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TERRITORY HANDOVER TO ITAL GOV'T
JULY-OCT. 1945

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1st sub

Ex. Com.

already
2 presume you know all

abt. p. 8.

Time 2/10

7/31x

408.

Ex. Com.

P. 207 - more details

7/31x

Time 2/10

7/31

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3601

782

Full 3/10

7/15/41

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299

C.50

Please see 398.

EB 27/73

4/100

Ex. Com.

Ref 398. we have already had a similar signal from Piemonte - see P.54 & 59 & lines 55-58 in 576/EC below.

I suggest something of the lines of the draft signal at p. B. ¹⁰⁰ This is what we did in the sand in somewhat similar circumstances and it seemed to work.

F. H. H.

30/9.

30/9

2530

393

Pub. Relations. P. 392 to note please.

Final
29/4.

394

Ex Comm. Final
1/10.

Noted, with Notes.
gpr

396

Ex. Comm.

C.S.O. 395 for info CBS
Final 2/10.

394

Chief Commissioner.

2395 Attached is submitted for your signature information

Noted by EC
Final

I should hope so! DS (2/10)

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C.S.O. 395 for info
Fair 2/10
C.B.

394

Chief Commissioner.

0395/155
Attached is submitted for your signature
information
Noted by EC
12/2/10

I should hope so!

3-9

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Chief Commissioner.

SEP 19 1964

Approved
Attached is submitted for your signature use
information

12/4
Tms. Coy deled
20/9 Encc 11/16/9

389

~~CSO~~ He knows
all alt. to 11/16/9

388 for info: Ex C. will not have had it

ERB 12/7/9

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SPB/1217

388 for info

3358

373.

Executive Commissioner.

1. At folio 371 is draft letter to Parri in accordance with folio 311 para (b) of SACMED's minutes in file attached.
2. At folio 372 is draft signal to ARHQ replying to their signal at folio 369.
3. At folio 374 is draft Aide Memoire to the Advisory Council for Italy informing them of the proposed transfer of Naples, Livorno Pisa and Colle Salvetti Provinces in accordance with instructions at folio 370.

12/9/45.

ES
CSO

375

Chief Commissioner.

Approval
Attached is submitted for your signature
information

18 2 above.

172/1319

See handwritten 371

376

EWS/ce

1. Preface last page of 371 as Aide Memoire

2. Issue 372.

172/1319

378

182 above.

172/1317

See Amendment 371 EWS/ce
376

1. Preface last page of 371 as Aide Memoire
2. Issue 372.

172/1317

378

also: Draft Aide memoire submitted as ordered in him 376 para 1.

2502 15/3 3357

~~379~~ 380

Major Kennedy

Approved as amended following

Receipt of 379

21/17/5

Exlun

382

Aide memoire submitted at 381 according to him. 376 para 1.

2502 15/3

21/18/5

360

2.20.

Have you a cable at folio 2 please?

RUN 4/9

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362

Exline

351

4 for information

Si 4/9

TN 4/9

365

Exline

Ref 364 would you think
a paraphrase to Brig Develop
advisable? Atch 1.

4 5/9

366

Send copy for personal eyes only of Brig Develop 3556

DN 7/5

S. Pinner

367

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A. Executive Commission.

348

Folio 347 f information, please.

Disks 25/8

24/4 Noted. +

350.

Seen - 337-8. Sub 349. 27/8

354.

C.S.O. ~~Examination~~

Folio 351 for information

Disks 24/8

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no

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Chief Commissioner.

1. I would ask you to read Brigadier Upjohn's report on Pages 232 and 233 together with Major Heath's report of 1st August on Page 16 of the attached file.

2. I attach a draft letter to AFHQ setting out the facts as we see them and asking that plain warning should be given to the Allied Governments as to the future of public order in the North when AMG has ceased.

MSL/JG.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

329 335
See telegram 3448 of 15/8 from CC which took

the place of draft.

MS/15/8

343

Exh. 1

These two letters are files 341 from C.O./Sect.
also cable re file 342 from Amman. This signed
Reports recommendation as to disarm - Para & close security.
Amman C.O. but is also interested in future plans for

the place of draft.

11/15/8

343

Exlamin

Please see letter re file 341 from C.A./Sect.

also cable re file 342 from Secured. This signals

requests recommendation as to whether - Pina - Louis - Helmut.

However C.A. has also interested in future plans for

Neptun. - Belvoir action is for C.A. action & now Ex Com

after consultation with you & CC.

3334

Carle
21/8.

344.

Chief Commissioner: VP CAS agrees with my
proposed action on 342 as per draft signal
for your approval.

21/8

15/8
22/8
23/8

308.

Executive Commission r.

Further to our signal at folio 301. Please see draft signal at 307 for your approval. 306 *in information.*

3 Aug. 45.

CSO.

310

Issue as amended.

318.

C.S.O.
1. Folio 314 for information. C.A.S. recommend "marked inaction".

No proof of delivery can be traced of letter mentioned in para 1.

Ref. 718

2. Folio 315 is a nice gesture

3. Ref. folio 316. It seems that AFHQ had already dealt with Naples question
Ref. 718

322.

Executive Commissioner:

Ref. folio 315 from the Prefect of Lucca. Attached at 321
is suggested acknowledgment from CC.

8/8/45.

CSO.

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2605
CONFIDENTIAL

EX COMM

P 46860

OUT 021353A

T/3749

OUT 021535

AMTINE

FROM: AFHQ GUANZHO GUANGDONG CITE PHONG
TO: AFHQ HANOI

OCT - 3 1945

CONFIDENTIAL.

Reur 5402 dated 1 October.

Information just received that US position will not be fixed until return see State to WASHINGTON. No action proposed on your signal at this time.

HEADQUARTERS
2-OCT-45
A

CONFIDENTIAL

DIST

ATTN: US TO S. S. 32
INFO: US AMBASSADOR
DR AMBASSADOR
POLAD (A)
POLAD (B)
EX COMMISSIONER
CA BRU
FILE

See 408
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(CSO) 205 1/10

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SECRET

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Extract from Minutes of a Meeting of the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference held in the G-3 War Room at 1030 Hours on Thursday 4th October 1945.

"5. HANDOVER OF NORTHERN ITALIAN PROVINCES TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

(Previous reference SAC (45) 6th Meeting - Minute 6) —

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MAJOR GENERAL LEMNITZER reported that the Combined Chiefs of Staff had stated that the recommended handovers were under urgent consideration on governmental level. No decision had yet been taken.

REAR ADMIRAL STONE said that he had mentioned to Signor Parri that certain technicalities were holding up a final decision on the question. Although the latter had expressed some concern at the delay, the Italian government were not as yet seriously alarmed.

THE ACTING SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Took note of the above reports. "

Copy to: C.A. Sec
(12 Oct 45).

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Exec. Comm. 1405
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AFHQ for G-5, British RESMIN, US POLAD

6402

1 OCTOBER 1945

PRIORITY

OCT - 2 1945

USE ONE TIME PAD PD SECRET PD

I HAVE JUST LEARNED FROM UNCLE SUGAR POLAD THAT THE UNCLE SUGAR GOVERNMENT NOW CONSIDERS THAT BOLZANO PROVINCE SHOULD NOT BE RETURNED TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AT AN EARLY DATE TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER NORTHERN PROVINCES EXCLUDING UDINE PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE BRITISH RESMIN UNCLE SUGAR POLAD FROM HL ALCOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE AGSCC PAREN

346
PARA TWO PD I AM VERY MUCH CONCERNED AT THIS REVERSAL OF POLICY AND WOULD POINT OUT THE FOLLOWING COLON PAREN AMLE PAREN IN AN UNCLASSIFIED LETTER DATED TWENTY AUGUST I WAS ADVISED BY THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WOULD NOT OBJECT TO THE RETURN OF BOLZANO IF THE ALLIED COMMISSION AND AFHQ CONSIDER THE RETENTION OF AMG THERE NO LONGER NECESSARY PD THE LETTER ADDED THAT IF IT IS DECIDED TO RETURN BOLZANO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT THE RETURN WOULD BE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO FINAL DISPOSITION OF THIS TERRITORY BY PEACE TREATY PD PAREN BAKER PAREN IN MY THREE NINE THREE SEVEN OF TWENTY AUGUST TO YOU I REPORTED THAT I HAD ADVISED PAREN OF MY RECOMMENDATION WITH REGARD TO BOTH BOLZANO AND UDINE PD AS INSTRUCTED BY SACMED AT HIS CONFERENCE ON TWO SEVEN SEPTEMBER PAREN MINUTE EIGHT BAKER PAREN I INFORMED THE PRIME MINISTER THAT SACMED CONSIDERED THAT UDINE FOR MILITARY REASONS WOULD BE RETAINED UNDER AMG BUT WOULD BE RETURNED TO ITALIAN

Chief Commissioner

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MINOR-MAJOR

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ADMINISTRATION WHEN SUCH REASONS NO LONGER EXISTED PD PARRI THEREFORE UNDERSTOOD THAT BOLZANO WOULD BE RETURNED BUT WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO FINAL DISPOSITION PD PARRI THREE PD IF THE UNCLE SUGAR GOVERNMENT NOW REVERSES THE POSITION SET FORTH IN THE AMBASSADOR'S LETTER OF TWENTY AUGUST CMA I CONSIDER THAT THE POLITICAL EFFECT ON THE PRIME MINISTER CMA HIS GOVERNMENT CMA AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC WILL BE MOST UNFORTUNATE AND THEREFORE MOST STRONGLY URGE THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF NAF ONE ZERO SEVEN ONE BE APPROVED AS SUBMITTED

DISTRIBUTION:
US Ambassador
BR Ambassador
US POLAD AC
BR POLAD AC
Exec Comm
CA Section
CO

Chief Commissioner

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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AMG LIGURIA LOMBARDIA PIEMONTE VENEZIE FOR RCS

6417

2 October 45

ROUTINE

Confidential

SECRET PD

THE DELAY IN OBTAINING APPROVAL TO TURN OVER THE NORTHERN REGIONS TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT COUPLED WITH THE RAPID RELEASE OF ALLIED OFFICERS IS I KNOW CAUSING EMBARRASSMENT TO YOU AND YOUR STAFF AND DIFFICULTIES IN DAY TO DAY ADMINISTRATION PD PAREN TO AMG LIGURIA CMA LOMBARDIA CMA PIEMONTE CMA VENEZIE FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS FROM HQ ALCOM SIGNED STONE PAREN

SACMED HAS AGAIN ASKED THE CHARLIE CHARLIE SUGAR FOR A QUICK DECISION AND IN MEANTIME I CAN ONLY ASK YOU TO MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT AS ADEQUATELY AS POSSIBLE PD THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO AMALGAMATING PROVINCES FOR ADMINISTRATION PURPOSES BUT I AM ANXIOUS THAT IN IMPLEMENTATION OF MY DIRECTIVE OF ONE MAY YOU SHOULD MAINTAIN EVEN SKELETON REPRESENTATION OF ABLE MIKE GEORGE IN THE PROVINCES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE UNTIL YOU TURN OVER.

SEE F418 Vol 1

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Office of Exec. Comm.

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Lt. Col.
C. S. O.

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ADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 2605/EC

1st October 1945

To: Chief Commissioner

Regional Commissioners Piemonte and Lombardia have both recommended juridical and partial turnover even before approval has been received from CCS. This obviously cannot be approved.

I submit draft telegram to all Regional Commissioners.

Issue. Mr. C. A.

M. S. L.

BRIGADIER
Executive Commissioner

DRAFT/

14-01 (S)
1st October, 1945

To: ALL REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS 6417

The delay in obtaining approval to turn over the Northern regions to the Italian Government coupled with the rapid release of Allied Officers is I know causing embarrassment to you and your Staff and difficulties in day to day administration. Sacred has again asked the CCS for a quick decision and in meantime I can only ask you to maintain the momentum of military government as adequately as possible. There is no objection to amalgamating provinces for administration purposes but I am anxious that in implementation of my directive of May 1st you should maintain even skeleton representation of AMG in the Provinces as much as possible until you turn over. I cannot agree to jurisdictional turnover of provinces piecemeal. In the meantime we must all have patience. X

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Draft Signal

~~To~~ Alcom Milan info all Regions ~~at the~~

Until appol. of Combined Chiefs of Staff
received impossible authorize immediate
transfer to Italian Govt. of all
territories except border provinces as
you suggest.

Where owing lack of trans. port and
personnel impossible maintain any
Prov. HQ such Province should be
placed under neighboring Province
or if necessary directly under
Regional HQ

[P. 1 to AG HQ together with 3 above]

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SEP 29 1945

ROUTINE

From: ALCON MILAN FOR FISKE SIGNED PETRILLO

To: ALCON HOME PERSONAL FOR STONE

SEP 29 1945

Confidential

SECRET.

Personnel situation so acute that I suggest ALCON ask AFHQ authorize immediate transfer to Italian Government all territories except border provinces. We are doing Italians no good and ourselves much harm by continuing.

DIST

ACTION: GO to Chief Commissioner 2
INFO: DisCommissioner 2
POLAD (A)
POLAD (B)
CA Sec
File

HEADQUARTERS
29 SEP 1945
A.

SECRET

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(Case [unclear]) [unclear]

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ROUTINE

From: ALCON MILAN FOR FISKE SIGNED MTRILLO

To: ALCON ISME PERSONAL FOR STONE

SEP 29 1945

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SECRET.

Personnel situation so acute that I suggest ALCON ask AFHQ authorize immediate transfer to Italian Government all territories except border provinces. We are doing Italians no good and ourselves much harm by continuing.

SECRET

HEADQUARTERS
29 SEP 1945
A.

ACTION: SC to Chief Commissioner 2

INFO: DisCommissioner 2

FOIA (A)

FOIA (B)

CA Sec

File

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(Case Reopened) JES

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EX (395) COMM

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SEPT 30/1820A

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OCTOBER 1/0930A
ROUTINE

AFTER SIGNED SIGNED CITE FICHE
ALCOM ROME

Confidential 1 OCT 1945

SECRET.

reference our NAF 1069 and NAF 1071 repeated to you. Informed by combined
chiefs of staff that question of handover Italian territory under urgent considera-
tion on governmental level

M/C NOTE:

No trace of NAF 1071

HEADQUARTERS
1-OCT-45

DIST

ACTION : CA SEC

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EX COMMISSIONER (2)
POLAD (A)
POLAD (B)
ECON SEC
LAND FORCES
FILE

SECRET

See NY 346
10/13/45
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~~SECRET~~

C O P Y

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EXTRACT from "SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE -- Minutes of Meeting of the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference held in the G-3 War Room at 1030 hours on Thursday 27th September 1945" -- SAC (45) 6th Meeting, 27 September 1945, classified TOP SECRET.

Ref. B 1102

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6. HANDOVER OF NORTHERN ITALIAN PROVINCES TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

(Previous reference SAC (45) 5th Meeting - Minute 8) —

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LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN said that, as some three weeks had elapsed since this matter had been referred to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, a follow-up signal had been despatched requesting an early reply. He understood that, when approval had been obtained, it would not be necessary to wait, as had originally been suggested, for as long as three weeks before effecting the handover.

REAR ADMIRAL STONE reported that, as the Allied Commission had now had time to prepare for the handover, it could be effected within approximately ten days of the approval being received.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Took note of the above.

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~~SECRET~~

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Copy to: CA Sec
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EX COMMISSIONER

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 387.4-2

27 September 1945

SEP 27 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of AMG Territory to Italian Government Jurisdiction.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

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FOLIO 391 REFERS

1. Reference is made to paragraph 6 of the Minutes of Executive Commissioner's Meeting on 21 September which were circulated under your 210/EC of 22 September 1945.

2. Will you please ensure that no press release is made concerning UDINE without reference to this Headquarters.



A. L. HAMBLER
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

See 21/294

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(CSO)

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Encl *Fr* *392A*

PIEMONTE REGION

6184

27 September 45

PRIORITY

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SECRET PD

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER ONE EIGHT EIGHT OF TWO ONE SEPTEMBER PD
PARIN TO PIEMONTE REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FROM HQ ALCON
CITE ACRKE PAREN

CAN YOU NOT AT LEAST MAINTAIN A PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER AND SMALL
STAFF AT EACH PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS

Office of Exec. Commr.

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Mc
Lt. Col.
C. S. O.

28/9

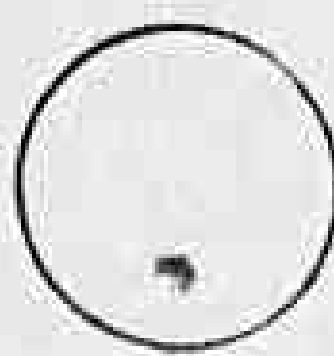
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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

FASTEN Envelope by gumming this Label across Flap.
OPEN by cutting Label instead of tearing Envelope.



15-10bino

(Label)

TGP. Wt. 31938 3/43.

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D.C.
FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D.C.
SUBJECT: [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Encl. to be sent to [illegible]

OK

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 2605/EC

27 September 45

MEMORANDUM:

TO : ~~Chief Staff Officer~~
(for attention Executive Commissioner)

Reference minutes of Executive Commissioner's meeting
of 21 September 45, section 6, last paragraph.

At 1550 A hours Colonel Glenn of G-5, AFHQ, rang me to
ensure that no press release should be given out without prior con-
currence of C. of S., AFHQ.

F. H. C.
28/9.

Noted.
P. H. G. R.
29/9

C. R. Haybrooke
C. R. HAYBROOKE
Capt, I.C.

SEP 29 1945

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6. Handover of Territory. VP CA Sec said that the normal time for the handover procedure was twenty-one days. He said, however, that it could be done in ten to fourteen days. It was agreed by all that to rush the handover was a mistake and that it might be necessary to make the date say 10 October. Polads said that at least we should get out an announcement of the handover in September. Ex C agreed that this was desirable. CA Sec would go ahead with the preparations and Ex C would discuss with CC.
- With regard to Udine, a press release should be drafted, and Ex C asked PRO to coordinate with CA Sec on this. This, and the handover announcement, should be studied by Polads, and would then be passed to CC for approval.

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5. Venezia Giulia. In answer to Polad(B), Ex C said that identity card registration was proceeding. Col. Cripps had furnished his report which was excellent. Ex C said a telegram should be sent to AFHQ pointing out the probability of the Yugoslavs "packing" the Italian areas. He suggested that the Embassies might consider urging their Governments that a boundary commission be appointed forthwith.

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EX COMM 328
FI 45762
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SEP 262000A
ROUTINE

FROM: ALEXANDER CITE FIGED

TO: ACTION AGENT WASHINGTON FOR COS, CABINET OFFICES WHITERALL FOR SEP 27 1945
STAFF INFO ALSO WORK

RESTRICTED. This is NAF 1073.

Grateful for early reply to my NAF 1069 and NAF 1071.

In view of fact that Italian Government is aware that handover date was recommended to be 30 September it is most desirable that some announcement be made prior to that date.

DIST

INFO-ACTION: CA Sec
INFO: Chief Commissioner
Ex Commissioner 2
POLAD (A)
POLAD (B)
Econ Sec
Land Forces
File

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27 SEP 1945

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(CAP BRAYHONG) 27/4

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AFHQ, G-5

5969

24 SEPTEMBER 45

PRIORITY

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SECRET PD

WE ARE NOW WITHIN SIX DAYS OF THE DATE RECOMMENDED FOR TURNOVER OF ARE TERRITORIES TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD WITH THE CONSTANT DRAIN OF ALLIED PERSONNEL DUE TO RELEASE AND REDEPLOYMENT AND THE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE THAT THE TURNOVER IS IMMINENT THE AUTHORITY BEHIND AND IS LOSING FORCE PD WE ARE ALL READY TO HAND OVER AND I AM TRYING TO ARRANGE FOR THE MECHANICS TO BE EXPEDITED SO THAT WE CAN IMPLEMENT ANY APPROVAL TEN DAYS AFTER RECEIPT PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCON CITE AGSCC PAREN

IT IS IMPORTANT POLITICALLY THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE PUBLIC THE DATE OF THE HAND OVER BEFORE PAREN REPEAT BEFORE PAREN SEPTEMBER THREE UNDO EVEN IF ACTUAL DATE BE SLIGHTLY LATER PD I HOPE CNA THEREFORE CNA THAT CDS MAY BE URGED TO GIVE DECISION SOONEST PD

See Files 385-386

Copy to: CA Section

Exec Commr

E. Talbot

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ADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

24th September 1945.

Chief Commissioner.

I have discussed date of turn-over with Colonels Poletti, Jordan and Turner-Coles, and have received a written report from Venezia Region. All Regions are ready to turn over at the shortest notice and Brigadier Carr agrees that we can work the machine in ten days.

Regional Commissioners are anxious to turn over in good state. Loss of personnel, knowledge of the early decease of A.M.G., is having a bad effect on Allied and Italian personnel alike. A.M.G., is losing momentum.

We should avoid this.

A draft telegram to A.F.H.Q., is submitted.

MSL
Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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SEE Para 387
3885

DRAFT CABLE TO

A.F.H.Q.
Attn. G-5.

From CC Alcom

ACSCC

We are now within six days of the date recommended for turnover of A.M.G. territories to Italian Government. With the constant drain of Allied personnel and the general knowledge that the turnover is imminent the authority behind A.M.G. is losing force. We are all ready to hand over and I am trying to arrange for the mechanics to be expedited so that we can implement any approval 10 days after receipt. It is important politically that we should be able to make public the date of the hand-over before (repeat before) September 30th even if actual date be slightly later.

I hope, therefore, that CCS may be urged to give decision soonest.

Copy to: DM

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Copy to: DM
C A Bueh W

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SECRET

SEPT 21/0945A

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SEPT 23/0930A

PRIORITY

HQ. PIERMONT REGION SIGNED THOMAS FOR ALCON

ACTION: HQ. ALCON ATTENTION EX COMMISSIONER

SEP 24 1945

Confidential

SECRET.

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

DIST

ACTION : EX COMMISSIONER (2)

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ECOM SEC (2)
CA SEC
EST SEC
FILE

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27 SEP 1945

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(Action On 576/EC) 3633

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Ref: 2605/330/EC

13 September 1945

ALUE-MEMOIRE

TO: The President of the Council of Ministers

The Supreme Allied Commander has given authority
for the Communes of Naples, Livorno, Pisa and Colle Salvetti
to be returned to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government
on the same date as other territory shortly to be returned.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: C19722

Message Centre No: F/7788

Date/Time of Origin: SEP 151256E

Date Time Rec'd: SEP 151800E

FROM: AFHQ

Precedence: PRIORITY

TO: ALCOM ROME INFO DISTWO, PBS, DISTHREE

SEP 17 1945

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Your 5391 agreed.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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Note: Advised C.S.O. (at Ex.C.'s instn)
by telephone of this decision 1815
hrs 15 Sep 45.

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Ref: 2605/BC.

17 September 1945.

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory.

TO : Establishment Section.

1. Reference para 4 of attached copy letter RIII/SC dated 13 September 45 from the Regional Commissioner, VERACRUZ Region.
2. Please convey to the Regional Commissioner our latest thoughts in this connection.

E. TAMM

✓ Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

Incl: As stated.

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2. Please convey to
thoughts in this connection.

Encl: As stated.

E. T. ALBON

✓ Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

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2 is satisfactory. We cannot
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We can tell him what are our latest
thoughts and he should do so

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

13 September, 1945
SEP 15 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Att'n: Executive Commissioner)

SUBJECT : Preparation for Transfer to Italian Administration.

FILE NO : RXII/RC

1. Lt. Col. Green, Regional Public Safety Officer, who re-
turned from Rome by air yesterday reported that up to Tuesday, 11th
September, no reply had been received from the Chiefs of Staff on
the subject of the date of hand-over. As you know, we have also
received orders to return to the United States at once seven U.S.
officers and six enlisted men and we are faced next week with the
probable departure of several U.S. officers and also some British
officers.

2. I, therefore, considered it desirable to hold this morn-
ing a Heads of Services conference wherein we could study our action
in the light of these facts. I am glad to be able to report to you
the following.

3. Our plans are well in hand for the hand-over of the various
divisions to Italian authorities on September 30th. Certain divisions
notably Public Health, have already closed down and others will be
able to close down a few days before the 30th. Should it be decided
to continue A.M.G. for some days or weeks after September 30th, it
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4. The same general picture obtains in the Provinces (Udine, of course, excepted). Provincial administration could be transferred on the 30th or, if the date be postponed, it could carry on on the basis, if necessary, of minimum teams of one Provincial Officer, one Public Safety Officer and one staff officer at each Provincial Headquarters. I feel therefore, that we are able to reassure you that we can operate either for a quick hand-over or for a prolonged operation, on a short notice from you. The points on which we should like guidance from you at the earliest possible opportunity, realizing as we do that this must depend on receipt by you of news from A.F.H.Q., are:-

- (a) the War establishment for Udine Province
- (b) the War establishment for the Venezia Liaison Group
- (c) the War establishment for the Bolzano Group
- (d) the date at which various economic offices (Public Works, Agriculture, etc.) are required to join the Economic Group at Milan.

5. I repeat my previous estimate that all Provincial HQs can be closed down at X day plus two weeks and Regional HQ closed at X day plus one month.

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Regional Commissioner

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From: AFHQ SIGNED SACMND CITE PHORG

To: PENRASE PENGOUTH INFO ALCOM ROME BISTWO DISTHRES SEP 13 1945

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ALCOM has been instructed to proceed with handover of following
Communes to Italian jurisdiction: NANTES LIVORNO PISA and GOLLE-
SALVETTI. Proposed date for transfer will be notified later.

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AFHQ, FOR SACMED RPTD FOR INFO TO DISTWO, PES, DISTROME

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14 SEPTEMBER 45

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COUNCIL WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN NOTIFIED OF PROPOSED TRANSFER OF NORTHERN REGIONS BE
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PAREN TO AFHQ, FOR SACMED FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACXEC PAREN

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL IS SEPTEMBER TWO EIGHT PD

Copies to: OA Sec
Economic Sec

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DRAFT AIDE MEMOIRE.

TO: THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY.

Supreme Allied Commander has instructed the Allied Commission to make preparations for the transfer of the Communes of NAPLES, LIVORNO, PISA and COLLE SALVETTI to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government.

The Allied Commission has recommended to the Supreme Allied Commander that this transfer should take place on the same day as the transfer of the northern Provinces less the Province of UDINE and that portion of VENEZIA GIULIA under Allied Military Government.

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*Altogether, in other territory shortly to be
returned to the Venezuelan people.*

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DRAFT SIGNAL.

TO: AFHQ.

REFERENCE YOUR F 42514 OF ELEVENTH SEPTEMBER. THE ADVISORY COUNCIL HAS ~~BEEN~~ NOTIFIED OF THE HAND OVER OF TERRITORY AS IN LET 905 AND ~~WILL~~ LET YOU KNOW THE RESULT SOONEST.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE DATE FOR TRANSFER OF THESE COMMUNES BE ~~FIXED~~ ¹⁴ FOR THE SAME DAY AS THE TRANSFER OF THE TERRITORY MENTIONED IN NAF 1069 THAT IS ON THIRTIETH SEPTEMBER. TWENTY-TWO DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDERS FOR HANDOVER, WHICHEVER DATE IS THE LATER.

Council who have not yet been advised of ^{proposed} transfer of northern Region be informed of ~~the~~ all transfers in due communication when reply to Naf 1069 has been received. Next

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DRAFT.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

You will recall that on the morning of 20 August 1945 we discussed the return of the northern provinces to the Italian Govt. During that discussion you expressed your Government's desire that the Province of Udine should be handed back at the same time as the other northern provinces.

As we agreed, I presented your views to the Supreme Allied Commander, who states that Udine should be returned to Italian control as soon as military conditions permit but, in that connexion, he emphasised the fact that he had always insisted on having his lines of communication under his own control.

I therefore have to inform you that the Province of Udine will remain under Allied Military Government until the military reasons for its retention cease to exist.

The Supreme Allied Commander wishes me to assure you, however, that he will give every assistance to the Italian authorities in the completing of electoral rolls and similar matters in the territory remaining under Allied Military Government.

You will be interested to know that I have to-day heard from AFHQ that the Communes of NAPLES, LIVORNO, PISA and COLLE SALVETTI are to

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You will be interested to know that I have to-day heard from AFHQ that the Communes of NAPLES, LIVORNO, PISA and COLLE SALVETTI are to be returned to the jurisdiction of your Government and that we have recommended that this should take place on the same date as the Provinces of Northern Italy are returned.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner

Professor Ferruccio Parri,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: F 42514

Message Centre No: F/7530

Date/Time of Origin: SEPT 11/1440P

Date Time Rec'd: SEPT 11/1830B

Precedence: IMPORTANT

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TO : ALCOM ROME

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Approval given to hand over territory as in MAT 905 repeated to you.

Notify Advisory Council and report result together with proposed date
for transfer

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From: ARHQ, BUREAU, ALEXANDRIA, OTIS PRIMO

To: ACTION: ALL NOT ADVISORIES INFO: ALOON

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This is MAT 905.

Handover of following concerns to Italian jurisdiction has again been under consideration; SARAGO, LIVORNO, PISA and COLLE SALVETTI. Further continuation of Allied military government in these areas believed to be unnecessary. ALLIED COMMISSION is therefore being instructed to proceed with handover and to inform advisory council for ITALY in advance

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8. HANDOVER OF FURTHER PROVINCES IN NORTHERN ITALY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

(Paper No. SAC (45) 18) ————

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THE CONFERENCE had before them a paper attaching a draft signal to the Combined Chiefs of Staff recommending that the Province of BOLZANO should be returned to the Italian Government at the same time as other territories in Northern ITALY, but that Allied Military Government should be retained in UDINE Province indefinitely.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN said that a signal had already been dispatched to the Combined Chiefs of Staff recommending that all the Northern Provinces, other than BOLZANO, UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA, should be returned to the Italian Government on 30 September 1945, or twenty one days after receipt of order for this handover, whichever date was the later. The signal now before the conference made recommendations in regard to BOLZANO and UDINE.

REAR ADMIRAL STONE said he was anxious that the handover of the Northern territories should not be postponed into the month of October, as this would have an unfortunate political effect in ITALY. He suggested, therefore, that the Combined Chiefs of Staff should be requested to approve of the handback becoming effective on 30 September 1945, or twenty one days after receipt of orders, or whichever was the sooner.

BRIGADIER GENERAL HAMLEN, in reply to a query by the Supreme Allied Commander, said that, while it was not technically essential to have Combined Chiefs' of Staff approval before turning over the undisputed territories, it was necessary to have such approval in regard to BOLZANO and UDINE, as the present proposals were contrary to the existing directive to the Supreme Allied Commander.

GENERAL MCNARNEY said that having referred the matter to the Combined Chiefs of Staff it would be unwise for the Supreme Allied Commander to effect the handover without receiving their approval. However, if that approval was given, there was not likely to be any objection to the date of the handover being put forward. He considered, therefore, that no further recommendations to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, in regard to the date at which the handover should take place, were required. He objected

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5th Meeting held on 6th September 1945

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5th Meeting held on 6th September 1945

however, to the statement in the draft signal that it was not administratively advisable to separate the TARVIS area from the rest of the Province of UDINE. Such a step would give rise to difficulties, but it could be done.

MR. OFFIE said that the State Department had informed the Combined Chiefs of Staff that it favored the return to Italian control of UDINE Province at the same time as the other areas of Northern ITALY. Personally, he realized, however, that there might be military factors which would prevent that. He did not think that the political effect of the retention of UDINE to Allied Military Government would be serious, provided it was made clear that the reasons were military. He thought, however, that a date at which it would probably be possible to return the Province to Italian control should be mentioned and he suggested that, as it was hoped to have the Peace Treaty signed by the end of the year, a date of 1 December 1945 might be feasible.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER saw no military objection to the return of BOLZANO to the Italian Government and was in favor of this handover being effected as soon as possible. However, he could not possibly agree to the handover of UDINE Province at present. This province controlled the communications into AUSTRIA. A situation in which there was danger of ITALO-JUGOSLAV clashes across these lines of communication would be intolerable. It would, moreover, place him in an impossible position vis-a-vis Marshal TITO, as the one thing on which he had insisted in dealing with the Yugoslavs was that he must have the area of his lines of communication under his own control and his own military government. He did not think it wise to tie himself to any particular date for the return of UDINE to the Italian Government. This handover must be dependent on two conditions, firstly, the settlement of the ITALO-JUGOSLAV frontier problem and, secondly, the feasibility of maintaining the British Zone of AUSTRIA through Northwest EUROPE. He was most anxious that the province should be handed back as soon as possible, but the turnover must await fulfillment of these conditions.

BRIGADIER GENERAL SMITH emphasized that the security situation in BOLZANO was not satisfactory. There were in the area a number of Germans of arrestable categories still to be rounded up and the completion of these security measures would be difficult if the province was not under Allied Military Government.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER, in reply to a question by the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, agreed that the latter could inform the Italian Prime Minister that UDINE would be returned to Italian control as soon as military conditions permitted. The Italian Prime Minister should also be reminded of the extent to which he (Field

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MR. BROAD said he had just received a signal from H. M. Ambassador, who was visiting Northeast ITALY, to the effect that Commander, XIII Corps, now considered that some formula could be found which would allow him to have the necessary control in UDINE Province, while permitting this territory to be handed back to the Italian Government. He (Mr. BROAD) was in favour of an arrangement on these lines if at all possible. In regard to the return of BOLZANO he pointed out that the Foreign Office had anticipated that the French and the Russians might propose that this territory should be included in AUSTRIA. However, as H.M. Ambassador in ROME had subsequently sent a strong signal recommending the return of this Province to Italian Government control, it was probable that the Foreign Office had now come round to this point of view.

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5th Meeting held on 6th September 1945

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THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER said he was not at present willing, even if Commander, XIII Corps, now recommended otherwise, to accept any arrangement other than the continuation of Allied Military Government in the Province of UDINE.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER instructed:

- (a) the Chief of Staff to revise the draft signal circulated under paper SAC (45) 18 in the light of the above discussion, and subsequently to dispatch it. (*)
- (b) the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, to inform the Italian Prime Minister that the Province of UDINE would, for military reasons, be retained under Allied Military Government but would be returned to ITALY when these reasons ceased to exist.

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(*) - Dispatched as NAF 1071 of 6 September 1945.

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Ref: ²⁶⁰⁵
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11 September 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory
TO : Civil Affairs Section

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Attached copy of Paper SAC (45) 18 dated 4 September 1945, subject Handover of Provinces of Bolzano and Udine to Italian Government, is forwarded for information.

R. W. KEMSLEY

✓ Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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Supreme Allied Commander's Secretariat

SAC (45) 18
4th September 1945

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE

RANDBOVER OF PROVINCES OF BOLZANO
AND UDINE TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

Note by Chief of Staff

1. By HAF 1069, the Supreme Allied Commander recommended to the Combined Chiefs of Staff that Northern ITALY, with the exception of the provinces of BOLZANO and UDINE and the Allied occupied portion of VENEZIA GIULIA, should be handed back to Italian Government control on 30 September or 21 days after receipt of orders to do so from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

2. The handback of the remaining areas, when raised in a Staff Study by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, disclosed a considerable divergence of view and it has, therefore, appeared that the subject should be brought before the Supreme Allied Commander in Conference.

3. The current directive of the Combined Chiefs of Staff (FAM 536) is that, when the remainder of Italian Metropolitan territory is returned to Italian administration, VENEZIA GIULIA, BOLZANO, and the area around TARVIS (which before 1919 formed part of the Austrian province of CARINTHIA and now is part of the Italian province of UDINE) should be retained under Allied Military Government.

4. The retention of Allied Military Government in VENEZIA GIULIA is not at issue.

5. In regard to the province of BOLZANO:

- a. There appears to be no adequate military reason why BOLZANO province should be retained under Allied Military Government.
- b. The Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, and the U.S. Political Adviser recommend that this province should be returned to Italian Government control.
- c. The British Resident Minister, however, states that the Foreign Office are inclined to favor the retention of Allied Military Government in this province, but would be reluctant to press this

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- c. The British Resident Minister, however, states that the Foreign Office are inclined to favor the retention of Allied Military Government in this province, but would be reluctant to press this point of view if it were found difficult to meet the military commitment involved.

6. In regard to the province of UDINE:

- a. It appears militarily essential to retain AMG in the whole province for the present
- b. U.S. Political Adviser and the British Resident Minister are however, most anxious for political reasons, that the province should be returned to the Italian Government. at the same time as the rest of Northern ITALY. They realize, however, that this turnover may be prohibited by over-riding military necessity.
- c. The Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, while agreeing to the retention of AMG in UDINE for the present, has recommended that such Government should be terminated on 1 December 1945. It is considered, however, that the Supreme Allied Commander should not, at present, commit himself to any particular date.

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7. The Supreme Allied Commander is accordingly requested to approve the dispatch of the draft signal at Appensix 'A' recommending:

- a. The handback of BELZANO province.
- b. The retention of AEC in UDINE.

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TO: ACWAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF
AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF

INFO: ALCON

APPENDIX 'A'

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This is MAY

1. Subject is handback of BOLZANO and UDINE provinces to Italian Government jurisdiction. PAN 536 laid down that the whole province of BOLZANO, and TREVISO and Allied Military Government.

2. I now consider that BOLZANO could with advantage be handed back to Italian jurisdiction at same time as other Northern Italian territories, the handback of which was proposed in MAY 1969. Reasons are:

a. The frontier marches with Allied occupied AUSTRIA and SWITZERLAND, and of arms or propaganda. Position is thus different from that in other disputed territories.

b. It is not considered that any internal separatist movement is likely to arise with which the Italian Government should not be able to deal.

c. Risk of appearing to prejudice outcome of Peace Conference is not that reason alone.

d. Handover of this territory will be in accordance with the spirit of para 1 of PAN 536.

3. For following reasons, however, I do not consider handback of UDINE province is at present feasible:

a. Owing to delicate situation in VENETIA GIULIA, it remains necessary for the Allied corps in that area, with its supporting air forces, to be disposed semi-operationally and to be capable of operational deployment at short notice. As the depth for this purpose, the retention of full military control does not allow sufficient territory of UDINE is essential.

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b. It is not possible for the Italian Government should not be able to deal with the Italian Government should not be able to deal.

c. Risk of appearing to prejudice outcome of Peace Conference is not considered sufficiently serious to justify maintaining Allied Military Government for that reason alone.

d. Handover of this territory will be in accordance with the spirit of para 1 of FAM 536.

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b. To maintain quiet conditions in Northeast ITALY, direct frontier contact between the Italian and Yugoslav Governments should be avoided. It is, therefore, at present undesirable to hand back the area round TARVIS to the Italian Government. However, it is not administratively advisable to separate this area from the rest of the province of UDINE. The whole province should, therefore, be retained under Allied Military Government until the Italo-Yugoslav situation is more settled.

c. It is necessary to safeguard the lines of communications from TRIESTE and VENICE into the British zone of AUSTRIA. Both run through UDINE. The security of this base area is, therefore, important under existing conditions and would be even more so in the event of further trouble with the Yugoslavs.

4. Your approval is, therefore, requested for:

- a. The handback of BOLZANO province with the remainder of Northern ITALY (except UDINE and VENETIA GIULIA) on the date proposed in MAY 1969.
- b. The retention of AMG in the whole province of UDINE until further notice.

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7 September 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of AMG Territory to Italian Administration

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Reference is made to your cables 3748 of 15 August and 3937 of 20 August 1945.

1. The question of the handover of AMG Territories in Northern ITALY has been referred to the Combined Chiefs of Staff in NAF 1069 and NAF 1071 (copies to you).

2. With regard to the retention in ITALY of 5 Divisions of Allied troops, the views of the SAC on this subject were forwarded to the British Chiefs of Staff in MEDCOS 272 of which you have a copy.

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/s/ M. J. Coleman Col
for
A. L. HAMLEN
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Ref: 3605/367/EC.

8 Sept. 45.

Subject: Handback of Bolzano & Udine Provinces.

To: Regional Commissioner,
Venezia Region.

Enclosed for your personal information only is a
copy of a signal from SACMED to CCS on the above subject.

E. T. M. R.
✓ Brigadier, *L. C.*
Executive Commissioner.

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SIGNED ALEXANDER CITE FHCOS

ACWAR FOR COS, AMBRO FOR FR COS INFO ALCOM

HEADQUARTERS

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This is NAF 1071

1. Subject is handback of BOLZANO and UDINE Provinces to Italian Government jurisdiction. PAN 536 laid down that the whole province of BOLZANO and TARVIS and the surrounding area in the province of UDINE, were to remain indefinitely under AGO.

2. I now consider that BOLZANO could with advantage be handed back to Italian jurisdiction at some time as other northern Italian territories, the handback of which was proposed in NAF 1069. Reasons are:

- a. The frontier marches with Allied occupied AUSTRIA and with SWITZERLAND, and there is, therefore, little likelihood of aggressive movement from outside by force of arms or propaganda. Position is thus different from that in other disputed territories.
- b. It is not considered that any internal separatist movement is likely to arise with which the Italian Government should not be able to deal.
- c. Risk of appearing to prejudice outcome of peace conference is not considered sufficiently serious to justify maintaining ALLIED MILITARY GOVT for that reason alone.
- d. Handover of this territory will be on accordance with the spirit of para 1 of PAN 536.

3. For following military reasons, however, I do not consider handback of UDINE provinces is at present feasible.

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- a. Owing to delicate situation in VENEZIA GIULIA, it remains necessary for the Allied Corps in that area, with its supporting air forces, to be disposed semi-operationally and to be capable of operational deployment at short notice. As the portion of VENEZIA GIULIA under AMG does not allow sufficient depth for this purpose, the retention of full military control in the adjoining territory of UDINE is essential.
- b. To maintain quiet conditions in northeast ITALY, direct frontier contact between the Italian and Yugoslav Governments should be avoided. It is, therefore, at present undesirable to handback the area round TARVIS to the Italian Government.
- c. It is necessary to safeguard the lines of communications which run through UDINE from northeast ITALY into the British zone of AUSTRIA. The security of this area is most important under existing conditions and should be even more so in the event of further trouble with the Yugoslavs.
4. Your approval is, therefore, requested for:
 - a. The handback of BOLZANO province with the remainder of northern ITALY (except UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA) on the date proposed in MAF 1069.
 - b. The retention of AMG in the province of UDINE until further notice.
5. This answers your TAM 678.

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AFHQ HAVE RECOMMENDED TO COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF THAT THE COMPARTMENTS
OF LIGURIA CMA PIEMONTE CMA LOMBARDIA CMA VENEZIA TRIDENTINA PAREN LESS
BOLZANO PROVINCE PAREN AND VENEZIA PROPRIA PAREN LESS UDINE PROVINCE PAREN
SHOULD BE HANDED BACK TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ON THREE ZERO SEPTEMBER PD
PAREN TO AMG LIGURIA REGION CMA AMG PIEMONTE REGION CMA AMG LOMBARDIA REGION
CMA AMG VENEZIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACEXC
PAREN

ALCOM RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE HANDBACK OF BOLZANO AND UDINE PROVINCES
ARE STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION BY AFHQ

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From: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PHOEG.

To: ALLCOM ROME

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Rear 4741.

Question hand back provinces mentioned your paragraphs 4 and 5 will be considered in SACRED meeting on 6 September.

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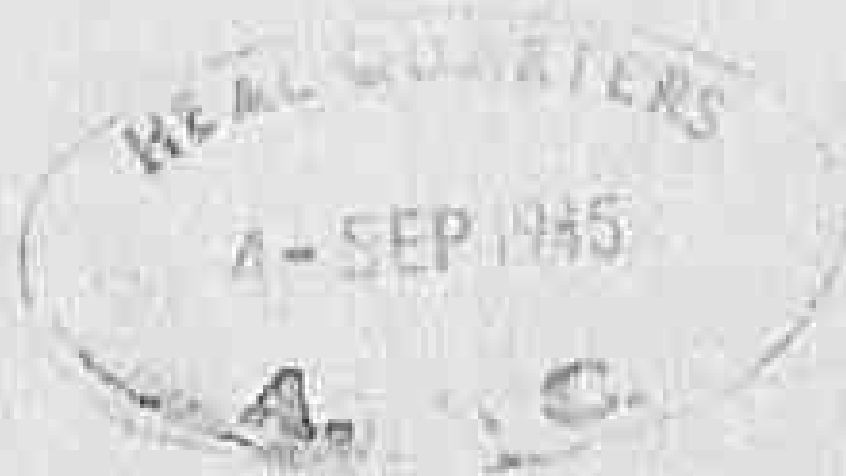
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OUTGOING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

SEP 4 1945

TO: AFHQ FOR SACRED

FROM: HQ ALCON CITE ACSCG

REF. NO: 4741

DATE: 3 Sep 45

Precedence: PRIORITY

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1. I have read your NAF 1069 of 1 September and would point out following.
2. In my 2960 of August 1st with the full agreement of my Political Advisers, namely the United States Ambassador and British High Commissioner, I strongly recommended return of Bolzano Province to Italian Government at same time as remainder of Northern territory and Udine on December 1st.
3. In my 3748 of August 15th with same unanimous agreement I recommended hand back of Northern territory including Bolzano on September 15th or 21 days after approval obtained from CCS. In same telegram I again recommended hand back of Udine including Tarvisio Area on December 1st.
4. In my 3937 of August 20 I informed you of my communication to Prime Minister regarding recommended date of September 15th and forwarded his views regarding Udine.
5. It is clear from above that I have never mentioned to Prime Minister possibility of retention of Bolzano under AMG beyond date of transfer remainder of Northern territory.
6. It is clear from your telegram that my views and views of Embassies on Bolzano and Udine including Tarvisio Area have not yet been forwarded to CCS and whatever may be views forwarded in your further communication the future of these provinces will be considered by the CCS as a separate issue after, or at best, simultaneously with consideration of general handback,

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(Mr. KENSLEY)

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instead of before such consideration. I am fearful that this will lead to even further delay.

7. Moreover, I, as your Deputy President, am left in embarrassing position of having to explain to Prime Minister that your recommendation was sent to CCS too late for the decision to be effective by the date I have communicated to him, a date which was of itself a postponement from our target date of September 1st and with the further admission that the simultaneous return of Bolzano is also in doubt.

8. May I strongly urge that my recommendations of August 1st on Udine and Bolzano be forwarded to CCS without delay and because of past delay that the words "whichever date is the sooner" be substituted for "whichever date is the later" in your HAF 1069 since postponement of hand over into October would create most unhappy impression on Italians.

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DRAFT SIGNAL TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS.

C.C.S.
AFHQ have recommended to Washington that the compartments of Liguria, Piemonte, Lombardia, Venezia Tridentina (less Bolzano Province) and Venezia Propria (less Udine Province) should be handed back to the Italian Government on the 30th September. ~~Alone~~ recommendation regarding the handback of Bolzano and Udine Provinces is still under consideration by AFHQ.

Regional Commissioners thus have a month during which time every effort should be made to enable the Italian Government to assume complete control.

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From: ALEXANDER CITE PH053

To: ACTION, AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF. AMSSO FOR
BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF INFO ALCOM ROME

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NAF 1069

In accordance with general policy reaffirmed in FAN 536 it is proposed to hand back to Italian jurisdiction the following compartments on 30 September 45 or 21 days after receipt of orders for hand-over, whichever date is the later: LIGURIA, PIEDMONTE, LOMBARDIA, VENEZIA TRIDENTINA (less BOLZANO Province) and VENEZIA Propria (less UDINE Province).

Handback of BOLZANO Province and TARVIS area, which FAN 536 directs shall be retained indefinitely under Allied Military Govt, and of remainder of UDINE Province will be the subject of a separate communication.

Except for VENEZIA GIULIA, BOLZANO and UDINE Province the only areas on mainland of ITALY remaining under AMG control when proposed handover is complete will be communes of NAPLES and LIVORNO including immediately adjoining areas which consist of communes of PISA and COLLE SALVETTI. These communes will be handed back as soon as military considerations permit.

As proposed handback of territory is only feasible if adequate armed forces can be made available to the Italian Govt at the same time, your approval is requested for:

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A/ The recommendations of NAF 1051 and 1059.

B. The handback of territory proposed as para 1.

ALLIED COMMISSION will be instructed to inform Advisory Council for ITALY before any handover of territory to Italian jurisdiction takes place.

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EC (353)

CC 1007

28 August 1945

Subject: Transfer to Italian Administration of Northwest Border Provinces

To: G-5, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

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Enclosed for your information is a copy of letter dated 24 August 1945 received from the American Ambassador transmitting the State Department's views in regard to the withdrawal of Allied Military Government from Northwest Italy.

L. W. Stearns

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
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cc: Exec. Commr.
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27 August 1945.

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you for your letter of 24 August 1945 giving the views of the Department of State with regard to the return to Italian jurisdiction of Italian territory on the northwest border.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
119 Via Vittorio Veneto,
Rome.

cc: EXEC. COMM. /

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, August 24, 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

On August 6 the French Embassy presented a note to the State Department referring to unofficial reports that it had received that North Italy would be restored to Italian administration on September 1. The French note stated that the withdrawal of Allied Military Government from northwest Italy was of direct interest to France; that Allied Military Government replacement by Italian administration should under no circumstances "infringe on Morgan-Carpentier agreements" or upon local "Doyen Truscott agreements relating to demilitarization of zone of fifteen miles east of frontier" and agreements relating to "pasture lands of Mont Genis and Haute Maurienne"; and that the representative of France in Rome had received instructions to make similar representations to the Allied Commission and to the Advisory Council for Italy.

The views of the Department of State on this note, which I am happy to pass on to you, are that representations on this point should be addressed to the Allied Commission; that the agreements cited in the French note of August 6 make no commitment on the duration of Allied Military Government nor contain any obligation extending beyond the AMG period; that these agreements are purely military and that they relate only to the establishment of AMG and the withdrawal of French forces. In the view of my Government Italian territory on the northwest border should be returned to Italian jurisdiction on the same terms and at the same time as the rest of the northern provinces.

Sincerely yours,

s/ A. Kirk

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

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22 August 1945.

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

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Thank you for your letter of 20 August 1945 informing me of instructions received from the Department of State regarding the interim administration of Bolzano Province.

It is hoped that modification of FAN 536 will be received shortly in order that the Province of Bolzano may be returned to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government along with other northern provinces in September, in which case the Italian Government will be informed that this return is without prejudice to the final disposition of Bolzano Province by peace treaty.

Sincerely,

ELBERT W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
119 Via Vittorio Veneto,
Rome.

cc. Exec. Commr.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY
Rome, August 20, 1945.
AUG 22 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

I have received recent instructions from the Department of State regarding the interim administration of Bolzano Province. As you will remember, the Department of State had originally contemplated the maintenance of Allied Military Government in Bolzano Province, as in the compartment of Venezia Giulia, until the final determination of northern Italian frontiers. This was likewise contemplated in instructions from the Combined Chiefs of Staff to the Supreme Allied Commander on April 28 (FAN 536).

I am now informed that the Department would not object to the return of the Province of Bolzano to Italian administration when the remainder of northern Italy reverts to Italian Government jurisdiction if the Allied Commission and Allied Force Headquarters consider the retention of AMG there no longer necessary. The Department assumes that the Supreme Allied Commander will recommend modification of FAN 536, in this respect, to the Combined Chiefs of Staff before proceeding with the restoration of Bolzano Province to the Italian Government.

It is my Government's view, however, that, if it is decided to return the Province of Bolzano to Italian jurisdiction with the rest of northern Italy, the Italian Government should be informed at that time that this return is without prejudice to the final disposition of this territory by the peace treaty.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) A. Kirk.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
ROMA.

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FURTHER MY THREE SEVEN FOUR EIGHT OF FIFTEEN AUGUST AND TWO NINE SIX ZERO OF ONE AUGUST PD AT A MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER PARI THIS MORNING I INFORMED HIM OF MY RECOMMENDATION TO TURN BACK THE NORTHERN PROVINCES ON FIFTEEN SEPTEMBER INSTEAD OF ONE SEPTEMBER WHICH HE AND I HAD BOTH CONSIDERED AS A TARGET DATE PD HE DID NOT OBJECT TO THE POSTPONEMENT TO FIFTEEN SEPTEMBER PD HE STRONGLY URGES CMA HOWEVER CMA THAT UDINE BE RETURNED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE OTHER NORTHERN PROVINCES PD HE APPRECIATES FULLY ALLIED MILITARY REQUIREMENTS BUT FEELS SUFFICIENT RESERVATION OF AUTHORITY COULD BE LEFT WITH MILITARY COMMANDER TO PROTECT ADEQUATELY OUR LOVE OF CHARLIE PD I TOLD HIM THAT IN ANY ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE HANDBACK OF OTHER PROVINCES WE WOULD STATE DEFINITELY THAT UDINE WOULD BE RETURNED ONE DECEMBER PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE CMA BRITISH RESMIN AND UNCLE SUGAR POLAD FROM HQ ALCON

FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE AGSCC PAREN

PARA TWO PD I AGREED TO REPRESENT HIS VIEWS TO SACMED PD

PARA THREE PD COMMENT COLON THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE POLITICALLY TO RETURN UDINE ON THE SAME DATE AS THE OTHER NORTHERN PROVINCES, BUT I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE POLITICAL FACTORS SHOULD OVERRULE THE MILITARY FACTORS PD

F-Ron: Chief Commissioner

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ELLERY W STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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REFERENCE YOUR FOX THREE SIX FIVE ONE TWO OF ONE EIGHT AUGUST PD IT IS MY
RECOMMENDATION THAT THE COMBATES OF LIVORNO GMA PISA AND COLIE SALVETTI BE INCLUDED
IN THE PROPOSED HAND BACK OF TERRITORY TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ON ONE FIVE
SEPTEMBER PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALSO FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE ACSEC PAREN
I SUGGEST THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO HANDBACK AT THAT TIME ALSO THE COMBATE OF
NAPLES IN ACCORDANCE WITH MY PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS PD INTERESTS OF MILITARY
FORMATIONS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE AMPLY CARED FOR BY LIAISON OFFICERS PROPOSED IN
MY THREE SEVEN FOUR EIGHT PD

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Reference your 3748.

The COMBINES of LIVORNO PMA and COLIE SALVETTI intended to be included in
your recommendations for hand over.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 9/6 B/CA

20 AUG 45

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory.

AUG 20 1945

TO: CSO to Executive Commissioner.

- 1 On the morning of the 19 Aug 45, AFHQ, G-5 (Lt. Col. Barratt) telephoned me regarding this Headquarters telegram on the subject of the forthcoming handover of territory to the Italian Government.
- 2 He said that no mention was made in our telegram of the LIVORNO Area.
- 3 I stated that I gathered from the Executive Commissioner that the question of the NAPLES and LIVORNO Areas was to be the subject of a separate communication. I stated that I did not know whether any such action had yet been taken and I pointed out that the Executive Commissioner was away on tour.
- 4 I gathered from Lt. Col. Barratt that some decision had already been taken as regards the NAPLES Area.
- 5 I am presuming that you will be taking all necessary action in this matter.

M. Carr
M. CARR,
Brigadier,
VP CA Section.

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 PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCON FROM ADMIRAL STONE CIVE AGSCG PAREN
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 ONE FIVE ZERO ALLIED OFFICERS IN THE TERRITORY HANDED OVER TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
 IN NORTHERN ITALY PD THESE WILL CONSIST OF PAREN ABLE PAREN FOUR ZERO OFFICERS
 FORMING A CENTRAL ECONOMIC LIAISON GROUP AT MILAN TO DEAL WITH FOOD DISTRIBUTION CMA
 COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS ARISING FROM THE INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE FORMED IN
 THE NORTH CMA AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS CMA WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL CMA AND THE RESIDUE OF
 PUBLIC WORKS FUNCTIONS IN THE NORTH SERVICE PAREN BAKEN PAREN THREE WILL ALSO BE
 DISTRIBUTED OVER THE NORTH SOME TWO ZERO TRANSPORTATION OFFICERS WHOSE
 DUTIES CMA AS IN THE SOUTH CMA WILL BE CONNECTED WITH THE ITALIAN STATE RAILWAYS AND
 THE PORTS SERVICE PAREN CHARLIE PAREN THE DISPLACED PERSONS PERSONNEL NUMBERING A
 FURTHER FOUR ZERO WILL BE LEFT TO COMPLETE THEIR PRESENT TASK UNTIL THE FLOW OF
 REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS HAS CEASED OR UNRRA HAVE TAKEN OVER FROM THEM SERVICE
 PAREN DOC PAREN THE REMAINING FIVE ZERO WILL CONSIST OF LIAISON OFFICERS AND PUBLIC
 SAFETY OFFICERS DISTRIBUTED OVER THE MAIN CENTERS IN THE NORTH INCLUDING BOLOGNA CMA
 WHOSE DUTIES WILL BE PURSUE LIAISON AND REPORTING ON THE LINES OF DIRECTIVES ALREADY

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GIVEN TO AS LIAISON OFFICERS IN SOUTHERN AND CENTRAL ITALY PD I CONSIDER IT IMPORTANT THAT AT ANY RATE IN THE INITIAL STAGE WE SHOULD HAVE A NUMBER OF OFFICERS FOR THIS DUTY AND I BELIEVE GOC MURDER TWO DISTRICT IS PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS THAT PUBLIC SECURITY SHOULD BE WELL COVERED PD

PARA TWO PD ALL THESE GROUPS ARE SUBJECT TO PROGRESSIVE REDUCTION DURING THE THREE MONTHS AFTER THE HAND OVER AND WILL BE CAREFULLY REVIEWED AT THE END OF THAT PERIOD PD I PROPOSE TO MAKE THEM SUFFICIENTLY MOBILE TO COVER THE WHOLE OF THIS LARGE AREA PD IN VIEW OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN MY TELEGRAM UNDER REFERENCE I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT THIS NUMBER BE PROVISIONALLY APPROVED PD

PARA THREE PD I PROPOSE TO SUBMIT A NEW WAN ESTABLISHMENT FOR THESE FUNCTIONS AND FOR THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMISSION IN DUE COURSE AND ALSO THE NAMES OF OFFICERS WHO WILL BE DECLARED SURPLUS UNDER THIS SCHEME WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE WEEKS PD

PARA FOUR PD UDINE PROVINCE UNDER AND WILL BE KEPT AT CONSIDERABLE STRENGTH NOT ONLY TO ENSURE THAT THE MILITARY NEEDS ARE FULLY MET BUT TO PROVIDE A SMALL POOL OF OFFICERS WHO MAY BE NEEDED FOR ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT IF IT WERE REQUIRED TO BE SET UP IN AN EMERGENCY IN ANY OTHER PLACE PD

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/s/ AB ARNOLD.

For ADV (R)
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 511/EC.

MINUTES OF REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS' MEETING - 13 AUGUST 1945. 14 AUGUST 1945.

1. Hand Over of the Northern Provinces to the Italian Government.

Executive Commissioner reminded the meeting that at the Regional Commissioners' meeting held approximately two months ago Chief Commissioner proposed 1 September 1945 as a possible date for the hand over of Northern ITALY to the Italian Government. This date had since been given a considerable amount of publicity. It was not a firm date, but a target fixed by the Chief Commissioner.

All the Provinces of the four Regions would be handed back, with the exception of the Province of UDINE. In this case the recommendations of the Commander XIII Corps and the Regional Commissioner had been followed and the Chief Commissioner had recommended to AFHQ, for submission to CCS, that AMG should continue in this Province until 1 December 1945. The future of NARLES was still uncertain, but AMG would be kept there for the time being. BOLZANO would be handed back with the other Provinces of Northern ITALY subject to approval of CCS.

From the economic and local government point of view there was everything to be said for a speedy handback. There was one disturbing question - that of public safety. Although there was a period of tranquility at present, public safety was far from satisfactory, and Executive Commissioner said that we could not recommend to AFHQ that the North, from a public safety point of view, was administratively in a fit state to be handed back.

Executive Commissioner said he understood that the general consensus of opinion of Regional Commissioners was that either the handback should take place quickly in spite of the unsatisfactory state of public safety or that AMG should be retained for at least six months. Regional Commissioners were asked for their views and all stressed the amount of publicity that had been given to the date of 1 September. Regional Commissioners PIGNONE and LIGURIA considered that we should either hand over on that date or remain until after the elections. Regional Commissioner VALLI, said he was in favour of

The future of MAFIS was still uncertain, but it was clear that there for the time being, BOLZANO would be handed back with the other Provinces of Northern Italy subject to approval of COS.

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Regional Commissioner VANZINI said he was in favour of handing over in September and of keeping strong teams of Liaison Officers who, he believed, could do very useful work. Deputy Regional Commissioner LOMBARDIA was also in favour of handing back in September.

It was agreed by all that it was useless retaining AMG without sufficient Allied troops to back it up. At present military government was being operated with the backing of the Italian Army, and it was pointed out, was an undesirable situation.

As Liaison Officer BARI said that in the MONTEFIORE and MURRA incidents the Italian Government had handled the situations very feebly. They had "suggested" that arms should be handed in but few results had been obtained and the ringleaders still had their arms. Troops had not been used.

Brigadier UFFIONI stated that all our experience was that the Italian Government had not tackled and were not tackling the public safety problem energetically. Reorganisation of the Carabinieri was desirable but this was not a short term policy, and would take months. As regards the date of the handover, he pointed out that unless approval could be obtained from AMG by 16 August 45 it would be administratively impossible to effect the handover on 1 September 45.

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Polad (B) agreed that unless sufficient troops were made available, it was useless trying to run AMG, and stressed that we should state the position very bluntly to the American and British Governments.

Executive Commissioner concurred and said we must also have clearly laid down the exact responsibility of the Allied troops who would remain in regard to quelling of civil disturbances.

Col. Hamilton said GOC No. 2 District required a directive from AMHQ to define his responsibility, and Executive Commissioner promised to take this up at AMHQ.

Col. Fiske said if it was not practicable to remain until after the elections we should hand over in September. He made the point that the transfer of the Italian Army should be concurrent with the transfer of Italian territory, and if it was not possible to hand over control of the Italian Army until 30 September it was desirable to postpone the hand back of territory until that date. Executive Commissioner stated that the date of 30 September had already gone forward as the date for the Italian Army to be handed over to the Italian Government and in the event of approval for the transfer being obtained he felt sure that Sacred could be persuaded to give the Italian Government control of their army before that date.

Brigadier ALDERSON suggested the use of economic sanctions, i.e. the cutting off of supplies, in the event of serious disorder, but Executive Commissioner did not consider this to be practicable. He agreed, however, that the matter could be publicised.

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With the Chief Commissioner's approval Executive Commissioner suggested 10 September as the hand over date and Executive Commissioner asked Regional Commissioners for their views on this. They said they could be ready by this date.

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Establishment Section had prepared a draft summary of personnel and vehicles, which was distributed to members of the meeting. Executive Commissioner read a note put up to the Chief Commissioner, which formed a basis for discussion.

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Public Safety Officers. There was discussion on whether the Public Safety Liaison Officers should be called Public Safety Officers or Security Intelligence Officers. Opinion was divided and Executive Commissioner ruled that they should be called Public Safety Liaison Officers.

Col. Fiske stated that GOC No. 2 District said that he was short of Security Officers and would welcome the presence of Public Safety Officers in his area. Executive Commissioner mentioned an important suggestion that the Chief Commissioner had made, namely, that Public Safety Officers should be moved from their present location to another area when the hand over took place, so as to avoid changing their hats in the place they were now working.

Location of Liaison Groups. It was agreed that Liaison Groups should be stationed in the following towns.

MILAN,

TURIN (to include representation at AOSTA)

GENOA,

VALENCE,

BOLOGNA, and perhaps ANCONA.

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It was also agreed that BOLZANO should have a Liaison Group and that the present Liaison Officer FIS should be made the AC Liaison Officer at LIVERNO.

Executive Commissioner ruled that for the purposes of discipline and administration the Central Economic Liaison Group should be under Lombardia Liaison Group in MILAN.

Local Government Officers. There was considerable discussion on the functions of local government officers and Local Government Sub-Commission did not want any in the field. The Regional Commissioners were in agreement with this, stating that it would be impossible for the local government officers to perform any useful function. Brigadier URGON said that the general consensus of opinion of the meeting was that special local government officers were not necessary.

DP & Medical Officers. It was agreed that medical officers were not necessary in the Liaison Groups and it was stressed that the Public Health Officers in the DP & R terms were only to be used for DP & R work. Civil Affairs Section were told to put up a recommendation to Establishment Section at an early date for an increase in Displaced Persons staff.

Vehicles. Establishment Section had put in for a number of WD vehicles, and had allowed for soldier drivers for those in their summary. There was discussion on the supply and maintenance of vehicles. Executive Commissioner said that the question of the maintenance of WD and US vehicles for the North should be taken up with AFHQ at a high level.

3. AMC Team for UDREL.

The list prepared by Establishment Section was studied and some alterations were made. Executive Commissioner stressed that the officers chosen must be good experienced men, and the team must be large enough to provide a pool for repositioning of AMG in other areas.

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From a political and administrative point of view it was desired that uniformity be achieved at the earliest possible date. A meeting with the Italian Government at which all interests were represented took place recently. AC put forward recommendations, together with the lay out of the proposed new ration scale, and agreement was obtained.

The ration scale provided that the workers of the North received the same treatment as the workers in the South for a comparable job.

Regional Commissioners were in complete agreement with the proposed new ration scale. Executive Commissioner said it should be got through as quickly as possible. Col. Legg stated that he had still to clear it with Labour.

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5. Archives.

Executive Commissioner emphasized the responsibility of Allied Commission to see that its Archives were handed over in good order, and this responsibility began with Regional Commissioners in the field. One officer was to be appointed at each Region to deal with Archives, and this officer would spend two or three days at Headquarters, Allied Commission with Capt. Collins. Uniformity was essential and the instructions issued by Archives must be followed.

A paper prepared by Capt. Collins was distributed to members of the meeting. Capt. Collins said the object in view was to prepare all files so that they would mean something to people looking at them for the first time, perhaps twenty years hence.

Executive Commissioner stressed the importance of this subject, which he said had not always had the attention it deserved.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

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I agree with the recommendations made in your letter of 6 August with respect to the desirability of announcing to the Italian Government and publicly the reason for retaining Udine Province under AMG, and we shall be guided accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
119 Via Vittorio Veneto,
Rome.

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, August 6, 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

In connection with current consideration in the Allied Commission and at Allied Force Headquarters concerning the maintenance of Allied Military Government in the Province of Udine for a temporary period after August 31, 1945, I have received instructions from my Government to the effect that if this is necessary for military reasons the Italian Government should be informed of the reasons which prevent Udine Province being returned to Italian Government administration with the other provinces of North Italy on August 31 (except those of the compartments of Venezia Giulia and Bolzano) and that a public announcement should likewise be made of the reasons.

Regarding the public announcement, I would suggest that in whatever release the Allied Commission may make to the press concerning the turn-back of North Italy on August 31, or whatever date may be agreed upon, some statement be included therein concerning the restoration of Udine Province to Italian administration at a later date, preferably a specific date if possible. I understand that the Regional Commissioner of Venezia Region has recommended December 1 as an appropriate turn-back date.

/ Sincerely yours,

/s/ A. KIRK

Rear Admiral Henry W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

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With reference to top secret cable to AFHQ of 15 August 1945, reference 3748, please make the following corrections:

- (a) Renumber paragraphs 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, to read 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10.
- (b) In new paragraph 9, change "9(a)" to read "8(a)".

/s/ L. W. Stearns

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGC
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IN MY AIDE MEMOIRE OF JUNE THIRTYEIGHT ON RETENTION OF ALLIED TROOPS IN ITALY AND MY LETTER OF JUNE TWO THREE (JOSE FUTURE POLICY TOWARDS ITALY UNQUOTE CMA I ADVOCATED THE RETENTION IN ITALY OF FIVE DIVISIONS OF ALLIED TROOPS PD I DO NOT KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN THE RESULT OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS BUT THEY HAVE AN IMPORTANT BEARING ON THE PROPOSALS WHICH FOLLOW PD

PARA TWO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE CMA BRITISH RESMIN CMA UNQUOTE SPECIAL POLAD FROM HQ ALCON FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITY ALCON PARA

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PARA TWO PD WITH THE UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT OF MY POLITICAL ADVISERS AND REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS I RECOMMENDED THAT AINO TERRITORY IN NORTHERN ITALY LESS THE PROVINCE OF UDINE BE HANDLED BACK TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ON FIFTEEN SEPTEMBER PD AS PROPOSED IN MY SIGNAL TWO NINE SIX ZERO OF ONE AUGUST I RECOMMENDED THAT UDINE BE RETURNED TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT JURISDICTION ON ONE DECEMBER PD

PARA THREE PD HITHERTO HAVE TAKEN AS CRITERION FOR RESTORATION OF TERRITORY THAT AREA TO BE RETURNED IS IN FIT AND PROPER STATE ADMINISTRATIVELY AND THAT ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IS CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION IN SUCH AREA PD IN MATTER OF LAW AND ORDER DO NOT CONSIDER THIS STANDARD CAN APPLY TO NORTHERN REGIONS

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 PARA FIVE PD WE ARE FACED THEREFORE WITH THIS QUESTION PD SHOULD WE TAKE THE
 POLITICALLY RETROGRESSIVE STEP OF RETAINING AND THROUGH THE WINTER OR SHOULD WE
 TAKE THE RISK OF HANDING OVER THE TERRITORY TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IN ITS PRESENT
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IF THE TRANSFER IS MADE WHILE A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF ALLIED TROOPS ARE ACTUALLY IN ITALY TO GIVE CONFIDENCE TO THE GOVERNMENT AND THE POPULATION BY THEIR PRESENCE CMA PARTICULARLY DURING THE IMPORTANT PERIOD OF THE ELECTIONS WHENEVER THEY MAY TAKE PLACE PD

PARA SEVEN PD IN GENERAL CMA IT SHOULD BE SAID THAT IT IS OUR DUTY AND TO OUR INTERESTS NOT ONLY TO SEE THAT LAW AND ORDER ARE MAINTAINED BUT TO ENSURE UNDER PAR FOUR NIGHT SEVEN THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ASSUMES THAT RESPONSIBILITY AND THAT WE GIVE THEM EVERY ASSISTANCE TO FULFIL IT. PD

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PARA ~~NINE~~ PD I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR AN EARLY DECISION ON ~~EIGHT~~ ^{PARA} ~~PARA~~ ^{ABLE} ~~PARA~~ PD
YOU WILL APPRECIATE THAT THE ITALIANS HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE TURNOVER WILL
BE ON SEPTEMBER FIRST AND SOME PUBLICITY AND PREPARATION WILL BE NEEDED TO COVER
THE POSTPONEMENT PD

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PARA ~~TEN~~ PD IN ANOTHER TELEGRAM I SHALL SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR THE RETENTION OF
A NUMBER OF LIAISON AND ECONOMIC GROUPS IN THE NORTH AFTER THE TURNOVER OF TERRITORY PD

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MILBY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Ref: 2605/HC.

9 August 1945

SUBJECT: Arsona Commune.
TO : AFHQ
G-5 Section (Attn: Major HELAS).

Attached is copy of signal SD 34 from DISPOB: dated 3 August 45,
as requested.

For the Chief Commissioner:

E. TALBOT
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

Ref: 2605/ /EC.

August 1945.

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory to the
Italian Government.

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TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn: G-5 Section.

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1. I have been giving consideration recently to the state of public order in Italy both present and future which is causing me much concern particularly in view of the intention to restore the Northern Regions to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government at an early date.

2. I have reported to you recent disturbances at MINERVINO MURGE near BARI and at MATERA. The former incident caused the Supreme Allied Commander to instruct me to make strong representations to the Italian Prime Minister, and I am not satisfied that in either case the Italian Government acted with the vigour and determination which are necessary to enforce law and order and impress upon the people that the Italian administration intends to govern and not to be swayed by political motives. No one can expect that the Italian Government will deal with these disturbances with the efficiency and firmness which would be found in the US or the UK but the manner in which the suppression of these incidents was managed by the Government and the messages which were sent to the civil

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3. One cannot fail to doubt whether the Italian Government is in a fit state to undertake the heavy responsibility of maintaining order in the North during the critical days of winter and political turmoil which lie ahead, particularly when one considers the comparatively inefficient

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state of the police forces of this country who are only just beginning to find confidence in themselves and among the people and who still remain woefully ill-equipped as regards clothing, arms, transport and POL. I am dealing with this last point in a separate communication addressed to you in reply to your letter

4. We cannot blind ourselves to the serious state of public order in the North. It is true that we are experiencing for the moment a state of comparative ^{tranquillity} ~~law and order~~. On the surface the situation is well in hand. But the Regional staffs in the North express their opinion that with the disappearance of AMG and Allied troops in the North, this will give way at a minimum to a series of grave disorders, riots and bloodshed, and at a maximum to something approaching a Communist armed revolution. There is still in the hands of the population of the North, as well as in the South, a large quantity of arms and ammunition which it has been impossible at present to locate, chiefly owing to the fact that fear prevents the ordinary citizen ~~from~~ giving any information which may lead to the arrest of armed offenders. ~~At a recent raid~~ ^{and} in MILAN one of the armouries of one of the Garibaldi Brigades was raided when a large number of arms mostly light and heavy machine guns, many Tommy-guns, a few 20 mm cannons and large quantities of hand grenades, was found. Every weapon was in perfect condition, oiled, greased and carefully packed away. There have been persistent rumours that the Communists intend to effect a coup d'état in the North between 15th August and 15th October. The date of removal of AMG is a favourite date for this uprising.

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5. My own feeling is that so long as there is a modicum of Allied troops in the North disorders will be confined to sporadic eruptions without any concerted revolution. The Italian ~~has~~ ^{with} has a very healthy respect ~~for~~ Allied military power. But ~~the~~ ^{with} the departure of AMG and the rapid redeployment of Allied troops from this theatre, ~~into~~ the forces of disorder, be they Communist or anarchist, will be highly tempted to take the law into their own hands and enforce their wishes on the population by force of arms. From recent experience I cannot feel any complacency that the Italian Government will be able to deal sufficiently firmly with widespread disorders.

6. The problem therefore arises, should AMG be retained in the North for a further period? My Regional Commissioners and their staffs would reply in the affirmative but subject always to the condition that AMG will be

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retained for a long and advertised period, ie, not less than six months, and that Allied troops will be ^{provided} ~~retained~~ in sufficient numbers to maintain AMG, for without the backing of troops in present circumstances AMG ~~could~~ ^{could} not function.

7. The restoration of territory to the Italian Government is all part of the Allied policy towards this country, determined as far back as the Moscow conference, and reiterated in recent conferences and in FAN 487. Hitherto we have taken as the criterion of restoration that the territory is in a fit and proper state administratively to be handed back and that the Italian Government are capable of maintaining efficient administration therein. In the case of the restoration in Northern Italy I cannot recommend to you that so far as public order is concerned the territory is in a fit state to be restored and in view of recent events I must express to you my doubts as to the ability of the Italian Government to maintain order. In the economic and local government field the territory is in good shape. At the same time I must also state that it will not be possible to establish a proper degree of law and order in under six months and that the retention of AMG during that period must be predicated on retention of a sufficient number of Allied troops to maintain it.

8. We are faced, therefore, with a dilemma. On political grounds the Allied Governments will probably feel it incumbent on us to restore the territory to the Italian Government at the earliest possible date in view of the fact that they are so shortly to become members of the United Nations and in order to make it possible for them to hold elections without the restriction of an alien military government. On military grounds it

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by them at an early date. Either they must be prepared to maintain troops and AMG in the country to ensure the Italians free, secret and orderly elections, or they must realise the possibility, amounting almost to a probability, that the present Government will not be able to maintain law and order and the expectation of such disorder before such elections take place.

Termination of AMG should be based not on the reason that the territory is administratively ready to pass to the Italian Government, but (a) that AMG is no longer justified in a country about to become a member of the United

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Nations ~~but~~ where hostilities ~~are~~ ^{have ceased} ~~no longer continue~~ ^{continue AMG} (b) it is not considered practical to ~~carry on~~ in the absence of substantial numbers of Allied troops. (C) ^{it is undesirable for Allied troops become involved in the suppression of internal disorder.}

9. If for political and military reasons it is considered necessary to hand over the territory to the Italian Government, then, with the opinions expressed above, I recommend that it be done between September 1st and September 30th, for the sooner the change is made the longer will the Italian Government have to make its own dispositions before the difficulties of the winter and of the coming elections are fully felt. If, however, the preservation of law and order is considered of paramount importance, then AMG should be retained until March 1st 1946.

10. I propose to express my views on this question very fully and frankly to the Prime Minister in the near future and I will report to you his reactions, but I consider it my duty to lay the facts before you at the earliest possible moment in order that full consideration may be given before a decisive step is made.

ELERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref 9/65/CA

7 August 45

SUBJECT : Restoration of Territory to Italian Government

TO : Executive Commissioner ✓

1 As a result of my recent tour there was one matter on which I found complete unanimity from everyone I interviewed; ACS, PCs, Legal Officers, IS Officers, and so on. It will NOT surprise you to hear that it concerned the prospect of the maintenance of law and order as the Allies withdraw.

2 In every case the view was expressed that the present state of cooperative law and order would give way to (at minimum) a series of serious disorders and riots with much bloodshed and (at maximum) to a complete communist armed revolution.

3 In some cases the view was expressed that such disorders would start soon after the termination of AMG, in others that they would not start until the number of Allied troops was substantially diminished. Many cited the recent abandonment of crime to a deliberate plan to lull the Allies into a belief that the standard of law and order was increasing. Instances (which could not be proved) of suspected large scale communist plots for uprising, of secret collecting of big dumps of arms (some of them already raised) and so on were all cited to me.

4 This universal feeling is familiar to you and must be faced. It gives rise to the problem: Ought AMG to be retained? I received the answer in nearly every case Yes but only if

- a) it is going to be retained for a long and advertised period, e.g. 6 months;
- b) Allied troops are retained in sufficient quantities to maintain AMG.

5 I assume that neither of these requirements are capable of fulfilment; the first on political grounds, the second for military reasons. Nevertheless I feel the matter should be ventilated for it is a matter for decision at the highest level. Either the Governments are prepared to maintain troops in the country and AMG to ensure at least free, secret and orderly elections or they are not and if not they should be warned of the possibility amounting almost to a probability that the present Government will not be able to maintain law and order and that there is an expectation of much disorder probably before such elections take place.

6 Nevertheless it should be made clear that the maintenance of AMG without

3 In some cases the view was expressed that such disorders would start soon after the termination of AMG, in others that they would not start until the number of Allied troops was substantially diminished. Many cited the recent diminution of crime to a deliberate plan to lull the Allies into a belief that the standard of law and order was increasing. Instances (which could not be proved) of suspected large scale communist plots for uprising, of secret collecting of big dumps of arms (some of them already raided) and so on were all cited to me.

4 This universal feeling is familiar to you and must be faced. It gives rise to the problem: Ought AMG to be retained? I received the answer in nearly every case Yes but only if

- a) it is going to be retained for a long and advertised period, e.g. 6 months;
- b) Allied troops are retained in sufficient quantities to maintain AMG.

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6 Nevertheless it should be made clear that the maintenance of AMG without supporting troops is useless and is not the answer; troops must be retained if AMG is to function and if they are to withdraw, AMG must cease and the sooner the better.

7 This brings me to the point that, so far as I know, we have at this time no order of battle and do not know how many and where Allied troops will be disposed on, say 1 Oct, 1 Nov, 1 Dec. Surely it is vital that AC should know this before it can advise SAC as to the proper date of termination of AMG in Italy? It brings me also to the further point that whereas when in the past we have recommended a transfer to the Italian Govt, we have either explicitly or impliedly warranted to SAC that the Italian Govt would be able to maintain law and order in what were then L of C areas. In future it would be quite wrong to lead SAC to believe we held any such view. Our reasons for advising termination of AMG are a) that it is no longer justified in a country about to become a member of the United Nations where hostilities are no longer being carried on and

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b) it is not considered practical to carry it on in the absence of substantial numbers of Allied troops, and we should be very careful to make it clear we are not expressing an opinion that law and order will be maintained in the country by the Italian Government, or that the state of the country will be such that free, secret and orderly elections can be guaranteed.

3 It will be recalled that the date for termination of AM - 1 Sep - was announced without reference to this Commission and, although in view of all the circumstances, I am not advocating any other date, I believe the whole matter should be reviewed by the CC, his ROs and Palais and a full memorandum setting out exactly our reasons for recommending the closure of AM and the possible or probable consequences so far as law and order is concerned but plainly before SAC. We could never forgive ourselves if there were to be a repetition of events in Greece (though I trust this is improbable) and SAC had not been fully warned.

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G.R. WRIGHT BRIS,
VF CA Section

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I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR MESSAGE OF THANKS ON THE OCCASION OF THE TRANSFER
OF THE PROVINCE OF LUCCA TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD
PAREN TO THE PREFECT OF LUCCA FROM HEADQUARTERS ALOOM SIGNED STONE PAREN
THIS MESSAGE WILL BE PASSED TO THE MEMBERS OF MY STAFF MOST CLOSELY
CONCERNED WHO WILL I AM SURE WISH ME TO CONVEY THEIR THANKS AND TO COMBINE
THEIR GOOD WISHES FOR THE FUTURE OF THE PROVINCE WITH MY OWN. PD

Executive Commissioner's Office

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MRS. LUSH
MIA. Col. 3rd.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: E/581

Message Centre No: F/2896

Date/Time of Origin: AUG

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 070845

FROM: AMC EMILIA REGION FROM COLONEL THOMAS

Precedence: ROUTINE

TO: HQ ALCOM FOR ADMIRAL STONE, CHIEF COMMISSIONER

7 AUG 1945

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EMILIA Region passed to control of Italian Government on midnight 4-5 August without incident. Thanks for your telegram which has been relayed to all personnel. Arrangements for closing our personnel, property and files now in progress.

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PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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Office of the Regional Commissioner
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3 August 1945

To: Headquarters, Allied Commission.

AUG 7 1945

Subject: Handover of Territory.

1. If Piemonte Region is to pass from AMG to AG on August 31, 1945, it is requested that orders to this effect and detailed instructions be issued at an early date.
2. In this connection, under current directives, civilian employees are entitled to two weeks notice of termination of service. It is therefore requested that the detailed instructions asked for above be received by this HQ on or before August 14th, 1945.

ROBERT P. MARSHALL
Colonel FA
Regional Commissioner.

(Original passed to CA Sec)

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in Rome on 12/8 164
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SIGNED ALEXANDER CITE BURG

ALL MAT ADDRESSEES INFO ALCOM ROME

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This is MAT 865.

Supplementing MAT 837 and MAT 845.

Provinces of APUANIA and RUCCA, compartments of EMILIA and comune of ANCONA handed back to Italian jurisdiction 4 August. This date selected as Advisory Council did not meet until 3 August. Advisory Council raised no objection to hand back.

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Date/Time of Origin: AUG 051438B

Message Centre No: F/2774

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 052100B

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Purpose of your 3173 cite ACEXE not clear. Your 2960 related to areas where present CCS instructions preclude hand back to Italian administration until revision of policy obtained that cable being studied here. No such instructions applicable NAPLES but decision not to hand it back in present circumstances made here recently and notified in F29639 cite FHGEG and in MAT 845 repeated you. Clarification requested.

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ADMIRAL STONE HQ ALLIED COMMISSION ROME

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On the occasion of the transfer to the Italian Government by the ALLIED authorities of the Province of LUCCA, I beg you to accept the homage of the people and also of the Italian officials of this city.

This Province, one of the most damaged by the war, shows also the marks of the generous assistance given to her by the United Nations Governments.

This evening the inhabitants of this city have expressed to the Allied officers their deep gratitude, of which I wish to be the conveyer to your Excellency.

The prefect of LUCCA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFS 304
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 5/6 B/CA.

4 AUG 45
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SUBJECT: Position of ANCONA Commune.

TO: Executive Commissioner.

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1 A letter was written to the Zone Commissioner, ANCONA, warning him that the restoration of ANCONA to the Italian Government was being considered. This letter was sent out from your office and was dated 12 Jul 45. Col. Wunder states that he has not received the letter and that the first indication he received that the handover was being considered was when he saw our signal of the 21 Jul 45 indicating that no decision on ANCONA had then been given.

2 Meanwhile, our original proposal to AFHQ on 9 Jul 45 was submitted and my CSO was requested, on the telephone, to ask No. 1 District for their views on the handover of EMILIA region. The Communes of RAVENNA and ANCONA were at this time treated as entirely separate from EMILIA. My CSO was not to take any action on either of these two Communes.

3 The fact that action was to be taken with a Military Headquarters is, of course, exceptional and at no time did we take any further action with District 1. It would appear that AFHQ did not do so either.

4 No doubt AFHQ took the District 1 agreement of 16 Jul 45 as applying to ANCONA so that when AFHQ made the staff study they assumed that District 1 approved of ANCONA transfer.

5 The position now is that the restoration has been made and District 1 has protested. I understand from the Zone Commissioner that the grounds of the protest are:

- (a) The abolition of A.M.G. Courts.
- (b) Fears of labour troubles.

6 Any difficulty over courts could, of course, be overcome by the continuance of such courts trying cases under Italian law.

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The possibility of labour trouble is a fear rather than a fact and

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I am of the opinion that it could be controlled in the same way through A.S.G. Courts under Italian law.

7 It is true that the Prefect is proposing to resign. It has always been his intention to do so at the termination of A.S.G. and he now wishes to resign as of 16 Aug 45.

8 I recommend that the present status quo be allowed to remain - that is to say that the handover be carried on, on the understanding that A.S.G. Courts are to be continued if necessary and A.S.G. only be restored if failure is met. In any case I am informed that District 1 are unlikely to hold any objection to restoration at the end of August when the Port of ANCONA changes its category.

W. J. P. [Signature]

C.M. UPJOM, Brig.,
VF CA Section.

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PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE UNCLE SUGAR POLAD BRITISH RESMIN FROM H. ALCON
FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE ACSCC PAREN

COMPARTIMENTO OF EMILIA CMA PROVINCES OF APUANIA AND LUCCA CMA AND COMBINE
OF ANCONA BEING RESTORED TODAY TO THE JURISDICTION OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD
ALL DELEGATES TO ADVISORY COUNCIL NOTIFIED PD NO OBJECTIONS VOICED BY COUNCIL

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G-5 AFHQ

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FURTHER TO OUR TWO NINE SIX ZERO OF FIRST AUGUST AND YOUR FOX TWO SEVEN SEVEN
SEVEN FOUR OF TWENTYFIFTH JULY PD

PAREN TO GEORGE FIVE AFHQ FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACEXE PAREN

PRESUME YOU WILL DEAL WITH QUESTION NAPLES COMMUNE PD

Copies to:

American Ambassador
British Ambassador
Political Adviser (A)
Political Adviser (B)
Civil Affairs Section
Economic Section

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FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITY ACSCC PARISH

COMPARTIMENT OF EMILIA CMA PROVINCES OF APUANIA AND LUCCA CMA AND COMMUNE
OF ANCONA BEING RESTORED TODAY TO THE JURISDICTION OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD
ALL DELEGATES TO ADVISORY COUNCIL NOTIFIED PD NO OBJECTIONS VOICED BY COUNCIL.

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Further to our 2960 of 1st August

In accordance with representations made by ~~CGO Third District~~
we recommend that you ask Combined Chiefs of Staff to authorise
retention of AMG in Naples Commune for the time being.

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Ref your 3004 of 2 August. Provinces PIACENZA PARMA REGGIO MODENA
part of BOLOGNA APUANIA and LUCCA not in DISTONE. Agree restoration
Provinces FERRARA FORLI and RAVENNA to Italian Govt. Do not agree
Commune ANCONA and this already represented to AFHQ.

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247.
Reference AFHQ cable FX 30315 dated 31 July and 5 ARMY cable 5589 dated 24 July 1945. No definite word received from ALCOM as to when it desires responsibility for AMG in portions of 5TH ARMY Area turned over to it. In view of previous conversations with Colonel WISKE it is assumed that responsibility for all EMILIA Region has already been taken over by ALCOM. Confirmation is requested. Signed TRUSCOTT.

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PARA ONE FD CONFIRM RESTORATION TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF FOLLOWING TERRITORY
AS OF TWENTY THREE FIFTY NINE HOURS FOUR AUGUST PAREN ABLE PAREN COMPARTIMENTO OF
EMILIA WHICH INCLUDES PROVINCES OF PIACENZA CMA PARMA CMA REGGIO EMILIA CMA MODENA
CMA BOLOGNA CMA FERRARA CMA FORLI AND RAVENNA FD

PAREN TO DISTONE INFO DISTWO CMA DIS THREE CMA PENEASE FROM ALCON CITE ACCAS PAREN

PAREN BAKER PAREN PROVINCES OF APUNIA AND LUCCA FD

PAREN CHARLIE PAREN COMUNE OF ANCONA

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From: CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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NICHOLAS FIORELLINO
CWO, USA
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Confirmed that Compartimento EMILIA being handed over to Italian Government 4 August. Also commune of ANCONA and Provinces APUANIA and LUCCA.

ALCOM will give full information regarding retention of Liaison officers.

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31 July 1945

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SUBJECT: Handover of Territory to the
Italian Government.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
(Attn: Chief Commissioner)
APO 394.

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1. Reference is made to your AC/4102/5/6 of
26 July.

2. The documents ^{the} ~~their~~ enclosed are returned
herewith having been signed by the Supreme Allied
Commander.

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

[Signature]

F. G. A. PARSONS,
Colonel, G.S.

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