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REPARATIONS TO SAN MARINO
JUNE 1944 - JUNE 1946

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Memorandum
L. J. L. L.
Chief Legal Advisor

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Dep Ex Comm.

Could you deal with this matter. Can
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Letter for signature by L.C. submitted by
Deputy Ex. Com. in response to your minute
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Chief Commissioner.

Attached is submitted for your signature
approval information

Signed, see

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Director
Legal Sub. Commission.
To see and take the correspondence in this file
reference Reparation to some degree in particular
the letter at the 70 to 95A/11/11 which shows the
action which has been in this matter. *McLain Burdick*
JS 10/11/11

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Memorandum to: Acting Executive Commissioner

14 April 1945

1. Attached is the file on "Reparations to San Marino", which was formerly handled by Political Section.
2. In view of the last paragraph of the letter from COS, ARHQ, marked at "A", it is definitely not a matter which can be handled by Liaison Division.
3. It is requested, therefore, that this office be directed as to which Section or Sub-Commission should take action on the letter of 8 April from G-5, and retain the file.
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Ramfury *May*

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

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Capt Ramfury.

*I think this should be handled
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possibly M.F.A. Finance - P.W.V.*

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Above minutes taken from Liaison Div file 38503/EG(1) - all correspondence on this subject taken over from Liaison Div and transferred to this file (6525/EG).

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Executive Commissioner:

The attached letter enclosing report on the extent of military damages in San Marino is submitted for your approval and signature. It is in reply to G-5, ARHQ, letter at folio 46

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Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

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Executive Commissioner:

The attached letter enclosing report on the extent of military damages in San Marino is submitted for your approval and signature. It is in reply to C-5, AFHQ, letter at folio 45

16 May 45

Good work. *17/5*

Ex. Com.

*Approved at this for as submittal
by Dep. Ex. Com.*

18 May

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Ref. : 6525/76/53.

18 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Claims - San Marino.

TO : Director,
No. 2 Directorate of Harnings and Disposals,
APO S 551,
C. S. F.

Reference your letter No. GCHD/375/1 dated 12 June and previous correspondence.

This Commission forwarded its copy of the claim from San Marino to G-5 Section A.P.H.C., without having a translation made.

It is regretted therefore that we cannot help in this matter.

Your copy of the claim is enclosed.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knischke

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS

No.2 Claims Commission

and

No.2 Directorates of Hirings and Disposals (Fixed Assets)

A.P.O. S.551

C. M. F.

Executive Commissioner,
Office of the Executive Commissioner,
H.Q. Applied Commission;
A.P.O. 394

COHD/375/1

12 June 46

JUN 13 1946

Subject:- Claims - San Marino/

1. Reference your 998/327/EC dated 17 May 46, which arrived here via our 61 Claims and Hirings.

2. The document referred to consists of 36 pages in all and it is regretted that we cannot make a copy of same for you. However we forward herewith our copy of the document for your perusal and return. No doubt it will enable you to find the original which was despatched to you by the Government of San Marino.

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Tel: 66332

Sigs Address:

No.2 Claims and Hirings, ROME

V.P.C.C. and D. of Hgs and Disposals.

(C.J. MacMahon)

Major,

for Brigadier,

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Ref. : 998/327/EC

17 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Claims - San Marino.

TO : H.Q. 2 Claims Commission &
No. 2 Directorates of Hirings & Disposals (Fixed Assets),
A.P.O. S 554

Reference your letter OCHD/375/1 dated 3 May 1946.

No trace of letter Prot No. 6129/A/124 dated 16 October 1945
can be found at this H.Q. Would you please forward a copy in order
that necessary action can be taken.

For the Chief Commissioner:

/s/ N.W. HIND SMITH
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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to:- A.D. Claims and Hirings,
64 Claims and Hirings,
A.P.O. S.182,
C.M.F.

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HEADQUARTERS
No. 2 Claims Commission
and
No. 2 Directorates of Hirings and Disposals (Fixed Assets)

A.P.O. S. 551
C. M. F.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
ROME.

CCHD/375/1

3 May 46

MAY 11 1946

Subject:- Claims - San Marino

1. Our A.D. 61 Claims and Hirings has forwarded to us a copy, in Italian, of letter Prot No. 0129/A/424 dated 16 Oct 45 addressed to you by the Republic of San Marino.
2. As you will no doubt be having this letter translated and as part of its contents concerns us we should be much obliged if you would kindly let us have a copy of the translation when it is made.

see 376 John. M. Watson

J.A. WATSON,
Colonel,

D.D. Claims, Hirings and Disposals.

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Tel: 66285
Sigs Address:
No. 2 Claims and Hirings, ROME

Copy to: A.D. Claims and Hirings,
61 Claims and Hirings, - your CC/61/125/1 of 2622
A.P.D. S. 482, 24 Apr 46 refers.
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Dear Mr. Orebaugh:

Thank you for your letter file 350 of 2 November regarding the Republic of San Marino's claim for war damages.

The alleged damage has always been discussed with the Commission as a claim against the Allied Governments, not as a claim against the Government of the United States. Thus, as a question for Allied settlement, San Marino's claim, as finally presented to me in October, was at once forwarded to the Supreme Allied Commander for action.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of my explanatory letter of transmittal, which accompanied the official claim from the Republic of San Marino ("Relazione e richiesta risarcimento danni di guerra"). To date no further word has been received as to what action SACMED has taken in respect to this matter.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Mr. Walter W. Orebaugh
The American Consul
Florence, Italy

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Copy to Executive Commissioner

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Miss Sampson
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25 October 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, Allied Force Headquarters,
APO 512

1. On 12 June 1945 the Foreign Minister of San Marino, Sig. Gino Giacomini, called on me in Rome for the purpose of discussing the question of claims against the Allied Governments for the bombing of San Marino in 1945, and separately for alleged damage due to Allied operations and occupation in the Republic.

2. I informed him that as Chief Commissioner of A.C. (Italy) I was prepared to receive any claims which the Government of the Republic of San Marino might desire to submit, but that I was not in a position to take any action on such claims. I would, however, forward them to SACMED for such action as he or the Allied Governments might desire to take.

3. The Foreign Minister expressed himself as satisfied with this reply, and stated that a commission had been appointed by the Government of the Republic of San Marino to assess the alleged damage, and that it would be the findings of this commission which would constitute the basis for the Government's claim.

4. The Government of San Marino has now submitted its claims in detail, and I am forwarding them herewith for the action of SACMED.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl.- Official Claims from Republic
of San Marino, "Relazione e
richiesta risarcimento danni
di guerra".

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Ref: 6525/69/EO

18 July 45

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

TO : G-5, AFHQ

1. Reference is made to your G-5: 010.2-1 of 25 June inquiring as to when the report mentioned in paragraph 4 of G-5: 010.2-1 of 8 April may be expected.

2. We have just received this report written by the Political Liaison Officer for San Marino (a copy of which is enclosed), and your attention is drawn to paragraph 2(a) which states that there was no bombing during the period 19-21 September 1944.

For the Chief Commissioner:

1 Incl:
as above

A. E. ARNOLDY.
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

REFERENCE: RIX/EB/M/1

14 July 1945

SUBJECT : Reparations to San Marino

JUL 16 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Office of the Executive Commissioner)

Reference is made to the above Subject, and to your letter of the 3 July 1945, 6525/63/EC.

We are forwarding a copy of the report submitted to this HQ by the Political Liaison Officer for San Marino.

Your attention is drawn to Para 2 (a) which states that there was no bombing during the period 19 - 21 September 1944.

For the Regional Commissioner



H H-3 HARVEY
Lt. Colonel
Deputy Regional Commissioner

1 Incl - Copy of Report, reparations War Damage, San Marino.

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(Clerk General)

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

APO 394

POLITICAL LIAISON OFFICER
REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO

12 July 1945

REF: RIX/HQ/R/10/1

SUBJECT: Reparations for War Damage to San Marino.

TO: Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region.

1. Reference is to letter from your headquarters dated 6 July 1945, concerning subject.
2. In compliance, the following report is submitted, being based upon the casual questioning of private citizens, without any official communication with the authorities of San Marino, and on inspection:
 - a. Bombing in San Marino during September 1944 was incidental to the taking of the Republic by 4th Indian Division. Allied bombs, apparently aimed at a German battery, fell in the village of Serravalle on 10 Sept. 1944. One dwelling was destroyed. About 12 Sept. 1944 a single Allied plane dropped several bombs on Serravalle, partially destroying one dwelling. On 16 Sept. 1944 an Allied bomb hit a factory. This structure is now completely levelled. However, there is strong evidence that it was only partially destroyed by the bomb hit; that its destruction and that of its machinery was completed by German shells, after Serravalle had been occupied by the Allies. On the basis of wages and prices then prevailing, the above building damage is estimated at 500,000 lire. The equipment of the factory was elaborate and had been imported from Great Britain, the United States and Switzerland. It was probably worth 6,000,000 lire. Total alleged bomb damage, 6,500,000 lire. There was no bombing during 19-21 Sept. 1944.
 - b. Property damage from shell fire was widely spread but slight in amount. The church at Borgo Maggiore, behind which a German tank had taken firing position, received the severest shelling. British shells began to drop in bordering portions of the Republic about 2 Sept. 1944. The final German shell to fall within the Republic was on 22 Sept. 1944. Total damage from shell fire is estimated at 915,000 lire. 261c
 - c. Concerning deaths and injuries to persons, there is much confusion. The fighting took place in the Republic's hillside

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and valley villages - Factano, Monte Pulito, Borgo Maggiore, Montegiardino, Serravalle and Dogana. Many casualties were evacuated in German ambulances to hospitals in Italian towns to the north, rather than to the Republic's hospital in the capital city, on the mountain top. Many of the casualties were never accounted for after evacuation. It is probable that approximately 15 deaths and 200 injuries to Sammarinese resulted during the operational period, 2-20 Sept. 1944. It is not feasible to attempt to divide these into bomb-injury and shell-injury groups, as to do this would require more direct questioning than is considered expedient. On the basis of the experience of the officers of Claims and Hirings, the deaths adjustments would probably average 100,000 lire each and the settlements for injuries 20,000 lire each, totalling 5,500,000 lire.

3. Recapitulating, property damage from bombs is estimated at 6,500,000 lire ; from shells, 915,000 lire ; deaths and injuries to personnel from bombs and shells, 5,500,000 lire; grand total 12,915,000 lire.

Oliver D. Comstock

OLIVER D. COMSTOCK
Capt. C.M.P.
P.L.O.

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2 July 1945

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Office of the Executive Commissioner)

For the Regional Commissioner:

H. H. S. Hartley

H. H-S. HARTLEY
Lieut Colonel
Deputy Regional Commissioner

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Msg dtd 27 June from FIO San Marino

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

APD 394

POLITICAL LIAISON OFFICER
REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO

REF:

27 June 1945

SUBJECT: Closing of Claims and Hirings Office, San Marino.

TO: Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region.

1. The officer in charge of the Claims and Hirings Office at San Marino advised the undersigned to-day that he had received orders to close the office here and move all personnel to Forlì on 30 June 1945.
2. Claims and Hirings have had an office here since October 1944, staffed by from one to four officers. Claims have been investigated, but no claims have been paid to date. Investigation has not yet been completed on approximately 100 claims. The officer in charge here has not been advised by his headquarters as to what is planned for disposing of the San Marino claims.
3. The undersigned has advised Prof. Giacomini, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, on the above order. Prof. Giacomini stated that on a recent trip to Rome he discussed the matter of claims with Rear Admiral Stone, pointing out, to Admiral Stone that the Republic favored a lump sum settlement, made to the Republic, with the Republic settling the individual claims. Prof. Giacomini quoted Admiral Stone as replying that, while claims were not his province, a lump sum settlement appeared desirable.
4. Transmitted for your information.

Oliver D. Comstock

OLIVER D. COMSTOCK
Capt. C.M.F.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 6525/63/EC

3 July 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

TO : AMG Emilia Region

1. Reference is made to our exchange of correspondence regarding above subject. ⁵¹
2. The information, ⁶⁰ contained in your second indorsement of 20 June referring to the first indorsement by the Political Liaison Officer that the report dated 5 May 45 covered damage done by Allied bombing on 24 June 1944 only, was passed on to AFHQ. However, no report apparently was ever submitted on the extent of damage caused by bombing during 19-21 September and AFHQ has now requested that this report be submitted.
3. Your immediate attention in this matter would be appreciated.

A. E. ARNOLDY.

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 010.2-1

25 June 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino.

JUN 27 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference is made to your 6525/61/EC of 23 June.

2. Enquiry is accordingly made as to when your report forwarded on paragraph 4 of G-5: 010.2-1 of 8 April may be expected.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

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T. B. Jackman
T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

Copy to:-
British Resident Minister.

(see Arnold)

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Ref: 6525/61/EC

23 June 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

TO : G-5, AFHQ

1. Reference is made to your G-5: O10.2-1 of 3 June asking confirmation that the report sent in our letter 6525/53/EC of 16 May covered the damage caused by Allied operations to property in the Republic during 19-21 September and not only damage done by Allied bombing on 24 June.

2. We requested the HQ AMG Emilia Region to confirm this and we have been informed that the report dated 5 May, submitted by Captain Comstock, covers only damage during the Allied bombing on 24 June 44. It does not cover damage done by operations during 19-21 September 44.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. E. ARNOLDY.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ex. Commissioner

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POLITICAL LIAISON OFFICER, SAN MARINO, 16 June 1945

TO: Regional Commissioner, Headquarters Emilia Region, Allied Military Government

1. The report dated 5 May 1945, submitted by the undersigned, covers only damage done by Allied bombing on 24 June 1944. It does not cover damages caused by operations during 19 - 21 September 1944.
2. The letter dated 16 April 1945, 6525/EC from Assistant Executive Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, requested a report on the June bombing only. No reference was made to the operational damage of September 1944.

Oliver D. Constock

OLIVER D. CONSTOCK
Capt, CMP
Political Liaison Officer

2nd Ind.

Ref: RIX/SE/N/1
HEADQUARTERS, EMILIA REGION, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT,
APO 394, U.S.Army

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20 June 45
22 JUN 1945

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394, U.S.Army.

1. Reference your 6525/58/EC dated 13 June 45 and 6525/56/EC of 5 June 45.
2. Your attention is invited to 1st. indorsement.

For the Regional Commissioner:

21 JUN 1945

Duane D. Freese
DUANE D. FREESE,
Major, Infantry,
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

11 June 1945

REF : RIX/SE/N/1

SUBJECT: Reparations for War Damage in SAN MARINO.

TO : Political Liaison Officer, San Marino.

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1. Headquarters Allied Commission request confirmation that your report on the above subject matter dated 5 May 1945, Ref. RIX/SE/N/1, covers damage caused by Allied operations to Property in the Republic during 19-21 September, and not only damage done by Allied bombing on 24 June.

2. Report will be rendered through this Headquarters.

By order of the Regional Commissioner:

Duane D. Freeze
DUANE D. FREEZE,
Major, Infantry,
Executive Officer.

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Ref: 6525/58/EC

13 June 45

SUBJECT: Reparations for War Damage to San Marino
TO : HQ AMG Emilia Region, Allied Commission

Reference our 6525/56/EC, of 5 June 45, it will be appreciated if a reply could be expedited in connection with the question raised by AFHQ.

A. B. ARNOLDY:
Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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12 June 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR CC FILES:

At the request of the Consul General of San Marino, Signor Marescalchi, I received him and the Foreign Minister, Signor Gino Giacomini, at 1130 today. The purpose of the Foreign Minister's call was to discuss the question of claims against the Allied Governments for the bombing of San Marino in 1944 and separately for alleged damage due to Allied operations and occupation in the Republic.

I stated that as Chief Commissioner I was prepared to receive any claims which the Government of the Republic of San Marino desired to submit but that I was not authorized to take any action on such claims. Instead, I would forward them to SACMED, who in turn, I believed, would forward them to the British and U.S. Governments. I pointed out more than once that I was unable to judge whether or not favorable consideration would be given by the Allied Governments to such claims, either in their full or any partial amount and that the only role which the Commission would therefore play would be to receive their formal claim and to forward it to SACMED, who in turn would forward it to the Allied Governments concerned.

The Foreign Minister expressed himself as satisfied with this reply, stating that a commission had been appointed by the Government of the Republic of San Marino to assess the alleged damage and that it would be the findings of this commission which would constitute the basis for the Government's claim.

E.W.S.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner
(ref file 6525/EC)

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Ref: 6525/56/83

5 June 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations for War Damage in San Marino

TO : Headquarters A.M.C. Emilia Region
APO 394

1. Reference your REX/SE/1/1 of 8 May 1945 enclosing a report from the Political Liaison Officer at San Marino which was forwarded to AFHQ.
2. A reply has been received in which it is requested that it be confirmed that the reports covers damage caused by Allied operations to property in the Republic during 19-21 September and not only damage done by Allied bombing on 24 June.
3. Please inform this office as soon as possible in the above sense.

CPW
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 010.2-1

3 June 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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1. Reference is made to your 6525/53/EC of 16 May and enclosures.

2. The British Resident Minister to whom copies of the above have been passed for onward transmission has asked for confirmation that the report covers damage caused by Allied operations to property in the republic during 19-21 Sep and not only the damage done by Allied bombing on 24 June.

3. Your comments are requested.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
4 JUN 1945
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T. B. Jackman
Lt. Col.
T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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Ref: 6525/53/100

16 May 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

TO : G-5, AFHQ

Reference your HQ letter, file G-5: OIG.2-1, subject as above, dated 30 April.

1. This Headquarters has just received copy of the report originally requested in your letter of 8 April, and it is accordingly transmitted herewith.

2. In respect to the other points referred to in paragraph 2 of your letter of the 30th, the Public Health Subcommission reports that they have not received word of any outbreak of typhus in the Republic. It was stated that at one time or another there had been cases of typhoid fever reported (no serious proportions) in that general area. A possible confusion in terminology is indicated.

3. The Foreign Office also wished to know to what extent the Allied authorities have assisted or may be able to assist in repairing the damage. In this particular matter no major repairs have been made other than those necessary to keep the highways open for military traffic during the time the area was within the operational zone.

4. As to future Allied assistance in general repair work, the problem will have to be carefully surveyed and accordingly, on SACMED's approval, such a survey will be instituted. However, it should be observed that according to Captain Comstock's report, the total estimated property damage amounts to slightly more than 2,500,000 lire. Therefore, it might be more practical to make cash settlements rather than attempt any Allied rehabilitation program.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier.

Executive Commissioner.

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Incl 1-Cy ltr HQ Emilia Region,
RIX/SE/H/1, 8 May 45

Incl 2-Cy ltr HQ Emilia Region,
RIX/SE/H/1, 5 May 45 & atchd
translated editorial from "Il
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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Reference: RIX/SE/N/1

8 May 1945

Subject : Reparations for War Damage in San Marino

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Office of the Executive Commissioner)

MAY 10 REC'D

1. Reference your 6525/EC dated 16 April 1945.
2. A copy of the report from the Political Liaison Officer at San Marino, in which the total war damage caused by Allied action to property and persons is estimated by him at 10,333,500 lire, is forwarded herewith. The investigation has been carried out with the utmost discretion.
3. It is understood that Claims and Hirings are carrying out an independent investigation and will shortly be making their own report.

For the Regional Commissioner:



H. H. S. Hartley
H. H. S. HARTLEY
Lieut Colonel
Deputy Regional Commissioner

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2 Incls:

- 1.- Report of PIO, San Marino
- 2.- Translation of editorial from "Il nuovo Titano".

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(Mrs. Stenning)

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

POLITICAL LIAISON OFFICER
REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO

5 May 1945

REF: RIX/SE/N/1

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

TO: Regional Commissioner Emilia Region

1. Reference is to letter dated 24 April 1945 and to letter 6525/EC dated 16 April 1945 from Assistant Executive Commissioner HQ AC and letter dated 16 Nov. 1944 from Political Liaison Officer San Marino.
2. In compliance, the following report is submitted, being based on the report on inspection of monuments, San Marino, by MFAA Officer, A.M.G. Eighth Army, dated 29 Sept. 1944; the questioning of private citizens, without any official communication with the Authorities of San Marino; and on inspection.
 - a. With reference to Maj. Zervudachi's letter of 16 Nov. 1944:
 - (1) Paragraphs 2 to 6, inclusive. No further information which can be considered reliable has been developed concerning German violations of San Marino's neutrality prior to the bombing on 26 June 1944. It appears that those Germans who were in the Palace Square at the time of the bombing were there solely to drink wine. One of them, a major, was cut up by flying glass as he emerged from the Taverna del Pianello.
 - (2) Paragraph 8. Property damage is estimated as follows:
 - (a) From direct hits.-

Museum and Library, San Marino City. Building approximately 50% destroyed. Of five rooms and one corridor occupied by the Library, the corridor was destroyed and all of the rooms damaged. Approximately one third of the books are described as destroyed. Because some 61 paintings had previously been removed to safer vaults, they are unharmed. Only 3 major paintings were seriously damaged. The Museum's numismatic collection was recovered from the debris. Total estimated damage:

350,000 lire

FRANCINI residence, at San Marino. This house was under construction, about 50% completed. About half of the completed portion was destroyed. 13,000 lire

RUSSO residence, at Fondi. One corner (about one third of house) destroyed. 10,000 lire

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Street, near City Gate and Mill; and road-
way approach to Mill and Bakery, 5 craters filled and stone
wall rebuilt. 500 lire

(b) From fragments and repercussion. 2,000,000 lire

Extensive breakage of window glass 200,000 lire

Pitting and scarring of masonry, minor roof
damage and damage to furniture and Chattels: 2,573,500 lire

Total Property damage 2,773,500 lire

(3) Paragraph 9. Casualties are stated as 59 dead and 88 injured.
On the basis of the experience of the Officers of Claims and Hi-
rings, the death adjustments would probably average 100,000
lire each and the settlements for injuries 20,000 lire each.

7,760,000 lire

Total damage to property and persons 10,333,500 lire

3. The attached translation is from "Il Nuovo Titano", weekly newspaper of
the Socialist Party of San Marino, dated 26 April 1945. The views expres-
sed therein may be regarded as the official attitude of the Government,
in that four of the five key Officials are Socialists.

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Oliver D. Comstock

OLIVER D. COMSTOCK
Capt. C.M.P.
P.L.O.

Translation of editorial appearing in "Il Nuovo Titano" weekly newspaper of the Socialist Party of San Marino, Aprile 1945.

"REIMBURSEMENT"

Very serious problems are now weighing on the Republic of San Marino; not even 16 centuries' glorious and pacific life, spent in the difficult custody of a neutrality unviolated until yesterday, have been sufficient to defend her from the impetus of the outside events. For the first time war has forced our borders and has passed furiously over our defenceless territory, ruining things and lives, while San Marino was fulfilling her mission of hospitality and help towards the people of Romagna, who had fled away from the ruin, confiding in our inviolability. And not only war with all its horrible consequences and effects has afflicted our territory but also the money inflation which has put our country in a terrible situation of discomfort without any possibility of financial remedy. The subject we are talking of, without being able to discuss it deeply in these short lines is certainly very delicate. Nothing egoistic is in our stating that our country, thanks to her ancient sovereignty has got the right to be considered as a state with all the prerogatives pertinent thereto. Therefore our wish not to be confused with the Italian nation to whom we are bound by filial bonds and whose tragedy, which makes her a martyr, we are sharing now, is not a false pride but an exigency of a great political and historical value. Our Republic has suffered and is still suffering from all the consequences of a war which we did not want. Notwithstanding her virtual and effective neutrality, she has been an innocent victim of a bombardment which has remained without any justification. She has been the bloody theatre of war fighting, she has felt the consequences of the economic situation of Italy and therefore all her savings, her State titles, her modest reserves have been reduced to the least value. We have no reason to doubt of the acknowledgement of the great Allies towards the oldest democratic government in the world. Only yesterday a message was addressed to the little but not Cinderella Republic of San Marino by the dead President of the great American Nation which has accredited us a consul. Also England will resume her consular representative, and also the Sovietic Republic will not deprive us of relations in the international field. In the meantime, however, while other neutral nations could be promptly paid for the damages suffered, our Republic has not yet been able to make people consider her rights. Her voice is weak and cannot be heard in the din of war which is going towards its end; and even if she had the power of making herself heard, she dares not and does not like to be considered troublesome. But people should pay attention also to her. An Allied Office for the payment of war damages has been opened in San Marino. But its task is limited to the very sophistic statement of looting done by the troops of occupation. Offices like this are spread all over Italy. But still, nothing has been done for what concerns the bombardment of 26 June 1944 and of those caused by the fighting. The government of the Republic is not impatient for itself and for its people to see this count paid; if it is extremely important for us, it is a trifle for the Great Allied Nations, but it is for a general sense of right that we want to see the problems of damages and all the war damages well resolved.

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especially in consideration of the sovereign prerogatives of the Republic which make her separated from the destiny of the fighting nations.
A second not less important problem is that of the detachment of the Sammarinese money circulation from Italy and of this question we will talk in the next newspaper.

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8 May 45

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PAREN TO AMG EMILIA REGION FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACEXC PAREN

Copy to AMG EIGHTH ARMY

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 010.2-1

30 April 1945 ²⁴⁵
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SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394 ⁴⁰

1. Reference is made to G-5: 010.2-1 of 8 April. ^{MAY 2}
2. The Deputy Resident Minister AFHQ has reported that he has referred this matter to the Foreign Office and has sent on to them the reports already made by you and HQ MAAF. The Deputy Resident Minister further states that his letter has, however, crossed with one from the Foreign Office who inform him that they have already received a note from the San Marino Government through HM Legation to the Holy See. In sending that information the Foreign Office ask the British Resident Minister to call for a report on the damage done and on the situation arising out of the occupation of San Marino by Allied forces and refer to the fact that the note received by them refers to a serious outbreak of typhus having occurred in the Republic. ⁴⁰ The Foreign Office also state they wish to know to what extent, if any, the Allied authorities in Italy have assisted or may be able to assist in repairing the damage.
3. The Deputy Resident Minister states it is appreciated that a great part of the information required by the Foreign Office is in the reports already forwarded by him but he asks that the additional information which you are gathering under para 4 of G-5: 010.2-1 of 8 April should cover specifically the points raised by the Foreign Office. ⁴⁵
4. In connection with the matter generally attached for your information is a copy of Claims Commission CCHD/375/1 of 25 April.
5. It is requested you will state when you expect to be in a position to submit your further report.

Charles M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Incl: as above

Copy to: SACS. Your Log 4182 of 29 April refers.
Deputy Resident Minister. Your 46/150/10 of 27 April
to Chief of Staff AFHQ refers.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Claims Commission &
Hirings Directorate

25 April 45

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A.F.H.Q.

CCHD/375/1

Reparations to San Marino

1. Reference your G-5;010.2 - 1 of 8 April 45 and enclosures therein mentioned. I visited San Marino on 4 December 44 and saw the Regent-Captains and Secretary of State of the Republic. I assured them that claims falling within the jurisdiction of the Claims Commission would be investigated and in proper cases equitable awards would be made. I explained that the deaths, injuries and damage which had resulted from the bombing of 26 June 44 and from the military operations in September 44 were matters which did not come within the jurisdiction of the Claims Commission and that consequently I was not competent to deal with that aspect of their letter of 24 November 44, which would certainly receive careful consideration from the appropriate Allied authorities.
2. A Claims & Hirings Officer had previously been sent to San Marino and had already received a large number of claims. The Sanmarinese Government had themselves set up a Commission to receive and consider claims by the inhabitants and pass them to the Claims & Hirings Officer. The volume of work increased considerably and further Officers have been sent to cope with this.
3. To date over 1,300 cases have been registered and have been or are in the course of being investigated. These investigations disclose that the majority of them arise out of military operations. Assessments and awards are being made in those cases coming within the jurisdiction of the Commission.
4. One of the claims is in respect of the damage caused to the roads of the Republic by heavy military traffic. The Government Engineer has stated that he has obtained provisional estimates from two road contractors, one in Rimini amounting to 87,645,690 lire and another in Rome amounting to 75,202,226 lire. When it was suggested to him that the traffic was due to operations against the enemy and the damage must therefore be classified as war damage, and thus would not fall within the jurisdiction of the Commission, he replied that the enemy was driven out of the Republic during 19-21 September 44 whereas tanks, motor lorries, bren carriers and all forms of military traffic continued to use the roads until the early days of November 44 and the damage thus caused could not be classified as war damage.
5. This case is one of those which will have to be left in suspense until a decision is arrived at on the general issue.

Tel: 16506
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/s/ E. R. Cawdron
/t/ E. R. Cawdron,
Brigadier,
V.P.C.C. & D. of Hqs.

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Ref: 6525/EC

16 April 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino

TO : Headquarters AMG EIGHTH Army Main

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1. Reference is made to your report of 16 November 1944 on the bombing of San Marino on 26 June 1944, a copy of which is attached herewith for easy reference.

2. Paragraph 8 of this report envisaged that further details of the damage would follow. It is requested, therefore, that the further report be submitted as soon as possible to complete your evidence of the damage caused by the Allied bombings.

3. You are requested to enquire into and place on record at this Headquarters the amount of such damages.

4. AFHQ have directed that "no indication whatever be given that in the event that a claim were made it would be favorably considered by an Allied Government. The enquiry must be conducted in a manner characterized by the greatest discretion, and without resort to any official communication with the authorities of San Marino".

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

Major Ranfurly
for Colonel
Acting Executive Commissioner

1 Encl: Report of 16 November on Bombing of San Marino

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CC: To Emilia Region -
For Reg. Liaison Off. SAN MARINO 29/4 HCB.

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G-5: 010.2-1

SUBJECT: Reparation to San Marino.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Chief Commissioner)

8 April 1945
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Office of EC.

1. Reference is made to your HQ(Political Section) 385.05 of 24 November with its enclosures and to G-5: 010.2-1 of 3 December.

2. Attached for your information is a copy of a letter dated 3 April signed by the Chief of Staff this Headquarters and addressed jointly to the British Resident Minister and the United States Political Adviser requesting them to transmit to their two Governments the general claim received from the Republic of San Marino and requesting them to ascertain what further action thereon it is desired should be taken by the Military authorities here. A copy of the MAAF report referred to in paragraph 3(a) of that letter is attached in order that your file may be complete.

37 3. It will be appreciated that the report enclosed with your letter above referred to was an interim one only in that it envisaged that further details of the damage would follow. It is requested that a further report be submitted as soon as possible to complete your evidence as to the damage caused by the Allied bombings on 24 June last.

4. In order that evidence may be at hand, should it be required, of the damage caused by the Allied operations affecting San Marino on 19-21 September last the Chief of Staff this Headquarters has directed that you should inquire into and place on record the amount of such damages. In ascertaining this the same factors apply to the inquiry as were applicable by direction of the Chief of Staff to that concerning the damage done by the Allied bombing on 24 June last (See the last paragraph of the letter to you signed by the Chief of Staff dated 2 Oct). A copy of your report should be furnished to this Headquarters as soon as possible.

5. For your information Claims and Hirings are being requested to report as to outstanding claims for billeting and requisitioning during the period when Allied troops were stationed in the Republic after 21 Sept. last.

Incls:
as above.

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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3 April 1945

SUBJECT: Reparations to San Marino.

TO : The British Resident Minister.
The United States Political Adviser.

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1. The Republic of San Marino, through its Legation to the Holy See, has submitted to the Vatican a letter dated 21 November stressing the neutral attitude adopted by the Republic during the present war and instancing in general terms the damage its territory and inhabitants has sustained as a result of the war. A copy of the letter, which has been passed to this Headquarters through Headquarters Allied Commission is attached at Appendix A. It will be seen that the Republic asks "for just material repairs of the damages which have been done", and from its wording it appears clear that the letter is intended as a formal claim for reparations. It will also be observed that the letter instances in general terms three types of damage sustained by the Republic, namely, those caused by Allied bombing on 24 June last, those caused by operations on or near its soil between 19 and 21 September on which latter date the territory of the Republic was occupied by Allied troops, and lastly damage caused during the time that Allied troops were stationed in the territory.

2. The possibility of a claim for reparations being received from the Republic was envisaged in September last when you agreed that should any such claim be received neither Allied Commission nor this Headquarters would be competent to consider it and that it would have to be submitted to the Foreign Office and the State Department in order that the governments might decide in the matter. In order, however, that the interests of the governments might be protected it was thought desirable to establish a record as to what had occurred and Headquarters MAF and Headquarters Allied Commission were instructed in the matter in a letter signed by the then Chief of Staff, copy at Appendix B.

3. Arising out of the above the following documents have been received.

a. Report from Headquarters MAF dated 11 March, copy at Appendix C.

b. Interim report from Headquarters Allied Commission

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dated 24 November, copy at Appendix D.

4. The information set out in paragraph 3 above relates to the reasons for the Allied bombing which took place on 24 June last and to the injuries and damages resulting therefrom. Additional evidence is being sought as to the damage caused by the operations which resulted in the occupation of the Republic on the 21 September last and as to any outstanding claims for billeting and requisitioning during the period when Allied troops were stationed in the Republic.

5. It is felt, however, that without waiting for more evidence to be collected it is desirable that the general claim of the Republic should now be forwarded to the American and British Governments for them to decide whether any such claim is to be entertained in principle and, if so, for them to say what further action it is desired should be taken here on the matter. It should be stated that it has not been felt desirable, in the absence of instructions from the governments, to approach the Republic for a detailed statement of their claim.

6. It is requested accordingly that you will refer the above through diplomatic channels to your governments and inform this Headquarters in due course of whatever further action it is desired should be undertaken here.

7. A copy of this letter, together with the enclosures, is being sent to the Secretary, the Combined Chiefs of Staff for the purpose of formal record.

For the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theater:

W. D. Morgan

W. D. MORGAN
Lieutenant General
Chief of Staff

Incls:
as above

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR FORCES
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Ref: MAAP/8.63/4/AIR

11th March, 1945

SUBJECT: Bombing of San Marino.

TO : Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean.

1. The compilation of available evidence that an Axis power was making military use of the Republic of San Marino as directed by SACMED in letter 2 1944, subject: "Bombing of San Marino" is attached hereto as Exhibits AA, BB, and CC. The attached exhibits are copies or translations thereof, of three letters covering the San Marino incident. (The originals are held at Advanced Headquarters, Desert Air Force.)

2. The selection of the train terminus at San Marino for attack by Desert Air Force on 26 June was based on intelligence received from the Eighth Army, who had prisoner of war evidence that the Germans had occupied the Republic of San Marino, probably to strengthen the Gothic Line, and also that the enemy were negotiating for, and probably already using, a tunnel(s) in the state of San Marino for munition dumps. This was subsequently borne out by the statements referred to in Exhibit 'CC' attached hereto. The increase in rolling stock which was visually observed at San Marino station on the 26th June corroborated this information.

3. The information contained in the attached letters and that which was furnished by the Eighth Army is conclusive evidence that an Axis power was making use of the Republic of San Marino prior to and on 26 June, 1944. This evidence deprived San Marino of the protection accorded a neutral state and rendered mandatory the initiation of air attacks to meet that tactical situation.

For the Air Commander-in-Chief:

/s/ C. P. CABELL,
C. P. CABELL,
Brigadier General, USA,
Director of Operations
and Intelligence.

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- Incl 1 - Exhibit 'AA'
- Incl 2 - Exhibit 'BB'
- Incl 3 - Exhibit 'CC'

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ENCLOSURE. 21/2/45

I Walter STUANI di Lano living at present at No 7 Viale Milano
Riccione, and Resident at No 3 Via Bogall Bologna, declare that:

On the 25th of June 1944, together with my wife I was on my
way to San Marino for the purpose of finding accommodation.

During my journey through Republican territory, I can affirm
having seen several German vehicles some of which were carrying German
soldiers in uniform. I well remember the occasion, because my wife made
the following remark. "You wish to bring us here because this is Neutral
Territory, and instead it's full of Germans". I spent the whole day in
San Marino, and the following day I returned to arrange for the transportation
of necessities, and at the TAVANNA? I again saw some Germans, one of
which to the best of my belief was a High Officer. This was the 26th of
June, the day of the bombing, and I had taken cover in the tunnels, where
after the explosion of the first bomb, I heard some San Marino people say
that the bombing was because German troops were on San Marino territory.

Signed.....Walter Stogani.

Translation from Italian certified correct

R.S. DIAMONT S/Ldr.

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20th Feb. 1945

I Mignani Tony di Umberto and Di Zona Olga, born at Bologna November 18th 1917, my home being at No 5a. Via Cesare Battista, Bologna, declare:

That during the month of June, three days before the Bombing attack I found myself in the Territory of the Republic of San Marino, and at approximately 18.30 hours on this day, can say without any possibility of doubt that I saw several vehicles with W.H. markings, these vehicles were on the S. Marino - Rimini road where it descends to join the Bivio for Verucchio, and in motion in that locality.

These vehicles were similar to the Dodge type, some of which were covered in.

I hereby certify that the facts mentioned are true without any doubt whatsoever.

SIGNED..... Tony Mignani

Translation from Italian certified correct.

R. A. DIAMONT S/Ldr.

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CONFIRMATION OF AN INVESTIGATION TO THE BOMBING OF SAN MARINO ON JUNE 26th. THE SOURCE IS OF ENGLISH ORIGIN AND IS RELATED TO A MAJOR IN LIAISON WITH THE 5th ARMY. SHE HAS BEEN A MEMBERS OF ITALY SINCE THE LAST WAR, AND OTHER HIS ARRIVAL HAS BEEN ACTING AS INTERPRETER TO MAJOR WHITE, THE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL AT URBINANTINO MARCHIA.

URBINANTINO MARCHIA

6th February 1945.

The 26th of June 1944 I left VERGIANO by train to go to SAN MARINO. I arrived at TORNILLO, the nearest station this side of SAN MARINO, at about 10 or 10.30 hours and started walking up the road to AQUAVIVA, half way up the road that leads to the entrance of SAN MARINO. I heard a formation coming over and looking up saw 6 planes heading towards SAN MARINO. An old chap in a field on the left hand side going up, said "I bet they are going to bomb SAN MARINO. Those dirty dogs of Fascists have sold the place to the Germans. This morning at least 50 cars have gone up full of German high officials and fascists. He could not say any more as we all lived into a ditch as the first 6 planes started bombing, after a little while another 6 flew over. I believe they bombed three times in all. After it was all clear I went up as far as the barrier, and had a talk with some of the SAN MARINO guards on duty and they all said "What can you expect with all the Germans and fascists that have gone up this morning? I call it a disaster we don't want Germans here, its all the fault of the Fascists, we have to thank TACCHI TACCHI for this. He reckoned that TACCHI and his gang had sold SAN MARINO to the Germans, in fact everybody knew that there had been a row up at SAN MARINO because the Government in power did not, and would not let the Germans in. TACCHI went up with some German High officials, kicked out the SAN MARINO Government and put men in who were willing to collaborate with the Germans. Many genuine SAN MARINO people were highly indignant. It was a well known thing that the Germans intended to use one of the tunnels as an ammunition depot and they eventually did store no end of ammunition there. A Miss TORNILI, a bank clerk, CASSA DI RISPARMIO OF RAVENNA, went to SAN MARINO just before it was bombed. I met her as she came back. She was very worried and upset because she was afraid to go to SAN MARINO any more as the Germans had sent up no end of ammunition to be stored in one of the tunnels. She said SAN MARINO neutrality was held, it will be bombed, how unfortunate for us who thought of hiding there. I think a SIGNOR MATALINO SARTORI of RAVENNA who used to live in CORGO MARITTIMO 38 and who took refuge in SAN MARINO could probably tell about the Germans that were there and what they did. He is real anti-fascist and very pro-British. The first cars that came down on Monday morning 26th June had German officers in, and some badly wounded. With a man like DOCTOR BALMONTI acting as Governor of SAN MARINO it was quite easy for the Germans to do what they liked. BALMONTI was a P.O.W. exchanged along with several others and sent back to RAVENNA. He was extremely anti-British and very much pro-German. He was in close contact with German High Command and had Headquarters at CARRERANO in the castle belonging to the Marquis MARCONI up to the 26th September 1944. BALMONTI went backwards and forwards to Headquarters CARRERANO near RAVENNA where ROBERTSON stayed. He was the official liaison officer between the HRP of SAN MARINO and the MUSCOLINI GOVERNMENT, director of the paper "ASSOLINO DI RAVENNA" and did all in his power to help the Germans especially by letting them do whatever they liked in SAN MARINO.

SIGNED..... TINA RUCCHI.

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Certified true copy. R.E. BALMONT 5/12/45. Advanced Headquarters, Desert Air Force, Intelligence Section.

The 26th of June 1944 I left VERONA by train to go to SAN MARINO. I arrived at TOSCANO, the nearest station this side of SAN MARINO, at about 10 or 10.30 hours and started walking up the road to FLOQUA, half way up the road that leads to the entrance of SAN MARINO. I heard a formation coming over and looking up saw 6 planes heading towards SAN MARINO. An old man in a field on the left hand side going up, said "I bet they are going to bomb SAN MARINO". Those dirty dogs of fascists have sold the place to the Germans. This morning at least 50 cars have come up full of German high officials and fascists. He could not say any more as we all lived into a ditch as the first 6 planes started bombing, after a little while another 6 flew over. I believe they bombed three times in all. After it was all over I went up as far as the harbor, and had a talk with some of the SAN MARINO guards on duty and they all said "What can you expect with all the German and fascists that have gone up this morning? I call it a disaster we don't want Germans here, its all the fault of the fascists, we have to check TACCHI TACCHI for this. He reckoned that TACCHI and his gang had sold SAN MARINO to the Germans, in fact everybody knew that there had been a rev up at SAN MARINO because the Government in power did not, and would not let the Germans in. TACCHI went up with some German high officials, kicked out the SAN MARINO Government and put men in who were willing to collaborate with the Germans. Many genuine SAN MARINO people were highly indignant. It was a well known thing that the Germans intended to use one of the tunnels as an ammunition depot and they eventually did store no end of ammunition there. A Miss TONINI, a bank clerk, CASSA DI RISPARMIO of VERONA, went to SAN MARINO just before it was bombed. I met her as she came back. She was very worried and upset because she was afraid to go to SAN MARINO any more as the Germans had sent up no end of ammunition to be stored in one of the tunnels. She said SAN MARINO neutrality won't hold, it will be bombed, her unfortunate for us who thought of hiding there. I think a SIMONE MATALINO SARTORI of VERONA who used to live in CORSO VENEZIA 30 and who took refuge in SAN MARINO could probably tell about the Germans that were there and what they did. He is real anti-fascists and very pro-British. The first cars that came down on Monday morning 26th June had German officers in, and some badly wounded. With a man like ROBERT BALINCHI acting as Governor of SAN MARINO it was quite easy for the Germans to do what they liked. BALINCHI was a P.O.W. exchanged along with several others and sent back to VERONA. He was extremely anti-British and very much pro-German. He was in close contact with German High Command and had Headquarters at CAMBRANO in the castle belonging to the Marquis MARCOSANTO up to the 20th September 1944. BALINCHI went backwards and forwards to Headquarters CAMBRANO near SANTALCAMBRANO where VERONA was stored. He was the official liaison officer between the REP of SAN MARINO and the MUSCOLINI GOVERNMENT, director of the paper "ASSOLTO DI POLICIA" and did all in his power to help the Germans especially by letting them do whatever they liked in SAN MARINO.

SIGNED..... TINA SUGGI.

Certified true copy. R.N. DIAMONT *of* Mr.
Advanced Headquarters, Desert Air Force.
Intelligence Section.
15th February 1945.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: O10.2-1

3 December 1944

SUBJECT: Payment of Reparations to San Marino.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

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1. Your letter of 20 November 1944 (Ref: 385.05) brings to the attention of this Headquarters the note of enquiry of the Consul General of the Republic of San Marino, dated 20 November 1944, which makes reference to an earlier note of 8 October (Number 1577 U/2) concerning the damages suffered by the Republic of San Marino and its inhabitants following the air raid of 26 June 1944, and also refers to the large number of refugees who sought sanctuary in San Marino. *not in file*

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2. It is thought that at this time no reply need be made to the Consul General of the Republic of San Marino in the premises.

3. In the event that further representations are made on behalf of the Republic of San Marino, it is suggested that you should ask that the matter be formally presented for consideration by the Allied Governments.

385.05

Ph. M.
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Copy to:
U.S. Political Adviser
British Resident Minister

5 DEC 1944

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

Ref: 385.05

24 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters

SUBJECT: Bombing of San Marino on 26 June 1944.

1. With reference to the Political Section's letter of 20th November regarding the claim put forward by the Consul-General of the Republic of San Marino for reparations in respect of damage due to Allied bombing, we enclose a copy of a letter addressed to the Chief Civil Affairs Officer, Allied Military Government, 8th Army, containing a report, from the Liaison Officer attached to the Government of the Republic of San Marino, on the use of the territory of the Republic for military purposes by the Axis powers and the extent of the damage due to Allied bombing, prepared in accordance with the instructions in the letter from the Chief of Staff, Allied Force Headquarters, to the Acting Chief Commissioner, of the 2nd October 1944.

2. From the political point of view, it will be very desirable that, if, as appears to be the case, the San Marino Government has a legitimate claim against the Allied Governments, it should be settled promptly and generously as was done in the case of the bombing of certain localities in Switzerland by British and U.S. aircraft.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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S. L. G. A. ROBINSON
Acting Vice President, Political Section

1 Encl: Ltr subj: Bombing of San Marino
on 26 Jun 44, dated 16 Nov 44.

Copy to: U.S. Political Adviser, A.F.M.G.
British Resident Minister, A.F.M.G.
Economic Section, HQ. A.C.
A.M.G. 8th Army
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

Ref: 385.05

20 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters
Copy to: British Resident Minister
U. S. Political Advisor

SUBJECT: Payment of Reparations to the Republic of San Marino

1. Reference letter of Chief of Staff, A.P.H.Q., addressed to Air C-in-C MAAF and Acting Chief Commissioner, AOC, dated October 2, 1944 on the subject of, bombing of San Marino. The Consul General of the Republic of San Marino called at the Political Section, A.C. on November 10, 1944 to deposit a note of inquiry from his Government concerning any decision made by the Allied Governments regarding reparations to the Republic. Copy of this communication is attached.
2. The Consul General was told by Political Section that no immediate reply by the Commission could be made to his request because, to the knowledge of the Political Section, the question of the claim for damage has not been raised.
3. Political Section would appreciate an expression of the views of G-5 Section in this matter to enable it to reply to further inquiries by the Consul General.

For the Chief Commissioner:-

WILLIAM W. JENNETT
Vice President, Political Section

1 Encl: Ltr 1809 U/2 dtd 10 Nov 44.

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Political Liaison Officer
San Marino

16 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Bombing of San Marino on 26 June 1944.

TO : Group Captain Benson
A M G HQ Eighth Army Main.

Reference a letter from AFHQ dated 2 Oct 44.

- 1.- All the information gathered from private sources as well as from members of the San Marino Government on the situation which obtained in the Republic prior to the bombing of San Marino by Allied Aircraft on the 26 June 1944 show uniformity of views and at no time have I had the impression that essential points, of a nature to hamper rather than to further eventual claims for compensation by the San Marino Government, were being withheld.
- 2.- Twice prior to the 26 June 1944 the territory of the Republic of San Marino was violated by German troops :
 - a) On October 5th 1943 a body of SS (it has not been possible to determine their number exactly except that they were not more than 40 or 50) crossed into San Marino on the pretext that the Republic was harbouring escaped Allied Prisoners of War and that Italian MT and arms and ammunition were hidden by anti-fascists within the Republic. They attempted to break into the local jail in order to seize four British escaped prisoners who were interned there. Not successful in their attempt they captured, as a reprisal, five San Marino citizens one of whom was a councillor of State. These Sanmarenese were, however, returned to their families later in the day. The Germans, on the same day, entered the Government Palace and accused the local Government of being anti-German and anti-fascist and tried to intimidate the Regency into forming a new Cabinet of persons more to their liking.
 - b) On October 8th, a body of SS again violated the territory of San Marino. This time they were bent on rounding up motor-vehicles and drove away with forty five motor-cars, nearly all belonging to local citizens.
- 3.- During the last few days of June 1944 and presumably before the 26 June, a squad of German soldiers arrived in the Serravalle area for the purpose of mining the railway tunnel of La Fiorina between Serravalle and S. Marino town, (see attached map). This district is also within the Republic boundaries. The Government of San Marino complained to General von Graffen who secured the withdrawal of the squad on the 27 June within two or three days of their arrival. It has not been able to establish satisfactorily the exact date of the arrival of these troops nor indeed whether they were German soldiers proper or labour gangs dressed in the uniform of the German Army. But the day of their withdrawal is certain and this is sufficient to determine their presence in the Republic of San Marino, on the day of the bombing which was the previous day. Furthermore the Government's protest to General von Graffen and their withdrawal is a good enough proof that they were not in San Marino on pleasure bent.

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4.- German Officers frequently visited the Republic either on official missions to the local Government or touristically minded. There was no objection to these visits from the Republic's Authorities. Actually during the bombing German cars were stationary in the Palace Square while German Officers were visiting ~~XX~~ in the town. This has been confirmed by several local inhabitants, (see also verbal statement by one, Benelli).

5.- In connection with the violations of San Marino mentioned in para 2 above, the Government of the Republic protested officially to the German Embassy and to the Italian Government. Official excuses were presented by the German Ambassador who personally handed the sum of Lire 1.119.376.- on 14 June 1944 ~~XX~~ as compensation for the seized cars. On 25 October 1943 Rommel in person visited San Marino and assured the Regents that no troops would again violate the neutrality of the Republic (see copies of German official notes on the subject).

6.- A few days before the bombing on 26 June 44, Italian Patriots are said to have spoken to Sanmarenese and told them that they would inform the Allied Air Command of the existence of arms and ammunition hidden in the house of a Fascist, a certain Fattori who is a very ardent exponent of that Regime and who has now fled with the Germans. No stores of arms or ammunition were found in this man's house and the FSS has since checked that this was so. It has not been possible to trace these Patriots who were supposed to have come from San Leo so that I do not attach too much credulity to this story.

7.- In the period that followed the bombing of San Marino there was no real German activity in the Republic by troops until their retreat in September 1944; but for your information:

- a) On the night of 11 August an officer and NCO of the German SS and an officer and NCO of the Italian SS came to San Marino from Forli for the purpose of questioning three Sanmarenese who had printed an anti-German pamphlet;
- b) Between 5 and 16 September about 15 members of the German Field Police were stationed in the Republic for the purpose of controlling the German soldiers in retreat;
- c) About the same time a nucleus of three men and a lieutenant of the German Field Police stayed in the Republic for the purpose of enforcing the pact concluded between the Republic and the German Ambassador to Italy, and, in particular, to prevent German requisitioning;
- d) Round about that same period an undetermined number of guns arrived in Serravalle area and remained until the time of the German retreat.

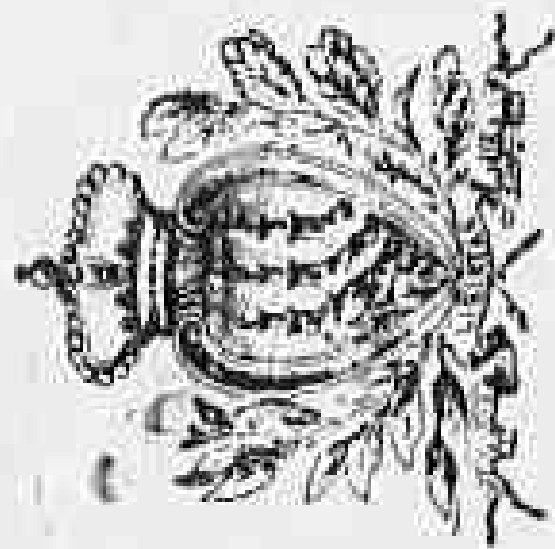
8.- The extent of the damage caused by the Allied bombings to public and private property is not considerable and there is at present a small body of technicians (photographers and engineers) who are trying to assess it. (Report on damage to museum)

9. The number of casualties amounted to 70 of which 67 fatal. Thirty six of the dead are Sanmarenese, the others Italian.

10.- The Allied Bombing started at 11.13 hours by 10 ~~XX~~ (?) bombers and was followed by other three waves every 15 minutes, approximately by the same number of aircraft. The first wave hit the centre of the town, the second one hit the area near the Railway Station, the third hit the fraction of Santa Mustiola and the fourth a cross-roads near Borgo Maggiore. (see statement by Benelli which is the clearest I obtained on the subject, it varies however in the number of bombers and incursions) (& see map of bombed area) 2584

/s/ L.E. Zervudachi, Major.

Attachments: 1) Map of S. Marino, 2) Statement by Benelli, 3) German Notes, 4) Damage to museum, 5) Casualties from Bombings, 6) Map showing bombs and direction of incursions.



REPUBBLICA DI SAN MARINO

CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA

1809 U/2

Rome November 10th., 1944 -1544 d.F.R.

Honorable Allied Commission
Political Section

R o m e

With reference to my Verbal Note dated October 8th. number 1577-U/2, concerning the damages suffered by the Republic of San Marino and her inhabitants, following the air raid of June 26, 1944, the undersigned Consul General would be much obliged to the Honorable Allied Commission to know what decision has been taken on the matter, in order to let it be known to the Government of the Republic.

Due to the precarious conditions of the said Republic, who was obliged to give sanctuary to about one hundred thousand refugees, if the Honorable Allied Commission could obtain an anticipation on the definite amount for reparations it would be highly appreciated.

With highest regards, I remain

very respectfully yours

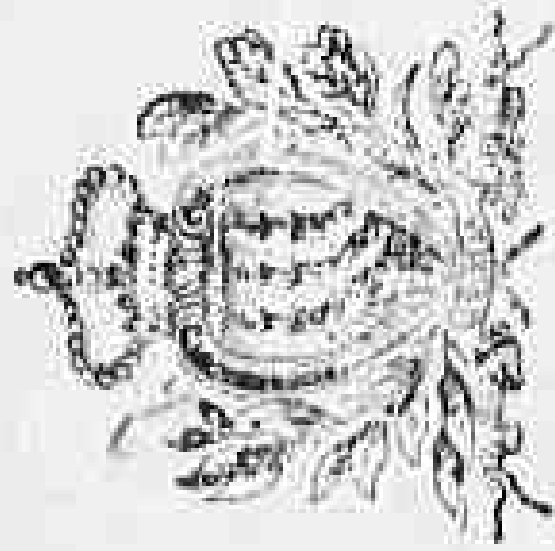
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REPUBBLICA DI SAN MARINO

CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA

Roma 10 novembre 1944/1644 d.F.R.

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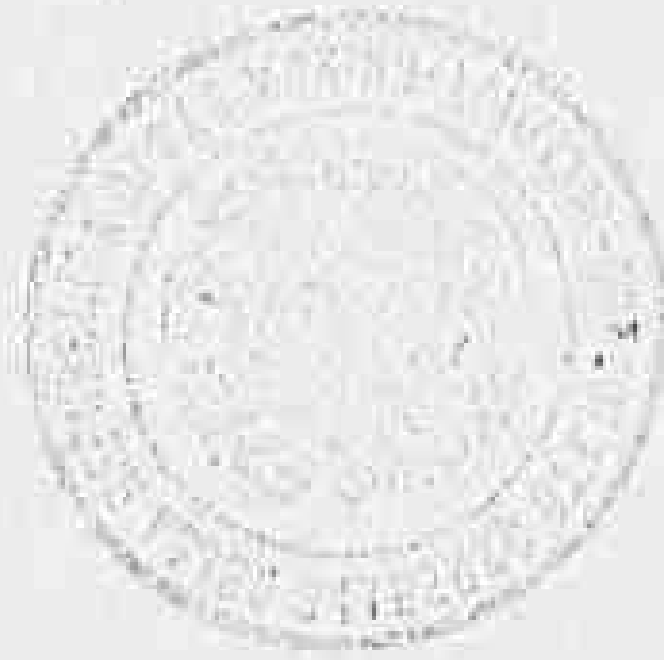
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Con la maggiore osservanza

Molto rispettosamente

IL CONSOLE GENERALE
(Mario Novescaletti)



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CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA

Roma 10 novembre 1944/1644 d.F.R.

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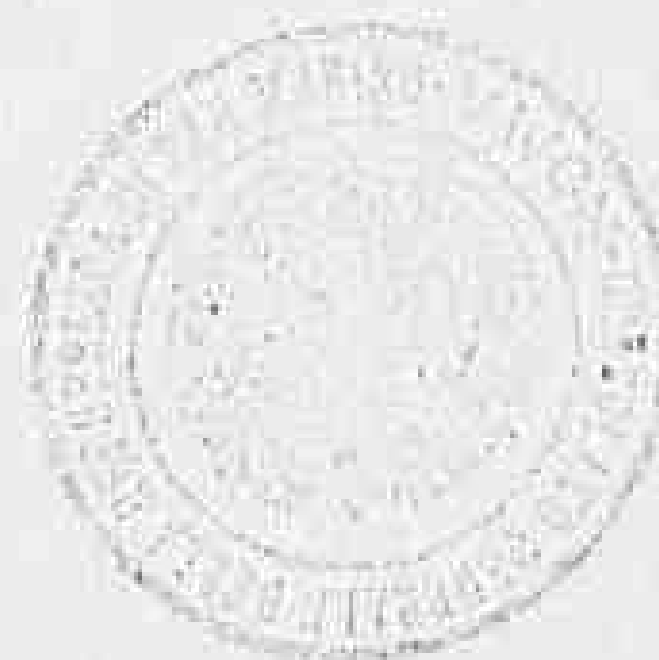
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IL CONSOLE GENERALE
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CHIEF
Office of the Chief of Staff

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Ref: 505/25/003.

6 October 1944.

SUBJECT: San Marino.

TO : AMB Eighth Army.

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1. I forward to you a copy of a letter dated 2 October 1944 from Chief of Staff AFHQ with the request that you prepare the report asked for in paragraph of the letter.
2. I must draw your particular attention to the last paragraph of the letter in which instructions are laid down as to the manner of conducting your enquiries.

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

2 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Bombing of San Marino.

TO : Air C-in-C MAAF.
Acting Chief Commissioner, ACC.

1. There are indications that the Government of San Marino may put forward a claim for compensation in respect of the damage caused by the Allied bombing of San Marino on 26 June last.

2. Any such claim would have to be considered by the Foreign Office and the State Department and could not be adjudicated upon here, although ACC could act as the channel for passing it on to this Headquarters for transmittal to the Government sought to be held liable. With a view to protecting the interests of the British and U.S. Governments against any contingency which may arise it has been determined to establish a record evidencing the facts.

3. Accordingly Air C-in-C MAAF is directed to compile a detailed report for transmittal to this Headquarters comprising all available evidence that an Axis power was making military use of the Republic of San Marino prior to 26 June 1944. Such report will not be limited to facts known to MAAF prior to that date.

4. The Acting Chief Commissioner, ACC, is directed to instruct the liaison officer who enters the Republic of San Marino in accordance with letter HQ ACC, Regional Control and Military Government Section, Subject: Neutrality - Republic of San Marino; Ref: 778/3/CA dated 18 August 1944, to prepare a report for transmittal to this Headquarters covering the following points:

a. All facts which tend to establish that the Republic of San Marino was used by Axis powers for military purposes, with particular reference to the period prior to 26 June 1944.

b. The extent of damage caused by Allied bombings to property, to life, and to limb within the Republic of San Marino.

It is essential that no indication whatever be given that in the event that a claim were made it would be favorably considered by an Allied Government. The enquiry must be conducted in a manner characterized by the greatest discretion, and without resort to any official communication with the authorities of San Marino.

By command of General WILSON:

4 OCT 1944

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J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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September 5, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Representations made by Republic of San Marino

For your information, there are transmitted the texts of representations made by the Republic of San Marino to the United States Government through the Swedish Government and the American Legation, Bern, following the reported air raid on San Marino territory on June 26:

The following is a paraphrase of telegram from American Legation, Stockholm of July 27, 8 p.m.:

BEGIN PARAPHRASE The following is the substance of an aide memoire handed to the British and American legations today by the Foreign Office:

The Consul General of San Marino, upon instructions from his Government, has requested the Swedish Government to bring the following statement to the attention of the British and United States Governments.

On June 26 the territory of San Marino was heavily attacked by American and British planes. Several casualties as well as serious damage resulted. Not only did such attacks violate San Marino's neutrality, but they were even more deplorable because the country has become a refuge for Italian civilian refugees.

It is emphasized in the statement that San Marino's neutral position cannot be questioned. Its territory, the statement asserts, holds no military target, nor has the state ever been entered by any German soldiers. All communications by rail, telegraph and telephone have been broken with the outside.

The San Marino Government accordingly ventures to request, through Swedish intermediary, that the necessary measures to avoid any further acts of war against the territory of San Marino be taken by the British and United States Governments. END PARAPHRASE

Bern's telegram of July 27, midnight, reads as follows:

BEGIN QUOTE Further communication from Consulate General of San Marino transmits copy of note from San Marino Government dated July 4, 1944 with information for identification of San Marino

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territory from air and memorandum on regulations between Republic of San Marino and Great Britain and the United States. Communication from the frontier and points within the territory marked by large white crosses. Identical communication addressed to British Legation Bern. NO COPY

For the United States Political Advisor

G. F. Reinhardt

Distribution:

Copy to Chief of Staff
Deputy Chief of Staff
W.L.A.F.
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Political Section, AGO
British Resident Minister

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED ARMY GROUP
BRITISH ARMY
APO 104

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Ref: 3585.05

29 August 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: G-2, Allied Forces Headquarters,
Copies to: G.O.C. G-2, A.S.I. Adv.,
G.O.C. 5th Army,
British Resident Minister, Rome,
U.S. Political Advisor, Rome,
British High Commissioner to Italy,
U.S. Representative, Advisory Council.

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With reference to your telegram of 16 July on Italian
naval officer who recently arrived in Rome stated that the number of
casualties as the result of Allied air bombardment in June had been
approximately sixty killed and 180 wounded.

Although nothing has so far been said about compensation; it seems
not unlikely that the Government of the Republic will raise this
question as soon as contact has been established with Allied author-
ities. It will therefore be appreciated if instructions can be gi-
ven as to the reply to be returned in the event of it being estab-
lished that at the time of the bombardment the territory was not
being used for military purposes by the enemy and that it was not
then being administered by a puppet government serving the Italian
Fascist Authorities or the Germans.

R.A. JACOB
Vice-President

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
POLITICAL SECTION
APR 304

Ref: 4022.00

26 August 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: J.C.S. Ops, A.S.I. Adv.

Copies to: A.S.I. 5th Army,

G-3, Allied Force Headquarters,

British Resident Minister, AFM,

U.S. Political Adviser, AFM,

British High Commissioner to Italy,

U.S. Representative, Advisory Council.

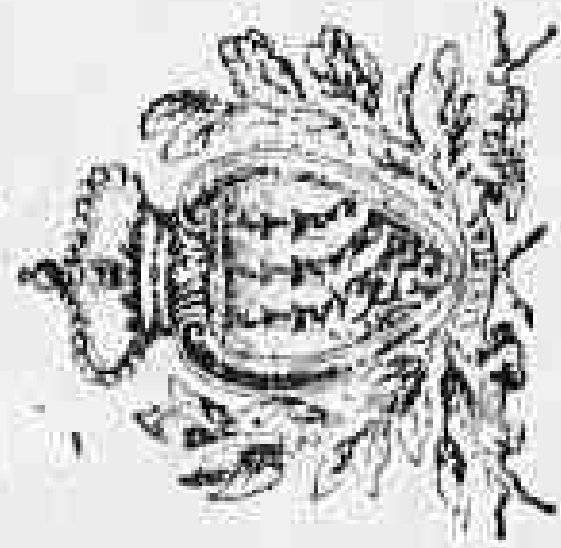
With reference to A.F.M.A. telegram PX 73706 of the 18th July and connected correspondence regarding San Marino, a memorandum has been received from the Consul General of the Republic at Rome stating that he has recently received the following information from an Italian naval officer who recently made his way to Rome from San Marino:-

- 1 - 300 Militiamen of the Republic have been mobilized to keep the watch at the frontier;
- 2 - Big posters in four languages and white and blue flags have been placed at the side of the roads where these are crossed by the border;
- 3 - Big white crosses have been traced over the country in order to make the border conspicuous to the aeroplanes;
- 4 - Assurances have been given by the Consul G.A. that the neutrality of the Republic will be respected;
- 5 - According to the instructions given to the Militia watching the frontier civilians having no permanent residence in the Republic, military personnel and deserters of all descriptions are not allowed to enter the territory of the Republic;
- 6 - The Government of San Marino has cut the railway line, in order to stop the railway service.

The Italian naval officer, Lt. Zaverdi, has been separately interviewed and confirms that he did give the above information to the Consul General and to the best of his knowledge and belief it is accurate.

H.A. JACOBIA
Vice-President

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REPUBBLICA DI SAN MARINO

CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA

1439/U

Rome, 26th August 1944

To the Allied Control Commission

R o m e

The Consul General of the Republic of San Marino in Roma presents his compliments to the Allied Control Commission and has the honor of notifying the following informations with reference to his previous verbal note dated July the 22nd.

By a message to his Government the Consul General in Roma had suggested that the borders of the neutral State of San Marino be made well visible from the air and from the ground.

The Consul General can at present communicate that in connection with said message and following the informations now received through an individual who was able to come to Roma from San Marino:

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Headquarters Allied Control Commission

July 22, 1944.

The Political Section of the Allied Control Commission presents its compliments to the Consul General of the Republic of San Marino and refers to the latter's communication of July 14th, 1944, concerning the bombardment of the territory of the Republic of San Marino.

On June 26 Allied forces attacked railroad installations in San Marino on the basis of information that had been received to the effect that the enemy was dumping ammunition there. Since that time, no other attacks have been made, and attacks will only be executed when operational reasons such as enemy concentrations of troops, stores, or such, render them necessary.

Consul General of the
Republic of San Marino.

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FROM: AFHQ

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REFERENCE No: FX 73897

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: 20 JULY OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: FIGET

FOR STONE SIGNED SACRED, PARA 1. BOMBARDMENT OF SAN MARINO IS SUBJECT.
COMPLYING WITH AND COMPLETING ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ FX 72706, WHICH YOU WILL NOW CARRY
INTO EFFECT. PARA 2. ON 26TH JUNE MATAF ATTACKED RAILROAD INSTALLATIONS IN
SAN MARINO, AL BOMBS FALLING IN TARGET AREA. THOSE ATTACKS WERE ? LOCAL ARRANGE-
MENTS ? TAF IN AGREEMENT WITH 8TH ARMY APPRECIATING GERMANS HAD OCCUPIED SAN
MARINO IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN VULNERABLE SECTION APPENINE LINE, AND HQ AAI
REPORTED PRISONERS INDICATED ENEMY WERE DUMPING AMMUNITION THERE. PARA 3.
NO OTHER ATTACKS HAVE BEEN MADE ON SAN MARINO. PARA 4. INSTRUCTIONS ARE AS
FOLLOWS: UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL RANDOM ATTACKS BE MADE. ATTACKS WILL
ONLY BE EXECUTED WHERE THERE ARE DEFINITELY ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS, EITHER
TROOPS, STORES, OR LIKE ITEMS WHICH FOR OPERATIONAL REASONS MAKE ATTACKS
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: *Protest of San Marino*

FILE No.

TO: Civil Affairs Branch
R.C. & M.G. Section

19 July 1944

Copy of this signal passed to you on Captain Stone's instructions. The A/CC wishes you to instruct AMG 8TH Army as to points 1 and 2 on page 2.

J. A. Quayle
J. A. QUAYLE,
Major,

FX 72706 of 16 Jul

Political Section ✓

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ALL: CONTROL COMMISS 'ON

INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: ACC ADV FOR STONE TO PAINTER'S BOE BOOKS TO MAR FOR AIR CINC
RPTD ADV AAI
FROM: AFHQ SCD S400ED
REFERENCE No: FX12706
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SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 2/17
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PROTEST OF SAN MARINO IS SUBJECT. MESSAGE ADV 367 OF 16 JULY FROM ACC
ADVANCE REPORTS RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATION FROM SAN MARINO CONSUL GENERAL,
IN SUBSTANCE AS FOLLOWS. PARA. CONSUL GENERAL HAS PRESENTED NOTE TO
UNITED STATES AND BRITISH MISSIONS TO HOLY SEE REQUESTING INFORMATION
AS TO REASONS WHY MARINO WAS BOMBED AND ASKING THAT INSTRUCTIONS BE GIVEN
TO PREVENT REPETITION. PARA. CONSUL GENERAL ON BEHALF OF HIS GOVERNMENT
ASKS THAT ALLIED MILITARY AUTHORITIES BE INFORMED THAT THE REPUBLIC IS
GOVERNED BY ITS ^(OWN LAW) ~~OWN~~ ^{LAW} NOT BY ITALIAN LAWS; THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS
ANXIOUS TO COOPERATE WITH ALLIED MILITARY authorities IN FINDING SOLUTION
TO ALL SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS WHICH WILL ARISE AS MILITARY
SITUATION DEVELOPS. CONCLUDES BY EXPRESSING HOPE THAT SAN MARINO OFFICIALS
AT PRESENT IN ROME WILL BE PERMITTED TO GO TO SAN MARINO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
AFTER TERRITORY IS LIBERATED AND THAT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN TO ALLIED
MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICERS TO ENABLE them TO COOPERATE WITH AUTHORITIES
OF SAN MARINO. HERE END PARAPHRASE OF CONSUL GENERAL'S COMMUNICATION.
PARA. ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF ACC ASKS INSTRUCTIONS AS TO REPLY TO
BE MADE TO CONSUL GENERAL. PARA. FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES APPLICABLE TO CASE.
NEITHER US NOR BRITISH GOVERNMENT AT WAR WITH SAN MARINO. UNLESS (1)
ITS TERRITORY IS BEING USED ~~FOR~~ FOR MILITARY PURPOSES BY THE ENEMY OR
(2) IT IS BEING ADMINISTERED BY A PUPPET GOVERNMENT SERVING THE ITALIAN
FASCIST AUTHORITY. THE GERMANS, ALLIED OPERATIONS SHOULD NOT BE CARRIED
ON UPON SAN MARINO TERRITORY. IF ATTITUDE OF SAN MARINO AUTHORITIES IS
CORRECT OUR RELATIONS SHOULD BE HARMONIOUS. PARA. STATE DEPARTMENT CABLES
THAT WHILE THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES MUST, OF COURSE, TAKE WHATEVER
COUNTER MEASURES ARE REQUIRED IN SITUATION WHERE TERRITORY IS VIOLATED
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ALL-CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: ACC ADV NOR STONE TO PARLIAMENTS FOR ROOKS TO MAR FOR AIR KING
RPTD ADV AAI

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 2/17

FROM: ATHQ SGD SACRED CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

REFERENCE No: FX12706 PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JUL160959 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE/THREE

PROTEST OF SAN MARINO IS SUBJECT. MESSAGE ADV 367 OF 10 JULY FROM ACC
ADVANCE REPORTS RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATION FROM SAN MARINO CONSUL GENERAL,
IN SUBSTANCE AS FOLLOWS. PARA. CONSUL GENERAL HAS PRESENTED NOTE TO
UNITED STATES AND BRITISH MISSIONS TO HOLY SEE REQUESTING INFORMATION
AS TO REASONS WHY MARINO WAS BOMBED AND ASKING THAT INSTRUCTIONS BE GIVEN
TO PREVENT REPETITION. PARA. CONSUL GENERAL ON BEHALF OF HIS GOVERNMENT
ASKS THAT ALLIED MILITARY AUTHORITIES BE INFORMED THAT THE REPUBLIC IS
GOVERNED BY ITS ^(OWN LAW) ~~OWN DLD~~ NOT BY ITALIAN LAWS; THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS
ANXIOUS TO COOPERATE WITH ALLIED MILITARY authorities IN FINDING SOLUTION
TO ALL SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS WHICH WILL ARISE AS MILITARY
SITUATION DEVELOPS. CONCLUDES BY EXPRESSING HOPE THAT SAN MARINO OFFICIALS
AT PRESENT IN ROME WILL BE PERMITTED TO GO TO SAN MARINO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
AFTER TERRITORY IS LIBERATED AND THAT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN TO ALLIED
MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICERS TO ENABLE THEM TO COOPERATE WITH AUTHORITIES
OF SAN MARINO. HERE END PARAPHRASE OF CONSUL GENERAL'S COMMUNICATION.
PARA. ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF ACC ASKS INITIATIONS AS TO REPLY TO
BE MADE TO CONSUL GENERAL. PARA. FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES APPLICABLE TO CASE.
NEITHER US NOR BRITISH GOVERNMENT AT WAR WITH SAN MARINO. UNLESS (1)
ITS TERRITORY IS BEING USED ~~for~~ FOR MILITARY PURPOSES BY THE ENEMY OR
(2) IT IS BEING ADMINISTERED BY A PUPPET GOVERNMENT SERVING THE ITALIAN
FASCIST AUTHORITIES. THE GERMANS, ALLIED OPERATIONS SHOULD NOT BE CARRIED
ON UPON SAN MARINO TERRITORY. IF ATTITUDE OF SAN MARINO AUTHORITIES IS
CORRECT OUR RELATIONS SHOULD BE HARMONIOUS. PARA. STATE DEPARTMENT CABLES
THAT WHILE THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES REST, OF COURSE, TAKE WHATEVER
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BY THE ENEMY, IT WISHES TO STRESS THE HIGHLY UNFORTUNATE REPERCUSSIONS WHICH WOULD RESULT FROM UNWARRANTED ATTACK. PARA. WHEN ALLIED ARMIES ARRIVE/ AT FRONTIER OF SAN MARINO, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE SET UP ONLY IF (1) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS CEASED TO EXIST OR IS CLEARLY A PUPPET OF THE ENEMY AND (2) IF AN ACCEPTABLE NEUTRAL ADMINISTRATION CANNOT BE GOT TO FUNCTION. PARA. REQUEST THAT IN LIGHT OF foregoing FAIRBANKS CONSULT MAAT AND INSTRUCT ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER ^(HOW) HWO HE SHOULD REPLY/ TO CONSUL GENERALS REQUEST AS TO REASONS FOR BOMBARDMENT AND AS TO ASSURANCES FOR THE FUTURE. PARA. THIS HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH OFFICES OF BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND US POLITICAL ADVISER

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FROM ADV AAI 122335B

TO ADV ACC FOR MR. CACCIA

QQY GR 126

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ACTION

REF YOUR ADV 367 SUBJECT S A N M A R I N O NEUTRALITY (.)

RELIABLE AGENT REPORTED THAT GERMANS HAD OCCUPIED SAN MARINO

LAST FEBRUARY (.) AIR RECCE LED US TO SUPPOSE

DUMPING OF WARLIKE STORES IN PROGRESS AND THE RAILWAY STATION

WAS CONSEQUENTLY BOMBED (.) NO FURTHER EVIDENCE THAT THIS

DUMPING IS STILL CONTINUING (.) IT DOES NOT APPEAR CORRECT

FOR THIS HQ TO COMMUNICATE DIRECT WITH STATE

OF S A N M A R I N O THROUGH CONSUL GENERAL IN R O M E (.)

THEREFORE SUGGEST THAT YOU REPLY IN TERMS OF FOREIGN OFFICE

TELEGRAM TO N A P L E S NO 407 OF 2 JUL AND MAKE

IT CLEAR THAT IF ANY HOSTILE ACT IS COMMITTED OR DUMPING

OF STORES WITHING THE STATE OR TRANSIT OF STORES THROUGH THE

STATE IS OBSERVED ACTION WILL AT ONCE BE TAKEN BY US

BT 122335B

REPTN 3128 122335 MR CACCIA 126 0-3828 YOUR ADV 367

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AFHQ ACTION G-2 U.S. POLITICAL ADVISOR BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER
TO ACC MAIN INFO U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
AND BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER
ACC ADV

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JULY 10

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HAS RECEIVED COMMUNICATION FROM SAN MARINO
CONSUL GENERAL STATING HE HAS PRESENTED NOTE TO AMERICAN AND BRITISH
MISSIONS TO HOLY SEE ASKING THAT INSTRUCTIONS BE GIVEN TO PREVENT RE-
PETITION OF THE BOMBARDMENT OF THE NEUTRAL STATE OF SAN MARINO AND
REQUESTING THAT HE BE INFORMED OF THE REASONS THEREFOR PD PAREN TO
AFHQ ACTION GEORGE TWO UNCLE SUGAR POLITICAL ADVISOR BRITISH RESIDENT
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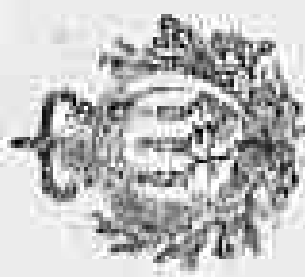
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Authenticated:

Originator:

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REPUBBLICA DI S. MARINO
CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA
VIA PO 44 - TEL. 849836

Roma 10th July 1944/1643 d.F.R.

To the Allied Military Government

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The Consul General of the Republic of San Marino in Rome presents his compliments and begs to inform the Allied Supreme Military Command in Italy, that in accordance with the instructions received from his Government and following the bombardment on the territory of the Republic by allied air forces, he has deposited with the American Embassy and the British Legation at the Holy See a verbal note (a copy of which is included), asking that orders be given in order to prevent the repeating of the fact, San Marino being a neutral, unarmed, unfortified, little State, whose vitality rests on its antiquity and democratic constitution which have been respected pending all the wars fought in the territories bordering the Republic and that the Government of the latter is anxious to be informed of the real motives of the hostile act.

The Government of the Republic hopes that the Allied Supreme Military Command in Italy will call the attention of the competent Authorities on the fact that the decrees, ordinances, edicts issued for the Italian territory are not to be enforced in the territory of the Republic which is governed by her own and different laws; but the Government of the Republic is more than willing to cooperate with the Allied Military Government for the best solution of all the economical, financial and social problems which will rise from the development of the military situation and therefore confides that the officials of the Republic now in Rome will be given the opportunity of transferring themselves to San Marino as soon as possible, after the liberation of the territory encircling the Republic, and the Delegates of this latter will be called for a meeting with the representatives of the A.M.G.



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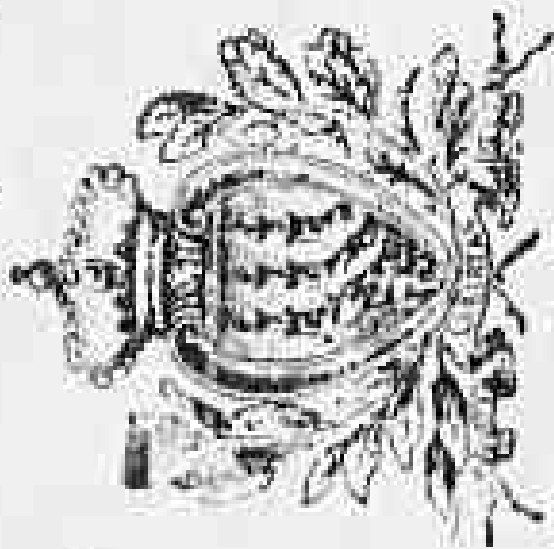
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CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA

1305/U

Roma 28 giugno 1944/1643 d.F.R.

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All'Ambasciata degli Stati Uniti presso la Santa Sede
Alla Legazione Britannica presso la Santa Sede

CITTA' DEL VATICANO

NOTA VERBALE

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Considerato che, secondo le istruzioni di cui sopra, nessun apprestamento bellico, nè deposito di munizioni, nè concentramento di truppe o di qualsiasi materiale destinato a scopi di guerra, si trovava e si trova nel territorio della Repubblica, tale da poter giustificare un simile atto di ostilità;

considerato altresì che la Repubblica di San Marino ha mantenuto e mantiene anche nel presente conflitto il carattere di paese strettamente neutrale, sinora universalmente riconosciuto;

prega di far presente al Governo Militare Alleato che il grave attentato subito dalla Repubblica di San Marino non trova alcun fondamento nei principi del diritto internazionale;

il Governo della Repubblica di San Marino confida perciò che saranno subito impartite le necessarie istruzioni perchè il doloroso incidente non debba in alcun modo ripetersi; e ciò senza pregiudizio del risarcimento dei danni.



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CONSOLATO GENERALE DI ROMA

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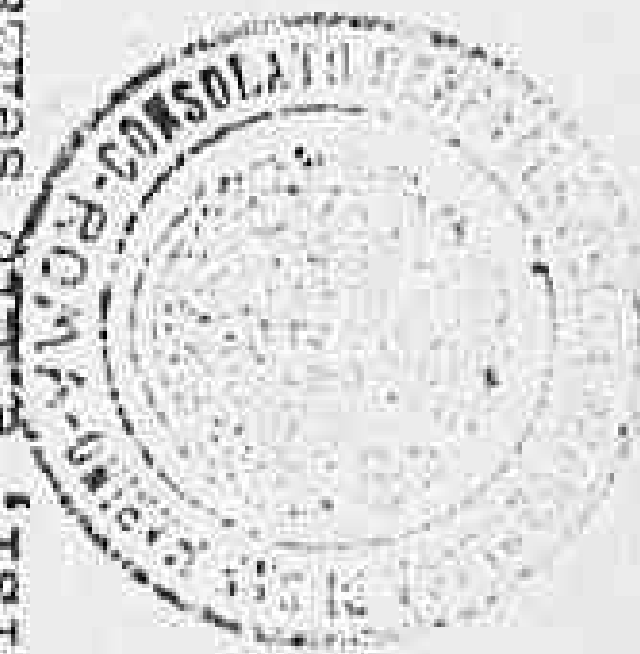
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*Bombing
of neutrality*

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ADV HQ ACC FOR POLITICAL SECTION

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TOP SECRET

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FOLLOWING IS COPY OF MESSAGE NUMBER ZERO THREE SEVEN FOUR THREE DATED FIVE JULY
 FROM HQ ADV AAI TO TROOPERS FOR ACTION AND ATRQ FOR INFO RECEIVED HERE BY ELS
 TODAY PAREN TO ADV HQ ACC FOR POLITICAL SECTION FROM ACC MAIN SIGNED STONE PAREN
 BEGINS TOPSEC PD INDICATIONS FROM PRISONERS THAT ENEMY IS DUMPING AMMUNITION
 IN STATE OF SAN MARINO PD AIR ATTACH HAS RESULTED IN PROTEST FROM CONSUL GENERAL
 SAN MARINO IN ROME CLAIMING NEUTRALITY PD STATUS OF STATE REFERRED TO BRITISH
 AND US POLITICAL ADVISERS HERE WHO HAVE REFERRED MATTER TO RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS
 PD NO REPLY YET RECEIVED PD WE ASSUME STATE IS HOSTILE HAVING RECEIVED NO
 ADVICE TO CONTRARY AND WILL TAKE AIR ACTION IF ~~MINIX~~ DUMPING IS CONFIRMED PD
 PLEASE CONFIRM THERE IS NO OBJECTION ENDS

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Copy for Mr. Reber

Paraphrase of Telegram
dated July 7, 1944 from the Department. (no. 3247)

It has been reported by Murphy that representations regarding the alleged bombing of San Marino have been made through the British Legation to the Holy See by the Consul General of San Marino at Rome. He requested information regarding the position of San Marino and whether representations of this kind should be entertained through the Italian Foreign Office or directly from the Consul General.

The recent telegram from the Department to you regarding the United States' and United Kingdom's relations with San Marino has been repeated to him. Before the outbreak of war, he was further informed, the traditional United States representative to the Republic of San Marino was the American Consul at Florence. The Department perceives of no reason why representations should not be entertained directly from the accredited representative of the Republic, inasmuch as the Republic of San Marino has been recognized as an independent state by the United States Government (see Extradition Treaty proclaimed June 12, 1908, between the United States and San Marino.)

*I received a copy of this, too.
What does it all mean?*

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Remember to call I gave to Clark right

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FOUO NO 12485
6 JUL 66

FROM : TROOPERS
TO : FREEDOM
NRID: FILPOT
ORIG. NO : 57800 M O S

FOUO 2000/06
FOUO 1245

REFERENCE AAI TELEGRAM 0/3143 5 JULY TO SIA OFFICE REPEATED
AFHQ. PLEASE INFORM AAI OF CONTENTS OF F O TELEGRAM TO
NAPLES NO. 407 2 JULY REPEATED REFRAIN AS NO 1446. UNDER
PROVISIONS OF THIS TELEGRAM AIR ACTION PROPOSED IS
JUSTIFIABLE IF DUMPING CONTINUED

BGS (OPS) 2 ACTION
GSI 3
YAF (OPS) 1
HQ ACC (FOR MR GARCIA) 1 BY ELB

SEC ADV 13400/07
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~~This was done by~~ BGS (ops) informed of
content of F.O. telegram on July 7. J. Fisher

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Bombing of Warsaw

ALLIED COMMAND
P.O. 194. U.S. ARMY

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1 July 1944.

Subject: Republic of San Marino.

To : Commanding General, Allied Armies in Italy.

1. Enclosed is a copy of a note from the British Initiator to the Holy See and a copy of the reply from this Headquarters. Your Headquarters was informed of this matter by wire on June 28th.

2. Mr. Sam Reber, of the Political Section, Allied Control Commission, has been informed about this matter.

HENRY E. JOHNSON.
Major General, U.S. Army.
Commanding.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO #794, US ARMY

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28 June 1944.

His Excellency
Sir Percy G. Osborne,
British Minister to the Holy See,
Vatican City

Dear Sir Percy Osborne,

Thank you for the two notes, which arrived today, concerning the Republic of San Marino.

The Note Verbale was sent by wire today to Allied Force Headquarters and to Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy.

The Note giving information of the Republic of San Marino will be dispatched to Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy by a special messenger.

Answers from the two Higher Headquarters will be communicated to you immediately upon receipt.

Sincerely yours,

HARRY H. JOHNSON
Major General, US Army
Commanding.

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MAJOR GENERAL JOHNSON.

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I transmit herewith copy of a communication which I have received from the Consul General of San Marino at Rome, drawing attention to the independence and non-belligerent status of the Republic. A copy of a pamphlet about San Marino sent to me by the Consul General is annexed.

I shall be grateful if you will kindly transmit the enclosed documents to A.F.H.Q. in Italy and will let me know in due course what reply they wish to be sent to the Consul General.

signed: M.G. Gaborus.

British Legation to the Holy See,
VATICAN CITY?

June 28th 1944.

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TRANSLATION.

To the United States Embassy to the Holy See
To the British Legation to the Holy See.

NOTE VERBALE.

In accordance with instructions received from his Government, the Consul General of the Republic of San Marino in Rome begs to draw the attention of the Allied Military Government in Italy to the fact that on the morning of June 26th, between 11 and 1, Allied aeroplanes dropped numerous bombs on the territory of the Republic, namely on the City of San Marino and its surroundings, causing many victims amongst the population and great damage to buildings and to public works.

In view of the fact that, as stated in the instructions mentioned above, no warlike installations, nor deposits of munitions, nor concentrations of troops or of any material intended for warlike purposes were or are to be found in the territory of the Republic, such as to justify a similar act of hostility; in view moreover of the fact that the Republic of San Marino has maintained, and still maintains, in the present conflict, the attitude of a strictly neutral country, hitherto universally recognised as such; the Consul General begs to make it known to the Allied Military Government that the grave attack to which the Republic of San Marino has been subjected finds no justification in international law.

The Government of the Republic of San Marino trusts therefore that the necessary instructions will at once be given in order that this tragic incident may not be repeated; and this without prejudice to the question of claims for damages.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMANDOUTGOING MESSAGEREF. NO: 1274 CLASSIFICATION: SECRET DATE: 28 JUNE 1944TIME DATE: 201714 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITYORIGINATING SECTION: AG. RAC APPROVED: _____TO: AAI REAR AND AFHQDONALD H. BAKER,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

COMMUNICATION FROM CONSUL GENERAL REPUBLIC SAN MARINO CMA ROME CMA THROUGH
BRITISH LEGATION HOLY SEE QUOTE NOTE VERBALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS
RECEIVED FROM HIS GOVERNMENT CMA THE CONSUL GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO
IN ROME BEGS TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF THE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN ITALY TO
THE FACT THAT ON THE MORNING OF JUNE TWENTY SIX CMA BETWEEN ELEVEN AND ONE CMA
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ABOVE CMA NO WARLIKE INSTALLATIONS CMA NOR DEPOSITS OF MUNITIONS CMA NOR
CONCENTRATIONS OF TROOPS OR OF ANY MATERIAL INTENDED FOR WARLIKE PURPOSES WERE
OR ARE TO BE FOUND IN THE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC CMA SUCH AS TO JUSTIFY A
SIMILAR ACT OF HOSTILITY SEMI COLON IN VIEW MOREOVER OF THE FACT THAT THE
REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO HAS MAINTAINED CMA AND STILL MAINTAINS CMA IN THE PRESENT
CONFLICT CMA THE ATTITUDE OF A STRICTLY NEUTRAL COUNTRY CMA HITHERTO UNIVERSALLY
RECOGNIZED AS SUCH SEMI COLON THE CONSUL GENERAL BEGS TO MAKE IT KNOWN TO THE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT THAT THE GRAVE ATTACK TO WHICH THE REPUBLIC OF SAN

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

OUTGOING MESSAGE

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TIME DATE: 231714 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
ORIGINATING SECTION: AG. RAC APPROVED: _____
TO: AAI RPAR AND AFHQ

DONALD H. BAKER,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

MARINO HAS BEEN SUBJECTED FINDS NO JUSTIFICATION IN INTERNATIONAL LAW PERIOD
PARAGRAPH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO TRUSTS THEREFORE THAT
THE NECESSARY INSTRUCTIONS WILL AT ONCE BE GIVEN IN ORDER THAT THIS TRAGIC
INCIDENT MAY NOT BE REPEATED SEMI COLON AND THIS WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE QUESTION
OF CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES UNQUOTE PERIOD REQUEST REPLY TO BE TRANSMITTED TO CONSUL
GENERAL REPUBLIC SAN MARINO

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