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GENERAL CONFEDERATION OF ITALIAN LABOR, CGIL  
JAN. - JULY 1945



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Chief Commissioner

John 21

Attached is submitted for your signature information

JAN 14 RECD

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C.S.O.

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In accordance with your request of contacted the Russian Embassy re the possible change of plans re the furnishing of plane transport from Rome direct to Moscow instead of from Belgrade. - Mr. Mamedov of USSR Emb. said he would check action taken. He would report on action taken. Mr. Gen. Kislentsov had taken the up with USSR Ambassador & they are awaiting word as to plans for transporting delegates. This last info I received 21/7/45. These plans transmitted again this morning.

(also) 23/7/45

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C.S.O. Travel Authorization and Travel Orders obtained 20 and 21 July respectively. Travel Orders handed to Liaison Officer of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Cotadini.

183 Newell  
23-7-45

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C.S.O. Tabled to Mr. Mamedov of USSR Embassy at 11.00 AM today with info re the USSR Airlines have agreed to send plane to Paris for delegation. Discussion in process with British & American Airlines as to when & the plane is to be sent. Will inform me when this is definitely settled & agreed.

(also) 23/7/45

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33- Travel Authorization and Travel Orders obtained 20 and 21 July respectively. Travel Orders handed to Liaison Officer of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Cottadini.

W3 Newell  
23-7-45

(35)

C-50. Tabled to the President of the Embassy at 11.00 AM today with informed in the Civil Aviation Authority to send plans to the for delegation. Arrangements in process with British Airline as to where the plane is to be sent. Will inform me when this is definitely settled & agreed.

Cable  
23/7/45

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(37)

C-50. Mr. President of the Embassy informed me today - plane is to leave Moscow for Rome today. Also not known E.T.A.

Cable  
23/7/45

C-50 has seen

to 37. 28/7.

C-50. Tables 35-41 on wheat surveying report 28/7/45



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Excerpts

1. 26 informs the AG of a visit of CGIL (General Confederation of Italian Labor) to Moscow following the visit of the Soviets to Rome.

2. The Soviet Embassy here informed the Italian post that a plane will be ready at Belgrade on July 24<sup>th</sup> to take the Italians to Moscow.

3. Italian MG of FA with for transport by plane from Rome to Belgrade in Rome to catch the Soviet plane on 24 July.  
 (CGIL - CGIL (Confederazione Generale Italiana))



2. The Soviet Embassy here informed the Italian post that a plane will be ready at Belgrade on July 24<sup>th</sup> to take the Italians to Moscow.
3. Italian 17 of FA ask for transport by plane from Rome to Belgrade in time to catch the Soviet plane on 24 July.
4. The Italian post (through Litterini) request that the plane be NOT an Italian plane.
5. I suggest this may be political reasons for its not being an Allied plane and that the delegation be flown to ODINE and then by road to Belgrade.
6. C.C. has not seen.

Sf 17/7.



Chief Commissioner

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FEB 18 RECD

You should see Mr. Brainer's report of 17.  
A good labor meeting at Naples. I agree  
that the freedom of labor Officers needs a great  
deal of consideration - they are unpopular or  
believe unnatural to the Italians.

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DS/10/2

EWS  
CL

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Ex Ex Comr

SE 25

Ref 51 the request for delegates from  
Italy originated in London. Approval  
to requests in last four lines of 51 was  
received from AFHQ on 13 Feb 5. It first  
informed.

15 Feb 45

H 16/2 DS/12/2 3515



TO: C.S.O.

To read para 5-7 of folio 1 for info of COS.

30 Jan 45.

Major.

TO: C.S.O.

1. To see minute 2 above.

2. To read Mr. Braine's report (folio 3-5) of the inaugural session of COTL on 28 Jan in NAPLES (especially page 2 of his report where side-lined) then for COS and CC to see.

3. To see folio 7 for info in para 2.

4. As suggested in folio 8, a letter of appreciation might be sent to HQ 3 District, and to P23 Naples, for their assistance, especially in billeting as shown in folio 1.

5. Shall DUS Room Section prepare letter of appreciation?

6. Copy of Report attached to folio 7 in case it is desired to send it on to G-5.

1 Feb 45.

Major.

I think we should ask En  
Dunsane to draft a letter  
to 3 District - a short P/Bs  
(See last para 7 (last))

Agree - then for C.S.  
to read Mr. Braine's report - Folios 3, 4 & 5.

18/2/45

Noted. Tux JWD

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W. S. Major

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Devariance to draft a letter  
to J. Dist. & also P/Bs  
(See last para. 7 Edw's.)

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Papers - then for C.C.  
broed Nutcracker's and  
8 1/2. - Falco B, 4 & 5.

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Noted. Inf. Ind. a

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C SO:q Full Report of CGIL Congress held in Naples (28/1 to 1/2) to see in folios 16-19. PWB full report in forth-coming (para. 1) JCB 10/12

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COS A letter report on the Labom Cooper in N.Y.  
is at 17 and a covering letter from H.  
Branco is at 15. A full and full  
report is in preparation. The question of  
Labom Office - is that the Williams object -  
is receiving consideration by Labom H. H. 11/2.



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## MESSAGE FORM

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

APO 512

FILE NO. AG 091.112/019(7-19027)

Date 24 July 1945

Office of origin AG PERSONNEL

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Address AFHQ

JUL 27 1945

To:

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

ALLIED COMMISSION.

## PRECEDENCE

| WIRE OR RADIO | ESSENTIAL MILITARY MAIL |
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| WEEK END      |                         |

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PRECEDENCE WILL BE SENT DEFERRED

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Subject: TRAVEL ORDERS.

Confirming telephone conversation Captain BRUGER on 20 July 1945.

1. Issuance of orders for travel to MOSCOW at own expense to undermentioned is authorized.

Giuseppe DI VITTORIO  
Giovanni BORGHINI  
Roberto GUCCIARDI  
Luigi BORGELLI

Fernando SANTI  
Amino PIZZORNO  
Adeli CUDOLO  
Anite CONTINI

2. This HQ Cable F 26127 of 21 July and your 2380 of 23 July refer.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER :

DON P STERNAGNE,  
MAJOR, AGC,  
Asst Adj Gen.

## DISTRIBUTION :

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AFHQ  
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Copy to: Ex. Com. (ref 4028/EC)

Adjutant

(Copy Received)

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see M37



AFHQ FOR AG PERSONNEL

2380

23 JUL 1945

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE IS YOUR SIGNAL FOX TWO SIX ONE TWO SEVEN PD  
PAREN TO AFHQ FOR AG PERSONNEL FROM HQ ALCOM CITE AGEXO PAREN

PARA TWO PD WHENVERBAL AUTHORIZATION WAS GIVEN FOR THIS TRAVEL BY  
PHONE PAREN SGT MAJ BURLEY BASH CAPT NEUBURG SPEAKING PAREN TRAVEL  
WAS AUTHORIZED ON MESSAGEFORM NUMBER AG ZERO NINE ONE POINT ONE ONE TWO  
SLANT ZERO ONE NINE SLANT SEVEN DASH ONE NINE ZERO TWO SEVEN OF TWO  
ZERO JULY PD CONFIRMATION CAME THROUGH ON ABOVE REFERRED SIGNAL NUMBER  
FOX TWO SIX ONE TWO SEVEN PD - 32

PARA THREE PD ORDERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED AS PER VERBAL MESSAGEFORM NUMBER  
GIVEN PD PLEASE CORRECT YOUR RECORDS ACCORDINGLY

Copy to: Adjutant's Department (Orders and Bulletin)

Liaison Division

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Officer-in-Charge

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ROUTINE

FROM AFHQ SI NED SACRED CITE PHAGE  
TO ALOOM

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Travel to MOSCOW at own expense is authorized for undermentioned  
8 persons.

Giuseppe di Vittorio, Giovanni Borghesi, Roberto Cucciauti, Luigi  
Morelli, Fernando Santi, Amine Pizzorno, Adele Guifoli and Anita  
CONTINI. Military travel authorization for above have been waited.

DIST

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| ACTION | LIAISON DIV        |
| INFO   | Chief Commissioner |
|        | Ca Sec             |
|        | F. Safety SO       |
|        | File 2             |
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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394*Anderson*  
*E. C. Carr*

21 July 1945

Adj: 300.4

SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO : All Concerned

1. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, AFHQ, File AG 691.112/619/7-19027, dated 20 July 1945, the following named Italian civilians of the Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro, will proceed to Moscow, Russia, via Bari, Italy without delay on temporary duty for a period of approximately two (2) months to attend a conference thereat. Upon completion of temporary duty will return to this station.

Sig. Giuseppe Di Vittorio  
Sig. Giovanni Berghesi  
Sig. Mariano Cuzzaniti  
Sig. Luigi Morelli

Sig. Fernando Santi  
Sig. Amino Pizzorno  
Signa Adele Ciuffoli  
Signa Anita Contini

2. Travel by military aircraft is authorized. All charges and expenses incidental to travel by aircraft furnished by ATC or MATS will be borne by the individuals. Travel directed is necessary in the military service.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

*H. J. Leone*

G. J. LEONE  
CWO, USA  
Asst Adjutant

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Message given  
to A. H. Personnel.  
Name will be  
added on same  
messageform  
number. They will  
inform G-2 (CI) of  
the addition

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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6/23141063

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Voyage Rome-Belgrade of the C.G.I.L. going to Moscow.

1. Reference is made to the Memorandum of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs no 6/2236/1029 dated July 17th.
2. The "Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro" have now informed the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that Signorina Anita CONTINI (daughter of Dino and Teresa Pinetti, born at Cattatico Regio Emilia, on November 24th 1914; residing in Rome, 8 Via Paulucci di Calboli) should go to Moscow with their Delegation, as secretary-interpreter. The C.G.I.L. have pointed out that the cooperation of Signorina Contini is absolutely necessary.
3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs beg therefore the Allied Commission to urgently use their good offices with the proper Allied Authorities in order that Signorina Contini may travel with the above mentioned Delegation.
4. Signorina Contini, bearer of an Italian passport, has already been granted the Soviet and Yugoslavian visas.
5. Please find, enclosed herewith, the M.T.A. application forms, duly completed with all necessary data.
6. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs thank in advance the Allied Commission for the steps they will deem fit to take in the matter, which they recommend to their kind consideration, and they will greatly appreciate to be informed of the measures taken by the proper Allied Authorities for arranging the voyage Rome-Belgrade of the C.G.I.L. Delegation.

Rome, July 20th 1945



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Rome, July 20th 1945

Encl.

Received 20 JULY - 1640 hr

Orders for groups of 7 were at this time being prepared, ready for issue morning of 21 JULY.

Added to orders on group of 7, as per above authorization AFHQ, AG Personnel



Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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very urgent

JUL 18 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Voyage Rome-Belgrade of the Delegation of "C.G.I.L."  
going to Moscow.

1. As it is known, delegations of the American, British and Soviet workers' organizations have recently visited Italy, where they have been welcomed by the "Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro". The Soviet Government have now invited the "Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro" to send a delegation to the U.S.S.R. for returning the visit of the Soviet representatives.

2. The delegation of the "Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro", which, as the Allied Commission knows, includes the workers organizations of the socialist, christian-democratic and communist parties - is formed as follows:

- 1) Giuseppe di Vittorio, son of Michele and Rosa Errico, born at Cerignola (Foggia) on August 11th, 1892, residing in Rome, via Paulucci de' Calboli 8; Secretary General of the C.G.I.L.
- 2) Giovanni Borghesi, son of Giuseppe and Clelia Gozzi, born at Ariccia on November 21st, 1857, residing in Rome, 38 via Arno. Assistant Secretary of the C.G.I.L.
- 3) Roberto Guzzaiuti, son of Mariano and Lbe Braccotti, born at La Spezia on October 4th, 1911, residing in Rome, via Pre-  
Secretary of the Nation-



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- 4) Luigi Morelli, son of Giuseppe and Amalia Gaber-di, born at Castellanza (Varese) on August 24th, 1895, residing at Busto Arsizio, via A. Costa 23. Secretary at the Milan "Camera del Lavoro".

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- 5) Fernando Santi, son of Eugenio and Clementina Bazzani, born at Golese (Parma) on November 13th, 1902, residing in Milan, via Bondio Sangiorgio 20; Member of the executive Commission of the Milan "Camera del Lavoro".
- 6) Amino Pizzorno, son of Pizzorno Attilia, born at Turin on August 2nd, 1909, residing in Genoa, via Assarotti 18A/IA.
- 7) Adele Ciufoli née Bei, daughter of Davide Bei and Angela Broccoli, born at Cantiano (Pesaro) on May 4th, 1904, married to Domenico Ciufoli, residing in Rome, via Marche 54.

3. The Soviet Embassy have now informed that a special plane will be waiting for the Italian Delegates at Belgrade on July 24th in order to transport them to Moscow.

4. With reference to the above stated facts, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs beg the Allied Commission to kindly approach the competent Allied Authorities with the view to obtaining that the Delegation of the "Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro" be transported by plane from Rome to Belgrade before the date set by the Soviet Embassy.

5. The members of the Italian delegation have all been furnished with passports, as it is stated in the M.T.A. applications, enclosed herewith.

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- 6) Amino Pizzorno, son of Pizzorno Attilia, born at Turin on August 2nd, 1903, residing in Genoa, via Assarotti 13A/IA.
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Rome, July 17th 1945

Encl.



TO FOR ACTION

AFHQ FOR G-2 FOR INFO BRITISH RESMIN

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FEB 14 1945

SECRET PD

PARA ONE PD WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE PRESENTLY IN SESSION AT LONDON HAS  
INVITED ITALIAN CONFEDERATION GENERAL OF LABOUR TO SEND DELEGATION TO CONFERENCE PD  
BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE HAVE APPROVED PD CONFERENCE ENDS FEBRUARY ONE SEVEN REPEAT  
FEBRUARY ONE SEVEN PD

PAREN TO FOR ACTION AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH TWO FOR INFO TO BRITISH RESMIN FROM  
NO ALOM CITE ACPOL PAREN

PARA TWO PD ITALIAN CONFEDERATION WISH TO SEND DOCTOR GIOVANNI CARINI AND  
DOCTOR LAMBERTO CLANCHETTI FROM ROME PD

PARA THREE PD IN VIEW OF EXTREME URGENCY GRATEFUL IF YOU WILL PAREN ONE PAREN  
AGREE TO WAIVE MILITARY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENT CMA PAREN TWO PAREN  
CLEAR URGENTLY WITH SHAEP AND PAREN THREE PAREN AUTHORIZE THIS HEADQUARTERS  
TO ISSUE TRAVEL ORDERS FOR JOURNEY BY AIR TO UNITED KINGDOM

POLITICAL SECTION

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A. S. HALFORD  
Asst. Political Adviser.

see M 52

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Col 23

Ref: 14.04/ES

14 February 1945

FEB 14 1945

Sirs,

I received with much pleasure the expression of appreciation of the assistance rendered to your Confederation on the occasion of the recent National Congress at Naples and I shall ensure that it is made known to the officers concerned.

I am glad to learn of the success of the Congress and I renew, on behalf of the Allied Commission, the assurance of our best wishes for the successful development of the Trade Union movement in Italy.

Yours truly

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

The Secretariat

C.G.I.L.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

WHE/rmw

8 February 1945

TEL : Ext. 204

REF : LSC/203

SUBJECT: National Congress of General Federation of  
Italian Labor, Naples, 28 Jan. - 1 Feb. 45.TO : Acting Deputy Chief of Staff/  
Economic Section

1. In order to convey an early report of the proceedings of the National Congress of the General Federation of Italian Labor (CGIL) held at Naples from 28 Jan. to 1 Feb. 1945, a brief summary is submitted.

Labor Sub-Commission has collaborated in the preparation of the PWB report which is more lengthy and should shortly be available.

2. Labor Sub-Commission is preparing full and documented report and is giving consideration to the action which may be necessary as and when the CGIL proceed with the program adopted at the Congress. A full report will be submitted to Economic Section in due course.

3. Two important points emerge immediately from this Congress:-

(a) The Italian trade union movement has gained strength owing to this public demonstration of support from Italian workers. Allied Commission has already adopted the policy of according full recognition to the importance of this movement and it is submitted that this policy be developed further in connection with the industrial north.

(b) Labor Offices have been strongly criticized and a definite attack made upon their continued existence in their present form. In earlier newspaper attacks the suggestion was made that these Offices are foreign to Italian administration and were introduced by Allied authority. Present policy is to establish Labor Offices in liberated territory as the military line advances, and they later pass to administration by Italian authorities as territory is transferred to the Italian Government.

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On the question of the continuance of existing Labor Offices and of the establishment of new Labor Offices in newly liberated territory, Allied Commission would not, as a matter of procedure, be prepared to receive representations direct from CGIL; but would expect the question to be a matter of discussion with the Italian Government authorities. Separate memoranda on this subject will be forwarded -- the present reference is to show that the matter is receiving consideration.

*W. H. Braine*

W. H. BRAINE  
Director  
Labor Sub-Commission

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(Brief summary of National Congress of General Federation of Italian Labor, Naples, 28 Jan. - 1 Feb. 45).

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1. The National Congress of the General Confederation of Italian Labour, held at Naples 28 January to 1 February 1945, was a marked success and has considerably enhanced prestige of the Confederation. It was attended by 475 delegates of whom 322 had effective voting powers, while at each session an average of 400 guests attended by invitation. All Regions of liberated Italy were represented except Abruzzi, whose delegates were unable to reach Naples because of weather conditions. Three delegates, who remained anonymous, attended from enemy-occupied Italy. Attendance represented 1,035,326 workers out of a total of 1,300,000 members of the Confederation.

2. No effort was spared by Allied authorities to indicate recognition of the importance of the democratic labor movement which the National Congress represented. Allied Commission made special arrangements for transport of delegates to the Congress, for their billeting and comfort in Naples, and for their dispersal after Congress. The organizers expressed, publicly, gratitude and full recognition of the assistance rendered by Allied authorities. Message from Prime Minister Bonomi was read by Paresce, Undersecretary for Labour, and Congress was addressed by Gronchi, Minister of Industry, Labor and Commerce; Gullo, Minister of Agriculture; Cerabona, Minister of Transport; Cavelotto, Minister of Communications, and Fiore, Undersecretary for Industry.

3. Three joint secretaries of Confederation addressed Congress. Grandi, Demo-Christian, was the "grand old man" of the convention, who reached high oratorical level and had sympathetic reception in spite of his age and physical weakness. He was recognized as one of the pioneers of the labour movement.

Lizzadri, Socialist, gave indifferent performance and although technically sound, did not obtain warm response.

Leading personality was Di Vittorio, Communist, who has considerably increased personal prestige by oratorical ability, and obvious grasp of problems presented. He gave outstanding personal performance, speaking on one occasion for nearly two and one-half hours, but throughout was moderate and well-balanced, kept meeting in order and upheld freedom of speech for delegates of opposing views.

4. Audience was serious and intent on real business of meeting, showing open resentment of few speakers who introduced political issues. Key-note of Congress was importance of preserving unity of trade union movement without regard to party politics.

Delegates from occupied territory reported that 350,000 workers of the North were following, with keen interest, the trade union movement in liberated Italy, and that they are ready to join Confederation as soon as North is liberated. They reported



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efforts of workers of North to sabotage Fascist war effort.

5. Executive reported benefits already obtained for workers, namely, cost of living bonus, Christmas bonus, and right to work uncultivated land, and demanded share in reconstruction program, fight against black market, institution of sliding wage scale to meet cost of living, decentralization of industry to Southern Regions and derequisitioning of industries and factories occupied by Allied authorities but not directly connected with war effort. Strong criticism of Labour Offices developed into attack upon these institutions and demand for restriction of their activities, if not abolition.

Proposals for agricultural reform and for reform of social insurance, protection of women and juveniles in industry, and improved pensions were also carried.

6. Draft rules and constitution of Confederation were adopted, subject to provision that new National Congress should be held as soon as possible after liberation of North. Three joint secretaries were re-elected and Executive Committee of 25 was approved, comprising 7 Socialists, 7 Demo-Christians, 7 Communists, 2 Action Party, 1 Republican and 1 Syndicalist-Anarchist.

Allied Commission  
Labour Sub-Commission

8 February 1945



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*[Signature]*  
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Chief of Staff

*Co S-15*  
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Tel. 478733

Ref: 14.04/ES

5 February 1945

FEB 7 1945

SUBJECT: Appreciation

TO : General Officer Commanding  
No. 3 District, C. M. F.

*John S. [unclear]*

1. I am directed by the Chief Commissioner to express the appreciation of the Allied Commission for the very great assistance given by No. 3 District and 56 Area on the occasion of the recent First Federal Congress of Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro.

2. The arrangements for the accommodations for the delegates to this Congress had to be made hastily after original plans had broken down, and their success is in a large measure due to the assistance of your organizations in providing blankets.

3. This assistance is all the more appreciated because it was outside of your ordinary responsibilities.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. S. LUCH

Brigadier  
Chief of Staff

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*[Signature]*  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

ARO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

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Tel. 473733

Ref: 14204/AS

3 February 1945

FEB 6 1945

SUBJECT: Appreciation

TO : Commanding General  
Peninsula Base Section

1. I am directed by the Chief Commissioner to express the appreciation of the Allied Commission for the very great assistance given by the Southern District of Peninsula Base Section on the occasion of the recent First Federal Congress of Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro.

2. The arrangements for the accommodations for the delegates to this Congress had to be made hastily after original plans had broken down, and their success is in a large measure due to the assistance of Peninsula Base Section in providing blankets and camp cots.

3. This assistance is all the more appreciated because it was outside of the ordinary responsibilities of the Peninsula Base Section.

For the Chief Commissioner:

PA S. LUBB

Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/RND No. 785017

Ref: LHM/12/000.

2 February 1945.

Subject: C.G.I.I.

To: Col. J. R. DEBARGE,  
Personnel Section.

Reference your LHM/14.00 of 31 January.

I am directed by the Chief of Staff to say that he would like you to draft a letter of appreciation to 3 District and also to 1st.

see Minute 10911

ET  
Colonel,  
Chief Staff 10911



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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION  
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Letter R/1529, HQ, Southern Region AC to HQ AC, "First Federal Congress of Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro"  
TO : CHIEF OF STAFF: ✓

FILE No. ES/1404

31 January 1945

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1. May I suggest that if a letter of appreciation has not already been dispatched to 3 District, that it be done.

2. I should be glad to draft such a letter for your consideration if you desire.

3. I have sent a personal note of appreciation to Brigadier Dunlop in connection with his splendid assistance to the Congress.

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Colonel, F A  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 324  
ECONOMIC SECTION

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31 January 1945

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SUBJECT: First National Congress of General  
Confederation of Italian Labour (CGIL)  
Naples 28 - 31 January 1945  
Inaugural Session.

TO : Chief Commissioner (Thru C.O.S.) ✓  
Vice President, Civil Affairs Section  
Vice President, Establishment Section  
Joint Vice Presidents, Political Section

1. Attached for your information is copy of  
Ref LSC/901 Hq AG, Labor S/C to Economic Section,  
dated 29 Jan 45, subject as above.

2. A letter of appreciation has been dis-  
patched to Mr. Braine and one to Brigadier Dunlop.

3. Full report of the proceedings will be  
made available for your information.

4. An extra copy of the report of the in-  
augural session is attached to copy for Chief Com-  
missioner in the event it is desired to transmit  
same to G-5, A.F.H.Q.

*L. D. Densmore*  
L. D. DENSMORE  
Colonel, F.A.  
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff  
Economic Section

cc: Mr. Braine

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

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14.04/ES

31 January 1945

Dear Brigadier Dunlop:

The splendid tribute paid you by Mr. Braine in the attached report of the inaugural session of the first National Congress of General Confederation of Italian Labor (CGIL) Naples, 28 - 31 January 1945, is only another indication of the outstanding job you are doing as Regional Commissioner of the Southern Region.

May I please add my personal thanks, appreciation and confirmation.

With personal regards,

*LDD*  
L. D. DENSMORE  
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Acting Deputy Chief of Staff  
Economic Section

Brigadier J. K. Dunlop  
Regional Commissioner  
Southern Region

cc: Mr. Braine  
Chief of Staff ✓

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APO 394

LABOUR SUB COMMISSION

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14.04/23

REF : LAC/901

29 January 1948

SUBJECT: First National Congress of General Confederation of Italian Labour (CGIL)  
Naples 28 - 31 January 1948  
Inaugural Session.

TO : Col. Denamore

1. I attended the inaugural session of the first National Congress of the CGIL at Naples on 28 January 1948, and a brief report for your information is below.

2. At this session there was an audience of about 700, composed of 400 delegates from Italian Trade Unions, the balance being persons present by invitation. Delegates from Abruzzi were unable to reach Naples in time owing to bad weather conditions, but there was a good attendance from other parts of Italy. Sicily sent a contingent; Sardinia sent delegates who arrived by air; the Province of Florence sent 45 delegates; and 3 anonymous delegates had crossed the lines from enemy-occupied Italy. These latter intended to return and desire particularly that their anonymity should be preserved. The delegates from the North contained a strong Christian Democrat contingent who, it is understood, emphasized at an early stage the desire that Trade Union unity should be maintained, particularly by abstention from reference to political issues.

3. On the platform Brigadier Dunlop, Regional Commissioner for Southern Region, and myself, were given a prominent place and the orators included H. E. Peresce, Undersecretary for Labour; the newly appointed Sindaco for Naples; Sig. Lombardi President of the Naples C.L.N. (Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale) and others. There were also present officers of the Labour Sub-Commission, who will remain to act as observers throughout the Congress.

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The audience was orderly and restrained throughout these addresses, a solitary cry of "Viva la Repubblica" was heard; at the references to the Allied Dead whose mothers and relations might be told, Sig. Grandi said, that the Italians would never forget their sacrifice, the audience rose. It was fully expected that Di Vittorio the Communist would give prominence to Russian activities, but it must be admitted that he was equally generous in his references, as were others, to the U.S. and Great Britain; and while the audience rose with acclamations to the references to the Russian Armies (giving a reception



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which was no warmer than would be given at this time at any gathering in the U.S. or Great Britain), the audience applauded very warmly all references to the Allied Armies and the Allied authorities.

5. Sig. Lombardi, who was President of the Naples C.M.N. during and after the German occupation of Naples, made a speech which promised well at the outset but, either carried away by his own eloquence, or still bitter from his failure to obtain the post of Sindaco of Naples, he developed his speech into an exhortation to America and Great Britain to be true to the promises held out to the Italians at the time when Radio London was listened to in secrecy with great expectations, and to bring to Italy the peace and the prosperity which he (Lombardi) had expected from them. His discourse was over-long and it exasperated the audience who told him that it was a Trade Union meeting and not a political gathering, and tried to shout him down with cries of "via, via." St. Vittorio and Grandi apologized to me for his references to the United Nations (Brigadier Lunlop had left the meeting at this stage) and they had arranged that the Press references to Lombardi's speech would be of the briefest.

I was asked to speak immediately following Lombardi. I felt my words should be few in view of his lengthy discourse and that I should avoid any appearance of attempting to answer him. I accordingly said that I was touched at their generous response to the reference to our dead and that Allied Commission recognized their difficulties in trying to rebuild a democratic Trade Union movement and offered full collaboration.

6. In short, except for the unfortunate performance of Lombardi, the inaugural session went off well and was orderly, and its relative disorder at the political utterances of Lombardi was a sign of its seriousness in relation to the business of the Congress.

7. A word must be said about the arrangements for the Congress. It is perhaps typically Italian that while the speeches and the conception were excellent, the executive performance was poor, this particularly as regards accommodation of the delegates. The Congress was postponed from mid-December to 28 January because of the difficulty of arranging accommodation in Naples, and the Naples Camera del Lavoro and Trade Unionists undertook to find billets in the town for the delegates in time for the January Congress. Three representatives were sent from Rome to Naples some days before the inaugural meeting, but at the last moment it was discovered that lodgings still had to be found for 300 delegates. The Regional Labour Officer realized the seriousness of the position - this Congress is of National



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8. Brig. Dunlop was also good enough to invite H. E. Paresce, the Secretariat of the CGIL and the Labour Sub-Commission Officers to his apartment in the evening of the inaugural session. Warm tribute was paid by the Italians to him and to the Allied



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Authorities for their assistance in arrangements for the Congress and in the very cordial atmosphere that developed, the cause of the Italo-Allied unity was greatly assisted.

8. This Memorandum is for information only to give some indication of the atmosphere at this first session. A full report on the proceedings will be rendered when the observer return, but it can be firmly said that little effort has been spared by the Allied Authorities to make the Congress a success - and that this first free gathering of Trade Unionists promises to be a landmark in the development of democracy in Italy.

/s/ W. H. BRAINE  
W. H. BRAINE  
Director,  
Labour Sub-Commission

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 THE UNITED STATES  
 NATIONAL COMMISSION  
 OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER  
 APO 394

R/1529

27 January 1945

JAN 30 1945

SUBJECT: First Federal Congress of Confederazione Generale Italiana  
 del Lavoro.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission  
 Attention: Chief of Staff.

1. Further to telephone conversation (Dunlop-Lash) this morning, I wish to give you the following brief report on the accommodation situation which arose in connection with this conference.
2. You will remember that the whole arrangements for this conference were being made by the Italian authorities of C.G.I.L. Late on Thursday the 25th, I was informed by the Regional Labor Officer that a crisis was developing in the accommodation arrangements for the incoming delegates. It had been hoped to lodge all delegates in private houses in Naples, but plans had broken down and arrangements had still to be made for about 300 delegates.
3. I asked the Regional Labor Officer to check over the situation and make a further report to me on Friday morning. On Friday morning he confirmed the seriousness of the situation and I then asked that an official letter be sent to me from C.G.I.L. to ask for help.
4. In the meantime I called a conference for 1600 hours Friday, 26th telephoning Brig. Gripps, 56 Area, and Col. Evans of Southern District, P.B.S. asking them to be good enough to send representatives. At that conference I explained quite clearly to 56 Area and P.B.S. that I was asking for their help to meet an emergency. It was decided that as the authorities of C.G.I.L. had been able to secure dormitory accommodations, our best contribution would be the provision of camp cots and blankets. At the same conference it was confirmed that adequate arrangements for food supply had been made. I called a further short coordinating conference at 1000 hours this morning, Saturday.

5. As a result of these conferences and subsequent discussions, with Headquarters A.C., with G-5 A.F.H.Q. and C.O.C. of 3 District, 3 District are providing 200 blankets and P.B.S. are providing 200 blankets and 100 camp cots. All these are being delivered in Govern-

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6. The three available officers of the Labor Sub-Commission are making themselves responsible for seeing that the blankets are properly unloaded, checked and signed for at the three localities. Labor Sub-Commission are also arranging for the re-collection at the end of the conference.

7. I should like to bring to your notice the very helpful cooperation received from 3 District, 56 Area and Southern District P.B.S., outside their ordinary responsibilities, in meeting this sudden crisis.

Copies to: 3 District  
South. District P.B.S.  
56 Area

Labour Sub Comm A.C.  
Zone Commissioner Naples  
P.B.S. Division S.B.  
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SIGNED

J. K. HUNTER,  
Brigadier,  
Regional Commissioner.





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