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TERRITORY HANDOVER TO ITAL GOV'T
JAN. 1944 - MAY 1945

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- ① Draft at ¹⁹³ prepared by CA Sec but would be issued from here.
- ② It is only a formality to send it to G-5 but it would be repeated in substance in Daily Bulletin.
- ③ Do you agree to "Zone Commissioner" in Para 3? "Military Zone" is the term used in the event of reestablishment of AMG in any part. It replaces the title "Commissioner; Naples Commune" is used. Suggest the same form at ANCONA. ANCONA is under this HQ admin.

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Commissioner ~~Naples~~ Commune 8ACLO

Umbria - Abruzzi - Marche Regions

5. 196Establishment

-172 (12/5-)

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to 194

Ancona
Commissioner ~~Naples~~ Commune 8ACLO

March-April 1945 Regions

172 (12/5)

8.9%

Establishments

For information & appropriate action (mirrored)
14 May (See folio 194.)

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TO: Executive Commissioner.

1. Please see folio 184 proposing the handover of further territory to the Italian Government on 1 June, or perhaps on the anniversary of the liberation of ROME, i.e. 4 June. I understand there is the likelihood of military considerations, particularly in the RAVENNA area, which would necessitate certain Communes being retained.
2. Otherwise from the point of view of communications I recommend the proposal ~~and~~ para 5 (b).
3. The present Rear Army Security Control Line passes through RAVENNA, FORLI, FLORENCE, PISTOIA and LUCCA, but will no doubt be moved soon.

7 May 45.

V.P. Est. Sec.

186

I am not convinced that para 1 is correct. Let me have facts on the strength of Toscana Region. MS/S/5.

L. Sharden
Major.

187

TO: Executive Commissioner:

1. The present strength of Toscana Region is as follows:

	<u>B</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Total</u>
Officers	59	45	104
CR/EM	22	80	175
Totals	154	125	279

2. From the figures above 11 EM are actually working out of this Hq. as Warehousemen. 2 American Officers, 2 EM and 3 CR's are performing duty in Motor Transport Pools from the Motor Transport Group. 1 American

V.P. Est. Sec

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Officers	B 59	A 41	Total 100
EM/CR	22	67	159
Total	151	108	259

Establishment Section
12 May 1945

V.P. CAS

188

I thought so - see figure above.
14 May. I will discuss with AFM at next Ex. Chmty. M/S/12/5.

C.M.P.
C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Inf.
12 May.

C.S.O.

166

The transfer of further territory to the It. Govt. although on the agenda, was not discussed at the H.P. President's Conf as the views of R.C.s were already known & it has been agreed to delay until Apr/May.

It is however important to note that a decision on the date should be taken well in advance. See para 3 of 163.

13 Mar 48

hoted 13/3

Sh
G/V
3/13/11
- noted

C.S.O.

168.

Please see minute 166. In view of Feb 167 I presume no further action is needed for the present?

168. 3/13.

No 13 3/13

182

C.S.O.

13 hours

noted 8/13/3

C.S.O.

168

Please see minute 166. In view of folio 167 I presume no further action is needed for the present?

D.L. 3/13

W.L.

No ET 3/13

182

C.S.O.

To see 181

W.L. s/s

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Ex. Cur.

183

Ref 181 - does the mean we can't handover his properties again?

W.L. I think not. Mr. G.S.

W.L. s/s

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C.S.O.

Please see folio 152

C.O.S. (EX-735)

12.2.48

153

all.

155

Cor

1. Pl See 152. In with records of the 1st group in the 1st group at the meeting.

2. Pl. See 154 from P.H. CAS with presence & reply.

8/13/2

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1. Too many troops in A.M.
2. R.C. L.V. against a horse back (verbally).
3. About 1000000000 M5/14/2.

158

Cor

Lazio. Umbria reply at 157.

Meeting.

2. Pl. See 154 from P.H. CAS

with presence & reply.

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156.

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2. R.C. L.O. against a home back (verbally).
3. Await Tosecun's reply MS/14/2.

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Col. Lazio. Umbria reply at 157.

MS/14/2

164

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Ex Com 2

Please see 163 with reference to future handovers of territory to It fort, particularly para as marked. Also para 5 of 164. When you consider the time appropriate we should bring this to the notice of It fort. (CA See action).

27 Feb 45

165-

R.C.s meeting on 8/3/45.

MS/14/3

Letter 16.33.

135.

C.O.S.

Please see the B.V. flagged Draft of a letter to
Lt. Warner is submitted for your approval.

WHR
14/10

Cor I am sorry that I did not check
in this change over. (C-4/10)

141

C.S.O.

C.A.S. advise proclamation published and
letter of authority signed by Gen Wilson
Ple sign as 143

WHR
17/10

147.

C.O.S.

Please see folio 146.

WHR
30/11

148

Deos Georisee.

The V.P. had ample warning on both the last
two occasions: in the last it was discussed for
last 6 weeks. It his for him to tell his Sub Com.

Letter of authority signed by you
Pls sign as 143 out 17/12

147.

C.O.S.

Please see folio 146.

WVR
30/11

148

Deos E.ou.see.

The V.P. had ample warning on both the last
two occasions: on the last it was discussed prob
ably 6 weeks. It his for him to tell his Sub Com.
at his staff meetings in by other means

128/2/11 3458

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TO: Col. Graftey-Smith.

I recall giving notice of this at a staff meeting many weeks
before - perhaps you were not present or represented. Sorry - will
have minutes of staff meetings distributed henceforth.

7 Dec 44.

L. ANTOLINI.

Seen A.P. Graftey-Smith - 7 Dec 44

JS 9/12

131.

TO: Chief of Staff.

Letter at 130 from C.L.A. is submitted.
Document A.B.C. Tapped.

7th October, 1944

Major,
Office of C.O.S.

A/C.C.

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Submitted. Which you will wish to
handle Bonomi personally. The document
need verification by an Italian Official before
Bonomi can sign. MSL/x.

~~Completed by Bonomi~~

~~Returned to type to~~

133.

Ref 124 verbal confirmation of approval of ATHA received
by phone from Capt Stanglen 15 ATHA 1145. 12 Oct.
C.O. and P.O. informed.

2. Originals of Docs. A.B.C. signed by SAC and
K.O. to be sent

Submitted. Think you will wish to
advise Bonomi personally. The document
had verification by an Italian Official before
Bonomi can sign. MSA/7/x.

~~Completed~~ ~~Set~~ ~~submitted by Bonomi~~ ~~Required~~

~~Returned to you by~~

133.

Cat.
Ref 124 verbal confirmation of approval of AFHA received
by phone from Capt. Thengler 15 AFHA 1145. 12 Oct.
C.O. and P.O. informed.

2. Originally of Docs. A B & C signed by SAC and
Bonomi handed to Major Reuter 15 Oct. 1145 for entry.
Copies of B and C placed in file.

12. 10. 44.

For Sign down

134.

C.O.S.

Please see also folio 139, for information.

13. 10. 44

MSA/13/x.

See attached "Radolovic"
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AMG EMILIA REGION

MAY 15 REC'D

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15 May 45

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS HANDOVER OF TERRITORY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD
PAREN TO AMG EMILIA REGION FROM ALCON CITE ACCAS PARIN

PARA TWO PD REFERENCE ALCON CITE ACCAS SABER SEVEN FIVE THREE SIX DATED ONE FOUR
MAY FOUR FIVE PD THIS CABLE IS HEREBY CANCELLED CMA AS IT IS NOT NOW THE INTENTION
OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER TO ARRANGE FOR HANDOVER OF FORLI AND RAVENNA TO THE
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AT THE PRESENT TIME

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Executive Commissioner.

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant.

(MAS MORROW)

AM: EMILIA REGION

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS FURTHER HANDOVER OF TERRITORY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD
PARA TWO PD THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER WOULD LIKE TO BE IN THE POSITION TO ARRANGE
FOR THE HANDING OVER OF THE PROVINCE OF REGGIO AND FERRA TO THE ITALIAN
GOVERNMENT ON FOUR JUNE FOUR FIVE OR THEREABOUTS PROVIDED THERE ARE NO SUBSTANTIAL
CONCENTRATIONS OF GERMAN REFOR ORS WILLIAM IN THESE PROVINCES PD
PARSH TO AM: EMILIA REGION FROM ALCOA CITY ACCAS PAREN
PARA THREE PD PLEASE SIGNAL YOUR VIEWS ON THIS PROPOSAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Internal Distribution: ~~Chief Commissioner~~ ~~Executive Commissioner~~

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— Executive Commissioner. —

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GR. UPJOHN, Brig.

NICHOLAS FLORENCE
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 9/68/CA.

14 May 45

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory

TO: G-5 Section, AFHQ.

Reference telegram 6936 dated 4 May 45, from Admiral Stone.

- 1 This is to confirm that the Provinces of TERNI, PERUGIA, VITERBA, ASCOLI-PICENA, PESARO, ANCONA (less Ancona Comune) ARREZZO, SIENA and GROSSETO were handed back to the Italian Government on the 10 May 45.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

G. L. Upjohn
G. L. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

Copy to Ex Comm. ✓

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(HMS MORDEN)

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Tel : 289

Ref/2605/ED. ✓

12 May 1945

SUBJECT : Insertion for Daily Bulletin.

TO : Adjutant.

Please insert the following entries in Daily Bulletin on Monday and Tuesday, 14 and 15 May 45 :

" Handover of Territory to the Italian Government.

The following Provinces were restored to Italian Government control at 0001 hrs, 10 May 1945:

GROSSETO	PERUGIA	ASCOLI PICENO
Siena	TERNI	ANCONA (less the Comune of Ancona)
AREZZO	MACERATA	PESARO

Umbria-Marche Region.

HO Umbria-Marche Region closed at 0001 hrs on 10 May 1945. "

(Executive Commissioner)"

[Signature]
Chief Staff Officer,
To Executive Commissioner.

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" 534/ED.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

May 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory

TO: Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section

1. The following Provinces were restored to Italian Government control at 0001 hours on 10 May 1945.

GROSSETO	PERUGIA	ASCOLI PICENA
SIENA	TERNI	ANCONA (less the Commune of Ancona)
APEZZO	MACERATA	PESARO

2. HQ. UMBRIA-MARCHE Region closed at the same time and date.

3. The Provincial Commissioner who is remaining in Ancona will act as liaison for the district and will be known as Zone Commissioner.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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R.C. UMBRIA MARCHI REGION AND R.C. TOSCANA REGION.

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9 May 45

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MAY 10 RECD

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HANDOVER OF TERRITORY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IS SUBJECT

PARA ONE PD HANDOVER PROVINCES OF TERNI CIA PERUGIA CIA MACERATA CIA ASSOLI
PICENA CIA PESARO CIA ANCONA CIA L'ESS ANCONA COMUNE CIA AREZZO CIA SIENA
CIA GROSSETO TENTH MAY IS CONFIRMED PL

PARA TWO ALONG UMBRIA MARCHI REGION AND TOSCANA REGION FROM HQ ALONG
SITE ACCAS PAREN

PARA TWO PD PROCLAMATIONS FOR TERNI CIA AREZZO CIA SIENA CIA GROSSETO CIA
BEING DELIVERED DIRECT NINE AND TEN MAY PD PROCLAMATIONS FOR REMAINDER ALL
TO PERUGIA NINE MAY

Internal Distribution: A/President
Chief Commissioner,
Executive Commissioner
Political Advisers
Economic Section,
Establishment Section

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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NICHOLAS FLOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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To: AGWAR FOR COS AND TO AMBEO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF REPEATED FOR
INFORMATION SHAFT AND ALCOM ROME~~CONFIDENTIAL~~FOR INFORMATION ONLY
MAY 10 1945Transfer of further territory to Italian Government jurisdiction. This is NAF
953.

1. Now possible from political, administrative and economic points of view to hand back further territory to Italian Government jurisdiction. Also most desirable do so immediately to make as many AMG officers available as possible for north. Transfer also desirable now in order show confidence in and give support Italian Government.

2. Authority was therefore given ALLIED COMMISSION to arrange hand back following territory to Italian jurisdiction on 10 May subject approval of Advisory Council for ITALY being obtained: Provinces of ASCOLI PICENO, MACERATA, TERNI, PERUGIA, PESARO, AREZZO, SIENA, GROSSETO, and ANCONA less the port of ANCONA.

3. At meeting of Advisory Council held 4 May British, French and U.S. delegates recorded votes favor such handover. Greek, Russian and Yugoslav representatives stated they were without instructions. Greek representative was however prepared approve provided rest of Council did so. Yugoslav delegate objected personally to further hand back of territory to Italian Government so long as that Government objected to transfer of territory to Yugoslav Government and made reference to ISTRIA. Meeting decided that un-instructed delegates would request their Government for early reply so as to give these to Secretariat of Council by 8 May but Yugoslav representative stated would take 8 - 10 days before he could receive instructions

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and declined offer made to him to forward his message through military channels.

4. While FAN/80 establishing Advisory Council does not give it any executive power or right of veto it has been invariable practice in past cases of and back of territory to obtain approval of Council which they have previously given without demur.

5. The territory above referred to is purely Italian and no question as ultimate disposition arises. It is felt accordingly that handover should take place as originally planned even if consent of remaining members Advisory Council not obtained by 10 May. It is proposed to proceed on this basis unless you instruct to the contrary.

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ACTION: CA Sec
INFO: A/President
Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
US Pol Adviser
Br Pol Adviser
PR Br
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APO 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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5 May 45

SUBJECT : Handover of Territory.

TO : Executive Commissioner

- 1 Regional Commissioner Toscana has drawn attention to the fact that his strength has been so reduced that it is not possible for him to continue with the responsibility for his Region even after it has been reduced by the handover proposed for 10 May.
- 2 He considers that the following additional territory can be properly restored to the Italian Government on 1 June 1945 :-
 - (a) Province of LIVORNO less Commune of LIVORNO or such area as is considered necessary by PBS.
 - (b) Provinces of PISA and FIRENZE.

- 3 The Regional Commissioner's suggestion would leave the Provinces of PISTOIA, LUCCA and APUANIA under AMG control.

It is felt that further consideration might well be given to the possibility of including PISTOIA and LUCCA in the restoration. The greater part of both these Provinces have been under AMG for a considerable period and it is thought that, so long as the Provincial capital has had AMG for some time and the Italian administrative framework has been properly established, there is no reason why a small number of Communes which may not themselves have been occupied for long should not be passed over. It would, of course, be necessary to ensure that important engineering work had been approved and financed.

- 4 Exactly similar arguments can be put forward in favour of restoring the Provinces of FORLI' and RAVENNA. Regional Commissioner Emilia is, as a result of withdrawing British Officers for Austria, extremely short of staff.

- 5 In order to have an effective saving in personnel it is essential to disband Regional HQ Toscana Region. The alternative proposals are therefore
 - (a) Restoration of the following Provinces :-

FIRENZE, PISA, LIVORNO, PISTOIA and LUCCA in the Compartimento of Toscana.
FORLI' and RAVENNA in the Compartimento of Emilia.
The Province of APUANIA to be attached to Liguria Region.
 - (b) As above except that the Provinces of PISTOIA and LUCCA would be attached

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- 6 There are important military considerations which would necessitate certain Communes being retained. This would certainly be the case in LIVORNO and might also affect the position in RAVENNA.
- 7 It is suggested that this Section now makes enquiries from the Regional Commissioners concerned and, with their views, then puts the matter before AFHQ for a decision. The date proposed is 1 June 1945 or, perhaps, the first anniversary of the liberation of Rome.

G. R. Upjohn
G.R. UPJOHN Brig.
VP CA Section

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(Mrs M. M. M.)

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4 MAY 45

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MAY 4 RECD

SUBJECT IS TRANSFER OF FURTHER TERRITORY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD AT MEETING OF ADVISORY COUNCIL THIS MORNING BRITISH FRENCH AND UNCLE SUGAR DELEGATES RECORDED THE FAVORABLE OPINION OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS PD GREEK RUSSIAN AND YUGOSLAV DELEGATES WERE WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS ALTHOUGH GREEK DELEGATE STATED THAT IF COUNCIL APPROVED HE WOULD TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECORDING HIS GOVERNMENT AS NOT OPPOSING PD YUGOSLAV DELEGATE MADE STATEMENT EXPRESSING HIS PERSONAL OBJECTION TO ANY FURTHER TRANSFER OF TERRITORY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SO LONG AS ITALIAN GOVERNMENT OBJECTED TO TRANSFER OF TERRITORY TO YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT PD HE MADE REFERENCE TO ISTRIA PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACSCC FROM ADMIRAL STONE PAREN YUGOSLAV DELEGATE STATED IT WOULD TAKE EIGHT TO TEN DAYS BEFORE HE COULD RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS GOVERNMENT AND DECLINED MY OFFER TO FORWARD MESSAGE FOR HIM VIA MILITARY CHANNELS PD IT WAS LEFT THAT UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATES WOULD REQUEST THEIR GOVERNMENTS FOR EARLY REPLY TO BE COMMUNICATED TO SECRETARIAT BY MAY EIGHTH

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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(MRS. HODGEN)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AO/4102/5/L.

3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory to the
Italian Government.

TO: Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section

1. The enclosed documents are forwarded for the signature of the Supreme Allied Commander.
2. It is requested that the necessary signatures be obtained as soon as possible and all documents be returned to this Headquarters.
3. Enclosures:
 - i) Document "A" - 2 copies - signature of SAC only.
 - ii) Document "B" (Proclamation 16D) - 2 copies - signature of SAC only.
 - iii) -do- 1 copy in Italian for information only.

A. D. Buchanan 2.6.1
A. G. R. UPJOHN, Brig.
Vice President
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Encl: see para. 3

Copy to: Executive Commissioner

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MAY 031910B
ROUTINE

From: TOSCANA REGION AMG
To: HQ ALCOM

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Return of territory to Italian Govt is subject. Your 6457 of 29 April refers. Concur in the proposal that GROSSETO SIENA and AREZZO provinces be returned to the jurisdiction of the Italian Govt as of 24 May.

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Action - C.A. Section
Info - A/President
Chief Commissioner
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4 MAY 1945

A. C.

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3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory to Italian Government.

TO: Secretary, Advisory Council for Italy.

MAY 3 RECD

1. It is several weeks since the Italian Government first requested the restoration to their control of the Compartimenti of TOSCANA, UMBRIA and MARCHE.

2. This Commission is of the opinion that the three most southerly Provinces of TOSCANA, namely GROSSETO, SIENA and AREZZO, the Compartimento of UMBRIA, and the Compartimento of MARCHE (except the Comune of ANCONA) are all ready to be handed back. The 10th May is suggested as a suitable date.

It is not thought that the time is yet ripe to hand back more territory in TOSCANA than the three Provinces named, or the important Comune of ANCONA, owing to the military interests which are involved.

3. An additional and very pertinent argument in favour of this proposal is that it would enable this Commission to transfer a number of officers to the North where they are badly needed.

4. Perhaps you would kindly arrange for this proposal to be brought before the next meeting of the Council. The Supreme Allied Commander has signified his agreement, subject to the approval of the Council.

M. S. Luck

for ELDER W. STONE Brigadier
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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(Mrs. Hobson)

Copy to: Executive Commissioner

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RC TOSCANA REGION CMA RPTD UMBRIA MARCHE REGION CMA EMILIA REGION

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2 May 45

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MAY 3 RECD

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PARA ONE PD AFHQ AGREE PROPOSED HANDOVER TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT OF FOLLOWING
TERRITORY TO BE EFFECTIVE TEN MAY PD

PARA TWO RC TOSCANA REGION CMA RPTD UMBRIA MARCHE REGION CMA EMILIA REGION
FROM ALCOM SITE ACCAS PAREN

PARA TWO PD REGION OF UMBRIA MARCHE LESS COMMUNE OF ANCONA PROVINCES OF
GROSSETO CMA SIENA CMA AREZZO PD

PARA THREE PD COMMUNE OF ANCONA WILL BE ADMINISTERED DIRECT FROM HQ QUERIN
ALCOM PD

PARA FOUR PD LTCOLONEL EDWES WILL ACT AS LIAISON OFFICER UMBRIA MARCHE IN
ADDITION TO HIS DUTIES IN ANCONA COMMUNE

INTO DIST 1-

Ex Commissioner
Est Section
Econ Section
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A.F. BONHAM CARTER Lt Col

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHOEG

TO: ACTION: AICOM ROME

MAY 3 RECD

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Rear 6457 and 6569 Site AGS00.

Subject approval Advisory Council agree in handback on 10 May of territory set out in your cable. Request you advise view of Advisory Council in order formal report to GCS may be made

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ACTION : CA RNO

INFO : A/PRESIDENT
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EXEC COMMISSIONER
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MAY 021155B
ROUTINE

From: HQ ARS EMILIA REGION CITE ROSAS
To: HQ AGO, NPS CENTER

MAY 3, 1945

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Your 6253. Will be glad assume administrative jurisdiction ANCONA province 26 May provided provincial personnel transport and supplies left intact. Is PESARO included or will ANCONA be an administrative island.

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Info - A/President
Chief Commissioner
Exec Comm
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From: HQ AND NIGERIA NORTHERN REGION
To: HQ AECOM AGOPO

MAY 1 RECD

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1. Ref your signal 6457 of 29th. Suggest returning all ANCONA province except port ANCONA to jurisdiction of Italian Government will lead to considerable trouble.
2. Highway 16 from just north of MONDOLFO to ANCONA port particularly MONDOLFO TENNICALLIA FALCONARA is packed with troops as is also JEMI.
3. I consider military will not agree readily therefore to your proposal.
4. Strongly advise area to be retained by AMG should embrace the area mentioned in para 2 above.

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 Action - 293 (3)
 Info - A/President
 Chief Commissioner
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AFHQ G 5, RPDT AND TOSCANA REGION, ALCOM UMBRIA MARCHE REGION

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30 Apr 45

ROUTINE

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS TRANSFER OF TERRITORY PD

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FROM ALCOM CITE AREAS PAREN

PARA TWO PD REFERENCE ALCOM CABLE NUMBER SIX FOUR FIVE SEVEN OF TWO NINE
APRIL PD DATE IN SECOND LINE OF PARA ONE SHOULD READ ONE ZERO MAY REPEAT
ONE ZERO MAY

INFO DIST :

CC British Ambassador
Ex Comm U.S. Ambassador
Econ Sec
Ext Sec

Civil Affairs Sec.
Executive Commissioner

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NORMAN E. PICKS Col
Lt Col.

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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AFHQ G 5, REPT AMG TOSCANA REGION, ALCON UMBRIA MARCHE REGION

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29 APRIL 45

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PARA ONE PD I RECOMMEND THAT THE FOLLOWING PROVINCES BE RETURNED TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AS OF ~~TENNY~~ ^{ONE ZERO} ~~POOR~~ MAY THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DATE ON WHICH ITALY ENTERED WORLD WAR ONE PD ASCOLI PICENO CMA MACERATA CMA TERNI CMA PERUGIA CMA PESARO CMA ANCONA EXCEPT THE PORT OF ANCONA PD

PARA TWO PD THESE PROVINCES ARE ALL IN A FIT STATE FROM A POLITICAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ECONOMIC POINT OF VIEW TO BE HANDLED BACK TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD

PARA THREE PD AFHQ G 5 REPT AMG TOSCANA REGION CMA ALCON UMBRIA MARCHE REGION FROM ALCON CITE ACSCOC PAVEN

PARA THREE PD FURTHERMORE SUCH AN ACTION ON THE PART OF THE ALLIES AT THIS TIME WILL SHOW CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT AND GIVE THEM SUPPORT IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WHICH THEY WILL NO DOUBT SHORTLY HAVE WITH CLNAI PD

PARA FOUR PD CONTINUANCE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN THESE PROVINCES IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE IN VIEW OF WITHDRAWALS OF PERSONNEL WHICH I HAVE MADE FOR THE NORTH CLM ON THE OTHER HAND TRANSFER TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD ENABLE ME TO WITHDRAW ALL REMAINING PERSONNEL FOR THE NORTH WHERE I AM STILL UNDER STRENGTH PD

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(Masak Moroun)

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PARA FIVE PD YOUR CONCURRENCE TO THIS PROPOSAL URGENTLY REQUESTED SO THAT THE MATTER
MAY BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ALLIED ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FRIDAY FOUR
MAY PD

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CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant

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Tel : 735

Ref/2605/170/EC.

28 April 1945

SUBJECT : Transfer of territory.

TO : Economic Section.

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1. With reference to your letter ES/1.31 dated 21 February 45 requesting advance notice of the intention to transfer territory to the Italian Government.

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2. Your attention is drawn to attached signal dated 27 April, No. 6253.

[Signature]
Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner.

Copy to : Civil Affairs Section.

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[Signature]
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6253

27 April

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS RETURN OF TERRITORY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD

PARA TWO PD IT IS PROPOSED TO RECOMMEND HANDOVER OF THE FOLLOWING TERRITORY

ON TWO SIX MAY PD PROVINCES OF GROSETO CMA SIENA CMA AREZZO AND UMBRIA MARCHES

LESS THE PROVINCE OF ANCONA PD

PARA TO AMG EMILIA REGION RPTD TOSCANA REGION CMA AMG UMBRIA MARCHES REGION

FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACCAS PAREN

PARA THREE PD CONSIDER PERSONNEL AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS OUTSIDE ADMINISTRATIVE
DISADVANTAGE OF DIVIDING TOSCANA PD

PARA FOUR PD PROPOSE ANCONA BE TRANSFERRED TO EMILIA PD

PARA FIVE PD YOUR COMMENTS ARE REQUESTED

See 170

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Executive Commissioner.

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A.D. BONHAM-CARTER Lt Col.

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
Ass Adjutant.

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Ref: 9/6.B/CA

26 March 1945.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

Further to my letter dated 15 February 1945, reference 9/6.B/CA, with regard to the restoration of further territory to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government, I have caused an exhaustive examination into the question to be made.

I find that for operational reasons it would be undesirable to restore to your jurisdiction the complete compartimenti of either UMBRIA or MARCHE. The compartimento of TOSCANA is not yet wholly liberated. Furthermore, I think it would be unsound to transfer merely those provinces which are immediately contiguous to Italian Government territory as they are economically and administratively bound up with the compartimenti I have mentioned above; also, at the present time, large numbers of Allied troops are in these provinces and the problems which inevitably arise in such circumstances are, I believe you will agree, more easily solved, to the greater satisfaction both of the Allied forces and the inhabitants, by the Allied Military Government.

Accordingly, I believe the better plan will be to postpone any further restoration of territory until the liberation of further areas in the North makes possible the restoration to you of one or more complete compartimenti and I propose to advise the Supreme Allied Commander accordingly.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
R.O.M.E.

Copy to: { POLITICAL ADVISERS
Regional Commissioner, TOSCANA Region.
" " UMBRIA MARCHE Region.

(MISS L. B. B. B.)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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21 February 1945

SUBJECT: Transfer of Territory

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. The Economic Section has no objection to the transfer of the provinces of Terni, Ascoli-Piceno, Grosseto and Macerata to the Italian Government.

2. In arranging for this transfer, however, the following comments of Finance Sub-Commission should be borne in mind:

"We have no objection from the financial side to the handing over to the Italian Government of the provinces of Terni, Ascoli-Piceno, Grosseto and Macerata. It must be noted, however, that in the case of each past transfer of territory the Italian Government has been incapable of providing the necessary finance for the continuation of civil administration, with the result that the AMG methods of authorizing expenditure have had to be continued for a certain period after the transfer to the Italian Government had taken place.

"Accordingly, we wish again to point out that the Allied Commission should obtain from the Italian Government the guarantees suggested in our 13065/F of 23 January to you (another copy is attached hereto). As all AC/AMG officers are to be withdrawn from AC territory, we obviously cannot be responsible for the financing of essential services if the Italian Government fails, for we will have no finance officer on the ground to intervene and spur on the local administration."

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3. It is requested that as much advance notice as possible of the transfer be given to this Section.


E. B. MCKINLEY
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Acting Vice-President
Economic Section

Enclosure:

1 Memo 23 Jan. 1945

Subject - Communal Finance

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
TEL: 485977

13065/F

23 January 1945

SUBJECT: Communal Finance

TO : Economic Section

1. The complaint of the Regional Commissioner, Southern Region, in his letter R/1454 of 16 January, that communes are not supplied with sufficient funds to ensure normal sanitation service, is only a part of a wider subject.
2. The specific complaint regarding the communes of Afragola and Capua will be brought specially to the notice of the Minister of the Interior, and prompt action requested.
3. Sufficient evidence is available to prove that the Italian Government is not in a position to provide for the civil administration when territory is transferred to its jurisdiction. An essential prerequisite before territory is transferred should be that the Italian Government has made flexible arrangements to provide for the operation of essential services and the continuance of the civil administration. A solution might be found by delegating to prefects the power and functions exercised by Regional Finance officers.
4. Normally it is not within the competence of the Allied Commission to criticise the ability of the Italian Government to govern its own territory, but when their failure to make proper provision for the civil administration has a harmful effect on the war effort, (e.g. by causing strikes, civil commotion, interference with the military supplies, etc.), the Allied authorities have the right to require the Italian Government to take extraordinary steps to meet the needs of the situation. Experience has proved that the Italian Government is not capable of taking prompt and effective action in urgent situations, and the inflexibility of the bureaucratic system is the chief cause of failure.
5. Clearly it would be unwise to suggest the reversion of any territory from Italian to Allied Military Government, but before any further territory is transferred it is suggested that the Allied authorities ought to receive, in advance, guarantees that exceptional arrangements have been made to ensure essential services in operation. This would be best achieved by decentralization of control and would take into account the practical

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difficulties of government arising from the breakdown of communications and transport. Similar arrangements could be introduced in territory under Italian Government for a temporary period until conditions are again more normal.

(Signed) A. P. Graftey-Smith,
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission

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Ref: 9/65/CA.

15 February 1945

FEB 16 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

In reply to your letter dated 10 February 1945, reference 10951/1.1.26. I have already this matter under consideration and have in fact ordered a report to be made to me by my officers principally concerned.

I anticipate that I may be able to make proposals to the Supreme Allied Commander in a short time and will communicate with you again when I have received his decision.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery V. Stone

ELLEERY V. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner.

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
ROME.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
APO 394

R/6242

SUBJECT: Restoration of Territory to
Italian Government

13 February, 1945

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
Civil Affairs Section.

FEB 14 1945

Reference your 9/SB/CA dated 11 February 1945, the Regional Commissioner considers that the handing over of Terni is inadvisable. He suggests that the Province should be retained under AMG control for at least 6 weeks and the matter be reconsidered at the end of March in the light of circumstances then prevailing.

It is agreed that this view does not agree with the one expressed several months ago. Since then, however, considerable experience of Provinces handed over too soon has been gained.

The Regional Commissioner bases his present recommendation on the following reasons:

- (a) The importance of Terni as a electric power centre combined with the possible demands increasing from the north.
- (b) The fact that Terni is a potential source of political unrest. This danger diminishes with the progress of repairs to houses, etc. Such repairs are invariably slowed up when a Province passes from AMG control.
- (c) The Italian Olive Oil Decree has not been applied so far the amendments on retentions are concerned. Endless complications will ensue if the Province is handed over before the olive amassing is complete.

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There are not many troops in Terni City but a fair number in Orvieto. From the Military angle the responsibility for the roads is the most important factor and an added reason for retaining AMG control.

The strength of the Regional Commissioners recommendation is based on (a) and (b) above. He considers that no risk of any delay or interference with the repair of the power stations should be taken.

For the Regional Commissioner:

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A.D. Bonham-Carter
A.D. BONHAM-CARTER
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer

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Extract of Minutes of Chief of Staff's Meeting held on 13 February 1945.

Hand-Back of Territory. CA Sec had heard from RC that he considered Ascoli and Macerata could be returned to the Italians as soon as the considerable number of troops had moved out. They had not yet had views on Grosseto and Terni. OS considered it was better to keep Provinces under AMG until the Spring, say for another two months.

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
10951/1.1.26

Rome, 10 February 1945

FEB 10 1945

My dear Admiral,

since October 16th, ie, since the last passage of territory - provinces of Chieti, Pescara, L'Aquila, Teramo, Rieti, Viterbo - from the jurisdiction of A.M.G. to that of the Italian Government, the fighting line has moved farther North under the pressure of the Allied armies, in view of the future operations which will bring about the complete liberation of the country.

During these long months of Military Administration, the A.M.G. Authorities have certainly been able - in the provinces which were not close to the front at least - to bring to an end through their wise and energetic action, the necessary work of reorganization which has to take place in the territories which have just been liberated, in relation with strictly military requirements as well as with civilian requirements.

On the other hand, the Allies having consolidated their positions, and the possibility of war refluxes getting more remote every day, the populations of these territories are now living in more normal conditions of life and work, after the hard period of enemy occupation, and the violent shocks of the fight.

The economy of these regions - Umbria, Marche and Tuscany - being characterized by great agricultural resources, its natural development requires great facilities for commercial relations and exchanges.

On the contrary, as the above mentioned provinces are under an administrative regime different from that of the neighbouring southern provinces, economic exchanges between them are hampered or at least delayed. The important advantages which more active economic relations would bring about can therefore not be obtained.

I want to draw your attention on the fact that it would be opportune for more provinces to be handed over to the Italian Government, subordinately, of course, to military requirements. To increase the sphere of action of the organs of the Italian administration would bring about the immediate advantages which I have mentioned, and also enable to solve more easily the serious problems which will have to be faced on the liberation of the whole national territory.

Trusting that you will examine this question with your usual spirit of comprehension, I remain, my dear Admiral,

Truly yours,

S. I. Bonomi

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Admiral Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission - Rome

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 396
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel: 478194

Ref: 9/6B/CA.

11 Feb 45.

SUBJECT: Restoration of Territory to Italian Government.

FEB 11 1945

TO: R.C., TOSCANA Region,
LAZIO-UMBRIA Region.

- 1 The Chief Commissioner has under consideration the possibility of returning further provinces to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government, namely TERNI, GROSSETTO, ASCOLI-PICENO and MACERATA and desires an expression of your views on the desirability of such restoration at the present time with regard to the provinces under your command.
- 2 In expressing your views will you please consider not only the degree of economic recovery and the state of law and order and civil administration in those provinces, but also whether Allied troops are present in large numbers and if so whether a restoration is desirable on those grounds or not.
- 3 The Regional Commissioner, ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region, has already expressed the view that ASCOLI-PICENO and MACERATA can be restored to the Italian Government except for the presence of very large numbers of Allied troops who are at present resting in that area.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Signed by G.R.V. RACAP
G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
DCOS AC.

Copy to: Economic Section,
R.C., ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region,
Chief of Staff, —
Political Section.

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Extract of Minutes of Chief of Staff's Meeting held on 9 February 1945.

Hand-back of Territory. CA Sec suggested that in addition to Ascoli and Terni Provinces, Grosseto Province might be considered for handing back to the Italians. COS agreed and directed CA Sec to obtain the RO's views.

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Tel: 735.

8 February 1945.

Ref: 2605/151/003

SUBJECT: Restoration of territory to Italian Government.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. Reference to your TS/18/13/CA of 7 Feb 45, the Chief of Staff wishes you to write to the Regions concerned for their opinion and desirability of handing over the Provinces of TERNI and ASCOLI PICENO to the Italian Government. Their attention should be drawn to two factors which may militate against handing over at the present time and that is, the number of Allied troops who may be billeted in these two Provinces and the severity of devastation.

PA *[initials]*

[Signature]
Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff

BU *[initials]*
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel. Ext. 525

Ref: TS/18/13/CA

7 Feb 45.

SUBJECT: Restoration of territory to Italian Government.

FEB 7 1945

TO: Chief of Staff.

- 1 With reference to the Chief Commissioner's conference yesterday I recommend that the following provinces
(i) TERNI (LAZIO-UMBRIA Region)
(ii) ASCOLI PICENO (ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region)
be handed over as soon as possible to the Italian Government.
- 2 Both provinces have been liberated for about 7 months and should by now be in a proper state to be handed over. Moreover, their distance from the fighting line renders it quite unnecessary to retain them under A.M.G. from a military or security point of view.
- 3 Would you please consult the R.Cs. affected for their views.

G. R. Upjohn
G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
TCOS.

Copy to: Economic Section,
Political Section.

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*Autonomous groups have been set up
to handle of troops & military 118
a number of observations*

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FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
TEL: 478604

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24 November 1944

SUBJECT: Transfer of Territory to Italian
Government - Instructions to
Italian Officials.

TO : Chief of Staff
(through Economic Section).

1. I refer to the attached copy of memorandum 3.05 ES, dated 19 November, 1944, from Economic Section, reporting certain difficulties when territory was transferred to the Italian Government on 16 October, 1944.

2. From the standpoint of finance, there should be a clear-cut transfer of responsibility on the change in jurisdiction, and precise administrative instructions are necessary to the provincial offices concerned. The Sub-Section of the Finance Sub-Commission responsible for budgetary matters points out that the official notice on the transfer (2605/143/COS) was dated 18 October, 1944, and announced the effective date of transfer as 0001 hours 16 October, 1944.

3. It is therefore recommended that when future transfers are decided upon, the various sub-commissions concerned be advised thereof sufficiently far in advance to enable them to ensure that the Italian Government has made its own arrangements and issued the necessary instructions to its officials.

A.P. Grasseby Smith
Colonel
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

Agreed
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HEADQUARTERS ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Tel: 558
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19 November 1944

SUBJECT: Monthly Reports - October

TO : Finance S/C

1. Abruzzi Marche Region reports that on the handing over to the Italian Government of the four provinces the Italian Ministries failed to issue proper instructions as to what was to be taken over thus occasioning considerable work.
2. This report is for your information and any action deemed necessary.

C. J. MACNAMARA
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Economic Section

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HQ 3 District,
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Dear

Brigadier

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Yours *v. Smith*

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Brigadier M LUSH, CRE, MC,
Chief of Staff,
HQ Allied Control Commission,
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMF
Office of the Chief of Staff.

Ref : 2605/143/COS.

18 October 1944

SUBJECT : Handover of Territory to the Italian Government.

TO : R.C.'s Sicilia, Southern, Sardegna, Lazio-Umbria,
Abruzzi-Marche, Toscana, Emilia, Liguria, Piemonte,
Lombardia and Venezia.

*Immediatamente
ad. eff. 16/10/44*

Effective as from 0001 hrs., 16 October 1944, the Provinces of
CHIETI, PESCARA, L'AQUILA, TERAMO, Rieti and VITERBO are handed over to the
Italian Government.

*To see
Major Stearns
Linton Dir.
St. Commandant*

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HWP*

W. Shipp
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff,

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16 October 1944

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Pursuant to the request of Sig. Sorrentino made to the Chief Legal Advisor of this Commission, I am enclosing one set of conformed copies of the Documents executed in connection with the restoration of territory to your Government's jurisdiction on 16 October 1944.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

5 Inclosures

cc: Legal S/C
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMF
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref 2605/140/COM.

15th October, 1944

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E. H. H. H.

As promised in my 276/CA of the 16th September 44, this is to let you know that it has now been decided to hand over the provinces of Teramo, Aquila, Pescara, Chieti, Viterbo and Rieti to the Italian Government w.e.f. 0001 hrs on October 16th.

I have noted that you would like to be kept informed of other organizational changes in the future.

M. S. LUSH

Lieut. Colonel E.P. Warner,
Headquarters,
No. 3 District,
C. M. F.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

Ref:- 9/6.B.

11 Oct. '44.

12 OCT Recd

To:- AMHQ (For attention G-5 Section).

SUBJECT:- Pantelleria & Lampedusa Islands.

1. At the time of the first handover of territory to the Italian Government on 11 Feb '44 certain Islands including Pantelleria and Lampedusa were retained under Allied Military Government. Since that date conditions have of course considerably altered, and unless there are considerations of high policy of which we are unaware, it is desired that the matter be examined with a view to deciding whether these islands may be handed back to Italian Government control and the AMG officers at present stationed there withdrawn.
2. A survey made under reference AMHQ 2926/Q(Maint) of May '44 showed that military forces maintained there were exceedingly small. It is not known in this HQ whether they still remain.
3. MC Region Sicily reports that in his opinion the Italian Government would be able to supply and administer the Islands, and that telegraphic communication (which has been restored between Pantelleria and North Africa) will very shortly be re-established between Sicily, Lampedusa and Pantelleria.
4. It would therefore appear, if there is no objection, that the Islands can conveniently be returned to Italian Government control and the AMG officers there be withdrawn.

FOR THE ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

G. R. WILSON. Brigadier
VP CA Sec.
Dep. C. of S.

GRW/ymh.

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Ref: 2605/GDS.

10 October 1944

Your Excellency,

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I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1/-/44 of the 7th October, informing me of the text of a resolution passed unanimously by the Allied Advisory Council at their meeting on 6th October. As requested, this has been communicated to the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean for his action.

Very respectfully yours,

ELIZABETH W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner.

H.E. Sir Noel Charles, Bart., K.C.M.G.,
British Embassy,
ROME.

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
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7th October 1944

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Sir,

With reference to your memorandum No. 276/129/CA of the 30th September addressed to the Secretariat of the Advisory Council for Italy, I have the honour to inform you that at their meeting on the 6th October, the Council unanimously approved the following resolution regarding the transfer of certain further territories to Italian administration.

2. "The Advisory Council for Italy have examined the proposal made by Captain Stone in his memorandum No. 276/129/CA of the 30th September for the transfer of certain territories to Italian administration and they recommend that this proposal should be immediately implemented".

3. I shall be grateful if you will be so good as to communicate the foregoing to the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Command, for appropriate action by him.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Captain Ellery V. Stone,
U.S.N.R.,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

Paul B. Smith

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SECRET PD REFERENCE YOUR GEORGE FIVE THREE EIGHT SEVEN POINT FOUR DASH TWO OF EIGHTEEN SEPTEMBER PD PAREN TO AMHQ FOR SACRED FOR ACTION CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR FOR INFO REPTD ADV AAI FOR ALEXANDER FOR INFO FROM HQ ACC FROM STONE PERSONAL PAREN SIR NOEL CHARLES CMA CHAIRMAN IN OFFICE OF THE ALLIED ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY CMA REQUESTS THAT THE FOLLOWING TEXT OF RESOLUTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AT MEETING OF THE ALLIED ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY ON SIXTH OCTOBER BE TRANSMITTED TO THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER PD QUOTE THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY HAVE EXAMINED THE PROPOSAL MADE BY CAPTAIN STONE IN HIS MEMORANDUM NUMBER TWO SEVEN SIX SLANT ONE TWO NINE SLANT CHARLES ABLE OF THE THIRTEENTH SEPTEMBER FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN TERRITORIES TO ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION AND THEY RECOMMEND THAT THIS PROPOSAL SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENTED UNQUOTE

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L.T. MONTANT, Jr.
1st Lt AGO
ADJUTANT

DOCUMENT "B"

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Allied Military Government of Occupied Territory.

PROCLAMATION NO. 16 (C).

WHEREAS, I assumed all powers of government and jurisdiction in the territory of Italy occupied by my troops and over its inhabitants and military government was established to exercise these powers in such territory under my direction, and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of such powers, Proclamations and Orders have been issued from time to time by me or my predecessor or under my or his authority throughout such territory, and

WHEREAS, the United Nations have consented at the request of the Italian Government to restore as much of the said occupied territory to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government as may be compatible with military exigencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SIR HENRY MATTLAND WILSON, G.C.B., G.B.E., D.S.O., A.D.C., General, Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater and Military Governor, hereby proclaim as follows:

Allied Military Government established by me or my predecessor and all proclamations and Orders heretofore issued by me or by him or under my or his authority in that portion of Italy comprising the Provinces of Chieti, Pescara, L'Aquila, Teramo, Rieti and Viterbo are hereby terminated as of 0001 hours on the 16th day of October, 1944. The Italian Government will thereafter administer the above territory, subject to all powers, rights and immunities of the United Nations and of the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater and Allied Control Commission.

/s/ HENRY MATTLAND WILSON

/s/ HENRY MATTLAND WILSON,

General, Supreme Allied Commander
Mediterranean Theater and
Military Governor.

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16 October 1944.

DOCUMENT "C"

Proclamation by the Italian Government to be
signed by the President of the Council.

PROCLAMATION

To the Italian people:

The United Nations have acceded to the request of the Italian Government that further territory, in addition to that already restored, be restored to Italian Government administration as of today's date, in accordance with the terms and conditions necessary for the conduct of the war.

The provisions hereof concern the Provinces of Chieti, Pescara, L'Aquila, Teramo, Rieti, and Viterbo.

The restoration is subject to the following conditions:

1. Military Government in the territory restored as of this date having been terminated by the Allied Military Government, all powers of government and jurisdiction in the territory restored and over its inhabitants, and final administrative responsibility, subject only to the rights reserved to the United Nations, are vested in the Government of Italy.
2. All Proclamations and Orders heretofore issued by the Military Governor or under his authority by his delegates in the said territory and which have been terminated therein by the Military Governor as upon its restoration, are hereby recognized by the Italian Government as having been validly issued during the time they were operative and are declared to be of the same legal effect as if they had been issued by the Italian Government in accordance with Italian law, and they will be so recognized by all Italian courts and officials.
3. All acts done by any member of the Allied forces in pursuance of such Proclamations or Orders, and all official action of any nature taken by the Allied Military Government in pursuance thereof including ^{all} ₁₀₄

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appointments to and removals from any office, public or private, will be recognized by all Italian courts and officials as legal, valid and binding.

4. All sentences imposed by Allied Military Courts are hereby recognized by the Italian Government as valid and legal and of the same effect as if imposed by an Italian court and will be so recognized by all Italian courts and Italian officials unless set aside or modified by or with the consent of the Allied Control Commission.

President of the Council of Ministers

B O N O M I

Rome: 16 October 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/4102/3/1

7 Oct 1944
7 OCT Recd

SUBJECT: Restoration of the Provinces of Chieti, Pescara, L'Aquila, Teramo, Rieti and Viterbo.

TO : Acting Chief Commissioner.

1. I enclose two counterparts of the following documents:
 - a. Document "A" signed by General Wilson;
 - b. Document "B" in English signed by General Wilson; and in Italian;
 - c. Document "C" in English and Italian.
2. Documents "A" and "C" are ready for the signature of Sig. Bonomi.
3. On this restoration, it is not necessary to have a Document "D", its contents being taken care of in the last paragraph of Document "A".
4. I would appreciate it if Sig. Bonomi will immediately designate someone to get in touch with me to discuss the necessary legislation and to verify the correctness of the translations particularly as to Document "C". I think however there should be no question on the latter score as the translation follows that used upon the last restoration.

Richard H. Wilson
RICHARD H. WILSON,
Colonel, GAC,
Chief Legal Advisor.

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Ref: 276/129/DA.

30th September 1944.

SUBJECT: Handover of territory to Italian Government.

TO : Secretary, Advisory Council for Italy.

1. The Italian Government have recently been pressing for an early restoration to their control of the Provinces of TERAPO, AQUILA, PESCARA and CHIETI, on the grounds that, among other things, the Province of CHIETI was liberated over nine months ago, and that in TERAPO and AQUILA the activities of the patriots has given ample proof of anti-German and anti-Fascist sympathies. These headquarters are in full agreement that from the administrative point of view these Provinces could be handed back at any moment and would suggest October 16th as a suitable date.

2. In order to conform to the new boundary of AFHQ administrative responsibility in Italy, and thereby to simplify certain aspects of administration and legislation, it is considered that the Provinces of VITERBO and Rieti might also be handed back to the Italian Government at the same time. The damage suffered in these Provinces was not so great as in the areas where the Allies halted for a period. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian provincial administration is working, and except for a small portion of VITERBO, the whole area South of the Rear Army Security Control Line.

3. An additional advantage in this proposal is that it would enable the Allied Control Commission to withdraw at once a small number of officers badly needed in the North.

4. The matter has been referred to G-in-C, Allied Armies in Italy, who has replied that he has no objection to the proposed transfer.

5. Before referring the matter to SAC for final consideration we have been directed to enquire the views of the members of the Advisory Council. Perhaps you would kindly arrange to have the matter brought up for discussion at the next meeting of the Council on October 6th.

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Via	AG - 1570
Initials	CH.

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HUGH W. STONE
Captain, USAR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

A P O 394

Ref/276/E/CA (A/CC 602.5)

SUBJECT: Transfer of additional territory to Italian Government.

TO: HQ Allied Armies in Italy.

1. The Italian Government have recently been pressing for an early restoration to their control of the Provinces of TERAPO, AQUILA, PESCARA and CHIETI on the grounds that, among other things, the Province of CHIETI was liberated over 9 months ago, and that in TERAPO and AQUILA the activities of the patriots has given ample proof of anti-German and anti-Fascist sympathies. These headquarters are in full agreement that from the administrative point of view, these Provinces could be handed back at any moment.

2. In order to conform to the new boundary of APRQ, and thereby to simplify certain aspects of administration and legislation, it is considered that the Provinces of VITERBO and RIETI might also be handed back to the Italian Government at the same time. The damage suffered in these Provinces was not so great as in the areas where the Armies halted for a period. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian provincial administration is working and except for a small portion of VITERBO, the whole area is South of the Rear Army Security Control Line.

3. An additional advantage in this proposal is that it would enable the Allied Control Commission to withdraw at once a small number of officers badly needed in the North.

4. Your approval is therefore sought for a proposal to hand back to the Italian Government the Provinces of TERAPO, AQUILA, PESCARA, CHIETI, VITERBO and RIETI. The date suggested for this transfer is September 30th.

ELERY W. STONE

Captain, USAR

Acting Chief Commissioner.

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2. In order to conform to the new boundary of AFHQ, and thereby to simplify certain aspects of administration and legislation, it is considered that the Provinces of VITERBO and RIETI might also be landed back to the Italian Government at the same time. The damage suffered in these Provinces was not so great as in the areas where the Armies halted for a period. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian provincial administration is working and except for a small portion of VITERBO, the whole area is South of the Rear Army Security Control Line.

3. An additional advantage in this proposal is that it would enable the Allied Control Commission to withdraw at once a small number of officers badly needed in the North.

4. Your approval is therefore sought for a proposal to land back to the Italian Government the Provinces of TERNI, AQUILA, PESCARA, CHIETI, VITERBO and RIETI. The date suggested for this transfer is September 30th.

ELERY W. SMITH
Captain, USAR
Acting Chief Commissioner.

COPY
Subject: Transfer of territory to
the Italian Government.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
Tel. Ext. 1
1034/11/41

15 Sep 44.

AFHQ

Copy to Chief Commissioner, ACC.

With reference to the attached (above) letter dated 12 Sep 44 from the Acting Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission, this Headquarters has no objection to the proposal made in paragraph 4 and agrees with the date suggested therein.

Please inform the Chief Commissioner, ACC and this Headquarters of your decision in the matter.

(sgd) B.H. ROBERTSON
Maj-Gen
for General
Commander-in-Chief

HEADQUARTERS
A. C. C.
24 SEP 1944

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Ref: 276/127/CA.

24th September, 1944.

Acting Chief Commissioner.

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1. AFHQ and AAI have agreed to our proposal to hand back to the Italian Government the Provinces of TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA, CHIETI, VITERBO and RIETI on September 30th, as suggested to them on Page 121.
2. In view of the disorder in ROME last week and as a sanction in your forthcoming conversations with the Prime Minister, you may wish to consider postponement of the date. Administratively, and from the point of view of personnel, I would still recommend the handover on September 30th but political factors do enter the case and I think should be considered.

MSL/JG.

Exec. Commr.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Falso 124 does not show That
matter has been approved by AFHQ
but is to be referred to Advisory
Council. Pls have Pol Sec draft
letter, & I will discuss with Bonomi.
Next meeting of Adv. C. is Oct. 6
- V.P. Pol Sec for ^{agreement} Action ^{11/26} 11/26/45. (W)



Ministero delle Corporazioni

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL PERSONALE
DELLA PREVIDENZA E DEL COLLOCAMENTO

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

Lt.Col.Friend James rang up with the following message:

The copy of the letter from the CAO to the Chief Commissioner will be sent by to-morrow's courier. Meanwhile the text of the letter is as follows:

"With reference to the attached above letter dated 12.Sep.44 from the Acting Chief Commissioner of the the Allied Control Commission, this HQ has no objection to the proposal made in paragraph 4 and agrees with the date suggested therein.

2. Please inform the Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission and this HQ of your decision in the matter."

Original addressed to AFHQ, signed by Gen.Robertson.

Lt.Col.Friend James is still investigating the whereabouts of the copy forwarded several days ago. 3398

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$\frac{23}{9}$ 1430 hrs

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Lt Col MP WARNER, GSO 1,
HQ, 3 District, CEF.
Ext 9

19 Sep 44

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My Dear Brigadier.

Thank you for your letter dated 16 Sep (Ref: 276/CA) and the information contained therein.

I will be grateful if your HQ will let us know when the changes you mention does take effect, and also of any other organizational changes, as it is probable that we shall fairly soon take over Eastern Southern Italy as well from 2 District; and also it is helpful to have the complete AOC picture.

Yours sincerely

Plum Varn 3357

Brigadier M LUSH, CEF, ME.
Executive Commissioner
HQ Allied Control Commission
CEF.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 387.4-2

18 September 1944

SUBJECT: Transfer of Territory to the Italian Government.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your 276/B/CA (A/CC 602.3) of 12 September.
2. This section has to-day received the original of HQ AAI 1034/11/Q1 of 15 September a copy of which has been sent to you direct. This signifies HQ AAI assent to the ~~purpose~~ made by you.
3. As in previous cases, it will be necessary to obtain the views of the Advisory Council. Will you please obtain these and advise this Headquarters as soon as possible in order that the matter may receive final consideration here.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

See 129
1st Lt. St. John
Brigadier should see
Mr. G. mls
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T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

See memo at 126



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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 594,

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 276/CA.

16th September, 1944.

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Thank you for your letter DO 100/G of 9th September.
At the moment the Provinces you mention have not been handed over
to the Italian Government.

We have, however, approached AFHQ to ask whether they
could be handed over at the end of the month. As soon as a decision
has been reached I will let you know.

(Sgd) M.S. Lush.

Lieut. Colonel E. P. Warner,
Headquarters,
No. 3 District,
C. M. P.

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FROM: Lt col EP WATNER, GSO 1

HQ, 3 District, GSO
Ext 9

DO 100/G

9 Sep 44

Dear *Brigadier*,

14 SEP Recd

We have just heard from AFHQ that they are taking over from AAI up to the Northern boundaries of the provinces of TERAMO, RIETI, and VITERBO. It is probable that this HQ will shortly be responsible for the administration of all this territory (less PIS area).

As at present known to this HQ Italian Government Territory now extends as far North as the Northern boundaries of the provinces of ROME, FROSINONE, and CAMPORASSO, (less the Comune of NAPLES).

I would be very grateful if you could let me know if there have been any additions to the above. We are directly concerned with knowing whether the provinces of VITERBO, RIETI, TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA, and CHIETI have been handed over to the Italian Government or NOT.

Could we please have this information as soon as possible, as my General is very keen on closest possible liaison with ACC, and I am getting out a directive accordingly.

I hope you are flourishing. TRIPOLI days begin to seem quite far off.

Yours very sincerely

Plum Warr

Brigadier M LUSH, CBE, MC.,
Executive Commissioner,
HQ Allied Control Commission,
ROME.

Handed to me by Mr. Stewart 11/9.

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Ref/276/3/CA. (A/CC 602.3)

12 September 1944

SUBJECT: Transfer of additional territory to Italian Government.

TO : Hq. Allied Armies in Italy.

1. The Italian Government have recently been pressing for an early restoration to their control of the Provinces of TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA and CHIENTI on the grounds that, among other things, the Province of CHIENTI was liberated over 9 months ago, and that in TERAMO and AQUILA the activities of the patriots has given ample proof of anti-German and anti-Fascist sympathies. These headquarters are in full agreement that from the administrative point of view, these Provinces could be handed back, at any moment.
2. In order to conform to the new boundary of APEN, and thereby to simplify certain aspects of administration and legislation, it is considered that the Provinces of VITERBO and RIMINI might also be handed back to the Italian Government at the same time. The damage suffered in these Provinces was not so great as in the areas where the Armies halted for a period. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian provincial administration is working and except for a small portion of VITERBO, the whole area is South of the Rear Army Security Control Line.
3. An additional advantage in this proposal is that it would enable the Allied Control Commission to withdraw at once a small number of officers badly needed in the North.
4. Your approval is therefore sought for a proposal to hand back to the Italian Government the Provinces of TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA, CHIENTI, VITERBO and RIMINI. The date suggested for this transfer is September 30th. ✓

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 KILSHY W. STONE
 Captain, USAR 3303
 Acting Chief Commissioner

(Drafted by RG & MB Sect --CA Br) ←

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18th September, 1944

SUBJECT: Proposal to hand over provinces in
Regions IV and V to Italian Government

TO : Acting Chief Commissioner

1. As from 10th September AFHQ will take over the whole of Southern and Central Italy up to the Northern boundary of TERAMO, RIETI and VITERBO. This will leave the Provinces of VITERBO, RIETI, TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA, ~~CHIA~~ and CHIETI under Allied Military Government.

2. If it were possible to hand back these Provinces to the Italian Government, not only would certain complications of administration and legislation be affected but it would enable us to withdraw at once a number of officers badly needed in the North.

3. You will see from Col. Poletti's letter of the 5th September that there is no objection on the part of Region IV to the proposed hand over. Col. Marshall and present Regional Commissioner, Region V are also agreed that there is no objection to the hand back of the ~~6~~ provinces in Region V at the same date. I suggest, therefore, that the attached draft be sent to HQ AAI.(folio 6).

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M. S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Draft of 1194 to be prepared by H/CC signature

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8th September 1944. 119

SUBJECT : Transfer of additional territory
to Italian Government.

TO : HQ. A.A.I.

1. The Italian Government have recently been pressing for an early restoration to their control of the Provinces of TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA and CHIETI on the grounds that, among other things, the Province of CHIETI was liberated over 9 months ago, and that in TERAMO and AQUILA the activities of the patriots has given ample proof of anti-German and anti-Fascist sympathies. These headquarters are in full agreement that from the administrative point of view, these Provinces could be handed back, at any moment.

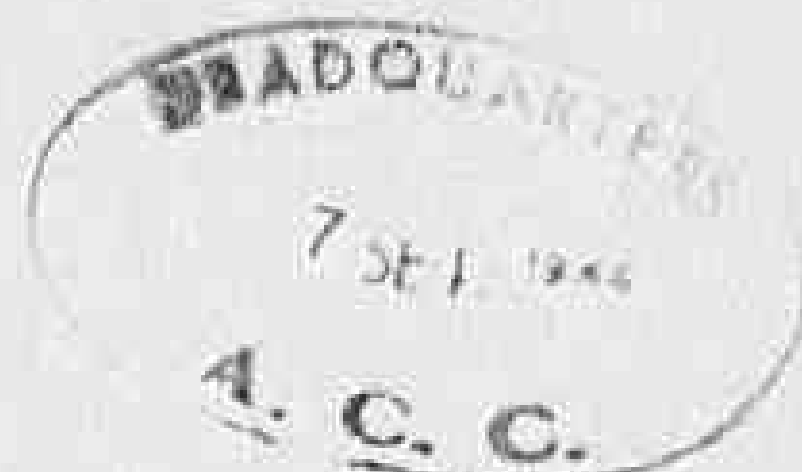
2. In order to conform to the new boundary of AF HQ, and thereby to simplify certain aspects of administration and legislation, it is considered that the Provinces of VITERBO and RIETI might also be handed back to the Italian Government at the same time. The damage suffered in these Provinces was not so great as in the areas where the Armies halted for a period. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian provincial administration is working and except for a small portion of VITERBO, the whole area is South of the Rear Army Security Control Line.

3. An additional advantage in this proposal is that it would enable the Allied Control Commission to withdraw at once a small number of officers badly needed in the North,

4. Your approval is therefore sought for a proposal to hand back to the Italian Government the Provinces of TERAMO, AQUILA, PESCARA, CHIETI, VITERBO and RIETI. The date suggested for this transfer is September 30th.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION IV
APO 394



R/5269

5 September, 1944

SUBJECT: Proposal to hand over Provinces to
Italian Government

18 SEP Recd

TO : HQ Allied Control Commission
NC and MC Section

1. It is considered that the Provinces of Viterbo, Rieti and Terni should be handed over to Italian Government on 30 September.

2.. These three Provinces did not suffer the damage such as found in those Provinces where the Armies halt for a time. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian Provincial Administration is working and except for very small portions of Terni and Viterbo, the whole area is clear of Rear Army Security Control Line.

3. The Staff of this Region is now being reduced to such an extent that an advisory capacity only is possible in any case.

4. In view of the above this proposal to hand over on 30 Sept. is considered to be correct.

Charles Pletti
Regional Commissioner

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31st August 1944.

Acting Chief Commissioner.

1. As from 10th September AFHQ will take over the whole of Southern and Central Italy up to the Northern boundary of TERAMO, RIETI and VITERBO. This will leave the Provinces of VITERBO, RIETI, TERAMO, AQUILIA, PESCARA and CHIETI under Allied Military Government.
2. If it were possible to hand back these Provinces to the Italian Government, not only would certain complications of administration and legislation be affected but it would enable us to withdraw at once a number of officers badly needed in the North.
3. I suggest, therefore, that the attached draft be sent to AAI. I have consulted Regional Commissioner, Region IV and during conversation with Colonel Marshall last week I am satisfied that the three Provinces in Region V could be handed back.

MSL/JG.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Acting Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Transfer of additional territory to
Italian Government

FILE No.

30 August 1944

TO: Brigadier Lush, Executive Commissioner

1. Re attached:

a. Letter 1/346 of 27 August, Franas to Caccia, relative to additional turn over of territory to Italian Government.

b. Caccia's note, 29 August, re a.

2. For your information in connection with para 6 c, Notes of VP's meeting, 28 August 44.

2 Incls:
as above

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Stone

HQ ACC. AF 394
788 Sec y Gen.
Rcd 29 Aug 1944
By DRR

August 29, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Acting Chief Commissioner

FROM: Political Section

Del Balzo of the Italian Foreign Office gave me this letter today. I told him for Prunas' and his confidential information that the matter had already come up here and that we were going into it. At the same time he must realize that these things took time to arrange. General Alexander's approval was necessary as Military Governor of Italy, and AFHQ and the Advisory Council had also to be consulted. It was thus a matter of weeks at least.

He said that he understood this and was grateful that we had already got it in mind.

HAC
Harold Caccia

*Plott Truder at Stat^c
Rabin announcement*

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI
IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

Rome, 12 October 1944

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Dear Sir,

Various Italian personalities have recently represented to the President of the Council of Ministers the fact that the region of Abruzzi is amongst those which have not as yet been restored to the Italian Administration. This, they state, is all the more disappointing to the population as, in fact, with its attitude and its actions, it has given clear proof of anti-german and anti-fascist feelings.

Indeed you will surely recall the activities of the patriots, in the region of Mount Majella and, particularly, of the province of Teramo and Aquila, the former liberated by the patriots themselves, the latter by the Italian Corps of Liberation. The fact should also be borne in mind that a part of Abruzzi, namely, the Province of Chieti was liberated over nine months ago.

A favourable and prompt decision on the restoration of this territory would therefore be

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A favourable and prompt decision on the restoration of this territory would therefore be amply justified and warmly welcomed by public opinion.

I should be very grateful if you could see your way to calling the attention of the competent quarters of the A.C.C. on these considerations, and if you would ^{be good} as to let me know with what reception they have met.

Harold A. Caccia Esq.,
Vice President
Allied Control Commission
Political Section.
R.C.M.F.

Very sincerely yours

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

Phone:
484034

REF : 276/113/CA.

12 September 44.

SUBJECT : Return of Naples Commune to Italian Government.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region.

1. In reply to your letter No. R/1016 of the 5th September 44, I have considered this matter carefully and agree with your conclusion that the status quo should not be altered at present. The underlying principle of handing back control of territory to the Italian Government as early as possible with the subsidiary object of reducing the numbers of AMG personnel to the minimum must however not be lost sight of.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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To. Ex. Commissioner

In view of the discussion and decision taken
at A.C.C.'s meeting this morning this file is
returned to you this morning.

11/1/44.

R.R. Gipp
cc.

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Reply to S.R. that we will
keep things as they are always
with the idea of reducing A.D.C. ³³⁸⁴
Let's quam celebrate MS/11/1/44

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V.P. Ackman Secf

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For comment

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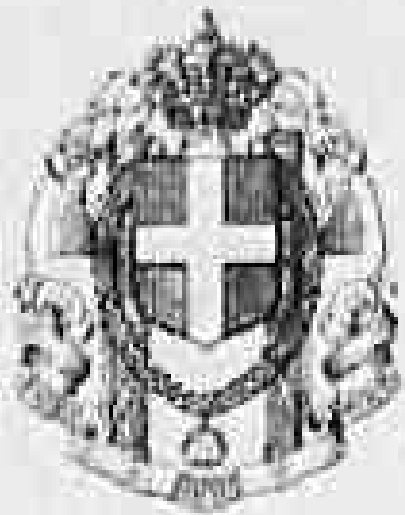
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FROM : EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER.

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Ministero delle Corporazioni

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8th^s September, 1944

SUBJECT: Return of Naples Commune to
Italian Government

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. At 109 Col. Temperley gives a full survey of the position. His conclusion is against handing back Naples Commune to the Italian Government for the usual reasons of Allied Military courts, black market activities, etc.

2. He has informally sounded the Military and Naval Commanders who, he says, would object most strongly.

3. Finally he says that if ordered to hand over, a way could be found of keeping control without serious prejudice to the war effort, provided that the right to hold military courts in the port area is retained.

G. W. I. Shipp

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Lt. Colonel

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

R/1016

5 September 1944

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SUBJECT: Return of Naples to the Italian Government.

TO: Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394,
(Attention: Executive Commissioner).

1. At the Regional Commissioners' Conference you asked me to report as soon as possible on an early handing over of Naples Comune from AMG to the Italian Government. I have now completed preliminary investigations.
2. The AMG staff of Naples Comune consists of a Commissioner for the Comune, a Police Officer and three (3) Legal Officers. On turning over to the Italian Government no immediate reduction in staff would be possible, but after outstanding cases had been cleared up, two of the Legal Officers might be available for other work. 107.
3. Allied Military Superior Courts are now conducting about 50 cases a month (June: 41, July: 30, August: 45). A short analysis of last month's calendar is attached. You will see that a large proportion of the cases would not be important enough to convene a special AMG Court in Italian governed territory, but many seem too directly connected with Allied interests to be left entirely to the Italian Courts.
4. In addition, a Port Summary Court sits in the port area under the powers conferred by Military Government, but it is staffed by officers supplied by PBS DMAG department, (we were too short of officers to do the job). This Court tries not less than about 1000 cases a month (June: 1017, July: 1301, August: 1135). The number has fallen from a peak of 1500 a month a few months ago. The majority of the sentences are for pilfering and their effect, I understand, has been to reduce pilfering to manageable proportions. The essence of its success is, that the pilferer should be tried and punished within a few hours of his being caught. This would not be possible in the Italian Courts, even with DIRETTISSIMO procedure.
5. Military Government confers the power to give direct orders. In point of fact, insofar as published orders are concerned, this power has been very sparingly used in Naples. There has been no AMG Order for several months. The Commissioner for the Comune, however, is constantly issuing direct orders to the various Civilian Authorities - mostly in response to requests from the Naval and Military Commanders. 3351



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6. Allied Military Government pricelists are published constantly and have the additional backing of being an Allied Order, contraventions of which can be quickly punished. Allied Military Government Police Officers are constantly fighting the retail Black Market, without respect of persons or politics. If the Comune were returned, this might be more difficult.

7. From the above and from conversations with staff officers here, it seems clear that turning over Naples to the Italian Government would have much the same effect here as elsewhere. I do not anticipate there would be any serious trouble or any refusal to carry out the wishes of the Allies in important operational matters. I do anticipate that justice will be slower, that military crime and the black market will increase, that public works will be somewhat delayed and that politics will sometimes interfere with the execution of things which are desirable from our point of view. Incidentally, if AMG powers are retained, we would nevertheless hand back administrative duties to the Italian Authorities as quickly as possible and use Military Government powers less and less.

8. As I do not wish to tie your hands, I have not addressed official letters to the Naval and Military Commanders, asking their views. I have spoken informally to GOC, No 3 District and Admiral Morse. My staff officers have previously discussed the question with PBS. As a result, I have no doubt at all that the Naval and Military Forces here would most strongly object to the removal of AMG powers, if they were asked for their opinion.

9. In summary, Naples is an important port; the Neapolitans are difficult people; the war effort would certainly best be served by retaining AMG powers; but if it is essential, that the Comune should be handed over, I believe, we will find ways of controlling local activities so that the war effort is not seriously prejudiced. The retention of the right to hold Military Courts in the port area seems essential.

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Ch. Lemp
C. E. TEMPERLEY,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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AMC NAPLES SUPERIOR COURT.

SUMMARY OF PERSONS CONVICTED IN AUGUST 1944.

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>No. of Convictions</u>	<u>Sentence</u>	
1	Cases involving Allied Property (in some case also involving bribery and/or the possession of fire arms)	1 1 6 12 7 3 6 2 — 10	7 years 6 " 5 " 2 " 1 1/2 " 1 " less than 1 year Fine only	))))))))) Plus Fine in some cases.
2	Possession of Fire Arms not included in Serial 1.	4 3 — 7	1 year Fine only	
3	Sundry Cases	8 — 55		
4	Particulars at HQ ACC not available	10 —		
	Total persons convicted:	65 —		

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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29 August 1944.

Ref: 276/106/OA.

SUBJECT: Executive Memoranda.

TO : R.O. Region V.

Reference your RS/604/2 of 25 Aug 44,
we have no copies of Executive Memoranda OA, 3 and
10 available for distribution. They are, of
course, published in "Instructions for the Guidance
of Officers of the Commission" see pages 1, 19 and
20 a copy of which should be in possession of the
majority of your Officers.

ph
NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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TO : HQ ACC (R.C. & M.G. Section).
FROM : H.Q., Region 5, A.M.G.
SUBJECT : Transfer of Territory.
REF : R5/601/2.
DATE : 25 August 1944.

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28 AUG 1944
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28 AUG Recd

Reference your 276/77/CA dated 18 July 44.
May 8 copies of Executive Memorandum OA 8 & 10 be sent
to this HQ, please.
They have not been received to date.

For Regional Commissioner.

B.C. Walsh. Capt R.A.

B.C. WALSH
Captain,
for Executive Officer.

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Sir,
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

23 January 44.

MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL CONCERNED

1. Effective on a date to be announced, probably in the near future, the Allied Military Government will turn over to the Italian Government certain portions of the territory now occupied by the Allied Forces. At that time Allied Military Government will cease and the Italian administration will assume full responsibility for civil Government in such territory.

This will involve the withdrawal of a part of the Allied Military Government personnel from the territory. The balance will continue as representative of the Allied Control Commission.

This memorandum is to outline certain general principles which will guide A.C.C. personnel in the territories administered by the Italian Government.

Present Status - Co-Belligerency

2. Effective September 3, 1943 the Italian Government concluded an Armistice with the Governments of the United States and Great Britain acting in the interests of the United Nations. Subsequently the Italian Government signed an instrument of surrender governing the relations between the United Nations and Italy, which instrument contained various provisions designed to protect the interests of the Allies and to promote the war effort, and called for the appointment of a Control Commission to enforce and implement those provisions.

3. Following the declaration of war on Germany, Italy was accorded the status of co-belligerent. According to the tripartite statement of 13 October 1943 announcing this new status,

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The situation of a co-belligerent does not mean that Italy is recognized as one of the United Nations or is admitted as an ally. It means that the Italian Government is fighting the same enemy and in this respect has the support of the United Nations.

General Functions Allied Control Commission

4. The general functions of the Allied Control Commission, as laid down in the directive of the Combined Chiefs of Staff, are as follows:

- (a) To enforce and execute the instrument of surrender under the orders and general directives of the Allied Commander-in-Chief.

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- (b) To insure that the conduct of the Italian Government conforms to the requirements of an Allied Base of Operations, specially transportation and communications.
- (c) To be the organ through which the policy of the United Nations toward the Italian Government is conducted and the relations between the United Nations and the Italian Government are handled.

Organization of the Allied Control Commission

5. The Allied Commander-in-Chief will be ex officio President of the Commission. The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Allied Central Mediterranean Forces, will be acting President. The acting senior officer of the Commission will be Chief Commissioner who will serve as Deputy President of the Commission.

6. The Commission will be divided into five Sections: Economic, Administrative, Military, Political, and Communications. Sections will be in charge of Vice Presidents or Directors and, in each case, will comprise one or more Sub-Commissions. The tentative organization of the Commission into its various Sections and Subcommissions is set forth in Appendix A hereto.

7. Each Section or Subcommission will maintain a headquarters staff. Some will also have representatives in the field. The existing regional organizations will be continued initially to correspond to such regional authority as may be set up by the Italian Government, or otherwise as administrative convenience may dictate.

8. A.C.C. personnel in the field will be known as Control Commissioners with designation of their particular specialist category where appropriate. For example, Control Commissioner (Legal), Control Commissioner (Public Health). The Chief Control Officer in the Region will be known as the Regional Control Commissioner (RCC).

Functions and General Duties of A.C.C. Officers in the Field

9. Particulars as to the nature of the duties of A.C.C. field officers will be specified by the Subcommissions to which they are assigned. However, the following guidelines are applicable to all,

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- (c) A.C.C. field personnel will have no power to command or direct Italian officials in connection with the performance of their duties. In this respect their powers and duties are to be contrasted with those of officers AMG.
- (d) Particularly during the transition stage and until the authority of the Italian Government is fully established and the administrative machine is functioning smoothly, the Italian officials will probably require considerable advice, information and assistance from A.C.C. officers. It is entirely proper in this way to support the authority of the Italian officials. Care should be taken, however, not to interfere directly or to give the appearance of interfering directly in or with the local administration except in real emergency.
- (e) A.C.C. personnel must also take great care to avoid becoming involved in political disputes or conflicts. A.C.C. officers will deal only with the officials selected by the Italian Government. The competency of these officials and the quality of their administration will be the responsibility of the Italian Government. However, when officials behave in a manner likely to prejudice the position of the

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Forces by violation of the term of surrender or otherwise. A.C.C. personnel will take any action that may be authorized and promptly submit a report with recommendations to higher headquarters.

- (f) Close coordination will be necessary between A.C.C. and tactical and administrative forces in the area. Certain committees have already been established (i.e. Local Resources Boards). Information as to these committees and other inter-service agencies will be communicated to field personnel where necessary. It is essential in order that confusion be avoided that the channels of communication with the Italian authorities remain as few and as simple as possible.

10. The disposition of A.C.C. personnel and their operation will be communicated by the Regional Commissioners to by A.C.C. HQ. The following general rules will, however, apply:

- (a) Generally there will be no A.C.C. field officers in the communes or in a position comparable to that of the C.A.C. or C.A.P.C. under AMG. General administration will, therefore, be subject to A.C.C. control at the provincial level. Such local inspection as may be required will be worked out from A.C.C. regional or provincial HQ.
- (b) In the transition stage and until the Italian administration is functioning satisfactory A.C.C. personnel will be subject to subparagraph (a) above, be disposed on a basis approaching that of AMG. An effort will be made to reduce numbers as quickly as conditions permit.

Regional Organization

11. It is understood that the Italian Government intends to appoint Italian Regional Commissioners in certain areas to function until the Italian Government can effectively communicate with and maintain control of the provinces. In other areas to be turned over, the Italian Government may communicate directly with the provincial officials. In either case, A.C.C. will initially appoint a Regional Control Commissioner. In regions in which there is an Italian Regional Commissioner the R.C.C. will, under directives of A.C.C. headquarters, establish control at the regional level and work with his Italian counterpart. In regions where there is no Italian commissioner the R.C.C. will serve as channel for communication with A.C.C. personnel in the field and as a regional representative of A.C.C. HQ.

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Attitude toward Italian Officials

12. The members of the Commission, whether acting officially or otherwise, should maintain a correct attitude toward members of the Italian Government, neither autocratic on the one hand nor familiar on the other. It must be emphasized that the Allied Control Commissions occupies a position in relation to the Italian Government which is quite different from that of Allied Military Government. The Commission advises and supervises; it does not govern. This fundamental difference must be thoroughly understood by all officers who will adjust accordingly their attitude toward Italian officials and agencies, allowing them to develop their functions without undue interference. If basic differences arise between officers of this Commission and the corresponding representatives of the Italian Government the matter at issue will be admitted to the Chief Commissioner for adjustment with the Head of the Italian Government.

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Lieutenant General

Chief Commissioner

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APPENDIX A

SECTIONS AND SUBCOMMISSIONS OF A.C.S.

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ECONOMIC SECTION

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Industry and Commerce
Labor
Food
Public Works & Mines
Agriculture, Forests & Fisheries

ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

Legal
Property Control
Interior
Public Safety
Public Health
Education
Monuments & Fine Arts

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Internal Transportation
Shipping
Telecommunications and Postal

MILITARY SECTION

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