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AMASSING OF PULSES  
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Col Shipp: C.O.S. To see folio 2

B.f. at C.O.S meeting <sup>encl 18/10</sup> I am not clear whether

the brochure referred to in para 4 is not to be

deconstructed. Mr 25/12

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Ref 2. and minute above, it was postponed for several meetings unavailably and COS decided, in view of new scheme of F.S., to take no further action. pgs.

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HEADQUARTERS  
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ECONOMIC SECTION  
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Tel: 262  
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14 October 1944

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SUBJECT: Amassing of Pulses  
TO : Chief of Staff

1. Reference your letter 4207/1/COS, 5 October 1944, regarding possible criticism in connection with lack of legislature for the compulsory amassing of pulses.
2. Owing to the extremely small and scattered holdings on which pulses are grown in Italy, the Italian Government had proved in the past that any amassing of pulses was quite impracticable for reasons of control. This is also the strong belief of the Agriculture Sub-Commission.
3. Aside from the principal reason of impracticability of control it was felt that the Agriculture Sub-Commission should devote the greater part of its effort to the amassing of wheat since any diversion of control for the amassing of pulses would have surely interfered with the wheat program.
4. The blocking of pulses was suggested by the Food Sub-Commission mainly in order to obviate criticism which might have arisen had no control whatsoever been established. This will have the healthy effect of still finding some pulses during the winter months when they are most needed and when unblocking might become advisable.

For Acting Head Economic Section.

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Ref: 4207/1/SOS.

5th October, 1944.

SUBJECT: Amassing of Pulses.

TO : DCOS, Economic Section.

1. We may be criticised about our unwillingness to legislate for the compulsory amassing of pulses. I understand that pulses have not been amassed in the past and that this year, as in others, they are being blocked on the farms.

2. Could you draft for the Acting Chief Commissioner a letter giving reasons for our action. You might make the point, if it is one, that the amassing of pulses would add to the difficulties of amassing wheat and that the best Italian advice has been to do what we have done.

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

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