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SUPPLIES, VENEZIA GIULIA
JULY-DEC. 1945

93

Ex Com - Jul. 91 is reply to fol. 82.

Encl. 111

94

Ex Com - Jul. 93 comments on food supplies for Venezuela. Julia. We wrote Venezuela (Jul 48) to prevent inter-ference with movements of food to V-G. We replied (Jul. 68) and did asked to see to comment.

for your info

Encl. 111

MS/421

Ex. v. 100.

450 - Please see 96 for info.

SPH 2/12/60

OSO.

413

A/V.P. Enc. is picture of letter to AENC

embodiment these proposals.

MS/21200

MS/21200

98A.

for Virginia Julia We want
Region (Feb 48) to prevent inter-
ference with movements of road to V-G
We replied (Feb 68) and did advise
see to combat.

for your info

Emmet
1/11

Mr. [unclear]

Ex. Com.

97
cbo - Please see 96 for info.

SPK 2/12/68

oso.

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473

A/V.P. Econ. is putting up letter to AFHQ

embodiment these proposals.

MS/2/12/68

Mr. [unclear]
SPK 2/12/68

98A.

Info 94 sent by Ex. Com.

C.S.O.

Major Holmes.

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1.

FILE CLOSED - SEE Vol. 2

(48) E.C. Prasad
 14.1.87.
 bilal De Timber
 question, it
 seems to me
 that the Joint
 Tech. Com. for
 VT is falling
 down. Our
 area should

be receiving
 the same sup-
 plies from India
 as before. India
 often state
 provinces should
 not be called
 upon to support
 for the full
 time, V.S. Inc.

(89)

Ex Com.

Sir,

Any action please

in regard to C.C.

signature in folio 84.

(85)

(90)

No-ackn

✓
 taken in another file

472

1. 13 falling
 down. Our
 area should
 be called
 upon to support
 for the full
 time, V.S. 200

89

Ex-bm-

See.

Any action please

in regard to b.b's
 signature in Folio 84.

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No-achin

taken in another file

WY 30/12

Ex. Com.

P.s 67-68, 76-77 for if

P. 79 has just come in.

True 17/10.

8/

Ex. Com.

Letter to COS in reply to 47 to vision

Mr. [unclear]

21/

Ex. Com.

Letter to COS submitted for signature

True 19/10.

Mr. [unclear]

Ex. Com.

36.

Letter to COS submitted for signature. (Vol 85) 47

True 24/10.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Exp Com

~~Chief Commissioner~~

PA 23/10

Unlike the timber, local produce such as fresh vegetables etc did apparently normally flow from Udine to Trieste. So long as we do not damage the economy of Italy generally I think we can allow them to continue.

I spoke personally to Gen Hamolgen & Brig 470 Ritchie on the Timber question & the general attitude of the Joint Economic Council & I think something will come of it. Brig Ritchie said he thought it ought to be considered!

DS/171x

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Ex. Com.

Memo opposite - Q.48 submitted for signature.

Add For the

3/10.

1/15/41

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1/20/41

C.S.O. - Folios 44-5 for info. I believe Ex. Com. has probably been changed by Col. all of this by Col. Walton

Emul 4/10

Blank - know what Ex. Com. is. Let's know what Ex. Com. is. 5/6

C.S.O. - Folios 54-55 for info

Emul 5/10

Covered by Folio 4

seen by C.S.O.

Emul 8/10

57(2)

Ref. min. 36

C.S.O. - following info. Truly 6 Oct & 13 Corp advised this HQ they would not be able to submit supply requirements by 12 Oct. Matter should have been sent to Col. Walton's hands. is copy of report to AFHQ as stating.

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C80- Folios 44-5 for info. I believe to Com. has probably
been changed to folio 4/10
all of this by Col. Ennis 4/10
Walton

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Let's know what to do. 56
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C80- Folios 54-55 for info
Ennis 5/10

Covered by folio 56
seen by C80
Ennis 8/10

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able to submit supply requirements
by 12 Oct. Major Stand there now
in Col. Walton's hands is copy of report to
AFHQ as stating."

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Ennis 17/10

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C80- Folios 67-68 for info

Ennis 12/10

(See folio 75)

C80- Folio 77 for info Ennis 16/10

TO: Executive Commissioner.

Reference your minute 34. Please see minute 36 above. Recommending against preferential treatment for Venezuela Giulia, in which I concur.

Room 360
35 Sep 45
Tel: 267

L. R. McKinley

L. R. McKinley
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President

for

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1-10-45 27/9.
CSO. Re. min 38. All parties are agreed that Venezuela Giulia should not have special treatment. Shall I prepare a reply to 13 Corp for signature of Ex Com (on CSO?)

Emm 26/9

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Ex. Com.

P. 26-32 - min. 35-38 Corps Comdr has recommended to AFHQ an increased ration. All here are against it. In view of X 2/32 may I know your views.

1-10-45 27/9.

(11)

Exec Sec
26 Sep 45
Tel: 267

S. B. MCINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President

for

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~~7~~ ~~1~~ ~~22/9~~
CSO. Ref. min 38. All parties are agreed that
Virginia Lumber should not have special
treatment. Shall I prepare a reply to
13 Corp for signature of Ex Com (on CSO?)

Encl 26/9

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Ex Com.

P. 26-32 - min 35-38 Corps Cdr
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may I know your views. 408

~~1~~ ~~22/9~~

(11)

2 letters to issue, 21 tel. - other 61.

for discussion

27/9

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Since dropping above 47 has arrived
Letter to R.C. V.R. to issue.

27/9

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO BOX
ECONOMIC SECTION

ROUTING AND WORK SHEET

Each note must be numbered and each space completely filled in. THIS WORK SHEET MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE TO WHICH ATTACHED UNTIL ACTION IS COMPLETED AND THEN FILED WITH FILE COPIES OF COMMUNICATION TO WHICH IT PERTAINS. A line will be drawn the full width of the page under each note.

SUBJECT:

No	Date	To	REMARKS	From
36	24/9	Economic Sect at Col. Brainerd	As the Chief Commissioner (see # 6) has already gone on record against the increase and as all ^{which} reports are based on the same ration scale for VG as Italy, it seems to me that AFHQ must decide this matter which has many political implications at this particular time. My own opinion is that they are no better or worse off than the rest of Italy and, until it is definitely decided in London to whom they belong, they should continue on the same scale as laid down for Italy. from Oct 1st the new ration scale of 200 gr bread and 2000 gram pasta per week effect ^{in US} as the present time VG is giving 50 gr daily of bread more than Northern Italy but giving 1000 gr of pasta per week. for	Frank E. Brainerd Lt Col 24.
37	25 1946	A VP Econ Section	AMG XIII Corps sent a letter on 13 Sept 45 to SEAPRA, Trieste announcing that the normal consumption ration is follows: Bread 200 grams per day Pasta 2000 grams per week This ration scale to be effective 1 October 1945. This brings Venezia Giulia ration up to the same ration as the rest of Italy which is in direct accord with the views of C.C. ^{see other side}	46 54 Div 11

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C50 - Re. folio 20-12. Suggest Food S/C be asked to compare existing and proposed nation scales (folio 30, para. 2 and folio 28 para. 5 with those in effect in real Italy and for general comment. Re. para 2 c. folio 29 (AMG) and later Italian government should be able to take remedial action. Virginia Lucia could be included in food plans. Northern Italy in fact is already included in some plans.

End 20/9

34.

See sent (1/2 Food S/C)

Sketches for Gen. General
Comment on folios 28-31.

Excluded
by S. S. S. S.

22/5

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To Food S/C
1) For comment.

cluded in some plans.

Encl 2/19

34.

Encl 1 (1/2 Food S/c)

perhaps to have General

Comment on Paris 28-31.

Encl 1/2
to General

22/5.

35.

To Food S/c

1) For comment.

2) I do not see why Venezia Giulia should
be on a different basis than Bolzano of Italy.

Denounce
27/9

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24.

Executive Commissioner.

Please see folio 22, which is the memorandum you asked Ecom. Section to prepare on the problem of the Italian Government supplying Venezia Giulia with imported supplies and the distribution of the resultant products.

I have talked to Colonel Walton about this and told him that the knotty problem appeared to be as set out in his para: 2(g). He now says that he wishes to play down this paragraph since, when he saw Minister Gronchi, the Minister did not show any desire to participate in the distribution and the sentence in para: 2(g) should more properly read :-

"...it would appear that the same Government might wish to share etc."

Colonel Walton got the impression that the Italian Government were prepared to gamble on the eventual settlement of the area in their favour and to send in supplies for political purposes. If at some later date it comes out that they do wish to share in the distribution of the products resulting from the supplies provided, I suggest that the variation suggested in para: 2(f) might be the solution. This variation means that the cost of the supplies sent in to Venezia Giulia would be held in suspense until the Peace Treaty and then debited either to Yugoslavia or to the Italian Government.

As you will see, Minister Gronchi intends to make a cotton allocation when it arrives.

7/9/45.

CSO.

Chief Commissioner.

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Attached is submitted for your ~~approval~~ information

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SEP 14 1945

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MS/89.

read :-

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7/9/45.

CSO.

Chief Commissioner.

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Attached is submitted for your ~~signature~~ ^{signature} information

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SEP 14 1945

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175/879.

Noted by CC [Signature]

Copy to [unclear] 5
For info. re attached (X-100)

200 30/7

Mr [unclear] 30/7

[unclear] [unclear]

For info please see file 6

200 30/7

200 30/7

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Inform BEACON VG. 25/4/8

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[unclear]

At your info please see file 12 & 15 - Belief
Can action should look into this. If you agree - will
instruct accordingly. 404

200 30/7

17

25/4. Send to BEACON VG for any action he may

For info please see file 6

SR 30/3

25/4

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Inform SCAC vs. SS (4/8)

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Ex-lam

For your info please see files 12 & 15 - Belial

Can action should look into this. If you agree - will

404

instruct accordingly.

SR 30/3

17

25/4. Send to SCAC vs. for any action he may

deem necessary. 7

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SR

Please see file 22. The question posed by the Ex-lam is
is or will only need threatening not in congress. That you
please proceed this & Ex-lam for consultation.

SR 30/3

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

15 December 1945

Q-5; L-7

DEC 21 1945

SUBJECT: Military Responsibility for Supplies in AMG Territory

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 394.

1. Reference letter from Chief Commissioner, file ES/1.47/0 dated 13 December, which incloses a letter from the Acting Vice-President, Economic Section, Allied Commission. It is agreed that it would be most unfortunate if food supplies loaned from Italian stocks for use in AMG territory were not to be repaid in kind. A signal (copy to Allied Commission) has been sent to the Combined Chiefs of Staff requesting confirmation that repayment will be made in kind. 96A

2. It is possible that the Italian representatives in the United States have requested payment in dollars so that they may purchase other commodities. This might be checked into in Rome.

3. It is agreed that if dollar payment should be made, that loans will be requested only as a last resort and after every effort has been made to obtain military supplies.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

/s/ A. L. Hamblen

A. L. HAMBLEY,
Brigadier General OSC,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

20 December 45

Exec Sec Distribution:
ACTION: Exec Sec
INFO: Chief Comm
Exec Comm

See p. 98

PA. 29

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DEC 182200A

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DEC 190830A
IMMEDIATE

MAIN 13 COMUS FOR CHIEF OF STAFF FROM GEN HARDING

ACTION: AFHQ INFO: ALGOM

DEC 1 1945

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96A.
f10 Dec
Ref your FA 55949. I have discussed with Mr. (Cleveland ?) Economic Adviser to Alcom question of method of continuing sups to Udine and Venezia Giulia and other related matters. As a result I consider arrangements made must provide for following.

1. Res of two months civil sups for Venezia Giulia to be held locally.
2. Scale of civil sups for Venezia Giulia to be at least equal to that for remainder of Italy which I understand will be raised when UNRRA assume responsibility.
3. Res of one months civil sups for Udine to be held locally and to be at my disposal for use in emergency. AND Udine to retain machinery for distribution in emergency.
4. Supply of commodities and materials essential to industry for which Venezia Giulia is dependent on rest of Italy to be maintained on scale proportionate to needs and availability. In other words all possible steps to be taken to prevent public or private commercial discrimination to the disadvantage of Venezia Giulia.

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INFO ACTION: ECON SECTION (2)

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EXEC COMMISSIONER (2)
POLAD (A)
POLAD (B) 402
FILE (SKELETON)

HEADQUARTERS

10 DEC 1945

A. C.

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See M. 97:98

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A/12

(M.A.H.)
26/12/45

Originator's Reference: PX5549
 Date/Time of Origin: DEC 10 052A

Message Centre No: C/5329

Date Time Received: DEC 11 0030A

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FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PHOEG

Precedence: 'OP' PRIORITY

TO : ACTION: ALOOM ROME 13 CORPS

SECRET.

The following message has been received from the Combined Chief's of Staff as
 PAN 634.
 Further instructions from AFHQ will follow.

Para 1. All areas in Italy, including the Province of Bolzano and the
 Comune of Colle Salvetti, Livorno, Naples and Pisa, and the fortress islands of
 Lampedusa, Linosa, and Pantelleria, but excepting Udine Province and that portion
 of Venezia Giulia west of the Morgan Line, will be returned to Italian admin-
 istration as soon as possible, and any case no longer than 21 days after receipt
 of this directive (reference your radios NAP 1609, NAP 1071, NAP 1073, NAP 1092
 and NAP 005).

Para 2. Simultaneously, in respect of any territories which may be retained
 under AMG, all command functions of ALOOM and AMG will be performed by 13 Corps,
 reporting directly to AFHQ. Military personnel detached from duty with ALOOM will
 not be utilized as AFHQ Liaison to ALOOM.

Para 3. At time of hand over you should inform Italian Government and make
 public announcement to include statements that:

- (A) Udine is retained solely for military reasons and not because it is
 considered a disputed area.
- (B) Return of Bolzano is without prejudice to final disposal of province
 under peace treaty at which Italian rights will receive full consideration.

Para 4. As regards Lampedusa, Linosa, and Pantelleria, handback of these
 Provinces should be made at the same time, subject to your obtaining agreement
 of Italian Government to:

- (A) Their demilitarization.
- (B) Your retaining right of inspection to insure that demilitarization is
 maintained. You should provide, if you think it necessary, for Allied Officers
 to be stationed there, as in other parts of Italy administered by Italian
 Government, to ensure that Allied Military interests are safeguarded.

Para 5. You are completely relieved of Italian supply responsibility except
 for Venezia Giulia, and Province of Udine. Supplies will be the concern of the
 civilian departments of the United States and United Kingdom Governments of the
 Italian Government programs. Pending further instruction, you should, as Presi-
 dent of the Allied Commission, continue to advise and assist the Italian Gov-
 ernment in the preparation of program of supplies for the areas covered by its
 programs and, whenever programs have been established by the Italian Government
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PARA 5 CONTINUED

You may also give assistance to the Italian Government in connection with the preparation of bids for transportation for the supplies when received in Italy. In addition as Military Commander, you will have right to communicate with the United States and United Kingdom Governments on supply matters affecting the security or redeployment of your troops.

Para 6. Your channel of communication to the United States and United Kingdom Governments, both with respect to Allied Force Headquarters and Allied Commission matters will continue through the Combined Chiefs of Staff and the Combined Civil Affairs Committee in appropriate cable series. It is contemplated that necessary Italian civil supply arrangements will be handled between Allied Commission and Combined Liberation Areas admitted and use of COM-MOC cable series has been authorized for this purpose. However, you may submit any matters you deem appropriate the Combined Civil Affairs Committee through existing channels. Combined Chiefs of Staff or Combined Civil Affairs Committee will, where appropriate, communicate with responsible civilian agencies of the United States and United Kingdom Governments.

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION: EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER (2)

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
POLAD(A)
POLAD(B)
C A SECTION (FOR CLA)
ECOM SECTION
FILE

4826 91
Tel: 350

13 December 1945 (95)

Ref: 13/11.47/0

DEC 14 1945

Brig. Gen. A. L. Hamblen
Assistant Chief of Staff
G-5 AFHQ
APO 512 U. S. Army

Dear General Hamblen:

93.
Attached is a memorandum, Subject: Supplies for Udine and Venesia-Giulia, from Mr. Cleveland, on a matter which he has already discussed with you on the phone.

Since this matter affects the military program of civilian supplies for Venesia-Giulia, this correspondence is passed to you for your information and whatever action you consider appropriate.

It is pointed out that the information we have received is not in writing and is unofficial.

Sincerely yours,

12/14/45 E. W. Stone

ELMER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Incl: 1
(Per para. 1)

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Ex 66

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Economic Section

Ref. 1.47/23

31 October 1945

OCT 31 1945

SUBJECT: Rations - Venezia Giulia

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. Reference your 4826/75/EC of 15 October 1945 and attached letter KKII/C14.13 of 9 October 1945.

2. The letter of the Regional Commissioner Venezia Region would appear to state the case very clearly. For some time, the situation in Venezia Giulia with regard to non-rationed foodstuffs has been causing this Section some concern, and instructions have been given to Regional Food Officers to make every effort to release everything they can to Venezia Giulia.

3. In particular, RFO, Lombardia Region, ~~when~~ when in Rome, was asked what foodstuffs could be spared from that region; and he has given an assurance that arrangements would be made to send soft cheese, salami and a certain quantity of vegetables to Venezia Giulia.

4. This Section is at present compiling food requirement requisitions for Udine and Venezia Giulia. These provide for maintenance of existing Northern Italy ration scales for Udine and most of Venezia Giulia for the period January - June, 1946, as well as for a two months special emergency reserve of essential foodstuffs for the whole of Venezia Giulia. For Pola, the isolated part of Venezia Giulia, certain slightly increased ration scales are provided for in view of its unique position and in order to ensure that the overall availability of foodstuffs there shall be at least the same as in the rest of Venezia Giulia.

Harlan Cleveland
HARLAN CLEVELAND
Acting Vice President

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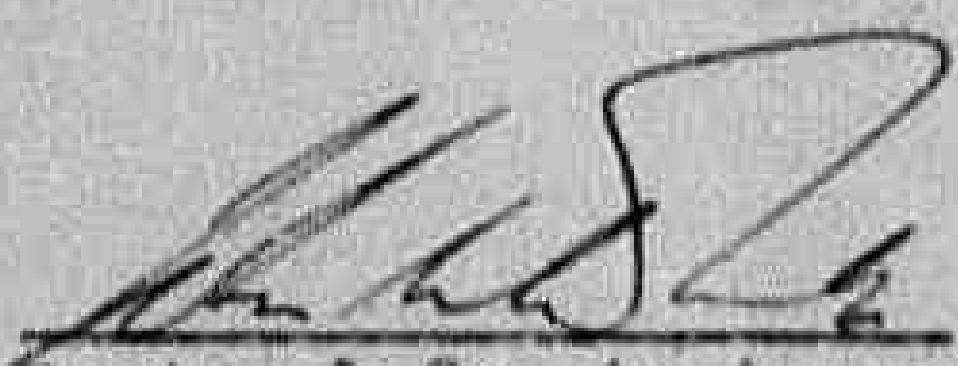
HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIA REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
Attn.: Executive Commissioner
SUBJECT : Firewood for Venezia Giulia
FILE NO : RXII/010

25 Oct 45

OCT 29 1945

1. Reference your 4826/EC of 19 October.
2. "Zone B", as you know, is that portion of Venezia Giulia occupied by Jugo-Slav Military administration. The Ober Gailtal and Unter Gailtal are both in Austria. I am afraid that I can make little comment on Venezia Giulia's trade arrangements in this respect.
3. We do however fully realise that Trieste has got to have firewood, and an allocation of firewood from Udine has already been made.


Regional Commissioner

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IMPORTANT

AMB 13 CORPS

OCT 24 1945

AFHQ FOR RE THE INFO: ALCOA CORP, G 13 CORPS, AMB VERMONT BRIGADE,
AMB VERMONT PROV NO 2 FORESTRY GROUP RE

SECRET.

Ref your G 10753 dated 20 October 1944 delegate to request
for timber by Joint Economic Committee leaves little hope of obtaining
any supplies this source. JUSCOBAY only offer timber ex FICM and
request sweeping of port to do this. Understand AFHQ not prepared to
give sweeping of port in JUSCOBAY Control priority. Therefore our
request timber from ITALY stands.

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INFORMATION ROOM NO 2
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ADRIAS 50
FILE 2: 1000 13

W/C NOTE:

No trace of quoted ref.

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See hims 88-90

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Ref: 4286/30

29 October 1945

SUBJECT: Food Situation - Trieste

TO : Chief of Staff, Allied Force Headquarters

1. The following extract from a semi-official letter received by the Executive Commissioner from the Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region is forwarded for your information:

" I have just finished a very busy week of touring and I think I can report a good state of affairs generally. On Monday I went across to Udine and on Tuesday over to Trieste. We fully discussed the food position and I think that both the Corps Commander and Brigadier Terence Airey do fully realize that Udine and Venezia Giulia have to be regarded as economically on a different basis. At any rate I hope that they do now also understand that Udine has very little exportable surplus, certainly nothing like enough to maintain Trieste and therefore the question of feeding Trieste must be looked at from a much wider angle and must be a problem to be worked out in conjunction with the whole of Venezia Region and possibly the whole of Italy. For that purpose I arranged a meeting between Venezia Giulia representatives and I bring, my own Food Officer, and Dr Saldan, the very good Italian Regional Food Officer. Then, later in the week, I was across at Bolzano I found that the fruit shipments from Bolzano to Trieste were moving all right. "

2. by #226/51/c of 19 Oct. ref.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 304

20 October, 1945

Thank you for your letter of the 18th. I admire intensely your capacity for writing legible manuscript.

I have just finished a very busy week of touring and I think I can report a good state of affairs generally. On Monday I went across to Duino and on Tuesday over to Trieste. We fully discussed the food position and I think that both the Corps Commander and Brigadier Terence Airey do fully realize that Udine and Venezia Giulia have to be regarded economically on a different basis. At any rate I hope that they do now also understand that Udine has very little exportable surplus, certainly nothing like enough to maintain Trieste, and therefore the question of feeding Trieste must be looked at from a much wider angle and must be a problem to be worked out in conjunction with the whole of Venezia Region and possibly the whole of Italy. For that purpose I arranged a meeting between Venezia Giulia representatives and Dring, my own Food Officer, and Dr. Soldan, the very good Italian Regional Food Officer. When, later in the week, I was across at Bolzano I found that the fruit shipments from Bolzano to Trieste were moving all right.

On Wednesday I went to Trento for a review of the Carabinieri, thence to Bolzano and Merano returning here last night. I shall not worry you with the details of events in the Veneto except to say that "Dusty" Miller seems to be settling down very well and to be delighted with his Province. Thompson is remaining on until the 30th which will be a very great help.

I returned last night to find the sad news of the departure of eleven of my American officers tomorrow. It is a sad blow but, in fact, we can still carry on without the necessity of closing down any Provincial Headquarters. I should like to carry on, if at all possible, to the ultimate minute with at least two officers at each Provincial camp.

Henry Hopkinson had been at Bolzano the day before my arrival and had left some very interesting news about that Province. I will not particularise further, safe to say that it did appear to me most desirable that we should keep a strong team at Bolzano, even, if possible, building it up to some extent.

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See also the letter from the U.S. Army.

Get AFHQ

across to Duino and on Tuesday over to Trieste. We fully discussed the food position and I think that both the Corps Commander and Brigadier Terence-Airey do fully realise that Udine and Venezia Giulia have to be regarded economically on a different basis. At any rate I hope that they do now also understand that Udine has very little exportable surplus, certainly nothing like enough to maintain Trieste, and therefore the question of feeding Trieste must be looked at from a much wider angle and must be a problem to be worked out in conjunction with the whole of Venezia Region and possibly the whole of Italy. For that purpose I arranged a meeting between Venezia Giulia representatives and Dring, my own Food Officer, and Dr. Soldan, the very good Italian Regional Food Officer. When, later in the week, I was across at Bolzano I found that the fruit shipments from Bolzano to Trieste were moving all right.

On Wednesday I went to Trento for a review of the Carabinieri, thence to Bolzano and Merano returning here last night. I shall not worry you with the details of events in the Veneto except to say that "Dusty" Miller seems to be settling down very well and to be delighted with his Province. Thompson is remaining on until the 30th which will be a very great help.

I returned last night to find the sad news of the departure of eleven of my American officers tomorrow. It is a sad blow but, in fact, we can still carry on without the necessity of closing down any Provincial Headquarters. I should like to carry on, if at all possible, to the ultimate minute with at least two officers at each Provincial camp.

Henry Hopkinson had been at Bolzano the day before my arrival and had left some very interesting news about that Province. I will not particularise further, safe to say that it did appear to me most desirable that we should keep a strong team at Bolzano, even, if possible, building it up to some extent.

The news that you and your wife might be able to come up and visit us is, as always, exceedingly welcome. The weather is perfect and the colors on the mountains are beautiful beyond description. If you come quickly and if the weather holds I could give you the itinerary for a mountain drive that I think you would remember to the end of your days.

Brigadier Maurice Lush, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.
Office of the Executive Commissioner
Headquarters, Allied Commission

*Just taking the time to write you
don't see it as V.S. Lush, C.B.*

Oct 1944

Ref: 4826/81/80

19 October 1945

SUBJECT: Rations -- Venezia Giulia

TO : Chief of Staff, AFHQ

1. I directed the Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region, to carry out the instruction contained in para 3 of your letter of 28 September 45 and to report on the allegations made by SCAO, XIII Corps in para 4(a) of his letter 13C/AMG/S/1532/201 of 7 September 45 forwarded to AFHQ under cover of HQ XIII Corps letter 5521/6/0 of 14 September 45. I enclose Brigadier Dunlop's report.

2. You will agree, I think, that sheer parochialism is not the main reason for supplies from Udine failing to reach Trieste. Many extra mouths have to be fed in the former province. It will be for the SCAO, XIII Corps, in addition to tapping Udine, to explore other sources of supply for Venezia Giulia especially, with the help of the Joint Economic Council, the more adjacent and more natural sources east of the Morgan Line.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 4826/100

19 October 1945

SUBJECT: Firewood for Venezia Giulia

TO : R.C. Venezia Region

1. The following statement appears in the report of the Economic Divisions, Venezia Giulia of 8 Oct:-

"FIREWOOD" A UIVOD representative is going to Zone B, driven by a Yugoslav driver from the Yugoslav Mil. Mission, to make arrangements for 600 tons of wood.

Five truckloads of firewood have arrived in Trieste from Udine.

A project to obtain anything up to 30,000 tons of firewood from the Gail valley and UDINE territory contiguous with it this side of the Austrian border is now contemplated. "

2. The Executive Commissioner would like your comments.

~~E.M. WHITE~~

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Noted [Signature]

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: F 48993

Message Centre No: 0/1234

Date/Time of Origin: OCT 161730L

Date Time Rec'd: OCT 171000A

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFKA SIGNED SACRED CITE FIGARO

TO : ACTION ALCOM

OCT 17 1945

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Your 7089 refers.

Would remind you that SACRED with your agreement has just received approval his recommendation for military responsibility for UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA. Reasons now given by you to change that recommendation not considered sufficiently strong to overcome obvious advantages approved scheme. Although supplies are requisitioned through military channels they are distributed through AMO/AC channels. As long as UDINE is a military L of C most desirable that military assure that food is adequate. Nothing in present scheme of supply prevents Italians from including UDINE in its rehabilitation programme. On the contrary it is expected that it will be given full consideration and necessary assistance by Italian Government.

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OCT 16 1945

FOR ACTION SOAD VENEZIA GIULIA

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19 OCTOBER 1945

PRIORITY

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SUBJECT IS TIMBER SUPPLIES FOR VENEZIA GIULIA PD

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PARA THREE PD SUGGEST THIS AREA AS POSSIBLE SOURCE FOR VENEZIA GIULIA

LUMBER REQUIREMENTS PD

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James M. Harritt
Director

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OCT 16 1945

FOR ACTION RC AND VENEZIA REGION FOR RIDGELL

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13 OCTOBER 1945

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PARA TWO PD FOR ACTION RC AND VENEZIA REGION FOR RIDGELL FROM HQ ALCON CITY AGASS

PARA TWO PD HE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS FUELWOOD PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT
FROM VENEZIA TO VENEZIA GIULIA PD

Copy to: Economic Section

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Agriculture Sub-Commission

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James H. Harritt
Director

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 4826/75/20

15 October 1945

SUBJECT: Rations - Venezia Giulia

TO : Economic Section

1. Herewith copy of communication from Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region, on trade with Venezia Giulia.
2. May we have your comments, please.

1 Incl.

E. M. WHITE

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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BUT THAT UDINE BE REGARDED AS PART OF THE REST OF ITALY FOR SUPPLY PURPOSES
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GOVERNMENT PD THIS POLICY WOULD NOT ONLY BE POLITICALLY WISE BUT WOULD
AVOID ECONOMIC DISCRIMINATION WHICH WOULD LEAD TO DIFFICULTY IN TURNOVER PD

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Economic Sec (2)

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Exec Comm

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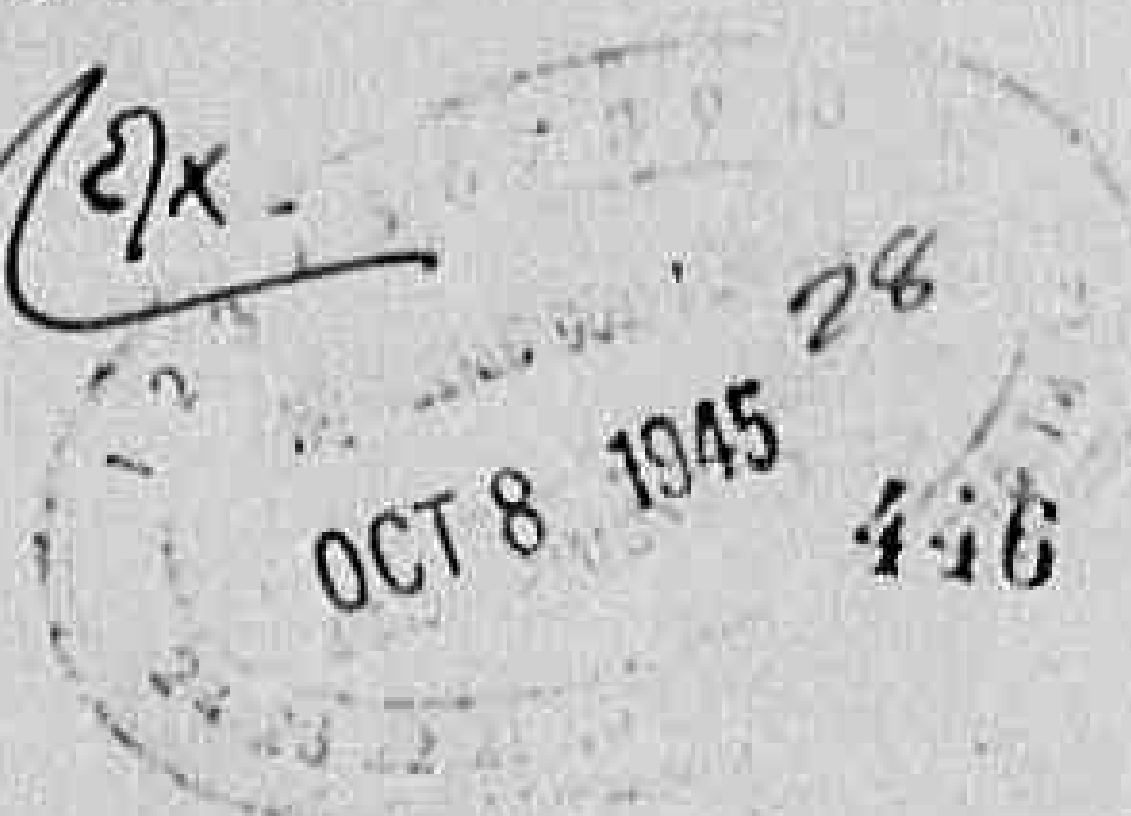
V.P. Economic Sec

8th October, 1945

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Draft Signal to AFHQ for your concurrence.

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To: A.P.H.C.

Reference TAM 690 and IAC 1311.

study
My political advisers have represented the desirability

of distinguishing even in the field of economics between UDINE

which is not repeat not a disputed area and Venezia Giulia which is.

I agree and recommend that supplies for Venezia Giulia should be military responsibility but that UDINE be regarded as part of the rest of Italy for supply purposes and that the Italian Government be requested to include it in their programme both for supply and industrial rehabilitation in the same way as Naples commune which although administered by AMG is supplied directly by Italian Government. This policy would not only be politically wise but, 445 would avoid economic discrimination which would lead to difficulty in turnover.

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SIGNED ALEXANDER CITE FRIEND
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ROUTINE

Ref. TAM 690. This is LAC 1311 sub: VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE.

1. Agree that civil supplies for subject areas will be military responsibility.
 2. Understood here that COS will take action on loading period September-December as per monthly amounts set out para 3 MAT 889.
 3. Pending arrival these military loadings arrangements have been made with ALCON to provide from civilian requisitions. ALCON will account for supplies and receive repayment in kind.
- NOTE: Requirements for these areas September-December included in civilian requisitions put forward by ALCON, so that after repayment has been effected Italian Govt should have 4 months supplies for a population equivalent to that of VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE surplus to current needs.
4. Action has been initiated to insure maximum utilization of Italian resources.
 5. Program for 1st 6 months 1946 will be submitted earliest.
 6. It is also understood that supply responsibility for other AMO areas in ITALY will confirm to COS decision on MAP 1069 and 1071.

DIST INFO-ACTION - Reg. Div.
INFO - Chief Cos.
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W/C NOTE:

No trace of TAM 690.

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ACTION ALCOM ROME, 13 CORPS FOR AMG

ROUTINE

SECRET:

VENEZIA GIULIA AND UDINE

1. Cable TAM 690 has been received from C.C.S. advising that civilian supplies for VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE Provinces will remain a military responsibility and that APHJ would continue to be responsible for supplies in theatre.

2. Requirements given in ALCOM letter 20.02/EE of 24 August were forwarded by APHQ to C.C.S. in MAT 889 with a statement that these requirements had already been anticipated in ALCOM requisitions (COM-MOC series) for period September-December loadings. CCS advise however that they propose to supply these requirements through military channels and that advice of loadings will be sent later.

3. Meanwhile ALCOM will arrange to set aside from Italian Government stocks required supplies for these areas and such supplies as are ultimately shipped by military authorities as result of action in para 2 will be used for replacement to extent that AMI has drawn on Italian Government stocks. Any balance will be applied against future VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE requirements. Future ALCOM requisitions will be adjusted accordingly.

4. AMG VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE will coordinate fully with ALCOM in distribution of supplies and planning of future requirements to secure maximum utilization of Italian resources.

5. It is requested that AMG VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE submit by 12 October in coordination with and through ALCOM to this HQ monthly requirements for the 6 month period beginning January 1946. These requirements will not vary from scales laid down for NORTHERN ITALY and it is presumed that they will closely approximate to those already submitted for September-December.

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INFO: Chief Com.
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HEADQUARTERS
VENETIE REGION

Allied Military Government
 AFO 394

October, 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner
Headquarters, Allied Commission.

SUBJECT : Ratione - Venezis-Gulia

FILE NO : RXII/014.13

1. Reference your 4826/48/EC of 3rd October, 1945.

2. I am immediately instructing my Regional Food Officer, Major Dring, to get in touch with Major Sarsley, Food Officer for Venezia-Giulia, to see what we can do to help the food supplies for Trieste.

3. Last week, while at Bolzano, I stressed the importance of getting train shipments of fruit sent through to Trieste and I have been pressing transportation to ensure that the necessary waggons are available.

4. At the same time I am sure that you realise that the problem is not one sided. You know that distribution of wheat, flour, sugar, fats, cheese, and milk are made in accordance with a programme laid down by the Food Sub-Commission which we are bound to carry out. That does not leave much else except fresh fruit and vegetables. Colonel Bowman agrees that he is getting fresh fruit and vegetables from Italy. I have already explained our plans to move fruit from Bolzano to Trieste.

5. You will realise that from the other side I am receiving constant complaints from Udine that Trieste merchants roam the countryside buying up all available produce at fabulous prices to the detriment of the local inhabitants.

6. The truth is that Udine, which suffered heavy depredations from Germans, Cossacks, and Jugoslavs, has now to supply a population swollen by refugees, and has, no doubt, to find a limited amount of local produce for Allied Troops. There will not be a big surplus available from Udine for Trieste.

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7. In normal times, Trieste drew its supplies from as far afield as Treviso, Padove, and Rovigo, as well as from Bolzano. Now, with the lack of rail facilities and the high cost of road transport, there is an obvious tendency for Trieste to seek all its supplies from as near at hand as possible, that is from South Udine.
8. The remedy must surely be to make a plan whereby the burden of supplying Trieste is distributed over as wide an area as possible, using rail and sea transport.

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9. This plan I shall immediately study in conjunction with S.C.A.O. 13 Corps. You will, however, appreciate that its execution will depend on Italian cooperation after the date of transfer.

Copy to:- S.C.A.O. XIII Corps
Food Division (2)
(copy for Dott. Soldan)

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Regional Commissioner

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Food Division (2)
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FOR ACTION AFHQ CITE FHEHQ INFORMATION AND 13 CORPS ~~REAR~~ DES AFHQ
HQ AND VENEZIA REGION, AND UDINE, 2 FOR ESTROY GROUP, REAR 13 CORPS

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8 OCTOBER 45

PRIORITY

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REFERENCE IS MADE TO AND THIRTEEN CORPS SIGNAL SIX SEVEN FIVE ZERO OF EIGHT
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PARA ONE PD UNDERSTAND THAT THE SOURCE OF TIMBER SUPPLY FOR VENEZIA GIULIA
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MORGAN LINE PD

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GIULIA IS TO ENSURE THE NATURAL FLOW OF LOCAL RESOURCES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS PD
IT IS FOR THIS COMMITTEE TO INSIST ON SUPPLY OF TIMBER FOR VENEZIA GIULIA PD
BEFORE DISLOCATING THE NATURAL ECONOMY OF UDINE AND THE REST OF ITALY THE
JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE SHOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSE
FOR WHICH IT WAS ORGANIZED

Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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Ref. 1.47

10 October 1945

TO: The Executive Commissioner

SUBJECT: Timber Supply for Venezia Giulia

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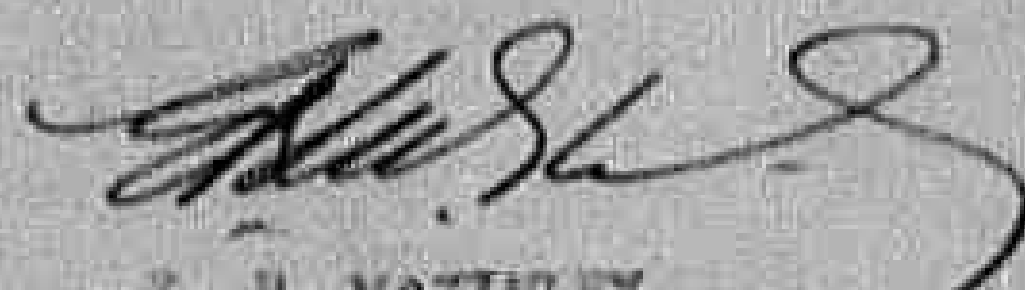
1. Reference attached draft signal concerning timber supply for Venezia Giulia.

2. Note memorandum to Mr. Sullivan, 10 October 1945, verifying the normal source of supply.

3. Suggest that the draft signal include a reference to signal 18/1748/18, 5 October, from AMG XIII Corps.

4. Signal seems satisfactory as changed by the Admiral. His final change may need some smoothing out as I am able to read it.

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E. B. MCKINLEY
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Acting Vice President

Emad
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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: Supply of Timber for Venezia Giulia

1. Civilian supplies for Venezia Giulia represent a military commitment.
 2. It is understood that supplies of timber for territory west of the Morgan Line have normally been drawn from territory in Venezia Giulia east of the Morgan Line. Therefore, it would appear that the problem of supplying timber for the territory west of the Morgan Line could be resolved as follows:
either
 - a. the Joint Economic Committee can make recommendations as to how they consider timber should be furnished, i.e. from former normal sources if still available, or
 - b. request that the matter be handled as an ordinary military commitment.
 3. In the case of (b) method being employed, 13 Corps can approach the Director of Engineering Services with a view to obtaining supplies of timber from the Director of Engineering Services Zone in Udine or else the Peninsular Base Section who might be able to assist from their zones in Trento, Belluno and Bolzano.
- If, on the other hand, the onus is placed on AMG 13 Corps, the matter will be channelled to the Allied Commission for consideration with the Italian Government. There are other timber zones in Italy which are not under Military control and it might be possible for AG to work out a modus operandi with the Italian Government if all parties agree that such a procedure is necessary.

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ECONOMIC SECTION Date 7/10/45

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	Lt. Col. Moore			Commerce " "
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	Maj. Smith			Food " "
	Maj. Anson			Industry " "
	Maj. Clark			Labour " "
	Capt. Highland			Public Works " "
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	Lt. Di Loreto			
				Chief Commissioner
	Mr. Dickens			Executive Comm'r
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	Price Control Branch			G-2 (British)
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				Mr. Sullivan (1)
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REMARKS:

① To check fact that timber supply normally is as stated.

Bly hand - RVSTH

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

8th October, 1945

To: Vice President, Economic Section

(Attention General E.B. McKinley)

The Chief Commissioner has commented on attached telegram as follows -

"Trieste always draw its timber from east of the Morgan line. This is an example of harmful effect of Morgan Agreement. The joint Economic Committee should have handled and drawn timber from Yugoslavia. Udine resources should not be used for Trieste. Please discuss with General McKinley. A major to Bowman seems indicated."

Do you agree with the attached Signal.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

MSL
BRIGADIER
Executive Commissioner

OUTGOING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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TO FOR ACTION AFHQ CITE PHOEG INFORMATION AMG 13 CORPS ALCOM ROME DES AFHQ,
 HQ AMG VENEZIE REGION, AMG UDINE, 2 FOR ESTROY GROUP, REAR 13 CORPS

REF. No. 6750

DATE: 8 OCTOBER 45

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(SEE NOTES ON REVERSE)

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Understood That
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 THIS COMMITTEE TO INSIST ON SUPPLY OF TIMBER FOR VENEZIE GIULIA AND ~~I CANNOT AGREE~~
~~THAT THE NATURAL ECONOMY OF UDINE AND THE REST OF ITALY SHOULD BE DISLOCATED~~
~~BECAUSE THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE HAS FAILED PD THEY SHOULD TRY AGAIN PD.~~

*Should make every effort
 to ~~dislocate~~ with the purpose
 for which it was organized.*

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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Executive Commissioner

TEL. No. 343

ORIGINATOR'S SIGNATURE

Authenticated:

G.J. LEONE
 CWO USA
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AMG 13 CORPS

AFHQ CITE PHOEN INFO ALCON ROME DES AFHQ, HQ AMG VENEZIA REGION, AMG UDINE,
2 FOR ESTROY GROUP, REAR 13 CORPS

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Subject is timber supplies for VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. REAR 13 CORPS signalled DES AFHQ 14 September at our request asking for 2 timber mills allocated by DES to GENIO CIVILE UDINE to be reallocated to VENEZIA GIULIA in view this Regions urgent need for constructional timber.

2. AMG UDINE state timber mills allocated to UDINE GENIO CIVILE are insufficient for their own use and are suggesting that VENEZIA GIULIA requirements should be met direct by N. 2 FORESTRY GROUP.

3. Request your intervention with DES to ensure constructional timber is made available for VENEZIA GIULIA forthwith.

4. Local unions in strike discussions have been promised by this HQ that maximum employment will be given in public works reconstructions schemes. These are being held up by lack of timber. VENEZIA GIULIA has no timber resources of its own. Officer this HQ recently visited BELLUNO TRENTO and BOLZANO areas but found all available timber allocated.

5. In view unemployment situation please treat as most urgent.

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ROUTINE

From : AFHQ

OCT - 8 1945

To : PENBASE, PENSOUTH, ABO, ALCOM ROME, BTA, ACABRIT VIENNA, DISTWO,
DISTHREE, ROME AREA N, 13 CORPS, DMSTI ROME, INFO AGWAR, TROOPERS,
BERGOMB

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Subject Coal Imposition and Allocation BEN BERGOMB for Econ Coal.

1. Effective 1 October 1945, the QM, AFHQ is relieved of responsibility for the supply of coal in the theater and QM (Coal Sect) AFHQ is dissolved as of that date.

2. Procedure for supply of coal for military use will be as follows :

A) Coal requirements of the U.S. Army will be obtained through normal supply channels.

B) Instructions for the supply of coal to British Forces (including military, civil and railway requirements of the British Zone of AUSTRIA) will be issued by GBQ, CMP.

3. Civil requirements for ITALY is a responsibility of ALLIED COMMISSION.

Civil requirements for VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE Prov is the responsibility of AMG 13 CORPS in coordination with and through the ALLIED COMMISSION to this HQ.

4. Matters affecting both military and civil coal in ITALY (EG Railway requirements, allocation of ships to ports etc) will be coordinated by Allied Commission with the appropriate HQ. Where there conflict, military requirements will receive first priority.

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Action - Coal Div
Info - Chief Commr
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ELERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
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From: AFHQ SIGNED SIGNED CITE PHGEG
To: ALCOM HOME INFO 13 CORPS

OCT - 5 1945

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Ref 13 CORPS signal 23/37 to ALCOM.

Reaffirmed that coordinated 13 CORPS/ALCOM program for VENEZIA
GIOLIA and UDINE desired AFHQ on 12 October.

2. If conference considered necessary G5 representative will
attend at time and place designated by ALCOM.

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ACTION ECON SEC 2

INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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5 OCT 45

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From: AME 13 CORPS
To: ALCON

OCT -5 1945

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For Admiral SPURR.

Request your personal support our signal 23/27 of 3 October asking for delegation your Hq to come here Thursday to plan economic requirements this area for next 6 months in accordance with FURBOM signal BX 54913 dated 26 September.

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ACTION: S.O. TO CHIEF COMMISSIONER 2
INFO: EX COMMISSIONER 2
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M/G NOTE:

Believe BX 54913 should read
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23/37 is P/9876.

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From: AMG 13 COMPS FOR ECONOMIC SECT
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Ref your signal 6403 dated 1. Ref FREEDOM signal FX 54913 dated 21 para 4 calls for complete planning for territory as separate responsibility. This means all imports whether from UK/US or ITALY. Conference which will last several days must take place THIRTE as arranged as many division chiefs involved. FREEDOM sending representative. Request you send representatives otherwise planning must proceed without you. Delegation should include representatives Agriculture Commerce Industry Telecomms P Health Transportation Food.

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Action - Econ Sec 3
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5 OCT 1945
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AMG 13TH CORPS TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER VENEZIA GIULIA

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3 OCTOBER 1945

PRIORITY

OCT -4 1945

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PARA ONE PD REFERENCE OUR SIGNAL SIX FOUR ZERO THREE DATED ONE OCTOBER PAREN NOT TO VENEZIA REGION PAREN SUBJECT RELIEF SUPPLIES FOR VENEZIA GIULIA AND UDINE PD PAREN TO AMG 13TH CORPS INFO TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER VENEZIA REGION FROM ALCOM CITE EORCO PAREN

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CWO USA
ASST. ADJUTANT

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
VENETIA
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 4826/48/EC.

3 October 45.

SUBJECT: Rations - Venetia Giulia.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Venetia Region.

1. In support of a recommendation to raise the basic ration in Venetia Giulia, the SCAO XIII Corps wrote the following:-

"The separation of this territory from Italy, its emasculation by the Morgan Line, and the uncertainty of its future status have had an adverse effect on trade. This area once received salt from Pirano, fruits and vegetables from Iatria, meat, milk, cheese and fruits and vegetables from Udine and other Italian neighbours. Now, these ancient sources have dried up. Little in the way of food is being imported from Yugoslavia. Only fresh fruits and vegetables, and minor quantities of cheese and rice are coming from Italy. And the Italian imports are only made with the greatest difficulty. Local Italian police are dedicated, apparently, to the proposition that Italian food must be saved for registered Italian stomachs; and they have confiscated large quantities of produce en route to this territory. Indeed, unless the present trend is checked this territory is in a fair way to become an economic parish."

2. In rejecting the proposal, Chief of Staff, AFHQ, has instructed the Chief Commissioner to take appropriate action to prevent any further interference on the part of the Carabinieri or other local officials in improper confiscations or diversion of foodstuffs going into Venetia Giulia Region.

3. You will of course ensure that the above instruction is carried out and that indigenous supplies from Udine Province reach Venetia Giulia. I should be glad to have your report on the statement made by SCAO XIII Corps and the measures which you (with his help) propose to take.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner
SCAO XIII Corps
Econ Section

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AMC 13th Corp

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1 October 1945

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1 October 1945

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Major, AGD

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FOR RECONSTRUCTION SECTION

REFERENCE AMHQ signals RX 54919 RX 45365 please despatch representatives on each sub commission to attend conference 13 CORPS civil supplies planning committee Friday 5 October 1500 hours at AMG HQ 13 CORPS HQ THIRTY. Please arrange representative (15) also attend. send following stores immediately by signal fullest of possible details commodities to be covered in planning in order to prepare ground work

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ACTION: Supply Div (2)

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ACTION: ECON SEC (3)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

28 September 1945

Ex-Comm (547)

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SUBJECT: Rations - VENEZIA GIULIA

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission

OCT - 1 1945

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1. A letter has been received at this Headquarters from Commander, XIII Corps pointing out the grave conditions that are likely to exist in the near future unless the present ration scale in effect in the VENEZIA GIULIA Region is supplemented. Copy of his letter with enclosures is attached.

2. It is not considered appropriate to increase the ration of imported supplies. It is however, most important that every effort should be made to stimulate the normal flow into VENEZIA GIULIA of indigenous foodstuffs from adjacent areas.

3. You will therefore take appropriate action to prevent any further interference on the part of the Carabinieri or other local officials in improper confiscations or diversion of foodstuffs going into VENEZIA GIULIA Region.

By Command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

W. D. MORRIS
Lieutenant General
Chief of Staff

Incls,
As above.

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COPY OF ATTACHMENTS
ALREADY ON
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FOLIO 26

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SEE ALSO
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28 September 1945

SUBJECT: Import Rations - VENEZIA GIULIA Region

TO : Commander, XIII Corps

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Reference your 5521/6/G of 14 September.

1. In accordance with paragraph 3 of referenced letter, the situation with regard to the increase of rations in the VENEZIA GIULIA region has been carefully reviewed.
2. The ration from imported supplies in the VENEZIA GIULIA region is the same as that for other areas in Northern ITALY. On 1 October, the entire North ITALY ration will be increased by the addition of 1000 grams per month of pasta.
3. It is not the policy of this headquarters to countenance an apparent favoured treatment attitude towards any area by allowing an increase in the ration from imported supplies over the rest of the country. All the planning for the feeding of the North of ITALY was done on an overall basis and presumed the free movement of indigenous resources from producing areas to those more deficient in certain commodities.
4. This headquarters cannot enter into competition with the Jugoslavs on the feeding of the areas East and West of the Morgan line. This would be politically as well as ethically unsound, leaving Allied Military Government open to adverse criticism from Italians in other areas on the one hand and the Yugoslav Government on the other.
5. The principal obstacle to the provision of an adequate ration to the VENEZIA GIULIA populace seems to be the failure of indigenous supplies from adjacent Italian sources to reach the area. In an attempt to rectify this condition, the attached letter to Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission has been dispatched.

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6. This Headquarters is fully aware of the difficulties encountered in the prevention of disease and unrest, particularly in an area so packed with controversial political issues as that of VENEZIA GIULIA, and is anxious to do everything possible to alleviate the situation.

By Command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

W. D. MORGAN
Lieutenant General
Chief of Staff

Copy to: Chief Commissioner, ✓
Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

IDD/sc

Tel: 267

29 Sept. 1945

Ref: 1.47/ES
K 5.22

SUBJECT: Ration Scales Venezia-Giulia

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. I recall that early this week a paper from your office was sent to Economic Section for comment relative to the question of a change in ration scales for Venezia-Giulia. Economic Section's comment was to the effect that we thought the scales should be the same as Northern Italy.

2. Your attention is directed to secret Message PX45913 of 26 Sept. from AFHQ which has reference to food requirements for Venezia-Giulia and Udine. Among other things this message states:

"These requirements will not vary from scales laid down for Northern Italy, and it is presumed that they will closely approximate to those already submitted for September-December."

FOR THE ACTING VICE PRESIDENT:

L. D. Densmore

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, FA
Chief Staff Officer

cc: Food S/C
Supply Division

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(Capt. W. H. T. S.)

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Extract from the Minutes of the Executive Commissioners
Meeting 29 September 1945

Para 4:

4. Venezia Giulia - Rations. Ex C stated that GOC XIII Corps had written to AFHQ suggesting that the ration scale in Venezia Giulia should be raised. It was generally agreed that there should be no increase in the basic scale but that there might be allowed an increase in supplementary items, eg. beans, dried vegetables, etc. Ex C would give further consideration to the matter and bring up again at the next meeting.

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ASST ADJUTANT

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

13C/AMG/15/44

17 September 1945

My dear Brigadier,

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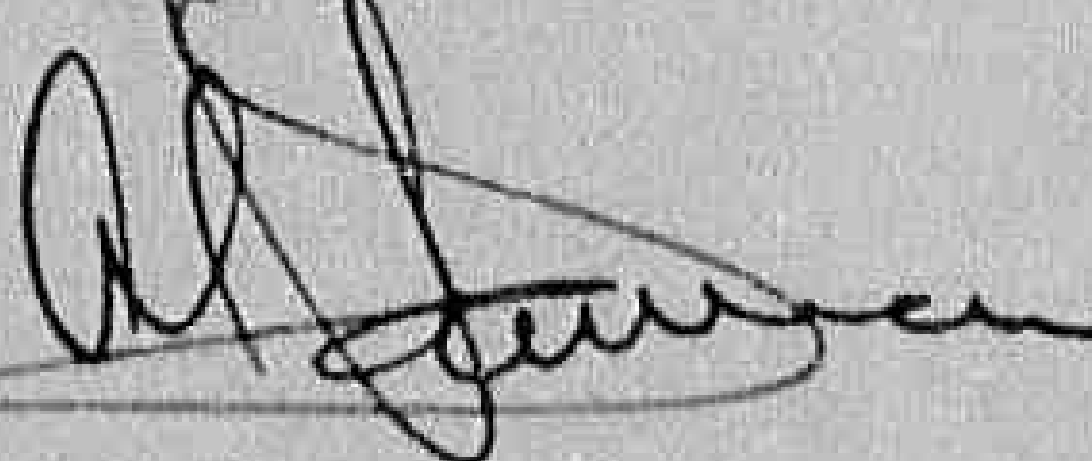
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You will find the enclosed self-explanatory.

General Harding's letter of 14 September was written by him, and the manner of presentation was his personal conception.

X | Since the idea of an increased basic ration for Venezia Giulia really originated with you and Evan Talbot, I hope that we may have your sympathetic support both with AFHQ and when the matter reaches Allied Commission, which it is certain to do eventually.

Regards,



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3 Incls:

- Incl 1 - Ltr "Civilian Food Supplies", 5521/6/G, 14 Sept 45, fr GOC 13 Corps.
- Incl 2 - Report of Chief Supply Officer, 13C/AMG/S/1532/201/, 7 Sept 45.
- Incl 3 - Report of Chief Public Health Officer, 13C/AMG/P.H.43, 9 Sept 45.

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See #418 to 39
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SUBJECT:- Civilian Food Supplies.

HQ 13 Corps.
5581/e/g.

14 Sep 45.

AFHQ

1. The Senior Civil Affairs Officer, 13 Corps has represented that there should be an increase in the ration of the civil population in his area. Detailed arguments in support of this point of view are attached at Appendix 'A' (report by Chief Supply Officer) and Appendix 'B' (report by Chief Public Health Officer).

2. The S.C.A.O.'s reasons for proposing an increase in the existing ration scale may be summarized as follows:-

(a) Strong influences are at work in an attempt to discredit the military government of VENEZIA GIULIA. A shortage of food would almost certainly be exploited in this connection and would be likely to lead to grave disorders.

(b) The Chief Public Health Officer reports that the present ration is utterly insufficient to maintain health when it can no longer be supplemented by fruit and vegetables.

(c) VENEZIA GIULIA suffers under certain disadvantages inherent in its present autonomy in that it is economically weakened by the MOROCCAN Line and that only an unimportant quantity of food does in practice, come in from the remainder of Italy. It is therefore likely to be less well fed than its neighbors in Jugo-slavia and the remainder of Italy.

3. It is requested that the situation should be examined as a matter of urgency and that, if the ration is found, as stated by the Chief Public Health Officer, to be inadequate, an increased ration be authorized in view of the important political implications outlined above.

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/s/ John Harding

Lt. Gen.
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C O P YHEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS.

Ref: 13C/AMG/S/1532/201/

Date: September 7th, 1945

Subject: Civilian Food Supplies.

To: S.C.A.O., 13 Corps

1. It is the considered opinion of this office that valid reasons exist for increasing the rations to the civilian population in AMG 13 Corps territory.

2. The ration scales now in effect are:

Bread	200	grams	per	day	
Pasta	1000	"	"	month	
Lard	180	"	"	"	
Sugar	500	"	"	"	persons 0 - 3
	250	"	"	"	" 4-18, over 65
Salt	200	"	"	"	
Milk	50	"	"	day	to 6% of population.

3. These scales are, with some variations, the Allied Commission scales for north Italy. It has been our policy to adhere reasonably close to A.C. scales, since the A.C. maintenance program was predicated upon the assumption that Venezia Giulia would receive the same rations as north Italy. Of course, at the time that the shipping program was planned it was not known that the feeding of Venezia Giulia would become an Army rather than an Italian responsibility.

4. Despite the changed conditions we have hesitated to ask for preferential treatment. However, the following reasons seem compelling and urgent:

(a) The separation of this territory from Italy, its emasculation by the Morgan line, and the uncertainty of its future status have had an adverse effect on trade.

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This area once received salt from Pirano, fruits and vegetables from Istria, meat, milk, cheese and fruits and vegetables from Udine and other Italian neighbors. Now, these ancient sources have dried up. Little in the way of food is being imported from Yugoslavia. Only fresh fruits and vegetables, and minor quantities of cheese and rice are coming from Italy. And the Italian imports are only made with the greatest difficulty. Local Italian police are dedicated, apparently, to the proposition that Italian food must be saved for registered Italian stomachs; and they have confiscated large quantities of produce en route to this territory. Indeed, unless the present trend is checked this territory is in a fair way to become an economic pariah.

(b) The present ration scale is a matter of concern from the standpoint of health. The Chief Public Health Officer, 13 Corps, AMG, states that unless present rations can be generously supplemented with local purchases the health of the people will be endangered. At present, and for several weeks to come, there will be a sufficient supply of fruits and vegetables for sale at the local markets. But when the season tapers off in October what will the people buy? There are no large stores of potatoes or tinned vegetables on hand. There is little possibility of importing such foodstuffs. Hunger will be a spectre, if not a reality, in every Italian province. What surpluses exist will be jealously guarded for trading purposes. The people here will be obliged to rely more and more, as the winter advances, upon imported AMG supplies. Those supplies must approach adequacy. The winter will be grim enough without mass hunger.

(c) Public unrest is practically certain to attend food shortage. Already, despite the lush summer season there have been public demonstrations, and some displays of violence, directed at retail merchants guilty of charging unpopular prices for their wares. These incidents were not serious. They were symptomatic, rather than definitive. But if discontent is possible in August, what will winter bring? We know that certain elements of the population are determined to discredit Allied Military.

Government. We can surmise that this fraction will not hesitate to incite its supporters to bloody riot, if we furnish the pretext. Hunger is more than a pretext. It is a driving force provocative of mob violence. We must prevent hunger or we shall fail to prevent unrest.

5. The minimum rations which we recommend for the normal consumer in this territory are:

Flour	300	grams	per	day	
Fats	350	"	"	month	
Meat	400	"	"	"	
Sugar	300	"	"	"	for children 0 - 3
"	250	"	"	"	" " 4 - 18
"	125	"	"	"	" people 18 - 65
"	250	"	"	"	" " over 65
Soup	200	"	"	"	
Salt	300	"	"	"	
Coffee	300	"	"	"	
Veg.dried	400	"	"	"	
Milk	50	"	"	day	for 15% of population.

6. The scale proposed would provide the normal consumer with approximately 1250 calories per day. Since the minimum necessary to maintain health is 1500 it is obvious that even with the proposed scale the people must supplement their diet from local resources.

7. Availabilities are a matter of world supply and of world requirements of which this office is not specifically informed. But the quantities needed to implement the program over and above supplies already allocated to this territory by A.C. are not staggering. They are:

Flour	1800	tons	per	month
Fats	85	"	"	"
Meat	200	"	"	"
Sugar	65	"	"	"
Soup	100	"	"	"
Salt	0	"	"	"
Coffee	150	"	"	"
Milk	50	"	"	"
Veg. dried	200	"	"	"

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If meat is not available for the normal consumer (a probability), comparable quantities of powdered egg, fish and cheese could be substituted. Coffee, it is conceded, has little, if any food value, but as a builder of morale coffee is the food supreme. In difficult times, morale is important.

8. In concluding, I wish to point out again that this territory is autonomous, which means that neither Italy nor Yugoslavia nor any other country is responsible for feeding the people here.

That responsibility rests solely with 13 Corps. The request for increased rations is made to enable 13 Corps to meet that responsibility.

9. It is recommended that AFHQ be requested to provide the additional supplies listed in the above paragraph, delivery to commence in November.

/s/Carl Eardley

CARL EARDLEY, Major
Chief Supply Officer
HQ AMG, XIII Corps

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

Public Health Division

Ref: 13C/AMG/P.H.43
Subject: Ration Scales
Date: 9 September 1945

To: Senior Civil Affairs Officer
A.M.G. 13 Corps

1. A study has been made of the ration scales authorized for this territory. They are utterly insufficient to maintain health unless generously supplemented by non-rationed food-stuffs, milk, cheese, fruits and vegetables.

2. At present there appears to be enough fruits and vegetables in the market to prevent starvation or malnutrition. However, in the winter months I am convinced that the health of population will materially deteriorate unless better rations are procured. As you know, from insufficient food comes general debility, disease and epidemics. I am deeply concerned and request you to: make every effort to arrange larger imports of A.M.G. supplies in the winter period.

For the S.C.A.O. 13 Corps

C.O.S. BLYTH BROOKE, Major
Chief Public Health Officer.

Copy to:

Chief Supply Officer
AMG 13 Corps

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Ref. ES/1.47

6 September 1945

SUBJECT : Supplies for Venezia Giulia
TO : Executive Commissioner

1. Problem presented:

Shall the Italian Government be encouraged or discouraged from distributing to Venezia Giulia portions of the supplies which are imported under programs for Italy?

2. Factors bearing on the problem:

a The question pertains to those supplies which are procured by the Italians from funds made available to them by the Allies such as troop pay account, lend-lease, or which they possess as foreign credits; and excludes those which are imported under the disease and unrest formula such as food, POL, coal and medical supplies.

b The views of the Italian Government are not known but will be sought.

These views will doubtless be conditioned by both political and economic considerations.

c The views of AFHQ have not been determined but have been requested by telephone, Colonel Walton to Lt. Colonel Croom-Johnson, 4 September 1945.

d Over-all requirements programs were prepared in the assumption that Venezia Giulia was a part of North Italy.

e Should Italy decide not to furnish such supplies to Venezia Giulia and AG/AFHQ approve the position, the alternative would be to set up a separate program for Venezia Giulia which would involve:

- (1) excessive delay, and
- (2) greater uncertainty as to eventual financial settlement.

(Capt Arnold)

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2 - Supplies for Venezia Giulia

f A variation in the alternative just cited might be to reduce the charges against Italy for any supplies furnished to Venezia Giulia.

g Should the Italian Government decide to share its imports of materials with Venezia Giulia, it would appear that the same government should share participation in the distribution of the resultant products.

3. The AMG Economics officer, Lt. Col. Bickerstaff has raised the question in connection with the need for cotton, motor transport, and certain agricultural supplies vitally necessary to his area. Another proposal being considered by him, although pertaining to goods moving in the opposite direction, is that certain Jugo-slaw raw cotton of UNRRA origin be milled west of the Morgan line and returned to Jugo-slavia after milling.

4. Recommendation

That the Italian Government be encouraged to share its imported supplies ^{with} Venezia Giulia.

Charles W. Walton
CHARLES W. WALTON
Colonel
Chief, Supply Division

PS:

Re para 2 b - Minister Gronchi has stated that the Italian Government will make allocations to Venezia Giulia beginning with the 2nd lot of cotton which arrives. Subsequent allocations will depend upon the political outlook for Venezia Giulia. The Minister will take up the allocations of the other items such as motor vehicles with his Government and give you a report on their position within a week.

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APO 394
Economic Section

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Tel. 267

Ref: 20.08/25

24 AUG 1945
AUG 25 1945

SUBJECT: Relief supplies for Venezia Giulia and Udine after September 1, 1945.

TO: Chief of Staff, G-5 Section, AFHQ.

1. In compliance with paragraph 3 of your letter subject, "Termination of Military Responsibility for Relief Supplies, except POL, for Italy", file reference D-5, dated 18 August 1945, the following information is submitted.

2. It is recommended that relief supplies for Venezia Giulia and Udine be continued as a military responsibility on and after September 1, 1945.

3. The following are estimates of relief supplies which will be needed in the Venezia Giulia Region and Udine during such period of military responsibility:

POL Monthly RequirementsAFHQ Pet/Sec Estimate

Gasoline
AGO (Automotive Gas Oils)
Kerosene
Lubricating Oil & Greases

235 Metric Tons
400 " "
230 " "
27 " "

COAL The estimate for coal is 3,000 tons per month.

MEDICAL Monthly requirements are 14 C.A.D. Units. A C.A.D. Unit contains basic essential items selected by the Civil Affairs Division, Washington and London, to prevent disease and unrest for one month. One C.A.D. Unit is sufficient to take care of 100,000 people per month.

FOOD Monthly maintenance on AC (North Italy Ration scales,) in metric tons

Flour	8260	Meat	56
Soup	39	Sugar	204
Fats	269	Salt	410
Dried Veg.	97	Milk P.	55

(Note: Population of Venezia Giulia 300,000; Udine 840,000.)

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Chief of Staff, G-1 Section, AFHQ, Ref. SO.02/BS, August 1945.

FOOD

It is reported that civil maintenance of North Italy was planned by the Food Sub-Commission, SC, on the basis of the same ration scale applying to all the North and requisitions were submitted accordingly. Apart from indigenous stocks, all wheat and flour supplies for Venezia Giulia are from imported stocks, in most cases via Federation Warehouse Ancona.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

(Sgd) L. D. DENSMORE

E. B. MORINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President

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Ref: 4826/18/NO

27 August 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : SCAG, Venezia Giulia

1. Enclosed is copy of a letter received by our Public Relations Branch from HQ AMG XIII Corps, Public Relations Section, dated 15 August 45, regarding Italian blockage on food into Venezia Giulia.

2. The Executive Commissioner has directed this letter be sent to you for any action you may deem necessary.

A. D. ARNOLDY

1 Incl:
as above

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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sent to Eco Sec
for info. 28/8/5*

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ALLIED COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Food for Venezia Giulia

FILE No. R222/PRB

TO : Executive Commissioner

AUG 24 1945

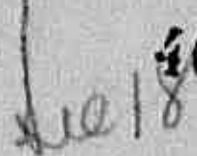
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1. Your attention is directed to the attached letter from Lt. Col. Bullock, PRO AMG XIII Corps.

2. This matter has indirect public relations implications as it may (if the facts are correct) add to the tension in that region.


G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch


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XIII CORPS
Public Relations Section

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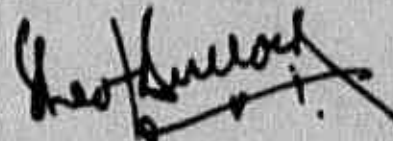
15 August 1945

SUBJECT : Italian Blockage on Food into Venezia Giulia.

AUG 24 1945

TO : G. Stewart Brown, Esqre.,
Director of Public Relations
HQ Alcom, Rome.

1. Italians in the Udine region are imposing a complete blockade on food trying to move into Venezia Giulia. Trieste in particular always drew a large proportion of its food from that section and the Italian action will cause terrible hardship this winter.
2. Even in the hospitals around here the food situation is extremely grave.
3. Under all the circumstances here, it seems to me this is a stupid thing for the Italians to do. The Slovenes have enough grievances as it is, and the local Italian population is sufficiently worried about what may be in store for it in certain eventualities, without such a factor as this adding to the tension and bitterness.
4. What would you think of suggesting to the Regional Commissioner of Venezia that he put this case up to his Italian officials in an effort to get them to see how much they are harming their own cause?
5. My own interest in the matter, of course, is to get food in here.



T. L. BULLOCK
Lt-Col
DDPR

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Ref: 4826/15/80

23 August 45

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Economic Section

1. Reference minute 10 of Executive Commissioner's Meeting Minutes of 21 August, Col. Norman E. Fiske, Acting Executive Commissioner, has noted in the Monthly Report of AMB XIII Corps of 11 July 1945 that SERVAL, TRIESTE, has now been given authority to distribute supplies for the entire territory (of Venezia Giulia) and is working extremely well.

2. In view of this statement, the Acting Executive Commissioner recommends that your section ascertain the views of SCAD, Venezia Giulia, prior to taking the action contemplated in minute 10.

3. Enclosed for your information are extracts from AMB XIII Corps Monthly Report for July and from Minutes of Executive Commissioner's Meeting of 21 August 45.

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A. B. ARNOLD.
A/Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

22 August 1945

Memo: 4826/EC.

To : CSO

Reference Minute No. 10 of Executive Commissioner's Meeting Minutes of 21 August, I note in the Monthly Report of AMG 18 Corps of 31 July 1945, that SEPRAL, TRIESTE, has now been given authority to distribute supplies for the entire territory (of Venezia Giulia) and is working extremely well. In view of that statement, I recommend that Econ. Sec. ascertain the views of SCAO Venezia Giulia prior to taking the action contemplated in Minute No. 10.

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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Acting Executive Commissioner

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EXTRACT FROM AM2 13 CORPS

MONTHLY REPORT

JULY

"3. ECONOMICS AND SUPPLY.a. Food.

As was mentioned in last week's report, there was a slight holdup on the arrival of the mixed supplies for the first fortnight of the month. However, by 27 Jul all supplies but the flour and salt were brought here to TRIESTE by road from VENICE. SEPRAL, TRIESTE, has now been given authority to distribute supplies for the entire territory and is working extremely well. It is of interest that new ration scales for the sick and other special classes have been authorized. The rise of the prices ~~of~~ of bread from 2.50 Lire per kilo to 5 Lire per kilo in TRIESTE met with almost no antagonism and passed with little comment. A price control plan has been agreed upon and will go into operation in August. "

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF E.O.'s MEETING
21 August 45.

"10. Supplies for Venezia Giulia. There was considerable discussion on the question of supplies for Venezia Giulia if military responsibility was withdrawn. It was generally agreed that it was undesirable to hand over the responsibility of feeding to the Italian Government. Ex C said the military should continue supplies for areas that remained under AM2."

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Ref: AS-1/77/FOOD.

11 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Bread/Minestra Ration - VENEZIA GIULIA.

AUG 12 1945

TO : SCAC, AND VENEZIA GIULIA.

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1. You will recall our conversation during my visit to you on 23 July, on the possibility of raising the bread ration from 200 to 300 grams in VENEZIA GIULIA.

2. The SCAC is not in favour of any preferential treatment of that nature in favour of VENEZIA GIULIA and holds that the basic ration must remain uniform throughout Northern Italy, including VENEZIA GIULIA.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

W. B. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: SCAC Sec
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Ref: 4826/9/50

4 August 1945

SUBJECT: Bread Ration for Venezia Giulia

TO : Economic Section

1. Reference is made to Chief Commissioner's memorandum to the Executive Commissioner of 30 July, a copy of which went to your section, in which the Chief Commissioner desired to go on record as disapproving any preferential treatment for Venezia Giulia vis-a-vis Northern Italy.

2. The Executive Commissioner desires that the Chief Commissioner's point of view be informed to the SCAG, Venezia Giulia.

A. H. ARNOOLDY.

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394

30 July 1945.

JUL 30 1945

SUBJECT: Bread Ration for Venezia Giulia.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

With reference to the recent proposal to increase the basic bread ration in Venezia Giulia to 300 grams, I desire to go on record as disapproving any preferential treatment for Venezia Giulia vis-a-vis Northern Italy. The basic bread ration for Venezia Giulia should be equalized with that for Northern Italy.

W. H. Stone
WILLIAM W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Copy to: WF Econ Section - 2 (1 for Director, Food S/C)

(CARL ARNOLDY)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Ref. ES/3.20

26 July 1945
JUL 27 1945

SUBJECT : Notes on Visit to Trieste by Executive Commissioner.
TO : Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference your 805/80, 23 July 1945, Subject: Notes on Visit to Trieste by Executive Commissioner.

2. Reference Paragraph 6 - Personnel, there is attached a memorandum of 26 July 1945 from Lt. Col. Moore to the undersigned which states the disposition which Economic Section proposes to make of personnel now assigned to Emilia Region.

3. The matter of the assignment of Lt Col. Toscani has already been the matter of discussion. A suitable economic officer for Venezia-Giulia is being sought urgently in lieu of Lt. Col. Toscani.

4. Reference Paragraph 12, if practical supply considerations had not already decided the impracticability of increasing the ration in Venezia-Giulia, the Chief Commissioner's decision that he wanted Venezia-Giulia to retain the same pattern as the rest of the North of Italy would eliminate consideration of this proposal.

5. Reference Paragraph 13, investigation reveals that direct action between your office and Food Sub-Commission has already solved this difficulty.

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E.B. MCKINLEY
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Acting Vice President

Enclosure - 1
Moore's Memo of 26 July.

Copy to: Personnel & Ft Venezia Giulia 7024/EC
Food Venezia Giulia 4826/EC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 994

ECONOMIC SECTION

LMA/NO

26 July 45

Phone : 449

Ref : 2.00/ES

SUBJECT : Transfer of Officers.

TO : Brig. Gen. E.E. McKinley
Acting V.P. Economic Section.

1. Reference list of officers now on duty in Emilia Region whose transfer to Venezia-Giulia is proposed.

Agriculture Sub-Commission

Capt. Glen C. Holt

The transfer is not contemplated due to previous plans to bring this officer to this headquarters for ID.

1st Lt. Lester H. Weil

Transfer to Lombardy planned as a replacement for Capt. Reddington who is departing.

Industry Sub-Commission

Major L.L. [unclear]

Major L.L. [unclear] is being transferred to Venezia-Giulia.

Capt. E. [unclear] (S) is on duty there now.

Finance Sub-Commission

It is planned to transfer the following officers to Venezia-Giulia :

Major A.C. Newell (to Venezia- recent change by Finance 2/0)

Capt. V.J. [unclear]

1st Lt. D.V. [unclear]

Lt. Col. L.V. [unclear] is being declared surplus.

1st Lt. M.O. [unclear] is being transferred to Piemonte Region.

It is planned to transfer Maj. George H. Hewitt to this headquarters.

Food Sub-Commission

1st Lt. E.D. Kahn is being considered for transfer to Venezia-Giulia.

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26 July 45

Phone : 445

Ref : 2.00/23

SUBJECT : Transfer of Officers.

TO : Brig. Gen. E.B. McKinley
Acting V.P., Economic Section.

1. Reference list of officers now on duty in Emilia Region whose transfer to Venezia-Giulia is proposed.

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1st Lt. Lester E. Nail

Transfer to Lombardia planned as a replacement for Capt. Reddington who is departing.

Industry Sub-Commission

Major E. J. [redacted] is being transferred to Venezia-Giulia.
Capt. E. [redacted] (S) is on duty there now.

Finance Sub-Commission

It is planned to transfer the following officers to Venezia-Giulia :

Maj. A.O. Newell (to Venezia- recent change by Finance 2/0)
Capt. V.J. Laid

1st Lt. D.V. Hastings

Lt. Col. L.V. McFarlane is being declared surplus.

1st Lt. H.O. Bavarino is being transferred to Piemonte Region.
It is planned to transfer Maj. George E. Hewitt to this headquarters.

Food Sub-Commission

1st Lt. E.D. Kahn is being considered for transfer to Venezia-Giulia.

It is not contemplated to transfer 1st SGT W. Pender, now on duty in Lombardia Region.

Plans are under consideration to transfer Capt. E.H. White to this Headquarters.

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Labor Sub-Commission

Capt. Murray L. Schaefer is more urgently needed in Milano than in Venezia Giulia.

Public Works & Utilities Sub-Commission

Capt. H. Best (B) has departed this theatre for U.K.
It is planned to transfer 2d Lt. Peter Natale to Lombardia Region.

Major R.F. Weber has expressed a desire to go to Austria.

LESLIE S. MOORE
Lt. Col. AGED
Personnel Planning Officer.

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**HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AND
OFFICE of the Executive Commission**

Ref: 84/20.

23 July 1945.

**SUBJECT: Notes on visit to VENETIA by
Executive Commission.**

TO : Distribution below.

12. Ration. I discussed privately with the SCAC the possibility of raising the ration in VENEZIA GIULIA from 200 to 300 grams, while maintaining the supplementary workers' ration. This would bring them 100 grams above the rest of Italy and much above the food that is being distributed, or not distributed East of the Morgan Line. We both think that it is proper policy to do all that is possible to make the administration in VENEZIA GIULIA a success and so making a sharp comparison between East and West of the Morgan Line, even to the extent of giving them more food than the rest of Italy. Again a policy matter in which the Corps Commander will make his recommendations.
13. Food Supplies. It was reported with some exasperation that the food supplies billed for July 5 - 14th, and which are urgently needed for hospitals, prisons, etc., have not yet arrived. They apparently have been bid for by 8 Army and, it is suspected, Allied Commission. There appears to be some confusion but the fact is that the food has not arrived and that its absence is causing a very bad impression. It is absolutely essential that food should be brought in regularly and without fail to VENEZIA GIULIA. I suspect that part of the confusion is due to direct communication between 13 Corps AG and AFHQ, initiated by AFHQ.

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