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AFLR(I)B, NORTHERN PROVINCES BOARD
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ROUNDTREE HOSPITAL

Ref#: 38

2 November 1944
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SUBJECT: Industrial Coordination Committee

TO : Acting Chief Commissioner

1. You will remember that at the last meeting of the Local Resources Board it was agreed that an Industrial Coordination Committee should be set up.

2. Brigadier Currie and this Section have now agreed on the attached draft terms of reference for this Committee. It was also agreed to ask you to act as Chairman.

3. I hope we can talk to you on this with Brigadier Currie, for a few minutes sometime today. If you approve the attached proposal, it can then be sent to General Clark for concurrence and subsequently be duplicated for use at the next meeting of the Local Resources Board -- Saturday, 11 November 1944.

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A. R. ARMSTRONG
Acting Vice-President
Economic Section.

Distribution:

Chief of Staff
Harlan Cleveland
Mr. Vaughan
Brig. Currie

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CHIEF: 1. Commandant, Economic Policies, US-AEC
 UNIT: 2. CIO, US-AEC "Wealth Creation, Economic Policies, US-AEC (B)

CLASSIFICATION: 3. (U, S, Army representative)

NAME OF SOURCE:

1. To study the military and civilian requirements to support
 all command and industrial facilities, and to recommend to the Commandant
 of Factories, Industrial Plant Management, War Resources, Strategic Space,
 all command and industrial facilities, and to recommend to the Commandant

(a) An equitable allocation of the expenditure of the share between

(b) A procedure to be used for the use, operation, re-allocation
 where necessary and regulation of industrial resources, within,
 strategic space and war resources, and to decide which of these, if
 any, should be issued to the Armed Forces by the Armed Forces
 Forces in their areas according to civilian industrial economy.

(c) The method to control the needs of the Armed Forces
 and the overall production of economic industry.

- (d) A procedure for ensuring that the maximum output is required
 to obtain from factories operating under military control
 or under contract to the Armed Forces or other organizations

all factories, industrial plants and machinery, warehouses, storage areas,

- (a) An equitable allocation of the capacity of the above between the needs of the Allied Armed Forces and the civilian economy.
- (b) A procedure to control the use, operation, re-allocation where necessary and requisition of industrial factories, plants, storage places and warehouses, and to decide which of these, if any, should be taken from requisition by the Allied Armed Forces as being essential to Italian industrial economy.
- (c) The extent of control of partly finished or finished products which will ensure that the needs of the Allied Armed Forces are met and which will permit of the preservation and/or rehabilitation of essential Italian industry.
- (d) Procedural for ensuring that the needed output is required to be obtained from factories operating under military control or under contract to the Allied Armed Forces on under progress reported by AO, and agreed by this Committee.
- (e) The importation of such materials as are necessary to permit of the continued operation and/or rehabilitation of these plants essential to meet the needs of the Allied Armed Forces and/or the needs of the Italian industrial economy.
- (f) Such other matters deriving from the functions of the Committee as may be necessary for the conduct of its business.
- (g) A procedure to control the transfer of plant and machinery from one factory or industry to another, and to authorize such

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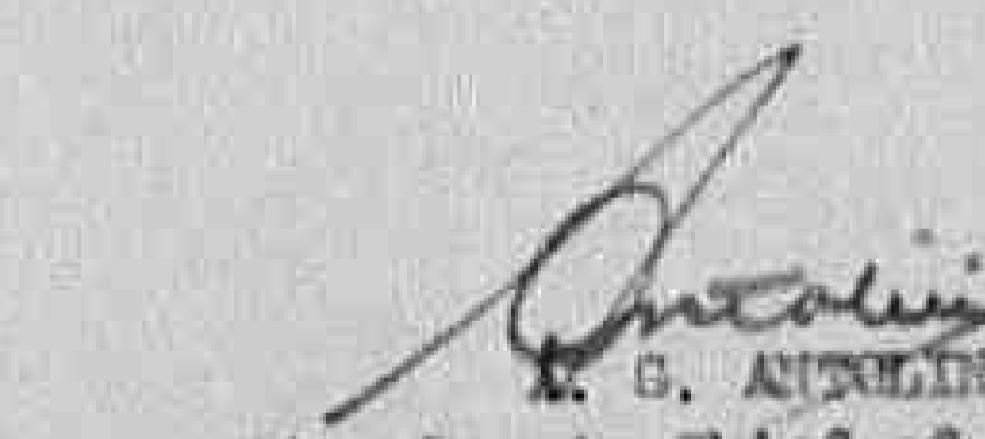
SUBJECT: Industrial Planning Committee for Northern Areas.

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Reference your memorandum of 27 October 1944, suggesting the formation of an Industrial Planning Committee composed of the Industry and Commerce heads in the four northern regions and presided over by some member of the Economic Section.

2. We have now agreed with AFARS on the terms of reference for the Industrial Coordination Committee. These terms are quite broad enough to cover the function suggested for the Industrial Planning Committee. Moreover, it is contemplated that the new Industrial Coordination Committee would have some type of special operation in forward areas possibly in the form of a Subcommittee. It has also been agreed with AFARS to ask Commodore Stens to act as Chairman of the new group.

3. In view of these developments, which we hope will be ratified at the next meeting of the Local Resources Board, we believe that it is unnecessary and it might well be confusing to set up another industrial committee at this time.


M. G. ANTONELLI

Acting Deputy Chief of Staff.
ECONOMIC SECTION


Secretary Col S.

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Office of the Chief of Staff.

Proposed Northern Province Board.
DOGS, Economic Section.

4011/30/003

3 November

1. Reference is made to Memo 4011/30/003 of 27 October 46.
2. Will you please submit drafts requested at paragraphs 2 and 3.
These are urgently required.

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Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
O.M.F.
Office of the Chief of Staff

25 October 1944.

Ref/4011/008

SUBJECT: Northern Provinces Board.

TO : Allied Forces Local Resources Section.

1. The Allied Commission has before them two proposals for the handling of Local Resources in Northern Italy - i.e. the area under the Military Administrative control of A.A.I.

- (1) To set up a subordinate Board under command of A.A.I. with sub-committees to deal especially with allocation of Industrial resources, allocation of Electrical Power.
- (2) To leave the entire allocation and control of all commodities remaining, after the operational needs of the armies have been catered for, to the main A.F.L.R. Board(Italian) and its committees, relying of forward elements of the A.F.L.R. Section and the Allied Commission.

2. The arguments in support of the first proposal have not been put forward but it is clearly based on the need for some regional organisation to handle problems of local resources in the Northern areas. In some measure this may be necessary. It is true that the operational needs of the Armies are already covered by special directions and that only the committees of the main Board can have sufficient overall knowledge of the true position of resources. It would be unfortunate if a separate organisation, with a less comprehensive outlook were interposed between the regions and the main Board and its committees: and if the Northern Provinces Board were completely subordinate, much of its value would disappear. On the other hand if it were not subordinate an imperium in imperio would arise and the work of the main Board would be stultified.

3. Further arguments against the Board are contained in Brigadier Currie's memorandum.

4. On balance the Allied Commission recommends against the establishment of a Northern Provinces Board at A.A.I. and favours the proposal that local resources functions in the forward areas be dealt with by the forward tentacles of the A.F.L.R. Section combined with a joint A.F.L.Q./A.G. Secretariat.

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5. The Commission is of the opinion however that it may be necessary to set up a forward committee of the Industrial Co-ordination Committee and of the Electrical Allocation. But these committees should be projections of the A.P.L.R. Board.

6. If it is decided to form a more comprehensive committee of the A.P.L.R., A.A.I. and the A.C. recommend that it should be under joint chairmanship of A.A.I. and A.C. - with a joint secretariat, the Allied Commission recommend that 2 Regional Commissioners of the Northern Regions be appointed to the committee. Finally the Commission recommend that the functions of the Committee for allocation of industrial resources should be defined as follows:

In the field of industry allocations will be made only of industrial capacity in the first instance - that is to say, allocations of the output and use of existing production facilities in the places where they are found. No decisions as to breaking up of existing production units, or the transfer of machinery or other facilities, will be implemented without prior clearance from HQ A.C., Economic Section.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: Econ Sec (30.10.44)

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Reference attached to your letter don't warrant my consideration
until 2nd week in Nov. I am retaining them in my personal files
at present until such time as Department has time to review
them again. Please excuse trouble.

Chief of Staff

(See file 13A)
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Proposed Northern Provinces Board.
D.C.D. Section
D.C.D. Economic Section

4011/008

27 October

Your letter of October 25th contains several recommendations
all of which must be dealt with separately.

(1) Arguments pro and con Northern Provinces Board. I have
drafted a memo on this.

(2) Proposal to set up joint A.N.E.C./R.C. Secretariat on lines of
co-chairmen. A case for this must be made and forwarded to A.P.L.S. for inclusion in next agenda. Please draft.

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- (3) Induction of Italians from Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour as full member of I.C.C. A case for this suggestion. Please draft.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

26 October 1944

SUBJECT: Proposed Organization of a Northern Provinces Board.

TO : Chief of Staff

1. At your request we have studied Brigadier Curry's views on the proposed Northern Provinces Board.

2. It has been apparent for some time that some form of organization would have to be set up to handle the local resources problems in forward areas. In view of the proposal for a Northern Provinces Board to handle this job, our memorandum of 21 October was aimed at defining the relationship of any new Board or Committee to the top Local Resources Board and to secure adequate ACC representation in the direction and staff work of any new group.

3. Brigadier Curry has now suggested that there be no Northern Provinces Board, but that the local resources function in forward areas be performed by "forward tentacles" of the secretariat of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board itself. This counter proposal is acceptable only if an arrangement is made (as suggested in paragraph 3 of our memorandum of 21 October and agreed to by you) whereby the principle of the joint Chairmanship of the Local Resources Board is extended to its secretariat. The system of "forward tentacles" referred to by Brigadier Curry would then be a joint ACC-AFC organization and would therefore be acceptable to us.

4. We have recently reviewed all the papers and decisions of the AFRRB and its several committees, and we are convinced that the interest of ACC and the civilian economy of Italy will be adequately protected only if ACC participates directly in the central staff work connected with the Local Resources set-up. We therefore recommend that the Acting Chief Commissioner formally place before the next meeting of the Board the proposition that a Joint Secretariat be formed, consisting of the Allied Force Local Resources Section, AFC, and the Economic Section, ACC.

5. When the joint secretariat is established, we would propose to appoint a joint secretary on the Staff of the Economic Section. We do not believe that it would be necessary to establish a joint office. The joint secretariat should, if necessary to disturb the existing arrangements, be located in the same building as the Economic Section.

2. It has been proposed for one time the local resources organization would have to be set up to handle the local resources problems in onward areas. In view of the proposal for a Northern provinces Board, this job, our memorandum of 21 October was aimed at defining the responsibilities of any new Board or Committee to the top Local Resources Board and to secure adequate ACC representation in the direction and staff work of any new group.

3. Brigadier Curry has now suggested that there be no Northern Provinces Board, but that the local resources function of the ACC be performed by "more and more" of the secretariat of the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board itself. This counter proposal is acceptable only if an arrangement is made (as suggested in paragraph 2 of our memorandum of 21 October) that all resources whereby the principle of the joint administration of the Local Resources Board is extended to its secretary. The system of "central tentacles" and would therefore be acceptable to us.

4. We have recently reviewed all the papers and decisions of the ACC and the several committees, and we are convinced that the interest of ACC and the civilian economy of Italy will be adequately protected only if ACC participates directly in the central staff work connected with the Local Resources set-up. We therefore recommend that the Acting Chief Commissioner formally place before the next meeting of the Board the proposition that a Joint Secretary be formed, consisting of the Allied Forces Local Resources Section, ACC, and the Economic Section, ACC.

5. When the Joint secretary on the Staff of the Economic Section is appointed, it would be necessary to establish a Joint office propose to appoint a Joint secretary on the Staff of the Economic Section; not, however, until it is necessary to restore the existing Local Resources Section. Minutes and other documents will be issued with the LRS Section; not, however, until it is necessary to restore the existing Local Resources Section. Minutes and other documents will be issued jointly by the ACC Section and the Economic Section, ACC. Sub-commissions would of course submit papers and reports in the first instance to the ACC Joint secretary for handling with the local Resources Section and with the Board itself.

6. In connection with forthcoming meeting of the Local Resources Board, two additional items are of interest in connection with industrial allocations, raised in our Board:

- The joint short industrial allocations, agreed to by you, and repeated memorandum of 21 October, should be placed in Col. Womfort's advice of 25 October, should be placed before the new Industrial Coordination Committee at its first meeting.

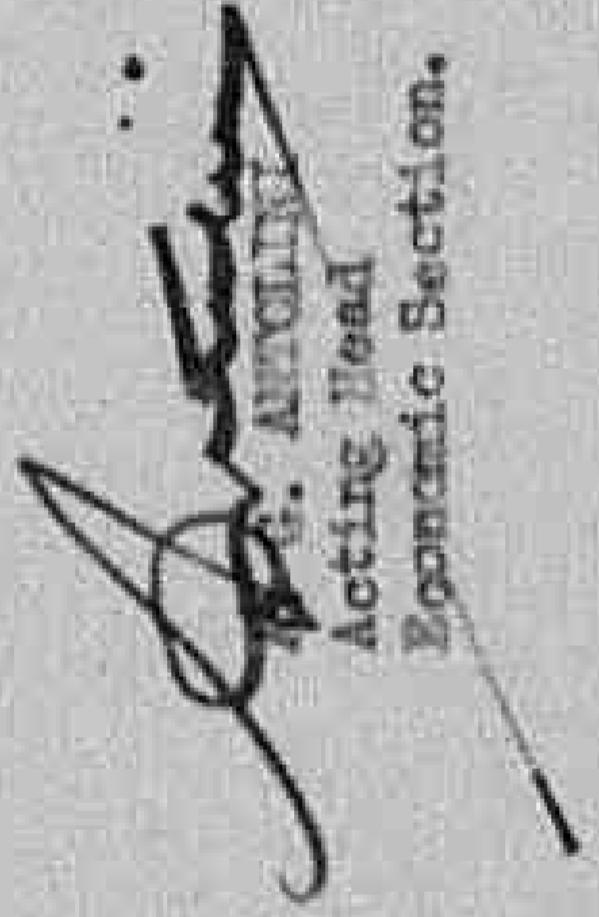
- b. We believe that the Italian Ministry of Industry, Commerce, and Labour should be represented as a full member of the new Industrial Coordination Committee. This proposal might especially be brought before the next meeting of the Local Resources Board.

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Cont'd: Proposed org. of a U.P. Board, dtd, 26 Oct 44.



G. M. MILLER
Acting Head
Economic Section.

copies to: Chief Commissioner
Col. Benmore
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
Civil Affairs Section

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25 October 1944

DOCAO/7/16.1

Subject: Proposed Organisation of Northern Provinces Board

To: Chief of Staff, HQ AOC

1. I have advised CAD, HQ AAI, as follows.
2. Para 5. HQ AOC request that Regional Commissioners of Liguria and Piemonte be included in membership of N.P. Board.
3. Para 6. As the real work of a board of this sort is done by its secretariat, HQ AOC feel that the principle of joint Chairmanship should be extended to the secretariat, and that AOC should appoint a joint secretary to work full time with the N.P. Board. The same principle should be applied to A.I.L.R.B.
4. Para 8. HQ AOC recommend that the functions of the committee for "allocation of industrial resources" be spelled out and suggest the following language:-

"In the field of industry allocations will be made only of industrial capacity in the first instance - that is to say, allocations of the output and use of existing production facilities in the places where they are found. No decisions as to breaking up of existing production units, or the transfer of machinery or other facilities, will be implemented without prior clearance from HQ AOC, Economic Section."
5. I did not press for Joint Chairmanship of the N.P. Board as I am satisfied with the proposed organization.
6. CAD, HQ AAI, agreed in principle to the above suggestions.

N.W. Minford
NELSON W. MINFORD
Colonel, AUS
Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff.

22 October 1944.

SUBJECT : Proposed organisation of a Northern Provinces Board.

TO : DOCAO, AAI.

1. ES/5 dated 21 October from Economic Section is forwarded.
2. I do not agree with (1). The Northern Provinces Board is subordinate to the Italy Board and therefore cannot be competitive; it will be coordinated. 2 and 3 agree and this will be stressed by the Acting Chief Commissioner when creation of the Board comes before the main Board. 4 I agree and you should press for this amendment.

M.S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to : Economic Section.

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HQ A.C.C. ECONOMIC SECTION

25 Oct 44
(Date)

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COM.	
SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION	
CHIEF COMMISSIONER	
CHIEF OF STAFF	
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF	
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ESTABLISHMENT SECTION	
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ARMED COMBAT COMMITTEE
GENERAL SECRETARY
APR 39A

22 October 1941

SUBJECT: Proposed organization of a Northern Provinces' Board.
SEND TO: "the" of State.

This refers to the request for the contents of the Executive
Circular on the proposed organization of a Northern Provinces' Board
under the Allied "Local Land Resources (Military) Board". Our views
are as follows, and we recommend that the position described below
be taken formally by the ALCB in the forthcoming consideration of this
question.

1. We accept the fact that there will be a regional
organization responsible for the allocation of local resources in
the Northern provinces. It should, however, be called a "Committee"
rather than a Board, in order to make clear to all concerned the
fact that it is not coordinate with or competitive with the Allied
Provincial Resource Board itself.
 2. Since the Northern Provinces Committee will be operating
on the same type of problems as the "top level", with the same interests
involved, it should have the same composition. There should be joint
chairs, one representing the military interest and one the civilian
interest. It may be that ALCB will want to delegate to ALCB its half
of the chairmanship in the case of the northern provinces' job; on the
other hand, ALCB cannot very well also delegate the half
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Under the Allied Troops Food Resources (MILTR) Board, our views are as follows, and we recommend that the position described below be taken formally by the AMT in the forthcoming consideration of this question.

1. We accept the fact that there will be a regional organization responsible for the allocation of local resources in the northern provinces. It should, however, be called a "Committee" rather than a Board, in order to make clear to all concerned the fact that it is not associated with or competitive with the Allied Force Local Resources Board itself.
2. Since the Northern Provinces Committee will be operating on the same type of problems as the top Board, with the same interests involved, it should have the same composition. There should be joint chairman, one representing the military interest and one the civilian interest. It may be that AMT will want to delegate to AMT 2 1/2 half of the chairmanship in the case of the northern provinces, but on the other hand AMT could very well also delegate the half chairmanship to the AMT. We should, therefore, request a Joint chairman of the two Committees.
3. The AMT work at a committee of this sort is of course done by its secretariat. The principle of the joint chairmanship should therefore also be extended to the secretariat, and AMT should request a joint secretariat to work full time with the new Committee. The same principles should be applied to the AMTB itself.

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In one of the functions of the new committee is said to be "allocation of industrial resources". This process is subject to many interpretations, some of which could be easily detrimental to the interest of the civilian economy of Italy. It is therefore suggested that this function be spelled out, and following language is suggested:

"In the field of industry allocations will be made
only of industrial capacity in the first instance -
that is to say, allocations of the output and use of
existing production facilities in the places where they
are found. No decisions as to breaking up of existing
productive units, or the transfer of machinery or other
facilities, will be implemented without prior discussions
from the AIC, Economic Section."

A. C. APPENDIX
Letter from Mr. Chet of State
Southern Section

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ALLIED FORCES LOCAL RESOURCES (ITALIAN) BOARD

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF NORTHERN PROVINCES BOARD.

Reference AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 41, dated

17 Sep. 44, para 5.

1. There will be set up, with effect from the date of this instruction, a subordinate organization of the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board, to conduct business on behalf of the Board in that part of Northern Italy which is or may be in the future occupied by the Allied Armies.
2. The name of the new organization will be "Northern Provinces Board", abbreviated title "N. P. Board".
3. The territory within which the N. P. Board will operate will comprise the following compartments:-
MARCHE - UMBRIA - TUSCANY - EMILIA - LIGURIA - PIEMONTE - LIGURIA - VENETIA (three compartments).
4. The N. P. Board is placed under command of HQ, AAI and will act in accordance with the policies of the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board conveyed through Staff channels.

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The above is subject to change in accordance with any alteration which may take place in the boundaries of the

2. The name of the new organization will be northern
Provinces Board; abbreviated title "N. P. Board".

3. The territory within which the N. P. Board will
operate will comprise the following compartments: -
MARCHE - UMBRIA - TRIVENETO - MOLISE - UMBRIOTY -
PLATINUM - LIGURIA - VENETIA (three compartments).

4. The N. P. Board is placed under command of HQ AAI
and will act in accordance with the policies of the Allied
Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board conveyed through Staff
channels.

The above is subject to change in accordance with
any alteration which may take place in the boundaries of the
operational zone.

5. The present membership of the N. P. Board will be:
Chairman: CAO AAI

Deputy Chairman: DCDAO ACC

Members: GOC, Nos. 1 and 2 Districts.

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CO MAPS (or Rep)

MCO AAI

DCDAO AAI

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6. The Secretariat of the N. P. Board will be provided by the Allied Forces Local Resources Section, AAI, the chief of which shall act as Secretary.
 7. The functions of the N. P. Board will be identical with those laid down for the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board in para 4 of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 41, subject to the following restrictions:-
 - (a) The N. P. Board will conform to the policies laid down by the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board.
 - (b) On all matters which affect or might affect that part of IPALY which is not within its area of operation, the N. P. Board will not take action except in emergency, but will submit its recommendations to the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board. The following matters are specifically reserved under this head:-
 - Wage levels and conditions.
 - Forms of contract.
 - Allocation of industrial resources.
 8. The N. P. Board will set up such Committees as it may require for the conduct of its business and, in particular, 2, 6?

- (b) On all matters which affect or might affect that part of ITALY which is not within its area of operation, the H. P. Board will not take action except in emergency, but will submit its recommendations to the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board. The following matters are specifically reserved under this board:-
- 1. Wage levels and conditions.
 - 2. Forms of contract.
 - 3. Allocation of industrial resources.

8. The H. P. Board will set up such Committees as it may require for the conduct of its business end, in particular, 2, 8¹, will set up Committee forthwith to deal with the following matters:-

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Allocation of industrial resources.

Allocation of electrical power within the Northern section, as defined in the Minutes of the Electric Power Committee of the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board, dated 26 Sep. 44.

9. The Staff Section at HQ AAI to be approached in matters concerning the H. P. Board is the Allied Forces Local Resources Section, AAI.

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AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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5. AFHQ will maintain, in areas to be recommended by the Board, such subordinate organizations as are necessary for the conduct of the Board's business. Where such organizations are allotted to areas under the control of HQ AGC or a comparable subordinate Headquarters they will be placed under command of that Headquarters and will act in accordance with the policies of the Board conveyed to them through staff channels.

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By Command of General MILLER:

/s/ R. H. CHRISTIE,
/t/ R. H. CHRISTIE,
Colonel, AGC,
acting Adjutant General.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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5. AFHQ will maintain, in areas to be recommended by the Board, such subordinate organizations as are necessary for the conduct of the Board's business. Where such organizations are allotted to areas under the control of HQ AFHQ or a comparable subordinate Headquarters they will be placed under control of that Headquarters and will act in accordance with the policies of the Board conveyed to them through Staff channels.

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By Command of General WILSON:

/s/ R. H. CHICKERIE,
/s/ R. H. CHICKERIE,
Colonel, AGD,
Acting Adjutant General.

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