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MEDICI'S VISIT TO N. ITALY  
MAR., APR. 1945

Wm J. Duayle

Ref <sup>21</sup>~~25~~ I understand from Protanelli that  
TORNAGUCCI has an appt. with C.C. on 25/4 at  
1600 hrs. Could you ask him for a report then?

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Refats are now with Section for transcription

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Chief Commissioner

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Attached is submitted for your information/signature/approval

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Executive Commissioner.

1. At the Executive Commissioner's meeting on 16 March 1945 (Col. Fiske presiding) it was decided to drop the project of sending an A.C. officer because Mr. Kirk objects and also because No. 1 Special Force are against it on security grounds.

2. Civil Affairs Section are arranging a meeting with Medici - at which Mr. Hopkinson, Brigadier Upjohn and Mr. Antolini will be present - for the purpose of finding out from Medici what he is proposing to say and do and then to tell him certain things that he must not say and do.

*You will have to wait to be present at this meeting.*

16 March 1945.

0830 hr. 17/3 *MS/1013*

*Ref. 15 - meeting held at 8.30 hrs 17/3. P. 17/3 PA.*

*W/Salmon*

*17/3 1/2 hr/10 min*

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*27/3 chief communication.*

*Phon. see folio 17/3 for instruction.*

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*Major,  
C.S.O.*

*MAR 28 1945  
C.S.O.*



Mr. Hopkinson, Brigadier Upjohn and Mr. Ant-lini will be present - for the purpose of finding out from Medici what he is proposing to say and do and then to tell him certain things that he must not say and do.

You will have doubtless been to be present at the meeting.

16 March 1945.

0830 hrs. 17/3 17/3/10/3

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BExecutive Commissioner:

As you will no doubt have been informed by Mr. Dowling, the United States Ambassador wishes to speak to the Chief Commissioner before a final decision is taken in regard to the proposal that an officer of AMG should accompany Marchese Medici on his visit to enemy occupied territory. I propose however to warn Commander Hottsworthy on his return here this evening that Marchese Medici's departure should not take place before the decision is taken and at any rate until we have been given some opportunity of knowing the line he proposes to take with the resistance groups in the North.

2. I see from our telegram to Allied Force Headquarters of 6th March (paper 44) that Marchese Medici's mission has been approved as an isolated case and is not intended to set a precedent for further activities of the Ministry of Occupied Italy in North Italy. I am not quite clear how this fits in with paragraph 4a of Mediterranean Joint Planning Staff's memorandum of 18th February, a copy of which was enclosed in your Chief Staff Officer's memorandum to the Civil Affairs Section of 10th March in which it was recommended that representatives of the CLNAI and the Rome Government should be respectively accredited to one another with the object of establishing closer links between one another.

13.3.45

*HS*  
Political Adviser (BR)

~~13~~14Note.

I spoke with Brig Upjohn who

will

(1) set message to Comd. Headquarters

(2) arrange an interview  
with Medici and Mr  
Hopkins.

Mr. Kirk will see CC re an AMG  
officer going - to which Mr. K. objects -  
to him.

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Will you please take action

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C.S.O. to Ex: Com:

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Folio 9 has been sent privily to Bononi.

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Mr. Hopkinson

answers by information

Edward Mays

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Mr: Hopkinson

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Ref: 6927/42/10.

30 April 1945.

Subject: GEN for Northern Italy.

To: Political Adviser (A).

Attached is translation of a report of an agreement made regarding the GEN for Northern Italy by Sig. RADICI TORRACCI when he was up in the North.

Major E. Talbot  
Chief Staff Officer,  
to Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 6527/EC

27 April 1945.

Subject: CM for Northern Italy.

To: VP Civil Affairs Section.

Enclosed for information and retention are the original and translation of a report by Sig. MEDICI TORNASHERI of an agreement made regarding the CM for Northern Italy. A further copy of this report has been handed to Mr. H. Hopkinson.

Major E. Takeda

Chief Staff Officer,  
to Executive Commissioner.

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CLN for NORTHERN Italy.

In view of the probably imminent liberation, and after 18 months of hard struggle, gives its hearty welcome to a representative of the Italian Government, symbol of the forthcoming democratic unity of an Italy restored to freedom. It thanks the Government for having awarded the Gold Medal of Military Gallantry to the Flag of the Freedom Volunteers Corps.

As a conclusion of the conference held with the representative of the Italian Government, Undersecretary of State for Occupied Italy, on the 29th March 1945, CLNAI reaffirms the following:

1

CLNAI and the Regional CLNs will strengthen and improve their military and administrative organisation, already almost completed, and by means of it they will:

a) attack the Germans and the Fascist, starting an anti-german and anti-fascist insurrection, with total and exclusive employment of the military formations in view of the war purposes, within the frame of such directives as will be issued by CLNAI, under the orders of the V.L. Corps' HQ, on the subject, adapting themselves to circumstances that military events will produce, in order to liberate thoroughly the cities and all territories of Northern Italy from internal and external enemies;

b) defend with all means and by concentrating the necessary armed forces - for which a suitable support is requested - the industrial plants, and particularly hydro-electric works, dykes, basins, etc., whose conservation is essential to ensure the Country's life and reconstruction.

c) administrate carefully - through Provincial and Communal CLNs - the Provinces and Communes of Northern Italy, according to and in conformity to the laws of the State, and in particular to the provincial and communal law of 1915, from the moment in which the armed insurrection will be proclaimed, and as long as it will not be possible for the authority of the Rome Government to establish itself, or as long as an Allied Military Govt will not be constituted taking over the powers of CLN.

For provincial and communal administration posts, individuals of proved moral, political and technical qualities will be chosen, in order to ensure the best regular functioning of civilian life and of public services.

Special care will equally be given to the functioning of Justice and the public order service; the latter will be entrusted to the direct responsibility of CVL military HQ.

d) carry out a quick and thorough epuration both in the political and in the administrative, economic and financial field, with the aim of rehabilitating national life. This action of epuration will be carried out in such a way as not to hinder the normal functioning and re-establishment of public services, and of productive and distributive activity.



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After the establishment of AMG, if and when AMG will request it, CLNAI and regional, provincial and local CLNs will hand over to AMG powers which will be demanded. CLNAI and CLNs will recognise and will have others recognise and obey all proclamations, ordinances, etc., issued by Allied Military Government.

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If Regional Commissioners will request it, Regional Consultive Boards will be constituted by the Ministry of Occupied Italy, CLNAI and Regional CLNs and following nominations proposed by the latter. These Boards could be composed as follows:

The Regional CLN  
an expert on agriculture  
an expert on industry  
an expert on trade  
an expert on bank  
an expert on school  
an expert on transportation  
an expert on communications  
an expert on labour  
a representative of the Church  
a representative of Justice  
a representative of welfare organisations, and possibly others, according to specific requirements of the regions.

Members of the Consultive Boards of the Regions shall all have to be morally and politically trustworthy persons, and if possible represent all social categories. If two or more candidates have equal technical and professional qualities, preference will be given to the one who has done more for the cause of liberation.

Regional Consultive Boards, assisted if necessary by the Technical Commissions already created by CLNs, will collaborate with the Regional Commissioners and with the Technical Offices depending from them, giving them the contribution of their own knowledge and experience, in order to suggest the solutions most convenient to the interest of the country in all technical and administrative problems that will have to be dealt with.

4.

In the chief towns of every province, if Allied Authorities will request it, Provincial Consultive Boards will be formed. They will collaborate with Provincial Commissioners. It is suggested that they be formed as follows:

Provincial CLN  
an expert on agriculture  
an expert on industry  
an expert on labour  
an expert on transportation.

5.

In the Communes, Communal CLN will constitute the Communal Board



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(Giunta Comunale), and will thus become the natural consultive body of Allied administration.

The parties constituting CLNAI state however that by such an agreement on the practical situation that will arise at the moment of liberation, they do not intend either to renounce or to modify their principles in connection with the political situation of CLN within the frame of re-born Italian democracy.

CLNAI has taken note of the fact that the representative of the Government has kindly offered to explain to the Italian Government and to the Allied Supreme Command the spirit of collaboration that has lead to the drafting of the present agreement, and is confident that this agreement will be favourably received by them.

Milan, 19 March 1945.

for CLNAI  
Sgd. Pietro Longhi.

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Ref: 6527/EC.  
~~1001/21/EC.~~

27 April 1945.

Subject: P.I.A.T. - Regim.

To: VP Economic Section.

DU-24.  
Enclosed for information and retention are the original and translation of a report by Sig. MARCEL FORNAQUIN when he was up in the North.

A second copy of the above report is at the moment in the hands of the Associate Commissioner who will send it up when he has read it.

(Sgd) E TALEOT,  
MAJOR,  
Chief Staff Officer.

Socialization

Turin - FIAT - FIAT's socialization, upon votation of all workers, was decided by "il Duce" 's decree.

On the established day, there was a great display of ballot-boxes. Two communist workers stood close to the ballot-boxes watching the voters. The workers passed by but did not vote.

Only 0,16 % voted, while 99,84 % did not! In that 0,16 % were included those who had voted for Greta Garbo, etc.

Scandal in Fascist circles was great. Zerbino, Minister of Interior of the so-called Republican Government, rushed to Turin, threatening to have Valletta, Camerana, etc. arrested.

Grazioli - High Commissioner for Piedmont - warmly protested, stating that the FIAT's workers had offended the "Duce".

Threats of sending a commission of "pure" fascists from Milan, to check each FIAT worker's position.

A recent decree orders the socialization, within April 21st, of all industrial firms either with 1 million capital and more, or 100 workers.;

In Milan the situation is different. The socialization of the Alfa Romeo has been carried out, and 90% of the workers have voted for it.

INDUSTRIAL, ECONOMICAL AND FINANCIAL SITUATION

Turin - F.I.A.T.

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Production is the 8% of that of the preceding years. On the contrary, number of workers has been increased in order to ~~arrange~~ <sup>settle</sup> all those who were subject to the Fascist-Republic an conscriptions.

Agreements for production of trucks: at the present moment the output is of 8/10 light trucks (of the 626 type, 3 1/2 tons) daily.

Through the Germans, the FIAT received the proposal of a supply to Switzerland of 1000 heavy trucks with trailer (of the 666 type). 25% provision, to be turned over in trucks. Having the proposal being refused, the Germans informed that the provision could be paid in cash.

Of such trucks, it appears that 150 should be given <sup>by</sup> ~~through~~ Switzerland) to the Allies, 350 should go to Switzerland, 500 should be for the FIAT. Switzerland should supply double sets of tyres for all of them.

Since 2 months are required to set up the necessary equipment, I approved this contact, with the understanding that, after the liberation, all the output will be for us.

If so, after the liberation the trucks output could be the following:

10 trucks (626 type), which could soon be brought up to 20 after 2 months, to 30 after 3 months

5/10 heavy trucks (666 type) with trailer (within 60 days from now)

The "666" will be built with oil engines. Is it all right for the Allies?

The FIAT will be in a condition of making about 200 rail freight cars monthly and many "Littorine".

FIAT has good stocks of iron (enough for many months) On the other hand, there is no coal.

MICHELIN

Tyres - They are almost totally out of raw material (coal 68? rubber). The plants are not damaged.

GIKZANO

Stocks of 1,500,000 liters of vermouhand 2,000,000 liter of raw material. They are fear destructions.

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Generally speaking, productivity of Turin's industries is still high (80/90%).

Destructions are much feared, especially those of electric plants.

On a general line, industries have been divided by the Germans into three classes:

class "Z": plants to be destroyed

" "L": plants to be paralyzed

" "S": plants not to be taken into consideration.

Instructions have been issued by all managers aiming to avoid destructions of the plants either by means of armed squads or through the bribery of the men appointed for the destruction

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#### MILAN - BREDA

They are already organized for the production of railway engines and in full efficiency for the production of freight-cars.

They have considerable stocks of iron scraps and bars (for 7/8 months). There is no coal. To work with a minimum of efficiency, they need at least 2,000 tons monthly. This ~~is~~ except ~~the~~ case of destruction of electric plants or distribution stations.

#### FIAT

For production of big ship-engines (world's fourth for productivity). Present possibilities are few.

They still have a huge engine for the "Roma" liner and another one for a large battleship.

They are now producing engines for corvettes (1000/1500 HP) which can be quickly fitted ~~as~~ as power-generators.

Agreements have been made to this effect with CGE Company, which is producing electric motors suitable for the Diesel engines.

To employ workers, they should be greatly interested in converting the Liberty engines into Diesel ("Foglia" Section in Rome).

Generally speaking, North Italy's industries have undergone, in this period, a very serious financial effort, reducing their production almost to nothing while their workers' staffs were being kept at the normal level.

The Breda estimates its losses to have reached 600 millions of its reserves.

It is necessary to prearrange extraordinary financial support for the months following the liberation in order to allow the productive rehabilitation.

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#### TEXTILES - BIELLA (Rivetti)



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Biella's industrialists have handed over to the Patriots over 200 millions lire.

They have stocks of material to make the carded tissue for 6/8 months.

But there is no raw material for the doffed tissue.

On the basis of the same number of working-hours, the production has been reduced of 40%.

Producing efficiency is almost intact.

#### VETROCOKE - MESTRE

Within a short time (about 2 months) the plant would be in a condition to resume work.

With 2000 tons of pit-coal daily, the following items could be produced:

benzoates, pitch, pitch-coke, etc.	industrial gas	COKE (1500 tons)	GAS for glass- works (2000 sq.mts daily)	metane
gas for the city of Venice		fertilizers (calcium ni- trate - am- monia sulph- ate, etc.)		-phenole (plastic materials) -glycole -metilic al- cohol

pit-coal minimum necessary for a very reduced operation of plant: 400 tons, but it could be soon in a condition of burning 1000 tons.

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As far as the FIAT's situation is concerned, see also the enclosed prospectus, which I deem to have been drawn on a very prudential basis in regard to the producing efficiency.

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For what concerns the electric-power situation, agreements are under way between the Edison and the Swiss Electric Companies to effect an immediate connection with Switzerland.

The line, from Lugano to Milan, whose cost will be of 8 millions Swiss francs, would be laid by the abovesaid Swiss Society.

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To be added to the e mical-financial report

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Northern Italy's food situation, of course, is not good, especially in the cities. More than a real shortage of food, the cause of it is the great difficulty of transportation, which grows worse and worse owing to the continuous air-strafting.

It is different according the various regions; but, in the two regions I saw, the general picture, with some little variation, appears to be the following:

In spite of the requisitions carried out by the Germans, many items (such as flour, fats, rice, etc.) are being hidden in the country. Bread ration varies from 150 gr. (Milan) to 200 gr. (Turin). Especially in those regions where mopping-up has taken place, requisitioning of cattle has been considerable (such requisitioning appears to have been extremely serious in Emilia and some zones of Veneto), but, on a general line, the question does not appear to be of very great importance neither in Piedmont nor in Lombardia. The weekly ration of 70 gr. of meat is still being issued. In the cities the restaurants of all classes have been abolished and turned into collective messes, where the meals have a fixed price of 15 - 20 - 30 lire. The meals are composed of bread and one dish of vegetables, which practically means not eating at all; as a matter of fact, therefore, this appears to be only one of the usual mockeries of Fascist style.

The economical situation is a most serious one, in so far as wages have not been increased in proportion to the cost of living. Prices of many items (shoes, clothes, etc.) are more or less at the same level as those of Southern Italy.

Industries have used up nearly all their reserves to pay workers who are not working, so that a financial plan will have to be laid down aiming to support the present currency in order to allow resumption and guaranteeing of work.

Financial situation is extremely messy, since there are no chances of control or exact information. A brief report is hereby enclosed, from which many worries appear to be especially for what concerns debts contracted by the Republican Government.

Considering that German occupation costs 10 billion lire monthly and that the banks, without the possibility of having bills, are issuing every month a huge quantity

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of "circular checks" (with money value), I estimate that the increase in currency will reach the amount of 12/14 billions monthly.

~~It would be opportune~~ A declaration from the Government stating whether or not the debts of the Republican Government will be recognized *would be advisable*



ENCLOSURE NO. 1

Basic program for the first three months since the starting of resumption of work

- Trucks (626 type) ..... 500 monthly
- Motor-cars (1100 type) ..... 500 "
- Streetcars and trolleycars ..... 230 "
- Rail freight-cars ("L" type) .... 50 "

For the following three months: 50% increase.

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Supplying of material - general observations

The exact list of needed material will follow in due time, considering work rosters by then actually available.

As far as many material are concerned, there is now an aggregate stock - enough for three months' requirements. But some of the abovesaid items must be transformed to be used, while others must be produced anew.

Present stocks are subject to considerable variations with regard to the time when this report has been laid down; for the same reasons, minimum requirements actually needed by then will be listed only when facing the actual situation on the spot.

A - Raw material

- a) Irony material: monthly requirement 2800 tons. The present availability of such items is of 8000/9000 tons, i.e. about three months' requirements. But available steel will have to be rolled or drawn again to be used, while for certain requirements new steel will have to be produced. The solution of such a problem is therefore depending from the availability of coal and electric power to be employed by Piedmont's iron foundries.
- b) Cast-iron: Monthly requirement 400 tons, of which 360 tons of normal cast-iron, 40 tons of malleable c.-iron. Difficulties are: supply of cast-iron in bars (there are no stocks); coal for casting purposes (no availability); casting earth, sand and agglomerate (absolute lack)
- c) Rich metals:
  - I - Aluminum and aluminum alloys: monthly requirements 210 tons, of which 150 tons from melted scraps.

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Stocks are more than enough for what concerns pure and scrap-originated metal. The only difficulty is from the lack of coal for melting of castings and pressing of wiredrawn and rolled items.

II - Copper and copper alloys, bronze, brass: monthly requirement about 32 tons.

Stocks are sufficient: here, too, the question is the fuel for the transformation.

III - Lead: Monthly requirement 65 tons, especially for batteries. No availability here. The Magneti Marelli must be directly supplied.

IV - Tin: stocks are sufficient

V - Zinc: stocks are sufficient

d) Timber: mostly, larch and fir boards for trucks' bodies. Monthly requirement, 1500 cubic meters. By the time normal conditions will be resumed, our stocks will be certainly used out; we could not say which supplying source will be available. As far as beech-wood is concerned, the situation will be better, since some stocks will probably still be available, while the monthly requirement will be of 500 cubic meters.

e) Textiles - We have since long used out all our stocks of cloth, false-hide and linen; when the civil production will be resumed, no source of supplies can possibly be foreseen. The rough, monthly requirement for cloth (motor-cars) is 1500 sq.meters; that for false-hide (trucks) 200 sq.meters. A small stock of canvas (for trucks) will possibly be available, but the monthly requirement of such stuff is 15,000/20,000 sq. meters.

f) Glass-panels: Monthly requirement 1500 sq.meters. No stock, no availability. Production from glass-works depends from: i) restauration of ovens, almost none of which is now working; ii) supplying of pit-coal needed by the glass-works on the basis of 25/30 Kg. per sq. meter of glass.

g) Varnishes and dissolvents: The requirement is estimated to be of about 20,000 Kg. of varnishes and 10,000 Kg. of dissolvents. Stocks are estimated to be enough for one/two months.



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h) Ball-bearers: Monthly requirements, 35,000 b.-b. Availability of b.-b. is estimated practically non-existing. The problem is therefore a quick supply to the RIV of special steels for the rings and balls.

i) Ignition parts; electric apparatuses, gauges etc.: Better not to rely upon possibly existing stocks; possibilities of quick resumption of work in the firms which manufacture them cannot be foreseen, but it is possible to hope they are going to be fairly solicit.

l) Other firms supplying parts to us: provided it will be possible to supply them with the raw material (mostly iron), firms manufacturing minor metal parts are likely to be in good working-conditions. More serious is the situation of firms supplying non-metallic parts (such as electric cables, insulators, pressed plastics, trimmings, etc.) which have to find directly the raw material.

m) Tyres and other parts manufactured with rubber and cloth: this is probably the most serious question, considering that there is no availability of raw material, and that the FIAT cannot be of any help in solving the problem.

#### B - Auxiliary material

a) Pit-coal: Monthly requirement for the "autocentro" and minor stations, 2,000/2,500 tons (in case of normal availability of electric-power for mechanical and heating purposes).

b) Foundry-coal: Monthly requirement (including other firms working for the FIAT) 1500 tons.  
Note: such amount (which does not include an yearly requirement of 3,000/4,000 tons of fuel for house-heating) could be partially substituted by naphta.

c) Chemical items: Being the FIAT supplied with all these items by other firms, we are not in a condition to make any prevision on their possibilities. Our requirements are, however, to be considered small, if compared with their normal production.

d) Foundry raw material (sand, earth, fire-earth, etc.): (80/100 freight-cars monthly). Problem: railways transportation.

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e) Steels for turning - Tools: Monthly requirement  
6,000/7,000 Kg. We hope to be able to meet the  
requirements of the first months by means of stocks  
of normal tools and steel for special tools.



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ENCLOSURE NO. 2

TRANSPORTATION

A- By railways

The problem of railroad transportation is not within the limits of our competence. We point out, however, that the monthly requirement of freight-cars to face an output as foreseen above is about 300 (not including the "Ferriere Piemontesi").

B- By motor-vehicles

Supposing ~~the~~ FIAT will have its pool of wood-operated vehicles when ~~the~~ work will be resumed; such pool is composed of 150 trucks of various sizes and 100 motor-cars; the monthly requirement will be 380 tons of wood, thoroughly dried and cut into small cubes, which means 750 tons of green wood to be fetched from places 50 to 120 Km. away.

This will not exclude the necessity of a regular supply of fuel (gasoline and gasoil), quite indispensable - for the first period - only for the testing of engines, and - in due time - for all kind of transportation when the gradual reconversion to liquid-fuel-operated vehicles will be possible. According to the present provisions, the following monthly supplies will have to be relied upon:

- gasoline: from 30,000 to 60,000 liters
- gasoil : from 40,000 to 80,000 liters.

The corresponding requirement of lubricant will also have to be taken into account.

In any case, the big difficulty for motor-vehicles transportation will always be the supply of tyres, a problem whose solution is now by no means in sight.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

EX COMMISSIONER

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Message Centre No: D/8485

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FILED

APR 24 Rec'd

TO : ACTION: ALCOM ROME

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Reference our FX 39851 and F 39896 both of 8 March.

Understood TORNAQUINCI now returned ROME. Request you obtain report from him and submit here soonest in order decision may be taken as to attachment military officer.

## DIST

Copy number 1 & 2 ACTION : EX COMMISSIONER

"	"	3	INFO : A/PRESIDENT
"	"	4	CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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copy No.2 held as spare.

SEE MINUTE 22. 23. 66. 67.

E. Talbot  
does not seem  
to take any action  
on this !!

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Majors Talbot  
confirmed NO ACTION  
taken 1 MAY 45  
MAY 45

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S.O. (M) Liaison Staff  
(Rome) 7

*26th March 1945*  
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To: Executive Commissioner,  
Allied Commission.

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Signor MEDICI TORNAQUINCI and Signor  
FIORIO, the latter of the Financial Sub-  
Committee of the TURIN C.L.N., were infil-  
trated into PIEDMONT on the night of the  
21st/22nd March and their arrival has been  
confirmed in a message from the field.

*R. T. Zuhm*  
Major,  
S.O. (M) Liaison Staff

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

The approval of the Supreme Allied Commander for the visit of Marchese Medici Tornaguini into enemy occupied territory has been obtained with the proviso that the visit is limited to a period of a fortnight.

Very truly yours,

ELERY W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi  
President of the Council of Ministers  
Italian Government  
Rome

cc: Exec Comm

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ADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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TO : ACTION: ALCOM

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Reference ALCOM 2972.

1. Approved is the request of Italian Government to send MEDICI TORNAQUINGI on mission as suggested. Agree that visit should be limited in period to fortnight.

2. See our reply to FAN 497 repeated to you as NAF 875.

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TO: AGWAR FOR CCS AND TO AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF RPTD TO  
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This is NAF 875.

1. Concurrently with your FAN 497 Italian Govt has asked permission to send <sup>MEDICI</sup> TORNAQUINCI, present Under Secretary of State for Ministry of Interior to contact CLNAI in occupied ITALY. Object of visit to prepare ground in north to avoid misunderstandings at moment of liberation.

2. <sup>MEDICI</sup> TORNAQUINCI is reliable and it is felt no harm can be done by such mission which may bring back useful information.

3. Propose to await <sup>MEDICI</sup> TORNAQUINCIS return which should be within 2 to 3 weeks before deciding whether to attach officer as suggested FAN 497 stipulated.

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TO : AMHQ  
FROM : HQ ALCOM

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PARA ONE PD SIGMOR BONOMI HAS ASKED WHETHER ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CAN SEND MEDICI TORRAQUINI LIBERAL UNDER SECRETARY FOR OCCUPIED ITALY TO VISIT CHARLIE LOVE MAN ABLE ITEM IN PRESENTLY GERMAN OCCUPIED ITALY IN ORDER TO QUOTE PREPARE GROUND IN NORTH AND AVOID MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND FRICTION BETWEEN CHARLIE LOVE MAN ABLE ITEM AND ALLIES ON LIBERATION UNQUOTE PD MISSION HAS APPROVAL OF LEADERS OF FOUR PARTIES ALTHOUGH FOR SECURITY PURPOSES PROJECT HAS NOT BEEN DISCUSSED AT FULL CABINET MEETING PD

PAREN TO AMHQ FOR SAGMED (ACTION AND FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE (INFO) FROM HQ  
ALCOM PAREN PD

PARA TWO PD MEDICI WOULD BE INFILTRATED BY NUMBER ONE SPECIAL FORCE PD  
PARA THREE PD I THINK THE MISSION MIGHT DO GOOD PD IT CAN CERTAINLY DO NO HARM AND I HAVE BONOMI'S WORD THAT THIS WILL NOT SET A PRECEDENT FOR FURTHER ACTIVITIES OF NEW MINISTRY IN NORTHERN ITALY PD UNITED STATES AND BRITISH EMBASSIES AGREE PD IN VIEW PAN FOUR NINE SEVEN I THEREFORE RECOMMEND YOUR EARLY CONCURRENCE

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British Ambassador  
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Chief Commissioner  
CA Section.

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(Sgt) M. S. LUSH

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Executive Commissioner, AC.

I have consulted both the United States and the British Embassies.

2. Both Embassies see no objection in principle to the proposed visit of Marchese Medici to the North. (3)
3. It is not clear from Major Quayle's memorandum to what extent the Government as a whole have been consulted in this matter. Mr. Kirk feels very strongly that the project should have the full sanction of the whole Government and not only of the Presidency of the Council. I have no doubt that Signor Bonomi will readily give his assurance but there have been cases in the past when members of the Government have given approval of certain measures in the name of the Government without in fact having consulted all the members of the Cabinet. In a delicate question of this sort it is most important that the project should not appear to be sponsored by any particular party whether it be to the right or to the left. // Not - T  
deliberately (2)
4. The Embassies both feel that not only should Allied Force Headquarters be informed of this proposal, but they should also be asked formally to give their permission for it to be carried out. If you telegraph to Allied Force Headquarters accordingly, Mr. Kirk would be glad to have the reference number of the cable in order that he can follow the matter up through his office in Caserta.
5. The two Embassies, while not insisting in the matter, feel that it would be interesting to learn in more detail the scope of Marchese Medici's mission and the terms of any messages which he may carry to the Committees of Liberation in the North.

2nd March 1945

*A. S. Halford*  
(A. S. HALFORD)  
Asst. Political Adviser

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2 March 1945.

Executive Commissioner,  
Allied Commission.

Sir:

I have spoken on the phone to Major Gibson (in the absence of Commander Ellsworth). He says that the urgency only really concerns their own CLNAI man who is required to go North urgently with needed funds.

Marchese MEDICI merely wishes to go with his friend.

Major Gibson states that No. 1 Special Force have no interest in Medici's trip, but have merely agreed to act as transporters. I gathered from Major Gibson that he felt it would be desirable to clear the matter with Chief of Staff, AFHQ, and he himself saw no reason why the two could not go North separately.

*J. A. Quayle*

J. A. QUAYLE  
Major, R. A.  
Staff Officer to CC

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2 March 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Executive Commissioner

1. Sig. Bonomi has given his approval to a proposed mission into occupied Italy to be undertaken by the Undersecretary of State for Occupied Italy, March. Medici Tornaquinci, accompanied by Dr. Eng. Florio (Liberal, representative of the CLNAI, who has recently arrived from Turin).
2. The purpose of the mission is to prepare the ground in the North so as to avoid misunderstandings and friction with the Allies at the moment of liberation.
3. When this request was made, the Chief Commissioner raised two objections:
  - a. That the granting of authorization might create a precedent and so make it difficult to refuse Sig. Scoccimarro if he should present a similar request in a short time.
  - b. That such an enterprise was outside the scope of the Ministry for Occupied Italy.
4. This morning Admiral Stone has received an assurance that this is the only request which the Ministry for Occupied Italy will make and Sig. Bonomi has also assured him that the mission would represent the Presidency of the Council of Ministers as a whole rather than the Ministry for Occupied Italy alone, and that he definitely wishes March. Medici to go.
5. The carrying out of the mission would be entrusted to No. 1 Special Force and the two men urgently wish to make their start tomorrow March 3rd.
6. Admiral Stone now makes this point. If in the opinion of the Political Advisers and of the U.S. and British Embassies this may be considered a political mission as Sig. Bonomi assures him it is, then he feels that we can grant permission without any reference to AFHQ. If, on the other hand, it is felt (possibly owing to the agency of No. 1 Special Force) that there are operational implications, then permission would have to be sought at once from Chief of Staff AFHQ.
7. The Chief Commissioner requests that you obtain the opinion of the Political Advisers and the U.S. and British Embassies

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on this point as quickly as possible. He wishes to give a firm decision one way or the other to Sig. Bonomi by this evening.

J. A. Quayle.

J. A. QUAYLE  
Major, R. A.  
Staff Officer to CC

I. Am aware  
Embassies.

Don of course is  
that we must consult  
COS by wire.

Am also contacting  
Hodsworth

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Paraphrase of FAN 497.

A close watch should be kept on developments regarding any attempt by Committee of National Liberation in Northern Italy to set itself up in opposition to Italian Government in Rome on the strength of powers conferred on CLNAI by military agreement with SACMED and political agreement with Italian Government on 7th and 26th December 1944 respectively. Any indications of such a tendency on part of the Committee should be immediately communicated to CCS.

It is suggested that a Staff Officer from SACMED should be attached to the CLNAI as his representative for the purpose of reporting direct in a purely military capacity on the activities of the Committee.

It may become necessary for CCS to instruct SACMED as a party to the military agreement with the Committee, to denounce this agreement, should it become apparent that the Committee is attempting to set itself up in opposition to the Italian Government in Rome.

Such a decision will be communicated to SACMED as and when it is considered the situation renders it necessary.

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