from the last two GRUPPI to be formed.

- (b) For General Duty, a HQ ITALIAN Pioneer Labour Battalion, and three ITALIAN Pioneer Labour Companies will be formed on WEs 41/41/1 and A1/41/1 at a date to be notified later but these WEs will not be filled beyond the 515 ORs required. An additional 31 Offrs will be provided as an increment. These General Duty personnel will count against the reinforcement portion of the International ceiling of the ITALIAN Army, and will be allotted to you while this requirement lasts. Arrangements will be made to attach 5 Chaplains to General Duty personnel.

- (c) You are no doubt aware, that there are no nurses in the

Provision of Italian Army and other personnel to assist Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission.

TO : ACC

Reference 75/470/CA 4/CC. 363.7 of 26 Aug.

1. Arrangements are being made to supply the following ITALIAN Military personnel :-

(a) <u>Medical</u>	
Medical Officers	20
Offrs Pharmacists	1
NCOs Medical	16
ORs Medical	80
	<u>117</u>
(b) <u>General Duty</u>	
Officers	50
NCOs	44
ORs	469
Chaplains	5
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(b) For General Duty, a HQ ITALIAN Pioneer Labour Battalion, and three ITALIAN Pioneer Labour Companies will be formed. on WEs 41/14/1 and 41/11/1 at a date to be notified later but these WEs will not be filled beyond the 513 ORs required. An additional 34 Offrs will be provided as an increment. These General Duty personnel will count against the reinforcement portion of the international ceiling of the ITALIAN Army, and will be allotted to you while this requirement lasts. Arrangements will be made to attach 5 Chaplains to General Duty personnel.

(c) You are no doubt aware, that there are no nurses in the ITALIAN Army. It will therefore be necessary for you to produce from other sources Red X workers or nuns, who should be put on to heavy workers' rations.

see 12. (a) ~~Contd~~ SECRET

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(d) is regards Police - you have made a request for 141 Polizia including 2 Officers and 12 NCOs. It is understood that these must be Carabinieri, and that although the Public Safety Sub Commission state that no Carabinieri can be made available, you may be able to make the necessary arrangements with the ITALIAN Government. Will you please confirm.

3. In order to put the Refugee Organisation on a firm basis, will you please :-

- (a) Forward proposed WTs and personnel requirements for Camps in the Army Area to this HQ by the 15 Oct.
- (b) Examine the numbers of military personnel now employed in the Army Area with the object of reducing them, and making any surplus available for training as medical orderlies in order to relieve the medical personnel mentioned in para 2 (a) above.
- (c) Report full details of the examination in (b) above, to this HQ by 15 Oct.

T. N. Moore
 DANIEL MOORE,
 Major General G.S.C.
 Assistant Chief of Staff G-5

LCN/her

Copies to : AAI (2). Ref para 2(b) please arrange with MMTA that these units are formed forthwith.

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Acting Chief Commissioner

See Col. Payton

on this

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The attached is submitted for your ~~signature~~ signature.

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The letter under reference is on p. ~~not~~ 1

My a.p. word to Gen. Browning this reply an
in p. ~~not~~ 3 & ~~not~~ 4 (tagged). Then discussed with 4025
Gen. Browning without success.

Letter
referred to as sent 8/27/44
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Ref: 75/479/CA.
A/CC. 383.726th August 1944.

SUBJECT: Return of Civilians to their Homes.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy,
C. M. F.

1. I refer to this HQ letter Ref: 75/ dated 1. August. 44.
2. The Italian Government has been approached on the lines of this letter and are formulating a plan for the implementation of the decision to return agriculturists to their homes.
3. The Italian Government state, and I agree with them, that it would be impossible to set up rapidly the organisation necessary with civilians. The Carabinieri are fully employed in preserving law and order. The Italian Government has submitted a request for 934 effectives from the Italian Army in order to man the transit points mentioned in para. 4 of my letter. These transit points will be the key to the smooth and rapid working of the organisation envisaged and they consider that these cannot be maintained without military discipline and organisation.
4. I have approached the G.O.C., M.M.I.A. who opposes the removal of these men to deal with civilian refugees and is unwilling to take up the matter with you in view of your 1605/50/56/G(SM) dated 24. July.
5. I wish to urge in the strongest possible manner that these effectives from the Italian Army be provided.
6. In making the decision that the repatriation of agriculturists should commence when the plans of the Italian Government were prepared and the organisation was ready to carry them out, I had the following considerations in mind:-
 - (a) The Allies are importing food into Italy. Great areas of farm land are lying untilled. Their rehabilitation will save Allied shipping and supplies.
 - (b) The urge of great masses of people to move home can only be restricted by employing regularised movement. This necessitates the use of force. Such force involves the employment of resources including men and transport.

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(c) Unauthorized mass migration must create disorder and affect Allied Lines of Communication. This has been brought to my notice forcibly by your own Headquarters, by A.F.H.Q. and by several Regional Commissioners, who have commented on the serious effects which this uncontrolled movement is creating.

7. The best method of restricting this mass migration is to initiate a regular controlled flow of movement. I am satisfied that the Italian Government can do this provided, and only provided, that they are furnished with the troops for which they have asked.

8. I fully appreciate the strict necessity of employing the Italian Army for military matters, and military matters only. I submit, however, that this is a matter which affects not only the Italian but the Allied military effort. I cannot emphasize too greatly the dangers of uncontrolled movement of a quarter of a million people. It must lead to disorder. It can be prevented. I submit that the provision of 934 men from the Italian Army requested by the Italian Government is a small price to pay for the avoidance of these dangers.

9. An early decision is necessary. We cannot have a repetition of 2000 refugees crowded in a disorderly and unhealthy mass on Naples Station. We cannot see trains loaded with military supplies being over-loaded with returning refugees. We cannot have uncontrolled migration into devastated areas of hungry and homeless people.

10. I would ask, therefore, that the provision of the troops asked for by the Italian Government be made at the earliest possible moment in order that the Italian Government may set about its task of proper control of a potentially very dangerous situation.

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Hq ACC Secy Gen
DISPATCHED
Date 27 Aug 1400
Via
per

HENRY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Copy to: G-5, AFHQ
NMIA.
Italian Refugee Branch

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

Phone
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REF : 75/446/CA

15 August 44

SUBJECT : Return of Civilians to their Homes.

TO : Italian Refugee Branch.

The attached copy letter from Army Sub-Commission
(Ref 48/2/49) of 12 August 44 is forwarded to you for infor-
mation.

in
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT:- Return of Civilians to their homes

Army Sub Commission (MMA)

H. C. A. C. C.

R O M E.

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12 AUG 44

14 AUG 44

Executive Commissioner A.C.C.

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Ref your 75/427/CA dated 8 Aug -

1. I do not see how I can take this up with A.A.I. in view of their definite ruling in 1605/50/56/G(SDI) dated 24 July.
2. The basis of that letter is of course that A.A.I. have had their demands for 375,000 Italian soldiers reduced to 309,000 and everything is being cut to the bone - even the danger limit. Also we have an important operational project in hand. There are not enough troops to go round for military purposes as it is.
3. I am sorry but I must oppose the removal of nearly 1,000 men to deal with civilian refugees. I also feel quite sure A.A.I. would not agree.

ABC

Major General

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
AFD 394

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Ref/75/427/CA.

8 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Return of Civilians to their Homes.

TO : C.O.C., M.M.I.A.

1. Reference para.4 (c) of memorandum from R.C. & M.C. Section, reference No.75 dated 1 August 1944.
2. The Italian Ministry concerned has pointed out that unless this movement can be got under way promptly and peasants be returned before the Autumn, the advantages to agriculture will be lost for the best part of another year.
3. It is of course a matter of considerable interest to ourselves to secure a maximum agricultural output as early as possible in order to cut down our own imports into Italy and economise the shipping which these imports involve. The Italian Ministry states that they find it impossible to set up the organisation necessary - starting from scratch - with civilians gathered from here, there and everywhere. They have asked for the employment of 1000 officers and men from the Italian Army. Transit points will be the key to the smooth and rapid working of the organisation envisaged, and they consider that these cannot be got going without military discipline and organisation.
4. The use of these soldiers would undoubtedly assist the scheme materially and the cost to the Allies which their employment would involve must, on balance, be considered a very small price to pay for attaining this objective.
5. Our own experience, in handling large numbers of Italian refugees bears out the Italian Ministry's view, and for this reason and those mentioned in para.2 above, it is strongly recommended that the Italian request be acceded to.
6. The matter is undoubtedly urgent. Would you be good enough to take it up with AAI on behalf of this Commission? A schedule of exact numbers of officers and men involved is enclosed herewith.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to Italian Refugee Branch.

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MILITARY PERSONNEL FOR REFUGEES CENTERS OF
RE-ALLOCATION AND REST ALONG THE RAILROAD
LINE.

PERSONNEL	TOTAL
OFFICERS	50
OFFICERS MEDICAL	25
OFFICERS PHARMACIST	2
N.C.O.	44
N.C.O. MEDICAL	22
O.R's	469
O.R's MEDICAL	105
CHAPLAINS	5
<u>POLIZIA:</u> a) OFFICERS	2
b) N.C.O.	12
c) O.R's	127
NURSES	71
<u>TOTAL</u>	954

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

Ref/75/

1 August 1944

SUBJECT: Return of Civilians to their homes.

TO : Distribution below

1. In common with almost all other nations in Europe, the Italians desire to get back to their homes those people driven by war to other parts of the country. There may be, south of Rome, 250,000 such people. The homes of many are non-existent and these concerned cannot be returned for a long time. But many are agriculturalists. The latter should be got back to the land as early as possible. It is a matter of Allied interest to do this.

2. This problem is distinct from that of handling refugees in battle zones as a part of our military operations. The latter is dealt with by SCAG's Armies and the Refugee Branch ACC, and we have an organization which deals comprehensively with this.

The return of civilians requires a considerable organization, and whilst this HQ will lend assistance in many ways, the work in the main must be carried out by the Italians themselves. The head of the Italian Refugee Branch will direct this work in collaboration with the Italian Government Commissioner for Refugees.

3. In their desire to get people to their homes, an uncontrolled and unauthorized movement has been started by the Italians in several parts of Italy. Instructions have been given by the Italian Government to their prefects, and by this HQ. to Regional Commissioners, that this movement, which is causing hindrance to military interests, is premature and must for the moment cease. It is the duty of Regional Commissioners in conjunction with Italian authorities in their regions to see that these orders are obeyed and to control the people in their respective regions.

4. It has been decided by this Commission that the regularized repatriation of these people should be started as soon as possible. Plans, details of which are being studied, for the return of civilians, may be outlined as follows:

a. Movement plan: Programs to be drawn up, showing numbers and destinations. Prior agreement of authorities in areas of destination to be secured.

b. Transit Points: From larger camps at main terminals, such as Naples, and Rome, down to feeding halts at selected places on a long journey. These must be fixed and staff (Italian) at each indicated.

c. Staff for Transit Points: The Italian Commissioner will state numbers required. He wishes to have Italian Military staff, and this is recommended. The movement will not be got under way promptly and efficiently without military discipline, at least during the initial stages.

e. Finally, programme of trains will be arranged with military and civil railway authorities.

To summarize: Firstly (a) and (b) must be completed by the staff of the Italian Government Commissioner. Meantime under (c) IMIA will be requested to take up the question of Italian Military Staff with AAI (SD). Questions under (d) and (e) will be decided in principle whilst the above work is in progress.

5. Regional Commissioners should make known in their regions the fact that this work is being pushed ahead as rapidly as possible. The speed with which it can be started depends to a great extent upon reasonable discipline amongst the Italians themselves. They must be reminded that their position is not worse than that of millions of other people all over Europe whose prospects of return to their homes is remote. Unauthorized and disorderly movements which have recently taken place in certain regions, must not be repeated, and if attempted must be dealt with in the firmest manner possible.

M.S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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