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LOCAL GOV'T - VENEZIA GIULIA
JULY 1945 - DEC. 1946

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to be seen by Executive Committee.

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Dep. Ex. Comm.

Folio 15 for information please
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22/8 noted. 7

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CF.O.

C.C. 14 speaking to Mrs. Cotman re 16/4/8.

No action necessary by Mr. McQuarrie
20/12 E.C. McQuarrie

Noted H.H. 20/12

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C.F.O.

C.C. is speaking to Mrs. Cotman re 16/8.
No action necessary by Mr. McCauley
20/12.

Good J.H. 19/12.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 6/5/55

Date/Time of Origin: DEC. 18 1100A

Message Centre No: H/8629

Date Time Rec'd: DEC. 19 1000

Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT VENEZIA GIULIA

TO: HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION ROVE

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Reference your 5826 dated 17 December, executive committee of action party being unable to indicate who are presidents and secretary arrested when arms and explosive found during search of party Headquarters. Trial held all acquitted.

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BOARD AND VENEZIA GIULIA

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ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS RECEIVED A COMMUNICATION FROM THE ACTION
PARTY PROTESTING AGAINST ARREST IN TRIESTE BY ALLIED AUTHORITIES
OF DIRECTORS OF THE PARTY PD REQUEST THAT YOU INVESTIGATE AND
SIGNAL REPORT TO THIS HEADQUARTERS EARLIEST

E. V. VELLA

PRIORITY

EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

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JOHN R. HAYES
MAJOR AGO
ADJT

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Rome 17 December 1946

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Ufficio del Funzionario distaccato
presso la Commissione Alleata.

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MEMORANDUM

For the Office of the Chief Commissioner

President De Gasperi has received from the Partito d'Azione a telegram protesting against the arrest at Trieste by Allied Authorities of Directors of the Party itself.

The President would be grateful if Admiral Stone would consider the matter in the most favourable possible light.

Enrico Colonna

Call on 1009 vs 1009

JS.

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From: HQ AND 13 COMPS
TO: HQ ALCON DOM (PUBLIC SAFETY) INFO CBT HQ 13 COMPS MAIN

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At GONIZIA on 17 August unauthorised demonstration of approximately 1500 persons as protest against new local government set up under order no 10. Demonstration orderly at first, later incidents occurred. 18 arrests effected for breaches of peace and possession of arms. Police controlled situation. No reports of serious injury. Situation now normal. Report follows.

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ACTION: P.Safety SC
INFO: Chief Commissioner
CA Sec
L.Govt SC
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Copy to 3634/EC P.S. - Yengie Juhie

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ROUTINE

REC'D: AMB 13 CORPS
10: HQ ALCOM

AUG 18 1945

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Sub section (3) of section 5 of Local Government order amended by adding at the thereof the following:

"The communal president of the commune of POLA shall, in addition to this other powers, possess all of the powers and duties of an area president as specified in sub section (3) of section 2 of this general order."

As POLA not an area it was considered necessary to give the communal president the powers of an area president to provide necessary administration. Area council for POLA deemed unnecessary.

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(Mr. Kinsley) RUC PH

SCAO AND THIRTEEN CORPS

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9 August 1945

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS REVISED GENERAL ORDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT BROUGHT BY HAND OF
DEPUTY SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER PD

PARA TWO PD THIS ORDER HAS BEEN CONSIDERED IN THIS HEADQUARTERS BY THE CHIEF CIVIL
AFFAIRS OFFICER PD HE APPROVES SAME SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS PD HE CONSIDERS
IT WISER TO OMIT FROM THE PREAMBLE THE WORDS QUOTE WHICH WILL BEST MEET THE NEEDS OF
THE PEOPLE UNDER THE CONDITIONS NOW PREVAILING UNQUOTE PD

PAREN TO FOR ACTION SCAO AND THIRTEEN CORPS FROM HQ ALCON CITE ACLOT PAREN

PARA THREE PD FURTHER THAT THE SECOND CLAUSE OF SECTION TEN SHOULD ALSO BE OMITTED
ITEM EASY THE WORDS QUOTE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT UNQUOTE TO QUOTE COMMITTEES UNQUOTE PD
PARA FOUR PD CHIEF CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER REQUESTS THAT YOU DO NOT SUBMIT THE DRAFT
ORDER TO THE CORPS COMMANDER PRIOR TO THE RETURN OF THE DEPUTY SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS
OFFICER WHO IS DUE TO LEAVE HOME ON FRIDAY TEN AUGUST WITH FINALLY ASSIGNED ORDER PD

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D/SCAO (Col. Robertson)
Legal Sub Commission
LOCAL GOVERNMENT S/O

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NICHOLAS FLORENDO
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant

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(MAJ K)

Ref: 2809/EC

8 August 1945.

SUBJECT: General Order - Local Government,
VEREZIA GIULIA.

TO : Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section.

1. The Chief Commissioner approves the issue of the draft General Order for local government in VEREZIA GIULIA with the following amendments:

- (a) He considers it would be wiser to omit the sentence in the preamble "which will best meet.....now prevailing". This sentence is not only prophetic but is redundant and it is probably wiser to omit it.
- (b) The second clause of Section 10 "Allied Military Government.....committees" is not a suitable phrase to insert in an order. It is a statement of fact and may be assumed as a promise. There would be no harm in SCAG or his Area Commissioners telling Committees of AMG intentions or putting something to this effect in the press, but it is definitely not part of legislation and should be omitted.

2. The Chief Commissioner would like the attention of the SCAG to be drawn to these amendments and it is suggested that in order to avoid any confusion the SCAG be advised not to submit the order to the Corps Commander for decision until the return of the D/SCAG with the finally amended order.

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M. S. Lusk
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: SCAG, AMG VEREZIA GIULIA.

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AMG 1 CORPS
HQ ALCON CITE ACLOT

AUG 7 1945

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Your 3077 of 3 August refers. Have not yet signed order but propose to do so after final clearance with the Corps Commander late this week. Meanwhile have directed printing of Galley proofs to proceed as this is a delicate matter psychologically in which the time factor is extremely important. Understand your signals intended as request rather than direction as of course matter is operational and final action will be on decision of Corps Commander of AFHQ. Was much pleased by your participation in preparation of order and will be glad to have opinion Brigadier UPJOWN after discussion with him which (which?) should already have been completed.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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TO: SCAG THIRTEEN CORPS

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5 August 1945

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PARA ONE PD PLEASE HOLD UP ANY ACTION ON GENERAL ORDER ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENDING

PARA TWO FOR ACTION SCAG THIRTEEN CORPS FROM HQ ALCON CITY AGEDU PARTI

DISCUSSION WITH VICE PRESIDENT CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION TWO RETURNS TOMORROW PD

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NICHOLAS FIGUEROA
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant

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NICHOLAS FIGUEROA
CNC USA
Asst. Adjutant

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(Mr. Kinnear) Q. 2.1

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PAGE ONE PD PLEASE HOLD UP ANY ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR OTHER CRIMINAL ACTS THAT ARE BEING COMMITTED

PAGE TWO FOR ACTION 2040 TUNISH CASES FROM AN ALCON CITY AGING PAPER
DISCUSSION WITH VICE PRESIDENT CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION WHO RETURNING TUNISH PD

FORM NO. 12

SUBJECT: Report on local government organization in Venezuela Ciulla.
Personnel interviewed:

Col. Bowman, 3040 KILL Corps ASB
Col. Robertson DEBAG KILL Corps ASB
Lt. Col. Armstrong, Trieste Area Commissioner
Lt. Col. Kucera, Trieste City Council member
Lt. Col. Graywood, Pala City Commissioner
Lt. Col. Smith, Corisla Area Commissioner
Major Gold, Legal Officer, Corisla Area

TO : Director, Local Government Sub Commission

FROM : Major Ralph M. Temple, Deputy Director, Local Government Sub Commission

1. I arrived in Rome by plane on 26 July 1945, where I was met by automobile which took me to the headquarters of KILL Corps ASB at Trieste. I reported to Col. Bowman and informed him that I was here to learn about the organization of local government in Venezia Ciulla and to lend whatever assistance I could if it was thought desirable. Col. Bowman informed me that Col. Robertson, DEBAG, had been delegated by him to be in charge of local government matters and that the latter had the problem in hand. He asked me to confer with Col. Robertson.

2. Col. Robertson, when I saw him immediately, suggested that I get the general picture from Lt. Col. Armstrong, Trieste Area Commissioner, whom he would telephone and that the next day he would discuss the situation with me while driving down to Pala. He asked me to accompany him on this trip.

3. I therefore conferred with Lt. Col. Armstrong on Thursday, 26 July, and on Friday, 27 July, accompanied Col. Robertson to Pala, where we conferred with Lt. Col. Graywood on the Pala local government situation. Copies of these interviews are annexed hereto. (See also Appendix "B", showing Area and District organization for Venezia Ciulla.)

4. On Saturday morning, 28 July, I attended the general staff conference presided over by Col. Bowman. One matter involving Trieste was raised and Major Henderson, District Officer, was instructed to confer with me. I have since discussed this matter with Major Henderson of this S/O.

5. In the afternoon of Saturday, 28 July, I conferred with Col. Robertson who showed me a plan of local government organization that the Legal Officer on the staff of Lt. Col. Smith, Corisla Area Commissioner, had prepared. I indicated to Col. Robertson that I did not think it adequate and volunteered to draw up a more comprehensive scheme of government. Col. Robertson accepted the invitation and we discussed generally what the plan should embrace. I borrowed a stenographer and dictated a plan of local government which I then discussed with Col. Robertson on Monday, 30 July. It was with Col. Robertson's wholehearted approval and he asked me to go out to Corisla, after having telephoned Lt. Col. Smith, to discuss the plan with the Legal Officer.

mobile which took me to the Headquarters of XIII Corps APO at Trieste. I reported to Col. Roman and informed him that I was here to learn about the organization of local government in Venezia Giulia and to lend whatever assistance I could if it was thought desirable. Col. Roman informed me that Col. Robertson, DSO, had been delegated by him to be in charge of local government matters and that the latter had the problem in hand. He asked me to confer with Col. Robertson.

2. Col. Robertson, whom I saw immediately, suggested that I get the general picture from Lt. Col. Armstrong, Trieste Area Commissioner, whom he would telephone and that the next day he would discuss the situation with me while driving down to Pola. He asked me to accompany him on this trip.

3. I therefore conferred with Lt. Col. Armstrong on Thursday, 26 July, and on Friday, 27 July, accompanied Col. Robertson to Pola, where we conferred with Lt. Col. Grywood on the Pola local government situation. Copies of these interviews are annexed hereto. (See also Appendix "2", showing Area and District organization for Venezia Giulia.)

4. On Saturday morning, 28 July, I attended the general staff conference provided over by Col. Roman. One matter involving Trieste was raised and Major Henderson, District Officer, was instructed to confer with me. I have since discussed this matter with Major Gordon of this S/O.

5. In the afternoon of Saturday, 28 July, I conferred with Col. Robertson who showed me a plan of local government organization that the Legal Officer on the staff of Lt. Col. Smith, Trieste Area Commissioner, had prepared. I discussed this with Col. Robertson and I did not think it adequate and volunteered to draw up a more comprehensive scheme of government. Col. Robertson accepted the invitation and we discussed generally what the plan should embrace. I borrowed a stenographer and dictated a plan of local government which I then discussed with Col. Robertson on Monday, 30 July. It met with Col. Robertson's wholehearted approval and he asked me to go out to Gorizia, after having telephoned Lt. Col. Smith, to discuss the plan with the latter. I did so, and after obtaining approval to the scheme. During my conference, I obtained information as to the present structure in Gorizia. Copy of this interview is attached to this report. Later in the evening, I conferred with Lt. Col. Roman, City Commissioner for Trieste, and explained the plan to him. He said that it met all of his desires. Copy of report outlining the present organization of Trieste City is attached to this report also.

6. Col. Robertson said he would confer with Lt. Col. Armstrong, Area Commissioner of Trieste, and Lt. Col. Grywood, Area Commissioner of Pola, on the plan and would inform this S/O as to the final decision. He was very anxious to get the thing accepted and, although he anticipated there would be difficulty in getting the Yugoslav element to accept it without too much insistence, he felt it was the fairest plan that could be presented.

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Outline of Plan of Local Government Organization for Venezia Giulia -
Appendix Y.

The plan of organization and administration of local and civil government prepared by me is predicated on the fact that the present rigid control structure could be set up, due recognition would have to be given to the prevalence of several ethnic groups in Venezia Giulia. The communal and provincial units of government are preserved, with the exception that, pursuant to action already taken by the 1946, the so-called provinces are named areas.

Instead of the title "Prefect" that of "Area President" has been adopted and instead of "Sindaco" or "Podestà", the term "First Citizen" ("Primo Cittadino") is used. The latter title is not mine but Col. Robertson's, who feels that the Italian term of "Podestà" or "Sindaco" would not go down well in the Region.

Instead of the Giunta Provinciale Administrative and a Fascist Consulta, which were provided by Italian law existing on 8 September 1943 (GSA and Delegations far as Area Council to act as a purely advisory body to the Area President (see Article 4). The Area President has been vested with the powers of a Prefect and Provincial and Prefectural local government bodies (see Article 2). He is empowered to create a basic Prefectural office with functionaries to whom he may delegate his powers of review and supervision of Provincial and Communal matters (see Article 3). Thus, a fundamental governmental machinery has been set up which may be organized along traditional Italian administrative lines, and yet with any variation necessitated by the local situation.

The same principles which led to the creation of a Provincial machinery dictated the organization of the Communal government (see Articles 5, 6 and 7). Article 8 was designed to enable the Trieste Area Commissioner to have 5 Communes in the Soana area administered by as few officials as possible for purposes of economy. I have provided for the retention of the Communes as a unit and at the same time provided for the carrying out of the ordinary functions of administrative for a combination of Communes by one official. This follows historic precedent, incidentally.

I am not enthused about the insertion of Article 9, setting up District Commissions. This was in the plan proposed by Lt. Col. Smith, whose area is overwhelmingly Slovene, and who feels that a District system must be retained to some extent. I have modified his proposal, however, by making it quite clear that the District Commissions have no supervision or control over the First Citizens or the Communal Councils. They are to be a purely advisory body to the Area President who is authorized to submit matters to them with the approval of the President in Article 10.

8. I believe that the draft of organization is flexible enough as a good basis structure of civil

for an Area Council to act as a purely advisory body to the Area President (see Article 4). The Area President has been vested with the powers of a Prefect and Provincial and Prefectural local government bodies (see Article 2). He is empowered to create a basic Prefectural office with functions to which he may delegate his powers of review and supervision of Provincial and Communal matters (see Article 3). Thus, a fundamental governmental machinery has been set up which may be organized along traditional Italian administrative lines, and yet with any variation necessitated by the local situation.

The same principles which led to the creation of a Provincial machinery dictated the organization of the Communal government (see Articles 5, 6 and 7). Article 8 was designed to enable the Trieste Area Commissioner to have 5 Communes in the Sessara area administered by as few officials as possible for purposes of economy. I have provided for the retention of the Commune as a unit and at the same time provided for the carrying out of the ordinary functions of administration for a combination of Communes by one official. This follows a historical *Urban* type of precedent, incidentally.

I am not enthused about the insertion of Article 9, setting up District Committees. This was in the plan proposed by Lt. Col. Bente, whose area is overwhelmingly Slovene, and who feels that a District system must be retained to some extent. I have modified his proposal, however, by making it quite clear that the District Committees have no supervision or control over the first citizens or the Communal Councils. They are to be a purely advisory body to the Area President who is authorized to submit matters to them with the approval of the Council of Allied Military Government over the entire civil organization is indicated in Article 10.

8. I believe that the draft of organization is flexible enough to serve as a good basic structure of civil government. Col. Robertson expressed his gratitude for the assistance I gave and said that he would keep us informed as to developments. He expects to be in Rome about 7 August.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. R. Temple
Major

Major H. Temple
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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DRAFT OF ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL CIVIL GOVERNMENT
PREPARED BY MAJOR RALPH R. TAYLOR, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, LOCAL GOVERNMENT
SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION, 28 July 1945.

GENERAL ORDER NO.

AREA AND COMMUNAL CIVIL GOVERNMENT

Whereas it is desirable to establish a uniform system of area and communal civil government in the occupied territory under the control of Allied Military Government, 13 Corps, which will best meet the needs of the people under the conditions now prevailing; in accordance with the powers vested in me, therefore I, ALFRED C. BOWMAN, COLONEL, JAGD, SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER, hereby order as follows:

ARTICLE I

UNITS OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT

- (1) The occupied territory under the control of Allied Military Government, 13 Corps, for purposes of administration is divided into the Areas of SWINEM, GELIZIA and PULA, each of which shall be composed of the Communes and fractions thereof as presently constituted.
- (2) Each Area shall have an Area President and Area Council with the powers, functions and duties hereinafter specified.
- (3) Each Commune shall have a Head and Communal Council with the powers, functions and duties hereinafter specified.
- (4) Each Area and Commune shall have such administrative and executive departments and agencies as the Allied Military Government may deem necessary for the proper carrying out of the functions of civil government.

ARTICLE II

AREA PRESIDENT

- (1) The Area President shall be appointed and his powers shall be as follows:

ARTICLE I

UNITS OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT

- (1) The occupied territory under the control of Allied Military Government, 13 Corps, for purposes of administration is divided into the Areas of TRIESTE, GORIZIA and PORDA, each of which shall be composed of the Communes and fractions thereof as presently constituted.
- (2) Each Area shall have an Area President and Area Council with the powers, functions and duties hereinafter specified.
- (3) Each Commune shall have a Head and Communal Council with the powers, functions and duties hereinafter specified.
- (4) Each Area and Commune shall have such administrative and executive departments and agencies as the Allied Military Government may deem necessary for the proper carrying out of the functions of civil government.

ARTICLE II

AREA PRESIDENT

- (1) The Area President shall be appointed and be removable by the Allied Military Government.
- (2) He shall be directly responsible for the civil government of the Area to the Allied Military Government and submit all orders and decrees for approval thereto. 6045
- (3) He shall be the executive and administrative head of the area civil government and shall be subject to the provisions of this Order and all further orders which may hereafter be made by the Allied Military Government and shall possess, in the aggregate, the powers and duties of a Prefect of a Province and of such Provincial and Prefectural legislative, administrative and executive

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bodies where provided by Italian law existing, 3 Sept 1943, or as thereafter modified by order of Allied Military Government.

ARTICLE III

AREA ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

(1) The Allied Military Government shall establish such departments, divisions or agencies in the Area President's Office as are necessary to properly administer the Area.

(2) The heads and subordinate staff of such units shall be appointed and removable by the Area President with the consent of the Allied Military Government. The President shall be assisted by a Vice-President and such other officials as shall be necessary for carrying out the functions of his office. They shall be appointed and be removable by the President with the consent of the Allied Military Government.

(3) The President may entrust to the Vice-President and such other officials in his office special duties in connection with the administration of the Area and of the Government, subject to approval of the Allied Military Government.

ARTICLE IV

AREA COUNCIL

(1) The Area Council shall be composed of a Chairman plus the following number of members for each of the specified Areas:

Area of THURINIA - 17 Members
Area of CUMANIA - 14 Members

all of whom shall be appointed and removable by the Allied Military Government.

(2) Consideration should be given in the selection of the Chairman and Members from the leading citizens of the Area of the highest moral and political

ent. The President shall be assisted by a Vice-President and such other officials as shall be necessary for carrying out the functions of his office. They shall be appointed and be removable by the President with the consent of the Allied Military Government.

(3) The President may entrust to the Vice-President and such other officials in his office special duties in connection with the administration of the Area and of the Communes, subject to approval of the Allied Military Government.

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Area of THINKE - 17 Members

Area of GORILLA - 14 Members

all of whom shall be appointed and removable by the Allied Military Government.

(2) Consideration should be given to the selection of the Chairman and Members from the leading citizens of the Area of the highest moral and political character who shall be, insofar as possible, representative of all ethnic political and economic groups and classes in the Area according to their respective local strength.

(3) Substitute or alternate members shall be appointed and removable by Allied Military Government but shall not take part in any meetings or proceedings except in the absence of regular members.

(4) The Area Council shall meet at least once every week and at such other times as they may be convened by the Area President with the approval of the Allied Military Government.

(5) It may adopt rules of procedure which must be approved by the

Allied Military Government.

- (6) The Area Council shall act as an advisory and consultant body to the Area President on all matters of civil government and administration of the Area referred to it by the Area President.
- (7) The action of the Area Council on all matters laid before it for advice and opinion shall be taken by vote and shall be made part of the minutes of the meeting.
- (8) An exact transcript of such minutes shall be transmitted by the Chairman of the Council to the Area President and by the latter to the Area Commissioner of the Allied Military Government within two days after such meeting.

ARTICLE V

HEADS OF THE COMMUNAL GOVERNMENT

- (1) The Head of the Commune shall be called First Citizen.
- (2) He shall be appointed and be removable by the Allied Military Government after consultation with the Area President and Area Council except in the case of PULA. The First Citizen of Pula shall be appointed and be removable by the Allied Military Government.
- (3) He shall possess in such Communes, in the aggregate, such powers and duties of a First Citizen of a Commune and of such Communal administrative, legislative and executive bodies as are provided by Italian law existing on 8 Sept 1943 or as thereafter modified by order of Allied Military Government. ^{ff} ^{five} ¹⁴
- (4) He shall be subject to such supervision and control by the Area President (except in the case of PULA) as is provided by Italian law as modified by this order.

ARTICLE VI

Commissioner of the Allied Military Government within two days after such meeting.

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- (2) He shall be appointed and be removable by the Allied Military Government after consultation with the Area President and Area Council except in the case of POLA. The First Citizen of Pola shall be appointed and be removable by the Allied Military Government.
- (3) He shall possess in such Communes, in the aggregate, such powers and duties of a First Citizen of a Commune and of such Communal administrative, legislative and executive bodies as are provided by Italian law existing on 8 Sept 1943 or as thereafter modified by order of Allied Military Government. ^{SEE FORM 14}
- (4) He shall be subject to such supervision and control by the Area President (except in the case of POLA) as is provided by Italian law as modified by this order.

ARTICLE VI

COMMUNAL ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS

- (1) The Allied Military Government shall establish such departments, divisions or agencies in the Office of the First Citizen as are necessary to properly administer the Commune. ⁶⁰³
- (2) The Heads and subordinate staff of such units shall be appointed and be removable by the First Citizen with consent of the Allied Military Government.
- (3) The First Citizen may entrust to the Heads of the departments and such other officials in his office special duties in connection with the administration of the Commune, subject to approval of the Allied Military Government.

(4) A Communal Secretary shall be appointed by the Allied Military Government where it is deemed necessary and shall possess such powers as provided by Italian law existing on 8 Sept 1943 or as modified thereafter by order of Allied Military Government.

ARTICLE VII

COMMUNAL COUNCIL

(1) Each Comune shall have a Communal Council composed of a Chairman plus such members as provided in the following schedule:

<u>Population</u>	<u>Members</u>
250,000 or over	15
over 30,000	10
over 3,000	6
Other Communes	4

all of whom shall be appointed and removable by the Allied Military Government.

(2) Consideration should be given in the selection of the Chairman and Members from the leading citizens of the Comune of the highest moral and political character who shall be, insofar as possible, representative of all ethnic political and economic groups and classes in the Comune according to their respective local strength.

(3) Substitute or alternate members shall be appointed and removable by Allied Military Government but shall not take part in any meetings or proceedings except in the absence of regular members.

(4) The Communal Council shall meet at least once every week and at such other times as they may be convened by the First Citizen with the approval of the Allied Military Government.

(5) It may adopt rules of procedure which shall be approved by the Allied Military Government.

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(3) Substitute or alternate members shall be appointed and removable by Allied Military Government but shall not take part in any meetings or proceedings except in the absence of regular members.

(4) The Communal Council shall meet at least once every week and at such other times as they may be convened by the First Citizen with the approval of the Allied Military Government.

(5) It may adopt rules of procedure which shall be approved by the Allied Military Government.

(6) The Communal Council shall act as an advisory and consultant body to the First Citizen on all matters of civil government and administration of the Commune referred to it by the First Citizen.

(7) The action of the Communal Council on all matters laid before it for advice and opinion shall be taken by vote and shall be made part of the minutes of the meeting.

(8) An exact transcript of the minutes shall be transmitted to the First Citizen and by the latter to the Area President who shall in turn transmit them to the Area Commissioner of the Allied Military Government within two days after

such meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

COMMUNAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES

(1) Whenever and wherever and to the extent that it is deemed desirable or necessary, the Allied Military Government may provide for the administration of governmental functions of two or more Communes or functions thereof by the same official or agency having its seat of office in any one Commune.

ARTICLE IX

DISTRICT COMMITTEES

(1) Whenever and wherever and to the extent that it is deemed desirable or necessary, the Allied Military Government may form advisory bodies from one or more Communes which shall be regarded in this purpose only as forming a District such bodies to be known as District Committees.

(2) The President and Members of each District Committee shall be chosen by the Allied Military Government after consultation with the Area President and Area Council, from among the leading citizens of the Communes forming such District. Consideration shall be given in the selection of the President and Members from the leading citizens of the area of the highest moral and political character and shall be, insofar as possible, representative of all ethnic political and economic classes and groups in such District according to their respective local strength.

(3) The District Committee shall be convened by the Area President with the approval of the Area Commissioner for the Allied Military Government and shall advise the Area President in regard to such matters of government and administration within each of the Districts submitted to it by the Area President. The District Committee shall

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ARTICLE X

CONTROL OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

(1) All the agencies of civil government and administration specified in this order shall at all times be under the control and supervision of the Allied Military Government.

(2) The Chairmen and Members of the Communal, District or Area Councils shall be unpaid. Salaries of all other officials shall be determined by the Allied Military Government.

(3) Nothing in this order shall be construed as limiting in any way or to any degree the powers of government and jurisdiction in the occupied territory as specified in Article I of Proclamation No. 1.

ARTICLE XI

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order shall become operative in each Area or part thereof within the occupied territory on the date of its first publication therein.

Dated in TRISTEN this.....day of....., 1945.

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