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Ref: L838/8/008

Tel: 451

9 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Sheep.

TO : Economic Section.

Attached letter 21044/19.10 dated 7 Dec 44 from the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, together with translation, is passed to you for action.

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A Chief Staff Officer,  
To the Chief of Staff.

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Presidency of the Council of Ministers

Rome, 7 December 1944

21044/19.10

To the Allied Commission

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Subject: sheep requisition

In his letter n. 15992/6/1 of 27 September, the President of the Council of Ministers asked the Chief of the Allied Commission to intervene about sheep requisition in South Italy.

Commodore Stone kindly answered by letter H A/OC 306 S-1 of September 29th informing us about the requisitions which were to take place during the next three months, and amounting to 18,000, to supply the needs of the British troops of Indian race.

We have now be informed that the British Military Authorities are now requisitioning a contingent of 7,000 sheep in the Matera province, to feed the Indian troops.

The Presidency of the Council would be most grateful to the Allied Commission if it would specify whether these are part of the total amount of 18,000 heads, the requisition of which was already foreseen, or whether it constitutes a new contingent besides this amount.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Office of the Chief of Staff

Tel. 289

Ref : 815/21/003

28 October 1944

SUBJECT : Monthly Report

TO : Economic Section.

1. Attached extracts from Southern Region Monthly Report for September 1944 are forwarded for your comments please.

2. The reported increase in sheep purchases should be notified by phone and confirmed to A.P.L.R. Section, Rome.

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C.S.O.,  
Office, Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

9 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report for the Month of September 1944, Southern Region, ACC.

TO : Chief of Staff, Allied Control Commission.

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(1) General. Shortage of transport throughout the Region was the main difficulty that faced the food supply authorities. Movements from railroads to communes, from granaries to flour mills, and of local surplus from production areas to consumer areas, were most seriously affected. Lack of closed freight cars also affected delivery of perishable products by rail. Unequal distribution of flour mills and pasta factories throughout the Region as a whole resulted in deficiencies in some areas and in an unexploited production potentiality in other areas. Uncontrolled inter-provincial trade, especially in meat, eggs, and dairy products, resulted in high prices and speculation. Lack of sugar caused great disappointment in most provinces. Fruit and vegetables were plentiful, mostly at reasonable prices except in Naples Zone where prices were unduly high. In wine producing areas, excess quantities of wine from last year's crop continue to be reported.

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(4) Foggia Zone. Large shipments of flour to AMG Fifth Army and of grain to Naples were made, but could have been increased if more railroad cars had been available. Urgent requests for shipment of salt could not all be met because of shortage of railroad cars. The gathering of salt at Margherita di Savoia has started, the yield being estimated at 2,000,000 quintals.

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f. Livestock. The livestock situation seemed more favorable. Foot and mouth disease declined. There was a shortage of work stock in Campania, but plans were made to buy cattle in Calabria and reports were received that in the spring the Provinces of Catanzaro and Cosenza could spare 9,000 head of work cattle for northern areas. Swine fever was reported in Calabria. Sheep and goats were fairly plentiful in Calabria and large purchases thereof were made by the French Army in the Province of Catanzaro. In connection with this, relations between French officers and Italian officials were reported to be good. It was reported that 20,000 sheep might be taken from Calabria over and above the present allotment to, and expected purchases by, The French Army.

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/s/ C. E. Temperley,  
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Colonel,  
Regional Commissioner

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