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PUBLIC SAFETY INFO
AUG. - DEC. 1945

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de Stearns
 E. Herewith letter to Mr. Tolson from Rome per
 signature of C.C. which was requested per
 memo today.

Emm
 31/10

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CSC ~~11/10~~

Pse see 288 for info. ESB 16/11

~~11/10~~

(291)

CSC Pse see 290 for info: spoke Col Chapman
 who is in great difficulties here:

- a) prison directors are in such short
 supply as to be almost non-existent
 He hopes to be able to send some
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- b) He has no prison officers (allied)
 left.

ESB 19/11

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CSC ~~11/10~~

Pse see 295-292 for info. Rather remarkable
 if true. Will follow up in three days

ESB 20/11

(297)

CSC Note: Col Chapman informs me that para 3
 of 298 has been implied to be correct

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Rt. Col Stearns

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memo today

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CSO ~~For info~~ 11/10

Per re 288 for info. LBS 16/11

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CSO ~~For info~~

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CSO ~~For info~~ 20/11

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LB 19/11

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CSO 20/11

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LB 20/11

(297)

CSO Note: Col Chapman informs me that para 3 of 295 has been implemented direct with EC's office. Channels? 3221 -

CP To CSO for info on return 300 LB 24/11

10/12 LB 25/11

29/11

Quarantine

15 250

Ex Com

Please see Feb 13 1961 a citation of officers who

worked on the Sicily Force

As regard Smythe and

Valentine's But Our top

letter has been planned

to collect Mar and

PO's memo.

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Please advise what we do want

WtA 2/1/4

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C. S. D.

Attached letter submitted for
E.C.'s signature of approval.

Reg 11-1.8

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Ex Com

Letter off in reply to P 12 a vol 6 attached.

submitted for signature. Reg P-11-a x

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Please advise what we do want

WFA 12/19

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C.I.O.

Attached letter submitted for
E.C.'s signature if approved.

Reg 11-1.8

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Ex Com. Letter off. in reply to P 17a Vol 9 studied.
submitted for signature. Reg P-11.1.8

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CSO
Sir D'Arcy Osborne - b.k. as 1 hour
Furnia pointed out before Send covering letter

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Capt. 19
29/12

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263

Telephoned Atlantic to explain, as letter
was already sympathetic. He already knew
about it

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Director, Commission

Attached is submitted for your ~~approval~~ signature information

EC

26/9

✓ Mrs MW 17/9

SEP 25 1978
SEP 19 1978

CS 20. ²³⁰ built reference to Folio 229 and the C.C.'s notes.
 1. Pub. Safety etc. are dropping letters to R.A.C., for V.P.'s signature.
 2. C.A.S. will investigate the circumstances of the A.C. case.
 3. The legend which would seem to be a stronger gate. R.A.C. 319.

May Kewley ²³¹
 OK but please say "promptly"
 civil vigorously
 4/4

Ex. Cent. ²³³
~~232~~ Please see at Folio 232 reply to Folio 232
 Lempore's letter has been acknowledged.
 Pl see C.C.'s book
 below: 5/8/5.
²³⁶ Follow up. with R.A.C. what is being
 done. MS/8/5

OK but John
and W. W. W.
14/9

Ex. 1.

233

229

Please see at folio 5 reply to folio 2

Unhappy letter has been acknowledged.

Pl. Seecc's hole

below 5 Si 8/3.

Follow up. with RAC which is being

MS/8/3

done.

Executive Committee

225

The 2nd explanation was called for by S.O. to C.C.

224

The cable that referred to continued references to several other cables going back to the beginning of July and the C.C. had the impression that there had not been answered. This was not the case and they were weekly referred to, as being other correspondence on the same subject.

8/31/5

Part 28/3

Chief Commissioner

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Approved
Attached is submitted for your signature
information

1 P 224 & in 225

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12/24/50

MS 3/12/45
Noted
Thank You

78.5017

5/15.3

Part 2. 25/05

Chief Coordinator:

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Approved: _____
Signature _____
Information _____

P224 4 min 22 s

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3/12/45
Noted
Thanks You
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Executive Commission

210

Please see also 207 for information.

A.C. Commission, Naples reported by killed by anti personnel mine protecting port area & we took it up with AFHQ.

207 15/18

211

207's Noted. 7.

207/15/18

221

PA to EC states not necessary to follow up on 206.

207 30/8

South Translation

6/4960/3152
22FX
301

MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

16/29113/76

Rome, December 3rd, 1945

DEC 10 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

I thank you very warmly for your communication of November 19th, in reply to my letter, no. 955 Segr. Pol., dated October 25th, concerning the decision adopted as to the return to Germany of German citizens who are still in 'Alto Adige'.

On the subject, I shall appreciate it greatly if you will keep me informed on further developments in the matter also because it has been reported that such foreigners' assembling and departing, which were to take place during these days, have been postponed by order of the Allied Authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) R. ROMAS

R.C. DIST - 10 Dec
Action - C.A. Sec (2)
Info - C.A.
R.C.

Admiral Hilary E. STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
ROME.

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11/12

Rough Translation

36042 40
6/4960/3152
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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

16/29142/76

Rome, December 3rd, 1945

DEC 10 1945

281
Dear Admiral Stone,

I thank you very warmly for your communication of November 19th, in reply to my letter, no. 93 Segr. Pol., dated October 25th, concerning the decision adopted as to the return to Germany of German citizens who are still in 'Alto Adige'.

On the subject, I shall appreciate it greatly if you will keep me informed on further developments in the matter also because it has been reported that such foreigners' assembling and departing, which were to take place during these days, have been postponed by order of the Allied Authorities.

Believe me, Dear Admiral Stone,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) A. BRUNAS

R.C. DIST - 10 Dec
Action - C.A. Sec (2)
Info - C.A.
R.C.

Admiral Hilary E. STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
ROME.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

300

Ref: 3604/300/80

3 December 1945

SUBJECT: Summary fines.

TO : D.A.F.M., R.A.A.C.

1. Reference telephone conversation DALZ-Braybrooke of 3 December.

2. I herewith enclose the receipt form of which I spoke.

3. The facts I understand to be as follows. The motorist in question, Count Carlo Kokler, in car No U.D. 10332, was proceeding towards Rome from Civitavecchia on 28 November 1945. About 50/40 kilometres from Civitavecchia at approximately 2115 hrs he was overtaken by a jeep with American MPs aboard. They stated that he was exceeding the speed limit and desired him to accompany them back to Civitavecchia. He was there taken to what appeared to be an MP HQ where a Carabinieri M.C.O. stated that he would be fined 1000 lire. This sum he paid, was given the attached receipt and was then permitted to leave.

4. As the procedure struck me as being rather odd I felt you might be interested to hear about it.

C. R. BRAYBROOKE

Captain,
Int. Corps.

See files
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PA
1/12
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

2 NOV 1945

C. A. S.

21 NOV 1945

9 presume Italian Authorities

9 P. M.'s office know all about this?

NR (20/11)

3213

Ex Com

Information contained in attached signal was received from Dir. Gen. of Public Security, Italian Govt, who requested that PS should signal their officers in order that information could be placed more quickly in the hands of Question.

21/11/45

Heaton
CASE

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AMG LOMBARDIA REGION CMA AMG VENEZIA REGION ~~ATTENTION~~
RPS03 RPT LO BOLOGNA

21 NOV 1945

5956

20 November 45

PRIORITY

SECRET PD

COMMUNICATE FOLLOWING TO ALL QUESTORE COLON

LANE STANIC CMA HUNGARIAN SUBJECT CMA REPORTED TO HAVE LEFT INNSBRUCK
FOR ITALY NINE NOVEMBER CHARGED WITH ORGANIZING ATTEMPT AGAINST LIFE
OF PARRI PD SHOULD MEET GIOVANNI SCALERA OF ORGANIZZAZIONE MONCALVO
IN MILAN PD

PARRI TO AMG LOMBARDIA REGION CMA AMG VENEZIA REGION ATTENTION RPS03
RPT LO BOLOGNA FROM ALCON SITE ACPT PARRI

STANIC DESCRIPTION CMA AGE TWO THREE CMA HEIGHT ONE METER SEVEN FIVE
CENTIMETERS CMA FAIR HAIR CMA LIGHT BLUE GREY EYES CMA REGULAR NOSE CMA
SLIGHT LIMP PD

TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO TRACK AND PLACE UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE
TO CONTROL CONTACTS WITH ESCORT OR OTHER AGENTS PD

Public Safety 2/0

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JOHN V. CHAPMAN
COLONEL.

G. J. LEONE
CMA
Asst Adjutant



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CC 3601

17 November 1945

NOV 20 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Colonel Chapman
Public Safety Subcommittee

1. The Chief Commissioner requests that you immediately investigate from the AG standpoint the matter referred to in Signor Parri's letter attached.
2. Since Captain Kastl is neither assigned nor attached to the Commission, copies of this letter should be referred to the Inspector General, MTOUSA, for appropriate action.
3. Will you kindly draft as soon as possible an appropriate reply to the Prime Minister for the CC's signature?

L. W. STEARNS
Lt Col, AGD
Staff Officer to CC

1 Incl:
Ltr fr Parri, ref
45351, 12 Nov 45 &
incl thereto ('Statement')

BU 23/4
HARRIS
20/11

see M296

3211 PA
2/11

(CAPT GRAYBROOK) 24/11

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
Minister of the Interior

15351

Rome, 12 November 1945

My dear Admiral,

On the 1st inst., the seats of the socialist and communist party of the Calazzo Commune were broken in and looted by a group of demonstrators.

From the investigations which were made, it appears, according to the statement of the people who are materially responsible for the offense, VETRONE Andrea and PERILLO Giovanni, that this action has been facilitated by Capt. F.S. RASTL, of the American Police, residing in S. Maria Capua Vetere.

According to what the above mentioned persons stated, it seems that Capt. RASTL, after agreeing with Vetrone about the action which, in fact, took place on the evening of October 31st, and in the company of two soldiers, handed over to Vetrone 21 rifles, one submachine-gun, hand-bombs, and 1 machine gun.

Immediately after the action, such weapons were all returned except for one U.S. Rifle, M. 1933416, sequestered by the carabinieri on the spot.

I issued orders for legal action to be taken against the Italians, who were materially responsible for the looting.

For what concerns Capt. F.S. RASTL, I deemed it advisable to draw your attention on the above mentioned facts, for whatever action you may deem it fit to take.

I enclose a copy of the above mentioned Vetrone and Perillo.

Very truly yours,

S. Ferruccio Parri

Admiral Hilary E. Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission

R o m e

trans. e/c

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Translation

C O P Y

S t a t e m e n t

The undersigned, VETRONE Andrea, of Ferdinando and Maruccia Teresa, born on 11/10/1921 at Amorosi and residing in Gaiazzo, farmer, and PERILLO Giovanni, of Giuseppe and Perrone Maria, born on 12/10/1922 in Gaiazzo and residing there, farmer, state what follows;

Last August, I VETRONE, speaking with a Captain of the American Police, attached to the Pagliarini of Piana di Gaiazzo, who spoke Italian, complained about my sufferings during twenty years of fascism, and while I was deported by the Germans (I was a prisoner from September 8th. till October 13th 1943), and also about what we Italians would have to suffer, for communism was getting a strong foothold in Italy, and if this went on, we would have the Russian regime established at home. The Captain answered me that if I proved capable of organizing a squad to pull down and destroy the communist section of Gaiazzo, he would in good time let me have weapons to arm the people I had organized.

After he had thus pledged himself, I enlisted one by one fifty seven people including twelve repatriated prisoners, who said they were willing to follow me, when the time came, to carry out the punishing expedition against the local communist cell, after receiving the approval of the American Captain and being given weapons by him.

Last Sunday, on October 28th, I went to see the American Captain in S. Maria C.V. and told him I had 57 men in readiness. The Captain told me it would be a good thing to enlist more of them. I went back to Gaiazzo and enlisted more men, so that they finally amounted to 240. In the afternoon of October 31st, I again went to S. Maria C.V. and reported to the Captain the number of the men I had enlisted and who were willing to carry out what had been decided. The Captain promised me that in the evening or on the next morning he would bring the weapons to Gaiazzo. In fact, at about 21.30 hours, the American Captain came personally, with two soldiers, to my house in Santa Lucia and gave me 24 rifles, twelve of which were machine rifles, one 'mitra' various handbombs and four machine guns.

Early in the morning of November the 1st, helped by Perillo Giovanni, I collected on the Pontiere road all the people I had enlisted and distributed the weapons to them, after giving them the necessary instructions; we reached the said village at about 11, and I proceeded to the seat of the communist party with about 11 men, after occupying the opening of the various streets and roads giving access to the village. In the communist seat, we found S. Giovanni Paolo, the porter Mancini Stefano and one 'o figlio do Patanaro'. Myself, Perillo and one Frisello Andrea, of Salvatore, were the first to enter the premises. I asked Gangiovanni for his membership card of the communist party, which he at once produced.

After that, I threw him out of the premises, and didn't see whether anyone of my companions beat him. After that, some others among my companions, who were about twenty, threw down in the street what little furniture and papers there were in the premises and set fire to them. In the confusion, few shots

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were fired, however, I couldn't make out who had fired them.

Going back, and passing in front of the seat of the socialist party, we noticed a board bearing the sickle and hammer emblem, and thinking the premises belonged to the communist party, I fired two shots to break the door open, and taking what furniture there was, we burnt them in the street.

Yesterday evening, I collected all the weapons and gave them back to the American Captain who came on purpose; the only weapon missing was a rifle sequestered by the carabinieri.

I, PERILLO, confirms the statement made by VETRONE Andrea, but for what concerns the meetings he had with the American Captain.

We sign the above mentioned statement.

Calazzo, 2 November 1945

s. Vetrone Andrea

Petrillo Giovanni

trans. e/o

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Ex. Comm

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NOV. 170845A

ROUTINE

NOV. 161600A

RP30 AMG VENEZUELA REGION
ALCOM P S SUB COMMISSION

NOV 1 1945

UNRESTRICTED.

RXII/PS/17. A serious prison disturbance occurred Urdne Jail November eleventh. Order was restored and no prisoners escaped. Absolutely imperative a like prison director be found for this prison at once. Strong influence brought to bear on ministry will be appreciated. Report follows.

AC DIST

ACTION : P. Safety Co/c
INFO : Chief Commissioner
Ex. Com.
C A Sec
File

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CAPT GRAYBROOK 20/11/45

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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Ex. Comm
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NOV 151423 A

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NOV 151745 A
ROUTINE

BRITISH CONSULATE ALGERIE VISA SEC
GND GND CITE PROBI

NOV 16 1945

CONFIDENTIAL.

HM Consul General TUNIS reports he has just learned unofficially that about 1000 Italian political internees and other Italians who have received orders of expulsion are being embarked for an Italian port and that French residency claim matter has been agreed with appropriate allied authorities. Is this in order? No information on matter held here. There would appear to be a possibility of persons who have applied to you for apts through this office and whose cases have either been refused or are still awaiting decision being included in the party.

See to 249

15 NOV 1945

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

AC DIST

ACTION P. BAPTE SC
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EX COMM
SECURITY DIV
CIVIL AFFAIR DIV 2
FILE 2
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(APT GRAYBROOK) ONS 16/11

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NOV 091440 A
ROUTINE

BRITISH EMBASSY BELGRADE
AFHQ, INFO : ALCOM 13 CORPS

NOV 10 1945

CONFIDENTIAL.

For GSO. 2 from military attache.

USA Ambassador BELGRADE hopes visit TRIESTE on Tuesday 13 November during tour of JUGOSLAVIA. Included in his party is Captain ZVONIMIR PETKICKO LIAISON officer of Yugoslav general staff.

USA embassy has asked military LIAISON officer to issue allied forces permit to this offr. I have accordingly issued permit number 23626.

AC DIST

INFO ACTION P SAFETY SC
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EX COMM 2
POLAD (A)
DISPER SC
FILE 2
FLOAT

CONFIDENTIAL

3205

PA

10/11

Ref. HESAS

Subject : Arrest by F.E.C. Trieste of
Greek citizen George Maccolla.

To : Allied Commission,
Office of Executive Commissioner,
Rome.

NOV 3 1945

1. We beg to inform you that we have received a laugthy report about the arrest in Trieste by Allied Authorities (F.E.C.) of a Greek citizen George Maccolla. The a/m report is signed by his brother Dimitri Baccolla, an engender residing in Rome, Via Belluno 41.

2. According to Dimitri Baccolla, his brother was arrested in Trieste on the 28th June 1945 as a result of a denunciation made by the local Committee of National Liberation of which a certain Arcoli Miani was the chief.

3. Arcoli Miani is described in the above report as a former fascist and a personal enemy of Maccolla who was a victim of blackmail.

4. We would be much obliged if you could kindly let us know on which charges Baccolla was actually put under arrest.

C.C. FALKIOTIS
Counsellor of Embassy,
Deputy Representative.

Rome, November 1945

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1. We beg to inform you that we have received a lengthy report about the arrest in Trieste by allied authorities (F.S.A.) of a Greek citizen George Baccolis. The report is signed by his brother Dimitri Baccolis, an engineer residing in Rome, Via Mellano 101.

2. According to Dimitri Baccolis, his brother was arrested in Trieste on the 25th June 1943 as a result of a denunciation made by the local Committee of National Liberation of which a certain Arcoli Miani was the chief.

3. Arcoli Miani is described in the above report as a former fascist and a personal enemy of Baccolis who was a victim of blackmail.

4. We would be much obliged if you would kindly let us know on which charges Baccolis was actually put under arrest.

C.O. VATTIAGATTY
Counsellor of Embassy,
Deputy Representative.

Rome, November 1943

Original copy passed to CIA for ACTION

[Signature]

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[Signature]
(CAPT GRAYBROOK) 20/11

PA 3/11

Ref: 3604/283/20

1 November 1945

SUBJECT: Motor Cycle Racing

TO : Moto Club Roma,
117 Corso Umberto,
ROMA.

1. Reference your letter of 26 October 1945.
2. As you are already in possession of petrol, and as the City of Rome is controlled by Italian Authorities, Allied Commission has no power to authorize or disapprove these races.
3. It is suggested you present the matter to the Ministry of the Interior which is the correct body to consent to the races.

/S/ HENRY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

FILE NO.

TO

SO to EC.

194

Re the attached CA Sec. has nothing to do with the issue of petrol. I do not know why Col Chapman did not reply - he could in any event not have given any helpful answer.

The Italian Govt gets an allotment of petrol for all purposes which includes racing. It is a matter entirely for them. - no doubt Sec Sec will confirm this to you - it is a matter for them to deal with not CA Sec.

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[Signature]

30 OCT 1945

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EC

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Translation

Moto Club Roma

Rome, 26 October 1945

981 20 1945

To Admiral Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission in Italy

According to a communication from the Interior Department to the Prefectures and Questure of the Kingdom, motorcycle races are forbidden not to use more fuel.

Should the necessary fuel be allotted by the Allies, has this prohibition any reason to exist?

The Federazione Motociclistica Italiana asked such a question to the Interior Department, and is vainly waiting for an answer, for the public safety sub-commission (Col. Chapman) whom the Ministry contacted for confirmation or denial, does not answer.

To solve this question, we appeal to Admiral Stone, asking him to issue the necessary instructions.

The Rome 'Moto Club' wants a race to take place on November 1st, such as those which took place and are taking place in other Italian cities - Palermo, Tortorato, Riccione, Piacenza, Cortemaggiore, Parma, Mantova, Terni, Rimini, Bologna, Macerata, etc. The organization has been ready for a long time, the necessary fuel was granted, in a sporting spirit, by the Rome Area Command - Supply Transport - ever since October 1st.

The consent of Admiral Stone only will allow the planned races to take place

MOTO CLUB ROMA

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EC DIST - 300L

ACTION - EC

INFO - EC

trans. e/o

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

Rough Translation

no. 985/segri.pol.

Rome, October 25th, 1945

MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

Dear Admiral Stone, (Sec 12)

This Ministry has been informed that there are still in the "Alto Adige" district numerous German citizens who have been residing in the region even before the liberation by the Allies living there practically undisturbed, only formal police measures having been taken in regard to them. Most of them are former Nazi officials; their feelings are clearly hostile to Italy, and their activities, mainly devoted to anti-Italian propaganda, contribute in spreading in that region a state of restlessness and anxiety, which has deplorable repercussions on the population's state of mind and on public order.

The question is of special importance, not only from the viewpoint of Italian legitimate interest in "Alto Adige", but also because of the general principle it involves. In fact, all German citizens who, at the time of liberation by the Allies, were living in European territories which did not belong to the Reich, have been first interned in some camps and subsequently repatriated to Germany. It does seem equitable that similar criterion should be applied to Germans residing in Italy.

p.t.o.

See 301

ED Dist - 30 Oct

Admiral W. Ellery Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

ACTION: CA SEC (2)
INFO: CHIEF COMM.
EX COMM. 3604/EC

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5/11

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I do trust you are in agreement with the above viewpoint and I warmly request you to draw the attention of the competent Allied Authorities to such question which the Italian Government considers of special importance.

I am awaiting to hear from you on the subject, and with the assurance of my appreciation for your kind interest in the matter, I remain, dear Admiral Stone,

Very sincerely yours

(signed) *Admiral Stone*

This Ministry has been informed that there are still in the "Alto Adige" district numerous German citizens who have been residing in the region even before the liberation by the Allies living there peacefully and lawfully, only formal police measures having been taken in regard to them. Most of them are former Nazi officials, their activities are clearly hostile to Italy, and their activities, mainly devoted to anti-Italian propaganda, contribute in spreading in that region a state of lawlessness and anarchy, which has degenerated into a state of the population's state of mind and in public order.

The question is of special importance, not only from the viewpoint of Italian legislation inherent in "Alto Adige", but also because of the general principle it involves. In 1945, all German citizens who, at the time of liberation by the Allies, were living in European territories which did not belong to the Allies, have been first informed in some camps and subsequently repatriated to Germany. It does seem advisable that similar criterion should be applied to Germans residing in Italy.

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TO: DIR - 30 001

ATTENTION: CA 300 (2)
INFO: CHIEF COM.
EX COM. 300/10

Admiral A. H. H. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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360K
25 October 1945.

Dear Mr. Kirk:

279 OCT 26 1945
Thank you for your letter of 23 October 1945, enclosing a paraphrase of telegram you received from the American Minister at Bern, concerning a certain Giovanni Mauro, reported to be a zealous fascist, who is planning to attend an International Football Association meeting in Switzerland next month.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Hon. Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
Via Vittorio Veneto 119,
ROME.

c.c. Mr. Cennr.
C.A. Sec for P.S. 340.

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CAPT BRAYBROOK 205 20/10

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SECRET

THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, October 23, 1945

OCT 26 1945

My dear Admiral, 278

I am enclosing for the information of the Allied Commission a paraphrase of a telegram which I have received from the American Minister at Bern containing a report that a certain Giovanni Mauro, reported to be a zealous fascist, will attend an International Football Association meeting in Switzerland next month. I have sent copies of this telegram to the United States Political Adviser at APHQ and to the American Consulate at Milan.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ A. Kirk

Enclosure

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

E.C. DIST 26 Oct
ACTION - C.A. Section for PS.
INFO - CHIEF COMMR
- EX COMMR.

Can. File 280

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SECRET

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FROM: American Legation, Bern

Date: October 18, 1945

PARAPHRASE

SECRET

An informant, untested, reports that Comm. Giovanni Mauro, Via Montebello No. 30, Milan, is planning to attend the International Football Association meeting in Zurich in November. This source has described him as a confirmed fascist who throughout the war imposed upon Federation Nazi and fascist measures and, especially, if permitted to go abroad, may be expected to engage in political intrigue.

HARRISON

See 3719

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AO/14155/PS

16 October 1945

SUBJECT : Hidden Arms

OCT 17 1945

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Lombardia Region
(Attn: R.F.S.O.).
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1. Reference your letter, above subject, reference number PS/17.5/A dated 8 October copy attached, which refers to our letter, reference number R/0638 of the 25 September 1945, we inform you that this reference number is not ours, therefore your communication is not clear.

2. Would you please check this again so that we may reply to your letter.

JOHN T. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.S.D.
Director.

WJD/g

Dist: Ex. Comm. ✓

See (CAPT BROOKER) 28/10

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
Regional Public Safety Office

PS/17.5./A

8 October 1945

SUBJECT : Hidden Arms

TO : HQ. AC.
Office of the Executive Commissioner

1. Ref. your R/0638 of 25 Sept. 45
2. This information is already in our possession and the matter has already been investigated. A full report of success of raid is awaited by this HQ.

For the Regional Commissioner,

WS/ns

RPSO, LOMBARDIA REGION

/s/ Illegible

C O F Y

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 838/69/EC

16 October 1945

SUBJECT: Ancona Monthly Report

TO : Civil Affairs Section

1. In his monthly report for September AC LO Ancona Commune states:

"The Ministry of the Interior has not yet advanced the usual contribution for the budget 1945. The only income of the Commune has been 3,000,000 lire from taxes, with which it was impossible to pay 'liberation bonus' to personnel, and arrears of increased wages from November 1943 to July 1944."

2. The Executive Commissioner wishes this to be brought to the notice of the Italian Government, requesting them to speed up the contribution for the budget.

3. The AC LO also states:

"The withdrawal of three fire service vehicles from the Civilian Fire Brigade on orders from Public Safety Subcommission caused keen disappointment on the part of the Commandant of the Italian Fire Brigade, and the military fire-fighting company who so ably assist him."

4. Was it necessary to remove all three vehicles?

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

B/V

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION *(211)*

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Col. Box. 323.

SUBJECT:

FILE No.

TO :

Executive Committee (2).

15 Oct 1945

OCT 17 1945

As regards the public meetings of the Socialist and Communist parties on the 12 and 13 October 45, reports received by Public Order Sub-Committee from most areas including WASH. 3-122, 3-123 and 3-124. Do not disclose any untoward incidents.

MC

H. Galt, Major,
VI Co. Section.

See (CIVIL COMMISSION) 272

See 4/272 3193

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3721
5 October 1945
OCT 11 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Port Policing and Security.
Enclosure: (A) Copy Section 6 Campbell Committee Report, Port Policing and Security of.

1. A copy of Section VI of the Campbell Committee Report, which was approved by Allied Force Headquarters letter G-5: 800.2 of 26 June 1945, relating to port policing and security of Italian ports, is forwarded herewith as enclosure (A). Paragraph 7 thereof recommends that official notification should be given to the Italian Government as regards the powers which may be exercised by Italian Police Officers in port areas in dealing with offenders or suspects who are of Allied nationalities.

2. It is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission, AC be informed as to the powers of Italian police in these premises in order that the Italian Ministry of Marine may be advised accordingly.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

Copy to:
Executive Commissioner
Legal Sub-Commission

12/12

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MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING BOARD

CAMPBELL COMMITTEE

SECTION VI.

PORT POLICING AND SECURITY

1. The matter of adequate Security and Police agencies in Returned Port areas has been carefully examined by the Committee. Under present legislation since the disbanding of the Fascist "Milizia Portuale", the authority for such duties rests with the Minister of the Interior. Owing to shortage of suitable personnel, and circumstances over which the Minister of Marine has no control, the Committee have reluctantly but unanimously agreed that the present organization must be reconstructed if any measure of control in this connection is to be achieved. It is to be noted that the Minister of Marine, acting for the common good, has already exceeded his legal powers in assigning in some cases Italian Naval personnel to ports for police duties, in an endeavour to better the present position.
2. After full consideration the Committee are agreed that the appointment should be made of an officer to the staff of the Captain of the Port as Security and Police Officer, responsible to the Captain of the Port for all aspects of guarding, policing, patrolling etc., all areas within his jurisdiction.
3. The Italian members of the Committee are in the fullest agreement with this procedure and have advised the Committee that the Minister of the Interior should assign an Officer of the Carabinieri to each port for such work. The Minister of the Interior should further consider the possibility of constituting a special police force for port work.
4. The Committee consider that this question is of the highest importance, and recommend that every encouragement and assistance is provided by the Allies to the Italian Government in the formation and equipment of these Port Police, in order to reduce the incidents of pilferage and other crime in port areas which today have reached an alarming height.
5. The appointment of the Carabinieri Officer to the staff of the Captains of the Port should take place immediately, and certainly before official control of the Returned Ports is assumed by the Italian Authorities.
6. In the case of ports coming within Category A. (See Section I, sub-section ii, para: 1) the full responsibility for Port Policing will be that of the Captain of the Port. In Category B. ports the Captain of the Port will carry the same responsibility, but the Allied Authority should retain full Security and Police duties in connection with cargo moving on their account. Captains of the Port in Category C. should hold responsibility for policing that area which has been allocated for civilian use. It is not, however, recommended that there should be any general relaxation of the control exercised by the Port Commandant.
7. The Committee consider that official notification should be given to the Italian Government as regards the powers which may be exercised by Italian Police Officers in port areas in dealing with offenders or suspects who are of Allied nationalities.

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3rd October, 1945

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I discussed the problem of the Parachute mentioned in your letter of September 20th with Major Fowler.

We have, as you will see, taken action with AFHQ but I feel that your case locally was very much damaged by a letter written by Colonel Birchison which was a masterpiece of over statement. I told Major Fowler of this opinion. I hope, however, that our intervention in this matter will have helped the difficulty.

15/10/45 S. L. L.

Col A. HAWKES
H. . .
Lombardia Region

(S. L. L.)

15/10

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(Col Birchison) 266
4/10 Mr 266 refers

3rd October, 1955

10/10/55

I discussed the matter of the letter mentioned in your letter of September 20th with Major Fowler.

We have, as you will see, taken action with regard to the letter which was very much dragged by a letter written by Colonel Nicholson which was a statement of our statement. I told Major Fowler of this opinion. I hope, however, that our intervention in this matter will have helped the difficulty.

Col A. H. H. H.
H. H. H.
Lodsworth Region

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Col. A. Hanson
M. A.
California Region

12/11/50

(See memo)

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(See memo) MS 2/18/51

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION LOMBARDIA
APO 394

Office of Regional Commissioner.

20 September 1945.

OCT -4 1945

Dear Brig. Lush,

I am sending our Regional Public Safety Officer to Rome to discuss with the F.I.C.A., Brig. Carr, and the Director of P.S. Sub-Commission the serious situation that threatens the Milan Public safety police which may quite easily cause the collapse of a service which is just beginning to show signs of improvement.

I hope it will be possible for you to see Major Fowler, (a very fine officer, incidentally), and arrange for a settlement of the problem on the highest possible level.

Yours sincerely,
C. H. Hancock

Brig. M.S. Lush, CB CBE MC,
Executive Commissioner,
HQ. - Allied Commission.

See F 267

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C.S.O. A. E.
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Let me see the follow-up letter to P.

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may the follow up letter be sent to this office please

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PS. Please attach map

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letter not sent, by direction of J.P., as decision was given by AFG by cable (6). J.P.'s minute on AC/1063/11/PS to the effect is

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 sent to the office please

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 dated 29/12/55.

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C.A.S. Please see ~~266~~ no follow up was sent as to
 response of the matter

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Ref minute ~~266~~ ²⁸² please see file no 3 &
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What has been done ~~266~~ ²⁸² OB 1/10
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see see 147 for action taken on 12.
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VPCAS

We should have made a case for

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the telegram - 13 why not include in
the letter. I doubt if Co can make any
headway with ~~13~~ 13/10
Please send following

P.S. Sk

2. Please send signal to Co. 13/10 referring to 13.
at 13/10 giving content of signal as to 13 - 1 copy
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Letter at 13 was not sent but was altered to that at 13
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headway with ~~13~~ 13/10/45
Please send follow up

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Ref 13 places sent April 6 to 11/10/45 referring to 13/10/45
at 13/10/45 giving content of signal as follows 12 - 1 copy
for the file ~~13~~ 13/10/45
H. J. Dawson

12.10.45
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in view of the stronger wording in 13. Do you still require a
follow up?
H. J. Dawson

13.10.45
C.S.D.
Please see memo 14 & follow 15 in answer to min 16.
No follow up by 14/10/45
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Note
Ref min 19. Roger Dawson informed by
plane that no follow up is necessary.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

13 OCT 1945

Ref : AC/14030/1/PS

10 Oct 45

SUBJECT: Military Police for LA SPEZIA

TO : G-5, AFHQ

- 1 Representations have been made to this Headquarters by the R.C. Commissioner LIGURIA Region that there is an urgent need for a detachment of American Military Police in the town of LA SPEZIA. It is reported that disorders are frequent owing to visits to that town by American personnel, mainly coloured soldiers. Application has been made to the local military authorities for a Police Detachment to be stationed in LA SPEZIA but without result.
- 2 May this matter please be investigated and a detachment of American Military Police be sent to LA SPEZIA if the necessity for such detachment is agreed.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

M. CAMP, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

8 October 1945

AC/14030/1/23

SUBJECT : Military Police for La Spezia. OCT - 9 1945

TO : 3 - 5 A.F.H.Q.

1. This Headquarters has been advised by Regional Commissioner, Liguria, that there is an urgent necessity for a detachment of American Military Police to control the American colored soldiers at La Spezia, and that his applications have been to no avail.

2. Will you please make representations to HQUUSA to determine if Military Police can be sent to La Spezia?

For the Chief Commissioner

M. CARR,
Brigadier,
VP CI Section

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See Folio K

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(Laird Whitcomb) 22/10/45

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IMPURANT

AM LIGURIA FROM SELBY
HQ ALONG FOR INSPECTIVE COMMISSIONER

007-3-1945

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Despite repeated applications to all appropriate authorities for military police detachment for LA SPESIA no action has yet been taken. Disorders are frequent owing to visits to this town by American personnel mainly colored including many AWOL. American MP detachment urgently required and request that this matter may be taken up strongly from your end.

DIST C.A. Sub (2)

ACTION: CH COMMISSIONER //
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
~~EX-885~~
POB SAFETY SC
FILE 2
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10/10/45

C.A. Sec:
will you (P. 2 fty) take action
on this and let me know
for further of Executive Commission.

(Lia) P.H.M.C.
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See P.P.
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From AFHQ

TO ALCOM 59 AREA INFO MMIA 2 DIST AMG LOMBARDIA REG

SEP 28 1945

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INFO

Ref ALCOM 6134 of 26 September.

1. Understand that Regional Commissioner was given written notice to find alternative accommodation for police on 31 August. Not clear therefore why repairs to alternative accommodation have not already been put in hand.

2. However so as not to prejudice efficiency local police force and to eliminate further correspondence authority given for date of final vacation of barracks to be set at 1 November. Emphasise that this final date and you will ensure barracks are vacated by this date.

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ROUTINE

From: ALCON LIAISON OFFICER BOLOGNA
To: HEADQUARTERS ALCON PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMISSION

SEP 27 1945

CONFIDENTIAL

Prison break reported. PARMA 23 September 45. 22 former partisan prisoners escaped. 12 since recaptured. Method of escape adopted not yet known. No shooting. Report follows.

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ACTION: P. Safety SC
INFO: Chief Commissioner
File 2
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(Clerk Bolognese)

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Excc.

Com 26th

10: AFHQ G FIVE INFO FIVE NINE AREA CMA AMG LOMBARDIA REGION
ATTENTION RPSO CMA MMIA

6134

26 September 45

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SEP 27 1945

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SUBJECT IS ACCOMODATION FOR CIVIL POLICE IN MILAN PD
PARER TO AFHQ G FIVE INFO FIVE NINE AREA CMA AMG LOMBARDIA
REGION ATTENTION RPSO CMA MMIA FROM ALCON CITE ACCAS PARER
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PRESENT OCCUPIED BY ONE TWO ZERO ZERO PUBLIC SAFETY AGENTS PD
FIVE NINE AREA COMMANDER AFTER PREVIOUS NOTICE CMA HAS
REQUESTED THAT BARRACKS BE EVACUATED BY THREE ZERO SEPTEMBER
FOUR FIVE IN ORDER THAT ITALIAN ARMY CAN TAKE OVER ON FIRST
OCTOBER FOUR FIVE FOR THE GOITO BATTALION PD
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FOR FOURMONTHS ON THE EXPENDITURE OF TWO FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO
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PARA THREE PD ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION WILL TAKE ABOUT SIX WEEKS TO REPAIR AND IN ANY CASE THE MOVEMENT OF ONE TWO ZERO ZERO AGENTS CMA STORES AND EQUIPMENT IS NOT POSSIBLE BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH PD

PARA FOUR PD MMIA HAVE STATED THAT THE POSITION MUST BE DETERMINED BY THE AREA COMMANDER WHO HAS GIVEN THE ORDER TO VACATE PD

PARA FIVE PD CAN THE DATE OF VACATION BE SET AT FIRST NOVEMBER ONE NINE FOUR FIVE PLEASE PD THIS WOULD GIVE TIME FOR A CHANGE INTO REPAIRED PREMISES AND HELP TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER FUNCTIONING OF THE LOCAL POLICE FORCE PD LETTER FOLLOWS PD

INT DIST : ~~Chief Commissioner~~
Exec. Comm. ✓
~~C.A. Section~~

Civil Affairs Section

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M. CARR Brig.
V.P. C.A. Section

NICHOLAS ³⁴⁸⁴ ~~ADJ~~ INQ
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

Ref: 3604/30

26 September 1945

I have now received the report referred to in my letter 3604/30 of 1 August 45 and I have the pleasure of forwarding it to you.

In the case of the priest of Tagliolo it is said to be common knowledge that he was shot by partisans but since there were no carabinieri in the commune until two months after the crime it was then too late to trace the culprits.

The area mentioned is the most troublesome one in Alessandria Province. However, the situation generally is quieter. Carabinieri have been working around there for some time in plain clothes, in the hope of obtaining more evidence respecting old and recent crimes of violence. There have been no further reports of aggression against the clergy.

A thorough investigation has been made in regard to the affair at Masone and a general summary of the facts indicates that although the threatening letters were undoubtedly written, the Commune of Masone is not prejudiced against the clergy.

The threatening letters are attributed to a personal enemy of the priest and nuns who are probably connected with the church, as the priest Don Franco Buffa is extremely popular and held in high regard by practically the entire population, but is said to be not too popular with the clergy.

The Commune political strength is Christian Democrat and public safety condition has been good since the period immediately after the liberation.

Sir D'Arcy Osborne, KCMG
British Legation to the Holy See
14 Via del Parlamento
Rome

M S LUSH

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Ref: 36042C

20th September 1945.

In reply to your citation (given in MIL/006.5(R & D) of 15th September) of the officers concerned in the Schio trials, I am writing to ask you to convey to Lt. Colonel R. L. Lollar, Captain A. O. Baker, Lieut. J. J. Scanlan, Major E. G. Brennan and Captain W. T. Boone, my warm congratulations on the efficiency, determination and success of their efforts.

It is of the greatest encouragement and satisfaction to us at Headquarters to have proof of this kind of the good work carried out in the field.

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

Brigadier J. F. Dunlop, OBE, MC, ED.,
Regional Commissioner,
Venezia Region.

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Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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Brigadier J. E. Dunlop, ONS, MC, ED.,
Regional Commissioner,
Venezia Region.

Copy to: C.A. Sec.

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3604
HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIA REGION
Allied Military Government
APG 394

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission. 15 September 1945
Attn: Executive Commissioner (3 Copies)
SUBJECT: Schio Trial.
FILE No: RAIL/000.5 (R+D)

As Regional Commissioner, Venezia, I believe, from all the evidence before me, that the apprehension and trial of the men who committed the murders at Schio, Ven., in the end proved to be one of the greatest factors for law and order which has taken place in northeast Italy, perhaps in the whole of north Italy.

I think that it is fair comment to say that in the present state of Italy, none but Allied police agencies could have persevered to effect the arrests, and none but an Allied court, on the evidence of the day, would have acquitted, for want of confirmation, two of the defendants. It was this combination of untiring determination to bring men to trial and rigid, impartial justice at the trial, which has created an exceedingly valuable impression in the Veneto.

I have already written to you in respect of the work of the two agents, Theron Snyder and John Valentino. As these two men do not belong to Allied Commission, I hope that it may be possible to send some official commendation to their own formation.

With regard to Allied Commission officers, I wish to bring to your notice Lt. Col. R.L. Lollar, Provincial Commissioner, Vicenza, Capt A.E. Baker, Provincial Public Safety officer, Lt. J.J. Scanlan, Provincial Legal officer, and the three members of the court, Colonel Bahrens, Major T.G. Brennan and Capt. W.F. Boone.

Lt. Col. Lollar's drive and dogged determination encouraged and sustained his officers throughout the difficult days when all efforts seemed blocked by a wall of non-cooperation. Capt. Baker and Lt. Scanlan worked long hours, 3180 hours, by labouring to produce a coherent story out of the slender evidence at first available.

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No praise is too high for the members of the court. Col. Behrens opening speech set a note of justness and dignity which dominated the entire proceedings. His final summing up was a masterly exposition of calm, factual, and completely unprejudiced judgment.

I feel that the work of these officers has been worthy of the highest ideals of the Allied Commission.


Regional Commissioner

(Copy Passed To
CA Sec - 18 SEP 45)

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HEADQUARTERS
VENESIA REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

JKD/any

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission. 15 Sept. 45
Attn: Executive Commissioner (3 Copies)

SUBJECT: Commendation.

FILE No: EXII/0005 (P+D)

SEP 15 1945

At the conclusion of the Schio trial I wish to bring to your notice the excellent work performed by the two agents Theron A. Snyder and John Valentino, both formerly of C.I.D. Fifth Army and now of the office of the Provost Marshal General, HQ. P.B.S.

These two men worked doggedly and untiredly making enquiries in face of determined opposition of a non-cooperative nature. It is largely due to their efforts that the complicated chain of evidence was eventually built up.

I hope that you find it possible to convey to their Headquarters some official recognition of the good work performed by these two agents.


Regional Commissioner

EC List - 18 Sep 45

ACTION: C.A.Sec.

INFO: EXEC C.A.Sec.

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(Nase Kinsley)

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
HEADQUARTERS LIGURIA REGION
APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

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Ex. Comm.

REF : Lig/Saf/635

14 September 1945

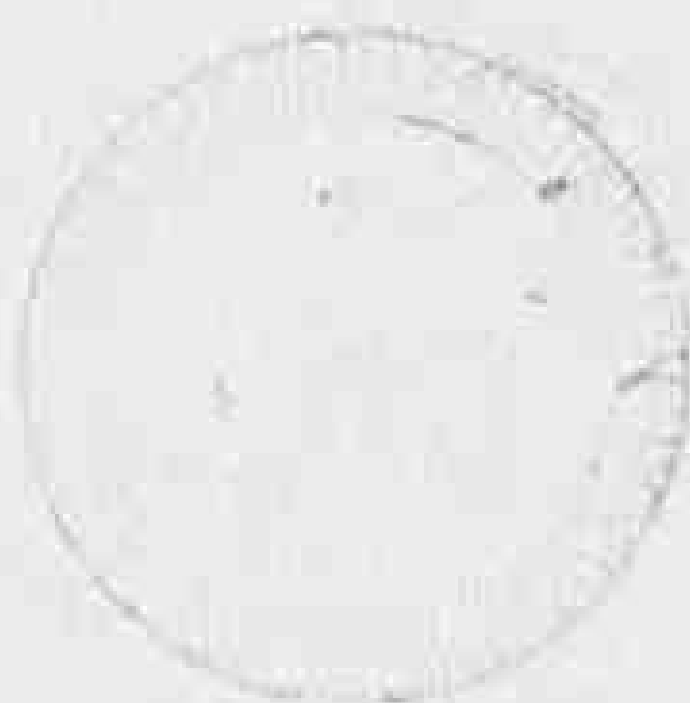
SUBJECT: Persecution of Clergy.

SEP 14 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner.
Hqs. Allied Commission, APO 394

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1. Reference your 3604/220/2 C dated 28 August 1945.
 2. Attached hereto are reports from R.P.S.O. PIEMONTE and R.P.S.O. GENOA.

For the Regional Commissioner:



B.J. Hefford

B.J. HEFFORD.,
Lt. Colonel.,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

*As with reference
also available*

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(As KENSLEY)

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
GENOA PROVINCE
A P O 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SECTION

13th Sept. 1945.

Subject: Persecution of clergy.
To : R.P.S.O. Liguria Region.

1. In compliance with instructions received REF/LIG/
SAF/ 635 the following is submitted:

2. A through investigation has been made in regards to this matter and a general summary of the facts indicates that although the threatening letters were undoubtedly written, the Commune of Masone is not prejudiced against the clergy.

The threatening letters are attributed to a personal enemy of the priest and nuns who are probably connected with the church, as the priest Don Franco Buffa is extremely popular and held in high regard by practically the entire population, but is said to be not too popular with the clergy.

3. The Commune political strength is Christian Democrat and public safety condition has been good since the period immediately after the liberation.

For the Provincial Commissioner

T. Goodacre
T. Goodacre, Major
P.P.S.O. Genoa.

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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 894

27 August 1945

Office of the Regional Public Safety Officer

REF : PR PS Prisons 30/7

SUBJECT: Persecution of Clergy

TO : R.P.S.O. Liguria Region.

1. Enclosed file relates to a complaint made to A.C. HQrs of persecution of Clergy.
2. Will you kindly complete the enquiry and forward the file to HQrs?

For the Regional Commissioner.

H. Mighall

H. MIGHALL
Major
Regional Public Safety Officer

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
ALESSANDRIA PROVINCE
PIEMONTE REGION

REF: R.P.S./11
SUBJECT: PERSECUTION OF CLERGY -
TO: Major H. MIGHALL
R.P.S.O. PIEMONTE

GHL/Ra
DATE 24th Aug. 1945

Ref. your letter PR/PS/30 of 3rd Aug. 1945.

Attached are the results of enquiries to date.

The area mentioned is the most troublesome one in this Province. However the situation generally is quieter. I have had R.R.C.C. working around there for some times in plain clothes, in the hope of obtaining more evidence respecting old and recent crimes of violence. I have had no further reports of aggression against the Clergy.

Any further useful information will be forwarded to you.

The Masone district mentioned comes within the Province of Genova.

G.H. Liddle
G.H. LIDDLE
CAPT. P.P.S.O.

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COVERING MILITARY ALLIANCE OVADA

To Pub. Sec. Off. A.M.C. Alessandria

Ovada 14 August 45

From C.A.C. Ovada

G/Pol/18

Subject: Persecution of Clergy -

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- 2) - I attach two statements by the C.C.R.R. re cases of alleged persecution in which I ordered inquiries to be made. The C.C.R.R. have been ordered to give such protection as they can.
- 3) - There were cases of stone throwing at the Bishop's palace in Acqui after dances. I put on a C.C.R.R. patrol. There have been no further cases reported to me.
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Major



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Major

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Memorie:

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Parroco Don. Fiorello Cavanua, di Ovada. in data 27/5/1945 riceveva una comunicazione da parte di un alto prelato di Genova secondo la quale il proprio nome figurava in una lista di persone qualificate pericolose. Come motivazione si affermava che Don. Fiorello Cavanua aveva molto ascendente sulle propria popolazione e che perciò la sua presenza ed attività poteva essere di ostacolo al movimento comunista.

Per interventi da varie parti non si sono verificati intti annessi.

CONVENTO PASSIONISTE DI OVADA

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Dopo la liberazione e precisamente verso la metà del mese di maggio 1945, forse per indiscrezione di un operaio presente al trasporto dei tessuti stessi, il fatto venne a conoscenza del Comitato di Liberazione e del Comando S.A.P. che provvide al ritiro dei tessuti dicke trattasi.

Pare che l'ordine di ritirare detta merce sia stato dato dal Comitato di Liberazione ed eseguito dalla Comando S.A.P. Parte della merce è stata distribuita agli operai dello stabilimento Pernigotti.

Ovada li 28/7/1945.

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Translation

Bishopric of Aquis

During the night of the 9th to the 10th of May, at 24 hours, two individuals rang the bell at the Canon House of Tagliolo di Ovada (Alessandria) and asked for the Priest to come with them, for a republican who was a prisoner had been condemned to death, and asked for the Priest.

The Priest, don Palizzari Francesco came down immediately, taking with him the holy oil. About half an hour later, the rattle of a sub-machine-gun was heard in the neighbourhood. The Priest never came back, and up to now, (June 29th) it has been impossible to find out anything about his disappearance nor has the body been found.

Every possible Authorities have been contacted but with an entirely negative result. The parish is still without its Priest; every Sunday, a Priest is sent there to celebrate Mass.

A short time after that, another serious incident took place. On May 22nd, I received the following letter:

'Brigade 413 Command.
Base 21/5/45.

Your Excellency,

considering all that the Clergy of the Diocese of Aquis did for the fight for Liberation, this Command wants to inform your Excellency directly that very severe orders are going to be issued against the Priest of Masone, Don Franco Buffa; we should like to avoid this, also to avoid a scandal which is spiritually harmful. It is nevertheless indispensable that Don Buffa, the man who praised fascism in a thousand ways, who publicly and enthusiastically applauded the declaration of war; who always praised and admired the Germans without ever finding the courage to condemn the worse crimes they committed in this village; who always ignored the partisans, who were suffering and dying in the neighbouring mountains, BE IMMEDIATELY REMOVED FROM THE VILLAGE'

'The Brigade Commander; S. Mirko'

Of course, I immediately summoned the Priest of Masone (Genoa) to Aquis and I advised him to go away temporarily. Meanwhile, the Secretary of the Commune was killed in Masone, and a series of threatening letters went on being sent to the Bishop and Priest; woe to the latter if he came back!

A short time after this letter, there was an order for the removal of nuns, the content of which I transcribe.

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'Brigade Command

Reverend Mother Superior,

Will you forgive our writing to you for whom we have the greatest consideration. As Rabellino, the only man who supported the cause of the priests and nuns, has been removed, a radical epuration is now possible. Sister Valentina and Sister Antonia must be at once removed from Masons otherwise, strong action will be taken against them.

Please do not mention this letter to anybody in the village. We shall spare the life of the two unworthy sisters out of consideration for your merits.

From the seat of the Command

S. Mirko

For prudence's sake, the two sisters were of course removed.

The Bishop investigated personally and by means of a delegate, going into every detail, and even replacing the Deputy of the Priest by another priest.

Results of the investigation:

- 1) false charges against the priest Don Franco Guffa, Parish Priest, and against the sisters.
- 2) Commander Mirko whose signature is on the documents denies the authenticity of the signature on the threatening letters. He says he wants to find out the author of this forgery.
- 3) The population is almost unanimously in favour of the Priest.

Meanwhile, another letter was sent, threatening another Priest, also of Masons, Don Agostino Pastorino, who had to leave; at present, we do not know where he is.

When we remember that two priests have already been murdered in this diocese, in this way, and others seriously threatened, we can have no doubt about the anxiety and sorrow of the Bishop.

Many documents are in his hands; but it is necessary to ^{appoint and} ~~entrust~~ with a detailed and strict inquiry an able person, that does not belong to this diocese, and that would be supported by powerful Authorities, to put an end to this state of things which makes it impossible for the priests to carry on their ministry in this Diocese which is in such a state of unrest.

Aqui, July 1st, 1945

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HO P. 8/3/45
Date 8/3/45
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 478201

31 July 1945.

Ref: 3604/6/EC.

SUBJECT: Persecution of Clergy in the Diocese of AOSTA.

TO : Regional Commissioner, PIEMONTE Region.
(Attn: Regional Public Safety Officer)

1. Attached is the translation of a report sent to the Vatican by the Bishop of AOSTA.
2. Would you please have the complaints investigated and report, as soon as possible, any action taken.

[Signature]
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Incl:
as above

Copy to: Civil Affairs Section
(for Public Safety S/C)

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Questura di Alessandria

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Alessandria

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Major Grey,

Have you heard anything about attached?

Will you please have Carabinieri make thorough enquiries, and let me have their findings when available.

G. Liddle
G. Liddle, Capt.,

P.F.S.O.

6 Aug. 45

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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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Office of the Regional Public Safety Officer

3rd August 1945

REF : PR/PS/30/
SUBJECT : Persecution of Clergy in the Dicesse of ACQUI
TO : P.P.S.O. ALESSANDRIA

1. Attached is a copy of a letter received from A.C. HQ. together with a translation which accompanied the letter.
2. Please cause enquiries to be made and report in due course.
3. Please return the translation with your reply.

For the Regional Commissioner

H. Mighall

H. MIGHALL
Major,
Regional Public Safety Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

14 September 1945

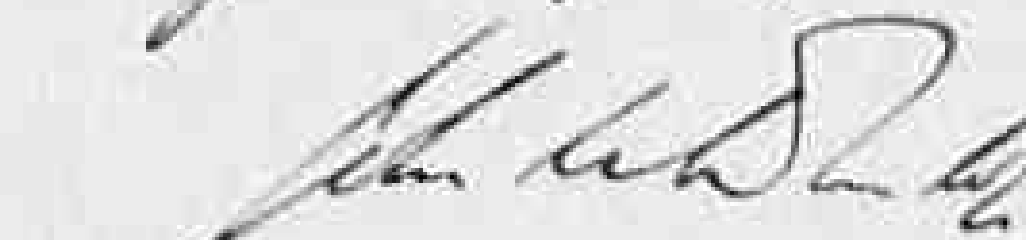
SEP 17 1945

My dear Maurice

You will by this time have heard the result of the Sonic trial. The men who are sentenced to death will almost certainly appeal and I will forward these appeals to you as soon as they reach this office. In the meantime I wish to bring to your notice the excellent effect produced on all Italians present in the court and on the Italian press by the very fine way in which the trial was handled by Col. Behrens. The opening speech in which he said that the proceedings would be conducted on the allied principle that a man was considered innocent until he was found guilty struck a note of rigid impartiality which impressed everybody. His dignified and sensible handling of evidence continued the good impression formed from the first. I consider that the absence of any form of demonstration or public disorder and the restrained nature of press comment to have been largely due to Behrens' personal success.

I would also like to bring to your notice the magnificent way in which Lt. Col. Richard Lollar and his staff persevered with the investigation. Their tenacity in carrying on ^{on my part} what appeared to be, at one time, a brick wall of silence has been fully rewarded.

Yours faithfully,



Brigadier Maurice Lusk, CB, CBE, DSO,
Executive Commissioner.
HQ. A.G.



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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

FILE NO.

TO VP. CAS

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Schindler Trial.

EC. may like to know result.

7 persons charged.

3 sentenced to death.

2 life imprisonment

2 acquitted

14 SEP 1945

Ex Commemor

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HDQRS
3573 SIGNAL SERVICE
APO 512

July 26, 1945

SUBJECT: Removal of Dangerous Explosives

TO : Bomb Disposal Unit
RAAC Hdqrs C/O
Rome, Italy

1. The bearer of this letter lives in the vicinity of demolished building where the Germans had stored mines. Occasionally a mine goes off and to date one child has lost its life.
2. The undersigned has inspected the building and believes it would only take a few hours' work to clear it so that new construction could start.
3. Anything that can be done to help clear up this situation would be appreciated by all concerned.

/s/ D. W. Grover
/t/ D. W. GROVER
1st Lt, USA

The house is on S. Angelo Romano (near Rome) Via Roma no number, on the entrance of the country on the left about 20 miles from Rome.

(The above PS in pencil)

This was noted by Major Reeves - CTR
and B. Behn - CTR's office

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Ex. Com.

Ref: AC/14125/18

31 August 1945

SEP - 4 1945

My dear Marquis.

Further information has now reached us in regard to the poaching in the Royal Shooting District of S. Anna di Valdieri. Your letter of the 27th July 1945 No. 4991/1.B.4(7) refers.

It appears that the Royal Guards formerly employed for the protection of the area have not operated since 5 September 1943. Consequently, any game which was in the area has been almost completely destroyed.

The CC.MS., the CC.SP., and the Forest Guards have been instructed to establish as much control as possible but, owing to the heavy pressure of their regular duties, they can spend only a limited amount of time on game preservation.

It is understood that most of the personnel formerly employed as guards on the Royal Reserve are still in the area and could be re-employed in their former duties if it were desired.

Very truly yours,

HENRY W. SPENCER
Rear Admiral, HMS
Chief Commissioner.

Marquis Francesco Lucifero,
The Minister of the Royal Household,
Rome.

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Tel: 53721

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394.

30 August 1945.

REFERENCE: PR/ESO/107.1.

SEP - 3 1945

SUBJECT : PROSECUTION OF CLERGY-
DIOCESE OF ACQUI.

TO : EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER, HQ. A.C.

1. Reference your 3604/220/EC dated 28 August 45.
2. Enquiries have been made in this Region and a report, together with your file, has been forwarded to Liguria Region to enable that Region to continue the inquiry. Liguria have been requested to return the file to you direct when their enquiries have been completed.
3. Certain police measures have been taken to afford protection to the clergy in that part of the Diocese of ACQUI which lies within this Region, and vigorous enquiries are being made to detect offenders in past cases. The lapse of time, however, makes success doubtful.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL THOMAS,

A.W. Micklewright
A.W. MICKLEWRIGHT
Capt. R.A.
Exec. S.O. (B).

Copy to: R.P.S.O. Piemonte.
R.P.S.O. Liguria.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
HEADQUARTERS LIGURIA REGION
APO 394

BJH/VD
[Signature]

PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

Ref. : Lig/Saf/635

31 August 45.

SEP - 3 1945

Subject : Persecution of Clergy

To : P.C. Genoa Province
(Attention P.P.S.O.)

1; Attached hereto is letter 3604/6/EC dated 31 July 45 together with report by R.P.S.O. Piemonte dated 27 August 45 and enclosures.

2. Please complete the investigations and return the complete file to enable me to submit complete report to HQ AC as soon as possible.

By Order of the Regional Commissioner:

[Signature]

B.J. HEFFORD,
Lt. Colonel,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

Copy to : Office of Executive Commissioner, HQ - AC.
(3604/6/EC dated 31 July received from
Piemonte Region 31 August).

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Vola

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Translation

Ministry of Finance
R. Guardia di Finanza

Dear Admiral,

after the request made by this mission, through the channel of the Interior Department - Direction General of P.S. - The Commander of the CC.RR. Corps will have to issue orders for Captain PARDINI Giuseppe, CC.RR., the officer attached to my person, to be placed under arrests in quarters.

It appears that these orders are due to the fact that he was deputy commander of the CC.RR. in Montenegro.

Because of his rank (lieutenant), Captain Pardini never was deputy commander of the Carabinieri in Montenegro (the Commander was a Colonel), where, as a lieutenant, he fulfilled the charge of temporary commander of a company, in some secondary places.

After September 8th, Pardini saw clearly the events that were to happen after the armistice with the United Nations, and clearly realized what road was to be followed; though he didn't depend from the command of the 'Venezia' division commanded by me, he presented himself to me on his own accord, and - without any hesitation, - stated he didn't want to obey the order received from the commander of the IXth Army, nor did he want to consider himself as a prisoner of the Germans. He also stated that the company he commanded - officers, non-commissioned officers, carabinieri - was unanimous about this decision and wanted to join the 'Venezia' (later the 'Garibaldi') division and fight against the Germans.

He collaborated with efficiency and patriotism with the writer who had decided not to obey the Germans.

Risking his life, he volunteered, left the defensive enceinte of the Division and established the first contacts with the liberating army of Yugoslavia: the result of this mission was the alliance of the Venezia Division with the partisans of Tito.

In conditions which were often tragical, he kept on the side of his men, inspiring them with the will to resist, and always maintaining excellent relations with the authority of the E.P.L.J.-

In the fights in which the 'Venezia' division and then the 'Garibaldi' division took part, and in the transfers which followed, he was always willing to fulfil every mission to save the honour and morale of the Italian troops, showing, in adversity and in action, great courage and sense of duty, and overcoming physical and moral exhaustion.

Admiral Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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As commander of the 'Venezia' Division, and founder and first commander of the 'Garibaldi' Division, I deeply regret that this action should be taken - for unknown, and probably quite inexistant reasons - against one of my dependents, a courageous soldier and patriot, who certainly suffered more for his country than any of the patriots that fought in Italy.

For this reason, I beg you most earnestly, my dear Admiral, to have the action against Captain Pardini suspended. He might be asked all the informations necessary to clear him from the charges made.

This is an act of justice to safeguard not only the honour of an officer, who deserves our help because of all he did for his country, but also the reputation of the Garibaldi Division.

Trusting that you will grant my request, I thank you and remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Gen. G.B. Orilia)

G. Gen. G. Orilia

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ACTION: CA SEC (2)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

6 September 45

AG/14125/PS

SEP - 6 1945

SUBJECT : Trespass - Royal Estate of Castel Porziano.

TO : Rome Area Allied Command.

1. The attached copy letter dated 28 August 45 has been received from the Minister of the Royal Household. It refers to unauthorized entry into the Royal Estate at Castel Porziano by military personnel with cars. Mention is made of the particulars of three vehicles.

2. Lancia Aprilia A.D. HQ No. 28 is allotted to the Malaria Control Unit of this Headquarters. It was at Castel Porziano on 26 August 1945 under the authority of a pass to enter Royal Estates, issued by H.M. Marchese F. Lucifero, Minister of the Royal Household, on 10th March 1945 and countersigned by G.I. RAO on 12 March 1945. Will you please cause enquiry to be made concerning the other two vehicles.

3. It is stated that certain of the Allied Police signs on the Estate have been removed. May these be replaced and the Order posting the Estate "out of bounds/off limits" be repeated through Routine Orders and service newspapers.

For the Chief Commissioner :

Spoke Field Station PS

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[Signature]
M. GARR,
Brigadier,
VF CA Section.

Encl. Copy of
letter dated 28 August 1945.

Copy to : Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner.

[Signature]
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Translation

The Minister of the Royal Household

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Ref. No: 3604
AQ/15125/ PS of 21/12/1944 (2)
and previous ones

Rome, 28 August 1945

AUG 31 1945

Dear Admiral,

I hope you will forgive my speaking again about this matter; however, H.R.H. the Princess of Piedmont and the small Princes usually go to Castel Porziano at this time of the year, and I cannot but see that the regulations agreed to to prevent the access of the Estate to outsiders are observed.

During a trip to the Royal Estate on the 26th current month, I had the opportunity of making a few observations, and remembering all you have already done to prevent any misunderstanding between our staff and the allied troops, I want to bring them at once to your knowledge.

First of all, I have been told that members of the Allied Forces enter the Estate without any permission to do so to bathe, passing through the secondary gate towards Castel Fusano. If our staff refuses to open the gate which offers practically no resistance, they threaten to throw it down; this is a cause of constant embarrassment for our personnel.

While I was paying my visit, allied soldiers accompanied by ladies were already in the Estate; they had come through the secondary gate of Castel Fusano, in the three following cars:

- Lancia Aprilia - AQ HQ. 28
- Truck - R.A.A.O. M.4673112
- American car JICA Unit R 20183158 U.S.A.

As you certainly remember, on October 23rd, on your order, the Allied Police delivered to our Castel Porziano Farming Agency a certain number of wooden boards bearing the words 'Allied Police Sign - Off limits - by command of the Commanding General' to be posted at the various gates of the Royal Estate.

These boards were immediately placed at the appointed spots; however, as I have been able to see the day before yesterday, and according to the statements of our staff, the allied troops very often take little notice of them. Besides, a few of the boards have been torn off.

Such being the situation, I take the liberty of asking you to see what can be done to prevent these inconveniences from happening again and enforce the prohibition expressed by the boards. On its side, the Royal Administration is of course willing to collaborate in all possible ways, and will if necessary, make its personnel available; the said personnel is able to supply all the necessary informations about the places where it would be advisable to put up signs.

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
Rome

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However, the main thing is that the prohibition expressed by the boards shouldn't remain void of meaning, and I take the liberty of drawing your attention on this point, trusting once more in your kind courtesy and comprehension.

I hope you will forgive me, my dear Admiral, and thanking you for whatever action you will deem advisable to take and for whatever you will let me know on this matter, I remain,

Yours truly,

S. Lucifera

(Minister of the Royal Household)

trans. e/s

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30 August 45

ROUTINE

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PAREN TO AFHQ CITE MSGOT FROM ALCOM CITE ACPSF PAREN

PARA ONE PD PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION CONSIDERS TEAR GAS
GRENADES ARE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS OF CONTROLLING CIVIL DISORDERS
BUT NOT SMOKE GRENADES PD

PARA TWO PD STOCKS OF GRENADES CAN BE MAINTAINED AS SECURELY
AS OTHER TYPES OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION NOW MAINTAINED PD

PARA THREE PD SMOKE GRENADES WOULD INTERFERE WITH POLICE
OPERATIONS IN CONTROLLING CIVIL DISURBANCES BY CONORALING
CROWD MOVEMENTS PD

Public Safety 3/c

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JOHN W. CHAPMAN Col./.

NICHOLAS FIORELLINO
CWO USA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AG/14041/55/25

22 August 1945

AUG 28 1945

My dear Admiral :

With reference to cable 764 dated 24 August 1945 from Regional Commissioner Liguria on the subject of Questore.

The question of Questori for La Spezia and Imperia and Questore and Vice Questore for Genoa has been raised with M.E. Ferrari, Director of Public Security Ministry of the Interior. In view of difficulties experienced in the north by career officials sent from Rome recently, the names of the Questori suggested have been submitted to the President of the Council for concurrence, and this accounts for the delay in sending the officials to the north.

Copies of all the correspondence with the Ministry have been forwarded to M.E. Liguria and I have endeavored to hasten matters by personal interviews with M.E. Ferrari. In fact to-day, the 26th August, we have received the names of three Questori approved by the President of the Council and M.E. Liguria is being asked by cable if he agrees.

The urgency of sending strong career officials to the north is fully appreciated and everything possible is being done to ensure the co-operation of the Ministry of the Interior.

John W. Chapman

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.S.D.
Director.

Ellery W. STONE
Rear Admiral USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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Ref is made to letters dated 9 July and 16 July asking for new Questors in Province of LA SPEZIA and IMPERIA and also to my cables of 11 August and 14 August asking for new Vice Questors and Questors in GENOA Province these matters are now getting urgent. Cany any information be yet given please. End signed JORDAN.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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ROUTINE

AUG 28 1945

FROM: AFHQ BIRMINGHAM CITY FRONT

TO: SEC, AIDOM, DISTWO, DISTHRE, 13 CORPS, GREENHILL

HEADQUARTERS

28 AUGUST 45

SECRET.

Para 1. In view of the cessation of hostilities this HQ is considering the elimination of the prohibition on the employment of smoke and/or tear gas grenades as a means of controlling civil disturbances. The use of these agents was common practice prior to the war and was found to be an effective means of controlling civil disturbances. If the prohibition is removed stocks of these agents will be issued to all agencies responsible for controlling civil disturbances in the theatre.

Para 2. Your views are requested on the following.

- a. Do you consider smoke and/or tear gas grenades an effective means of controlling civil disorders?
- b. Could you maintain sufficient security of stocks of these grenades to insure against their falling into unauthorized hands?
- c. On what grounds if any do you oppose the use of such grenades?

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Tel : 472603

23 August 45

Ref: 3604/220/22.

SUBJECT: Persecution of Clergy in
the Diocese of AQUI.

TO : Regional Commissioner, PIERMONT Region.
(Att: Regional Public Safety Officer).

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1. With reference to our letter No. 3604/6/22 dated 31 July 1945 enclosing a report by the Bishop of AQUI on the above subject.

2. It would be appreciated if you would reply as soon as possible in order that we may inform the Vatican of the action taken.

P. W. HENSLY

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

AG/14309/RS

August 1945.

SUBJECT : Safety Campaign.

TO : Ministry of Interior
Director General of Public Security.

1. Allied authorities are greatly concerned over the number of accidents involving motor vehicles and are now engaged in a serious campaign among Allied Military drivers in an effort to educate them in more careful and cautious driving. In order to insure the best results it is desired to have the cooperation of the Italian Government and Italian authorities.

2. Investigations reveal that the cause of the accidents is not always the fault of Allied drivers but that civilian drivers and pedestrians are often to blame. For this reason, the Italian authorities could render valuable assistance by also instituting a campaign of education and publicity designed to reach civilian drivers and pedestrians.

3. It may also be desirable to review the regulations controlling the driving of motor vehicles throughout the country with a view of correcting some dangerous driving practices such as exceeding reasonable speed, entering main highways from side roads or streets without stopping, driving in the middle or on the wrong side of the road and taking curves on the wrong side.

4. Pedestrian control is also important especially in the cities. The practice of walking in middle of the street and crossing streets indiscriminately is particularly dangerous.

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5. The assistance of Italian authorities
will be greatly appreciated.

For the Chief Commissioner :

H. H. S. Houbles
for M. CANR, Col
Brigadier,
VP CA Section.

INTERNAL LIST :

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AUG 23 1945

TO: AND PIERMONT REGION ATTENTION REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

3/7.1/CA

20 Aug 45

AUG 21 1945

SUBJECT : Forwarding of Correspondence.

TO : Ministry of Grace and Justice
Italian Government - R O M E.

Enclosed is a memorandum from Prisco Manfredi. It raises matters which in the opinion of this Commission should be dealt with by the Italian authorities rather than by this Commission and it is therefore forwarded to you for such action as you may deem appropriate.

H. E. - S. HARTLEY Col,
CSO CA Section

Copy to : Chief Comm
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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20 Aug 45

Dear Sir,

Your memorandum has been received.

It is regretted that no action in the matter to which you refer can be taken by this Commission as the matter is one which should be dealt with by the Italian authorities.

Your memorandum is being referred to the Italian authorities for such action as may be appropriate.

H. L. S. HARTLEY Col,
CSC CA Section,

Sig. Frisco Manfredi
Via Vespasiano, 12

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Copy to : Exec. Comm
Chief Comm

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Tel : 735

21 August 48

Ref: 360/214/NO.

SUBJECT: Internment Camp at BRESCIO.

TO : Air Forces Sub-Commission.

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1. Your report on the Bresso Concentration Camp and the note from Air Vice Marshall Brodie are returned herewith as requested.
2. The camp is not under the jurisdiction of AO/ASG and appears to be a military one.
3. We suggest that your Milan Detachment might approach direct, either the Regional Commissioner Lombardia or HQ No. 2 District.

/s/ R.W. Kemsley

Chief Staff Officer,
To Executive Commissioner.

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[Signature]

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From: Air Forces Sub Commission,
Allied Commission, Milan.

To : Air Forces Sub Commission,
Allied Commission, Rome.

Date: 10th August 1945

Ref : AFSC/M/23/Int

REPORT ON BRESSO CONCENTRATION CAMP

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2. In view of reports received on the state of this camp a visit was paid on the 9th and it is recommended that a notice to quit be served at the earliest possible moment, primarily on humanitarian grounds.

3. It was found that while 600 was the original number entered for, there are now over 1800 internees including 200 women. Each day some 60 more prisoners arrive while a maximum of 20 are released.

4. The men are housed in leaky hangars and conditions during the recent rains were decidedly disagreeable. The women are in tents also leaky, with 15 - 16 to each tent which is smaller than an I.P.F.P. There are no sick quarters for the women, virtually no medical supplies and women with infectious skin diseases cannot be segregated.

5. The latrines are of the most primitive, and lack of disinfectants etc. has brought a plague of flies. Two medical officer internees look after the 1300 prisoners while 200 guards are present to prevent their escaping.

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7. At a time when much propaganda is being made about German concentration camps, it is most undesirable apart from other considerations, that a potential Buchenwald should be located on Army property.

8. It is not contended that there is actual ill treatment, since the defection one would expect to find on the faces was not in evidence; but with winter approaching, it is most undesirable that this camp should continue on its present site.

9. It is suggested that orders be given for reduction first of the women and then the men at the rate of 500 a week, with the dead line date of 30th September for the complete evacuation of the site.

R.G.E. DIAMANT, S/Ldr,
Milan Detachment

Copy to : Col. A.N. HANCOCK, Allied Commission, Lombardia Region
Gen. Biffi, 1st Z.A.T. Command

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IL MINISTRO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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ROME.

16 August 45.

AUG 20 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter No. 6/3 B/CA, dated 8th August, in which you inform me that the Allied Commission recognise the competence of the Italian Government in the question of Mr. and Mrs. Martinez and do not intend to take any action in their case.

I wish to thank you, dear Admiral Stone, for the attention you have given this matter, and I remain,

Very truly yours,

(sgd) De Gasperi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
ROME.

RC DEST - 18 Aug. 45.

ACTION: CA Sec

INFO: Chief Commissioner

Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 3604/209/EG.

Tel : 735

18 August 45

SUBJECT: Safety Campaign.

TO : Civil Affairs Section (for Public Safety Sub-Comm.)

1. Enclosed is copy of a letter dated 11 August 1945 received by the Chief Commissioner from Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command, and a copy of the Chief Commissioner reply.

2. Will you please prepare a letter to the Italian Government on the subject, bringing up the points raised by Brigadier General Brown.

/s/ R.W. KENDALL

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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F.F. HOELSCHER, Major

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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(Mr. Kerner) PD

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From: AFHQ SIGNED SIGNED CITE PHORO
To: ALCON ROMS

AUG 18 1945

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Answers your 3738 cite ACCAS dated 15 August.

The outer port fence of the enclosed port area has been mined with antipersonnel light charges to prevent pilferage. These charges have been placed between double fences and the areas well posted with warning signs both in English and Italian and can only be reached by breaking through bars or climbing fence to reach area known to be off limits for and extended period. Information is that recent victim was killed by flying stone and that he had 35 packages of US cigarettes on his person. Since area is well protected, posted and known to be off limits and access can only be by trespassing on forbidden area responsibility for claims must be decided by individual cases.

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Ref 3604/EC of 15 Aug

& letter from ADY A7HQ Liaison Section dated 15 Aug

transferred to file 4755/EC.

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Translation

Memorandum : PRISCO Manfredi

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AUG 16 1945

PRISCO Manfredi, of Giuseppe and Filomena Maffei, born in Solofra (Avellino), belonging to the Brigade Nere of S. Pierdarena (Genoa) was condemned to be shot in the back on July 2nd, 1945 by the Corte Civile D'Assisi Straordinaria of Genoa.

The charge, besides that of collaborating with the enemy, was to have been present when torture was inflicted to a partisan, Mr. Badino Luciano (art. 51). The Supreme Court of Milan refused the appeal.

The charge was made by a certain Dr. Lando, who, it seems, belonged to the local black brigades, and is supposed to have saved himself in time by playing the double game. It appears that the arrest of Badino took place by order of Lando who sent two soldiers to arrest him. It seems that the part played by Dr. Lando has now been discovered and that he has been arrested.

Among the documents of the trial, there is a statement by Badino (who was tortured) saying that Mr. Prisco who simply attended the torture, helped him as much as his strength allowed him to. (Prisco has only one lung) to go up-stairs and nurse him in a brotherly way.

All the documents show how human Prisco was, and how little on the side of the enemy. There are documents stating the following facts:

The black brigades sequestered the truck of a woman (whose name we do not at present remember); the poor woman appealed in vain to superior officers to recover the truck or get an indemnity; she met Prisco by chance and explained her case; disinterestedly, he did all he could and finally obtained an indemnity of L. 10,000 for her.

The Ebi and the De Micheli Firms of Genoa hid four or five young draft delinquents; Prisco knew this fact and the people in question, but he never denounced them.

A few partisans and also a few friends of Prisco sank a few crafts in the Genoa harbour, for sabotage; Prisco knew all about this and about the people; not only did he not denounce them, but also he did all he could not to have them suspected.

Prisco became a member of the Black Brigades because he had to choose between being sent to Germany or becoming a member of the Black Brigades; he chose this second solution which was less prejudicial to him, for thus, he remained with his fiancée, who is now his wife, and he was able to go on helping his own family.

In the Black Brigades, Prisco was in charge of the foraging and never participated in any razzia, patrolling or perquisition. A young man of 30, Prisco comes of a numerous family of 10 children. He is the eldest, and ever since he was 15, he gave all his earnings to support the family, helping also his sister who is housed in the Materdomini nursing home, and sacrificing

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himself in every way. While doing service in the Milizia Portuaria, he used to bring his meals home to help his family.

It must be remembered he did all this in spite of his bad health. Frisco has one lung only, for he had the operation of pneumothorax to his left lung. All this proves that he is a morally and socially sound young man; this is true for, having seen that the milieu was against his moral and social principles, he asked to be allowed to go, claiming that his health was bad; as a matter of fact, he saw a doctor in the S. Martino Hospital in Genoa but was only given a months leave.

and straightforward
Frisco's family is poor but has very sound principles; he cannot have modified them for he was very much attached to them.

Three of his brothers took part in the war:

Nicandro of the 1918 class died in Greece
Armando of the 1920 class, is still doing service with the Allies in the Air-Force; he was a partisan with Colonel Canale.
Antonio of the 1922 class is still doing service with the Allies, as soldier.

Frisco Manfredi is married and has a baby daughter of 32 days; the priest who blessed the marriage stated in writing that it was most extraordinary that a young man of such sound moral and religious principles could have belonged to the Black Brigades.

The courage and clear conscience of Frisco are well shown by his love for his family and small daughter as well as by the fact that he does not grasp the tragical seriousness of his position.

In the Marassi prison of Genoa, everyone likes him, as can be ascertained by asking.

Without drawing any conclusion, these facts speak for themselves.

So much Italian blood has already been shed! Now clemency cannot but benefit everybody.

s. Frisco Armando

Rome, 14-8-45
Via Vespasiano, 12
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