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Re see 95!

See (97)

8/7/3.

Seen by EE on 8/7/3

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the Regional HQs as such in
Society Sandania. Sankar 3/2/73
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8/9/3.

Executive Commission:

1. At 34 is a letter from Col. MURRAY MACHILL to the effect that the C.G., F.B.S., has suggested Regional AIG officials being formed into a C-5 Staff of Base Sections and Areas. This is an "old one", and is quite contrary to the principle of the paper "Allied Policy towards Italy" which Mr. MACHILL prepared when in London, since it would result in splitting AIG from AG.

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DS/213.

Ex. Com.

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2. Under the second draft directive which went to AFHQ you suggested that 25 officers would be left indefinitely in this area as against the 20 in General McINLEY's proposal. It is for decision whether it is not better to have this immediate increase in the number of officers to effect a smooth handover of the machinery to the Italians and avoid the army being forced to assume a control which JFH 437 directs the Allies to renounce.

6 March 1945.

81.8.43

C.S.O.

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PA to Exec Commr:

Ref. folios 67 and 68. I am informed by CSO that Executive Commissioner has agreed with Col. Densmore to raise this matter with Brig Dunlop.

20 Feb 45

ARMP

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I spoke to RC, SR, who admitted his fault and has reopened the office.

MSL
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Ex Commr:

Folio 73 represents Finance S/c's views in more detail than their previous folio 43.

JCB
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MSL
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Establishments

Re folio 81 - G-S's ltr regarding "G-S staff for Area Commanders". will you please make appropriate recommendations. *[Signature]* 28 Feb.

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Minute No. 121, File 4001/COS.

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FEB 15 1945

Chief Commissioner.

1. I submit draft letter (Folios 116-120) to G-5 AMHQ on the new COS directive (Folio 86) together with "the Desammore memorandum" (Folios 110-115) addressed to the Prime Minister with a few amendments.
2. The draft directive for the withdrawal of officers from Italian Government territory is on Folio 22 of File 7002/COS attached. Regional Commissioners are aware of the policy and are taking tentative steps to initiate it. Regional Commissioner, SICILY, asks for the retention of 12 officers as against our 6: Regional Commissioner, SARDINIA, asks for the retention of 2 officers as against our NIL: Regional Commissioner, SOUTHERN Region is in agreement with the plan.
3. I think we must stick to our original figures and not be led astray by demands to retain more officers.
4. May I have your concurrence to the issue of the letter to G-5 as soon as possible.

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier.
Chief of Staff.

15. Feb. 45.
Copy to: File 7002/COS. *ML*

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C.O.S.

1. Please see at 24 letter from PG Sardinia. If a signal office is necessary - and it seems that it is until the Navy agree to downgrade messages - it can be provided by other than AG, presumably the Navy.

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10 February 45.

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Co Buchanan's proposals
to Parsons' "Papers" at 8
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Ref. ⑧

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- B. Mobilizing Industrial Resources
- Welding As. Restricted Production

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APG 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 7002/98/EC.

7 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Officers from Italian Government Territory.

TO :

AC, Sicily Region.	(10)
AC, Southern Region.	(10)
AC, Sardinia Region.	(5)
AC, Lazio-Umbria Region.	(10)
AC, Abruzzi-Marche Region.	(5)
Civil Affairs Section.	(10)
Economic Section.	(14)
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 - (ii) Allied Commission Liaison Officer at CATANIA. 3485
 - (iii) CAO, LAMPEDUSA.
 - (iv) CAO, PANTHERIA.
 - (v) Certain technical officers.
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(1) Allied Commission Liaison Officer (Public Safety) with Rome Allied Area Command.

(11) Certain technical officers.

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4. Regional Commissioners will take steps to complete these moves by 1 April 1945. Further instructions will be issued by the Establishment Section.

Encl: Appendix "A".

Copy to:

PA to Acting President
G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters.
Navy Sub-Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission (MFL)
Air Forces Sub-Commission

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Brigadier,
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Air Forces Sub-Commission
Office of the Political Advisers
Communication Sub-Commission
MED & POW Sub-Commission
Public Relations Branch
DGCNO, 15 Army Group

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APPENDIX "A"

OFFICERS TO BE LEFT IN ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY AFTER 1 APRIL 1945.

		Officers.	
SARDINIA		2	Mining
SICILY		1	Licisen
- Palermo	...	1	Licisen
- Catania	...	1	Civil Affairs
- Pantelleria	...	1	Civil Affairs
- Lampedusa	...	1	Civil Affairs
SOUTHERN		1	Supply (see comment)
- Reggio	...	1	Property Control
- Catanzaro	...	1	Transportation
- Naples Commune	...	1	Transportation
LAZIO-UMBRIA		1	Transportation
- Roma	...	1	Transportation
- Civitavecchia	...	1	Transportation
ABRUZZI-MARCHE		1	Transportation
- Aquila	...	1	Transportation
TOTAL		61	

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SICILY

- Palermo ...	1	Liaison	Supply (accountant) Property Central Transportation to be withdrawn about 1 May 1945
- Catania ...	1	Liaison	
- Pantelleria ...	1	Civil Affairs	
- Lampedusa	1	Civil Affairs	

SOUTHERN

- Reggio ...	1	Transportation
- Catanzaro ...	1	Transportation
- Naples Commune	1	Local Commissioner
	1	Executive Officer
	1	Adjutant
	1	Provincial Officer
	1	Commander Coy. "C".
	2	Legal
	2	Public Health
	4	Public Safety
	2	Civil Service
	1	Food
	2	Industry
	5	Finance (2 to be withdrawn about 1 May 1945)
	2	Public Works & Utilities
	5	Transportation
- Bari	1	Liaison
	1	Asst. Liaison (Food)
	7	Transportation

LAZIO-UMBRIA - Rome

...	1	Public Safety
	3	Finance
	1	Transportation
	2	Transportation
- Civitavecchia.	1	Public Works & Utilities (to be about withdrawn 1 June 1945)

ABRUZZI-MARCHE - Ascoli

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Of the total number of 61 left in the South, it will be noted that 34 are in AMG territory (Naples Commune, Pontellera and Lampedusa).

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Ref: 7002/97/30.7th March 1945.Acting President.

1. The attached telegram raises a point of principle.
2. As Acting President you presented the plan to the Chief Commissioner with directions to implement it. Since 19 February the plan of implementation has been in the hands of AMHQ. On the eve of a meeting called in many respects to dot the "i's" and cross the "t's" of implementation, comes a flat order from AMHQ that nothing is to be done until the Staff Sections at AMHQ have provided their comments on the plan.
3. The plan of the Allied Nations is to withdraw as soon as possible from the South. You and the Chief Commissioner have considered the best manner of implementation both from the political and administrative points of view, always bearing in mind the military needs of the situation. It looks as if the implementation is to be dictated not by yourself or the Chief Commissioner but by C-5.
4. I do not think any Brigade Commander could be expected to win a battle under such conditions: can the Chief Commissioner be expected to carry out the policy of the Combined Chiefs of Staff?

W. S. LUSH

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: E-39108

Message Centre No: D/4382

Date/Time of Origin: MAR 07/1224A

Date Time Rec'd: MAR 07/1955

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ANHQ SIGNED SACRED SITE: FHGG

TO : ALCOM ROME.

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The plan at Annex A to letter of 19 February relating to FAN 487 is being considered at this Headquarters and final comments will be provided as soon as possible. Meantime and until authorised by this Headquarters no withdrawal of ALLIED COMMISSION officers from Italian Government territory will take place.

ACTION

DIST

Action: EX COMMISSIONER 4

Info: A/PRESIDENT

CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner.
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Ref: 7002/94/EC. 5th March 1945.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Officers from
Italian Government Territory.

TO : VP, Economic Section.

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I refer to your ES.2.06 of 1 March 1945.

1. Before taking your paragraph's variation I will discuss your Transportation letter. While agreeing that the supply of transport is far less than the demand, I cannot agree that the situation warrants such departure from the basic policy of the Allied Nations in respect of transportation alone, and I certainly cannot accept the figure of 13 Transportation Officers in Italian Government territory. Still less can I accept the functions of such Transportation Officers should be executive. The same arguments apply to food, and public safety, to public works and to the courts. Every side of Italian life would function better if Allied control were maintained, decontrol must, to a certain extent, affect the Allied war effort. No doubt AFHQ will complain but our duty is to implement the policy of the Allied Nations and I see no reason why distinction should be made in respect of Transportation.

2. Arrangements should be made therefore to withdraw all Transportation Officers from SICILY and SARDINIA: all but 5 in SOUTHERN REGION, including NAPLES: all but 2 (Civita Vecchia) in LAZIO-UMBRIA). In addition to the above, 5 truck pool officers may be retained until 1 May 1945.

3. I agree with the rest of your proposals with the exception of the food officer at BARI. He should be withdrawn, by 1 May.

M. G. L. 1945

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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DS/ 2.06

1 March 1945

SUBJECT: New CCS Directive on the Allied Commission

TO : Chief Commissioner

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1. This memorandum is written with reference to Annexure "A" to 4001/EC dated 19 February 1945, namely, the second draft directive on the withdrawal of Allied Commission officers from Italian Government territory.

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2. As most of the comments of the Economic Section with reference to the draft directive relate to personnel of the Transportation Sub-Commission, a letter on the matter dated 28 February 1945, addressed by the Transportation Sub-Commission to the Economic Section is attached hereto. The letter will be hereafter referred to as the "Transportation Letter."

3. The following comments are submitted with respect to the provisions of the draft directive:

(a) Paragraph 2(a) of the draft directive provides no Transportation Officer for Sardinia. One Transportation Officer is needed to 1 May. See Paragraph 2 of the Transportation Letter.

(b) Paragraph 2(b) of the draft directive lists two Finance Officers, one Supply Accountant and one Property Control Officer as remaining in Sicily until 1 April 1945. It will be necessary to retain only two Finance Officers in Sicily until 1 April 1945, namely, the Supply Accountant and the one Property Control Officer. It will not be necessary to retain the two officers designated as "Finance Officers."

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✓ (c) Paragraph 2(b)(v) provides for a Transportation Officer to be attached to the Liaison Officer in Catania to regulate rail transport into Reggio on the mainland. The attachment of this officer to the Liaison Officer in Catania is a satisfactory arrangement provided that the officer can be stationed at, and work at Reggio. The officer referred to will have to be at Reggio and not in Catania as he must regulate rail transport at the Railway Compartimento Hq., which is at Reggio.

✓ (d) One Transportation Officer is required to handle the areas of Catanzaro and Crotone. See Paragraph 2 of Transportation Letter. This officer might also be attached to the Liaison Officer in Catania provided he can be stationed at and work in the areas of Catanzaro and Crotone.

✓ (e) Paragraph 2 (b) provides no Transportation Officer for duty in Sicily. One Transportation Officer is required in Sicily. See Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Transportation Letter. A second Transportation officer is also required in Sicily in connection with truck pools until 1 May. See Paragraph 5 of the Transportation Letter.

(f) Paragraph 2(c) of the draft directive provides for a Local Commissioner and a staff for Allied Military Government at the Naples commune. The staff is set forth in Appendix A, appearing at the end of the draft directive. Appendix A lists five Finance Sub-Commission officers as being on the staff. It will only be necessary for three of these officers to remain permanently, namely, one Finance Officer, one Allied Financial Agency Officer and one Supply Accountant. The other two will be required until 1 May 1945.

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(g) Paragraph 2(c)(ii) provides for an AC Liaison Officer at Bari with a staff of five Transportation Officers, three of whom will be Truck Pool Officers. ~~Six seven~~ Transportation Officers, of whom ~~three~~ ^{four} will be Movement Control Officers and three will be Truck Pool Officers are required. See Paragraph 2 of the Transportation Letter.

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(h) Paragraph 2(c)(ii) does not provide for the assignment of a Food Officer to the staff of the AC Liaison Officer at Bari. It will be necessary to retain one such officer, namely Lt. G. O'Leary. This officer is needed in connection with the importation of food supplies at the ports of Bari, Brindisi and Taranto.

(i) Appendix A referred to in paragraph 2(c) of the draft Directive and appearing at the end of the draft directive lists two Industry officers to be attached to the staff of the Local Commissioner Naples Commune with a designation in parenthesis "Hemp Control." These officers are to be used principally for duties in connection with Hemp Control but are to be available in addition for any other Industry assignments which may be given to them. The designation "Hemp Control" should therefore be omitted.

(j) Paragraph 2(d) provides for the retention of three Transportation Officers at the Port of Civitavecchia. It will only be necessary to retain two Transportation Officers at this port; the third officer is required in Rome. See Paragraph 2 of Transportation Letter. He could be attached to the Rome Area Allied Command.

(k) Paragraph 2(e) makes no provision for the retention of Transportation Officers in connection with truck pools. One such officer is needed at Chieti and another at Aquila. See paragraph 4 of the Transportation Letter.

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(1) Paragraph 5 of the Draft Directive provides that all withdrawals will be completed by 1 March 1945. It is understood that the withdrawal date is now 1 April 1945, the officers to be withdrawn before that date where practicable.

4. As appears from paragraph 4 of the Transportation Letter, the withdrawal of a number of the Transportation Officers must be delayed until the truck pools are handed over to the Italian Government. The withdrawal of these officers must therefore await a decision by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In the meantime, it is hoped that this decision will be reached and that it will be possible to withdraw the officers by 1 May, 1945. As appears from paragraph 3 of the Transportation letter, withdrawal of the movement control officers will commence on 1 July, 1945.

5. Attached hereto is a summary tabulation showing the economic officers to be retained under the terms of the 2nd draft directive, and those recommended for retention by the Economic Section in this memorandum.

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

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Economic Officers Retained in 2nd Draft Directive			Officers Recommended by the Economic Section to be Retained		
Assgmt.	Indefinitely	Limited Time	Assgmt.	Indefinitely	Limited Time
Sardinia	2 Mining		Sardinia	2 Mining	
Sicily		2 Finance (1 April) 1 Supply Acc't. (1 April) 1 Property Control (1 April)	Sicily		1 Supply Acc't. (1 April) 1 Property Control (1 April)
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Reggio	1 Transportation		Reggio	1 Transportation*	
Catanzaro			Catanzaro	1 Transportation*	
Naples	2 Commerce 1 Food 2 Industry (Home Control) 5 Finance 2 P.W. & U. 5 Transportation		Naples	2 Commerce 1 Food 2 Industry 3 Finance 2 P.W. & U. 5 Transportation	2 Finance (1 May)
Bari	5 Transportation		Bari	7 Transportation (3 Truck Pools** and 4 Movement Control*) 1 Food	
Rome	3 Finance		Rome	3 Finance 1 Transportation	
Civitavecchia		3 Trans. (1 June) 1 P.W. & U. (1 June)	Civitavecchia	2 Trans. (1 June) 1 P.W. & U. (1 June)	
Chieti			Chieti	1 Trans.**	
Aquila			Aquila	1 Trans.**	
TOTAL:	33	8		39	8

*Movement Control Officer (Withdrawal after 1 July, 1945).
 ** Truck Pool Officers (Withdrawal after decision of Joint Chiefs of Staff; Target 1 May, 1945).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

MBT/vb

Tel: 376
107/7/Tn 1.
28th February, 1945.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of A.C. Personnel from
King's Italy.
TO : Economic Section.

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(e) At ports similar arguments apply. It is essential that Allied shipping should not be held up due to bad shore work, late arrival of material to be shipped, etc. We have already received many complaints from AFHQ on this subject, particularly in respect of the smaller ports.

(f) To cover the requirements outlined above we require a minimum of 15 Movement Control Officers in King's Italy. These would be stationed as follows:-

Sicily	1
Sardinia	1
Reggio, Crotone)	2
Catanzara)	3
Bari & Heel Area	1
Foggia	4
Naples	1
Rome	2
Civitavecchia	2

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Details of O.Rs required have not been worked out but the number would be proportionate.

(g) With regard to the Transportation Officer in Sardinia, it is felt that after about May 1st a part time officer could cover the work and that later on he might be withdrawn altogether.

3. To assist in the eventual withdrawal of the above mentioned/control officers we are developing a scheme whereby Italian Army Officers will be used for the work. They will, in the first place, be trained alongside British officers and the British officers will then be withdrawn as soon as the Italian officers prove they can carry on. The attached copy of a letter to M.M.I.A. shows details of the proposals; they have been discussed with Brigadier Philipe at AFHQ and he has promised to support the plan at his end. It is difficult to say when Allied officers can be withdrawn as a result of this plan, but it should be practicable to start on the withdrawal about July 1st.

4. In the above calculations no account has been taken of the Truck Pool officers who are performing a special function in King's Italy of safeguarding W.D. property. The question of handing over these truck pool vehicles to the Italian Government is in hand and our R.54/Tn.5 of the 19th February, to you, refers. Until this transfer is completed truck pool officers must presumably remain at Foggia, Campobasso, Naples, Bari, Chieti, and Aquila.

5. In Sicily plans are actively in hand for transferring the I.N.T. captured vehicles to the Italian Government. This transfer should be completed by May 1st and the one officer now looking after the vehicles could then be withdrawn.

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7. With reference to the last sentence of Annexure "C" to letter 4001/EC dated 19th February, it is pointed out that the work therein detailed is not an Allied Commission function which will cease yet. This sentence details, in fact, exactly what we propose to continue until such time as Italian officers

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Deputy Director.

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Movements Division Rail - Memorandum No.4.
Letter No. 8057/Tn.3 to M.M.I.A.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

AEO 394

Transportation Sub-Commission

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Tele: Ex. 376

803/1/Tn.3

23rd February 1945.

SUBJECT : Use of Italian Army Personnel
for Civilian Movement Control

TO : E.M.I.A.

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The plan has been discussed with General di Raimondo, Director of the State Railways and he is in general agreement; in due course it will be discussed with other transport organisations but it is not thought that there will be any difficulties in this direction.

5. As a start it is suggested that Italian officers and soldiers should be attached to A.C. officers on movements work and the following is suggested as a nucleus:-

Location	Officers	Soldiers
Palermo	3	6
Cagliari	3	6
Reggio		
Crotone	4	8
Bari	3	8
Naples	3	8
Rome	2	4
Total	18	40

These towns are the Headquarters of the I.S.R. compartment; the districts covered would correspond with railway compartments but adjustments may be necessary for road and shipping work. It is emphasised that the officers concerned would cover all movements work by rail, road and shipping.

At a later date the scheme might be extended to other regions; a total of 40 officers and 100 soldiers will probably be required.

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FROM: ABRUZZI MARCHES REGION (BY TELEPHONE)

TO: HQ ALCON

FEB 27 1945

IN CLEAR.

Instructions given by this Hq for 3 provinces of CHIETI PESCARA TERAMO and
AQUILA to close at 2359 hours 26 February. Rear party of 2 officers and 2 OR's
left only. Confirm

W/O FOSTER:

This message received by
telephone

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CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EX COMMISSIONER
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

JMM/TBJ/JJJr

FEB 27 1945

G-5: 322-12

24 February 1945

SUBJECT: G-5 Staff for Area Commanders.

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

*See 106A
Vol II*

1. G-4 this HQ's report that it has informally been suggested by the Commanding General PBS that it would be mutually beneficial if Regional AMG officials closely associated with Base Sections or Areas were attached to the Staff of the Base Section or Area as a G-5 Section.

The G-4 comment on the matter is as follows:

"It is agreed that in many instances problems of joint military and civil interest might find a more ready means of solution if the AMG personnel were more closely associated with the military staff of the area. It is generally necessary for the area commander to furnish considerable service, particularly in transport and labor to AMG. The disease and unrest problems of AMG are of direct interest to the Military Area Commander. The use of local facilities are of mutual interest.

Along the above lines it can be agreed that at least a very close liaison is necessary. Certain aspects of AMG work are of little concern to the Military Area Commander. It can also be stated that no unit can be responsible to two commanders.

If, in accordance with the policy of FAN 487-AC personnel are to be withdrawn generally from areas of the territory turned over to the Italian government, it is well to consider that a G-5 Staff will be necessary in Base Section and Area commands."

2. It is felt that your present proposals for the appointment of liaison officers in liberated territory in connection with the general withdrawal of Allied Commission Officers from these areas will be your answer so far as that territory is concerned but it is requested that you will comment generally on the matter and particularly with regard to those areas now or which may become under AMG.

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

1. Give copy to Sec. 1.
J. Murray Mitchell
J. MURRAY MITCHELL
Colonel, G.S.C. 3469

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner
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Ref: 7002/EO.27 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AG Officers from
Italian Government Territory.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Abruzzi-Marche Region.

1. Reference telephone call by Lieut. Colonel Scholtz
this morning.

2. A directive will shortly be issued determining the
withdrawal of Allied Commission officers from Italian Government
territory by 1 April 1945. Meanwhile, no action should be
taken until receipt of this directive.

/JG.

Chief Staff Officer,
to the Executive Commissioner.

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ALCOM SICILIA REGION: PERSCUTI FOR ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION:
ALCOM SARDEGNA REGION

2461 25 February PRIORITY

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SUBJECT IS WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTH PD

PAPER ALCOM SICILIA REGION CMA PERSCUTI FOR ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

CMA ALCOM SARDEGNA REGION FROM HQ ALCOM PAPER PD

DIRECTIVE WILL SHORTLY BE ISSUED DETERMINING WITHDRAWAL OFFICERS
ISLANDS AND SOUTHERN REGION BY ONE APRIL REPEAT ONE APRIL PD
NO ACTION UNTIL RECEIPT DIRECTIVE

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Lazio-Umbria Region.

Executive Commissioner.
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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Pl. see 372. I have spoken with Col Parker.

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Col Fisher

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Ex. Commissioner:

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Mr. Sec.

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Minute sheet from subject
Important to follow
up to B.E.D.

Carl Fisher

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Ex. Commissioner:

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Memorandum
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Exec Comm

Originator's Reference: CITE REO 409

Message Centre No: D/3045

Date/Time of Origin: FEB HPT

Date Time Rec'd: FEB 23 1915A

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ALCOM SICILY (CARR)

FEB 24 1945

TO : HQ ALCOM

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1. Ref your ACEXC 2149 conferred that all action has been confined to planning only.
2. Any reduction in civilian stuff and disposal of surplus stores taking place is of routine nature only.
3. Your attention is drawn to opening line of your Hq letter G 4/41/A of 16 February which does not help control in a case of this nature. (2)

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HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION
(OVERHEAD)
APO 394

CMP/FJA/ac

G4/41/A

16 February 1945

SUBJECT: Plan for the Transfer of Civilian Requisitioned Vehicles in
Sicilia Region.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Sicilia Region,
Allied Commission,
APO 394.

1. In view of the withdrawal of Allied Commission officers from Sicily, it becomes necessary to complete arrangements for the transfer of civilian requisitioned vehicles now in Sicily and consolidation of records and transmittal of these records to this Headquarters.

2. An inspection of the last monthly return from your Region, indicates that a certain number of vehicles are in apparent roadworthy condition and can proceed to Headquarters. Allied Commission and turned over to G-4 (A) for reassignment. Vehicles (number to be determined by G-4 representative proceeding to Sicily) will be driven by officer or enlisted personnel proceeding to Headquarters and will be turned over to Capt. Wiley at Allied Commission's Super Garage in Rome.

3. The remainder of vehicles in Sicily will be transferred to the Italian Government and receipted for by the High Commissioner on a receipt form which is being sent to your Headquarters. Sgt. D.A. Pascale of the G-4 (A) Section has been instructed to report to the Regional Commissioner, Sicily, and together with Capt. J. Reed (S-3 2675 Regt now in Sicily) and some officer designated by the Regional Commissioner Sicilia, complete said transfer to the High Commissioner.

4. In order that officers remaining in Sicily have transport to continue the A.C. function thereof, a written agreement should be made with the Italian High Commissioner to retain adequate transport (from the vehicles transferred to the Italian Government) for these Allied officers.

5. All vehicles transferred to the High Commissioner, with the exception of those retained by A.C. officers, will be turned over minus all War Department equipment now on the vehicles and this equipment brought to Headquarters and turned over to G-4 (A). At such time as

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Ltr, Hq, 2675th Regt, AC, dtd 16 Feb 45, contd.

Allied officers leave Sicily, vehicles which they are using before turn in to the Italian Government will also be stripped of all War Department equipment and such equipment brought forward and turned in to G-4 (A).

6. The G-4 (A) representative will make a list of the vehicles to be retained by A.C. officers remaining in Sicily and make a list of all War Department equipment now on these vehicles. Officers remaining should be instructed to safeguard this equipment since they will be required to account for it.

7. All excess requisitioned vehicle spare parts and War Department equipment on these vehicles will be brought forward from existing stocks now in any A.C. garage, leaving an absolute minimum of parts and equipment to service those vehicles remaining for A.C. officers use.

8. The G-4 (A) representative has been instructed as to what procedure will be adopted to consolidate the records and files and transmittal of these records to this Headquarters. The Italian Government will be furnished sufficient information copies of the data necessary, giving complete details of those vehicles transferred to them.

9. It is requested that Capt. J. Reed and Sgt. Pascale, G-4 (A) representative, be given all the assistance necessary to complete the efficient transfer of United States property held in your Region.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Inf.
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Office of the Chief Commissioner

Ref: 4001/EG

19 February 1945

SUBJECT: New CCS Directive on the Allied Commission.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn: G-5 Section.

The portion of this letter which relates to this file is marked in blue on Page 77.

1. It may be of interest to you to know the action which I propose to take as a result of the receipt of FAN 487, communicated to me by the Acting President:

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(b) Para 2(B).
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(c) Para 2(C). states "The Allied Commission shall abandon the practice of approving the decrees and other legislation enacted by the Italian Government in the territory under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government. Any new Italian Government will be requested to confirm that they will adhere to the obligations under the terms of surrender undertaken by their predecessors".

(d) I interpret the words "in the territory" to mean "affecting the territory". Certain Italian decrees may affect Allied Military Government territory and since it is considered desirable to coordinate policy in territory which will be ultimately transferred, I shall cause informal consultations to be continued between the Allied Commission and the Italian Government, particularly in relation to economic decrees.

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(ii) I also interpret this clause, read with 1(a), to vest in SACMED the right, when necessary, to exercise control in any decree affecting military needs and the requirements of the campaign.

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(d) Para 2(D). The transfer of territory documents (Document "I") will now have to be examined in order to enable the Italian Government to remove officials previously nominated by AMG officials without reference to the Allied Commission. This will be taken up under separate cover. All Service Sub-Commissions desire to retain the right of vetoing military appointments. The technical posts of Directors of Telecommunications and Railroads will be considered as military appointments hitherto.

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- (j) Para 3(B). This can be carried out but latitude will be necessary in respect of labour and wage matters which affect ACP territory.
- (k) Para 3(C). The process of civilisation is already in hand.
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ELIEN W. STONE
 Rear Admiral, USNR
 Chief Commissioner

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Copy to: Acting President.
 The Hon. Mr. Alexander Kirk, US Ambassador.
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 US Economic Section

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FROM TO FOR ACTION DIRECTOR FOR ALICE SOUTHERN REGION CIA ALICE SOUTHERN
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REPORTS HAVE REACHED US THAT THE ARE ALREADY IMPLEMENTING DRAFT DIRECTIVE
ON WITHDRAWAL OF OFFICERS ID THIS IS PRELIMINARY TO YOUR ACTION SHOULD
BE CONFIRMED TO PLACING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

13015/F

17 February 1945

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of Allied Commission officers
from Sicily, Sardinia and Southern Italy.

TO : A.D.C.O.S., Economic Section.

FEB 21 1945

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2. As you will note from the attached Economic Section memorandum ES/2.06 of 8 February, which I understand was approved by the Chief of Staff, we are retaining four Finance officers in Southern and Lazio-Umbria Regions for an indefinite period of time: one area finance officer, one supply accountant, and two officers of the Allied Financial Agency, a sub-section of this Sub-Commission.

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It should be emphasized that AFA maintains the closest friendly relations and cooperation with finance officers of the various Allied armies, navies, and air forces, and that these officers would strongly protest any change in our present currency distribution system. It should not be overlooked, also, that the AFA officers in Naples and Rome, where they are in constant contact with the Banca d'Italia and the Banco di Napoli, are an integral part of the system of exchange control which the Combined Chiefs of Staff have, in TAM 136, TAM 398, TAM 417, TAM 420, and TAM Airgram 24, directed us to exercise.

4. I shall be glad to discuss at any time any further questions you may have.

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Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission

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19 February 1945

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SUBJECT: A. C. Responsibility in Italian Government Territory

TO : Vice-President, Economic Section ✓
Att'n: Col. L. D. Densmore

1. As I advised you a few days ago the Regional Engineer in Southern Region called me on the phone to tell me that they had received definite instructions regarding a change to be made effective March 1st. My answer was that this seemed premature and that we had no definite instructions as yet.

2. I have just received a communication from the Southern Region which seems to indicate that personnel of the A. C. staff are advising others that such a thing will take place and that the matter is even discussed with contractors and Italian engineers as you will note from the attached copy of the letter received by me.

3. It would seem that some definite instructions should be issued one way or the other. Either we should have instructions to proceed or Regional personnel should be stopped from discussing such matters until proper orders are issued.

L. A. Jenny
L. A. JENNY
Colonel, C. E.
Director

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES SECTION

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15 February 1945

OFN-112
SUBJECT: Caserta Meeting of Contractors
"For the sake of the record"

TO : Major William M. Chamberlin
Regional Engineer - PW & U. Section

1. A requested meeting of Southern Region Contractors was held in Caserta, February 14, 45 for the purpose of establishing good will and to expedite present work on essential Military jobs under way.
2. The meeting was made up of 112 contractors and engineers of the Genio Civile, Provincial and Communal Road Departments. They were informed of the necessity of getting their house in order, of assuming greater responsibilities as the military assistance would soon leave and the urgent need of getting used to standing on their own feet after these years of turmoil and national destruction. They were also informed that in America as well as Italy improper practices developed during emergencies and during these periods there might be some justifiable circumstances but from this date on our department would not tolerate any improper practices, and that it would not be necessary for any contractor to offer any awards or payments to any engineer or anyone for a contract or for the privilege of working.
3. If they were competent contractors their services were needed on a legitimate basis and more contractors were invited into the field, so that more employment would be created to assist in the reestablishment of prosperity in their country.
4. A round robin discussion was permitted to ease the tension of those present and written requests, complaints and suggestions were asked for.
5. The tenor of the meeting was inspirational to the speaker and from all appearances and comments afterward, was helpful and of considerable value toward reconstruction.

H. H. Townsend
Area Engineer
Southern Region AC.

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Copy to:
Colonel L. A. Jenny Director PW & U Sub-Commission ROME 3434

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 7002/66/EC.20 February 1945.

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I am afraid the rumour mentioned in your letter DO/144 of 12 February (and my apologies for not answering before) is true. We have received a new directive from the Combined Chiefs of Staff issued as a result of long negotiations and in implementation of the general policy of the Allied Nations, as a result of which Allied Commission officers will be withdrawn from the Islands and Southern Region. It is proposed, however, to maintain Allied Military Government in NAPLES Commune and Liaison Officers with the Area Commanders at CATANIA and BARI and the US Navy at PALERMO. It is fully appreciated that the results of the implementation of this policy will create difficulties for military authorities and Italian authorities alike and we have asked AFHQ to issue a directive pointing this out and asking for your cooperation in the change over.

I hope in the next few days to send you, through Dunlop, a fuller account of the Chief Commissioner's proposals in this respect.

M. S. LUGG

Major-General G. Lammie, CBE, MC,
General Officer Commanding,
Headquarters,
No. 3 District,
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Your plan implementing para 2(e) of F487 urgently awaited here for consideration and coordination with other staff sections. Issue of directive implementing F487 is held up pending receipt of your views and proposal on this point.

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ANNEXURE "C" to LCOO/EC
dated 19 February 1945.

MEMORANDUM SHOWING SOME OF THE FUNCTIONS
OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION WHICH WILL CEASE
UPON THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICERS FROM ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY.

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- (e) Italian refugees and partisans.
- (f) Derequisitioning of schools, distribution of educational books.
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- (i) Mine clearance.
- (j) Welfare in devastated areas.

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- (c) Public Works & Utilities Sub-Commission. All work on military and secondary highways: reconstruction and maintenance of electric power plants and transmission lines.
- (d) Food Sub-Commission. Port clearance: clearing and reporting of ship unloading: movement of supplies to the interior: prevention of pilferage: procurement and movement of local resources to devastated areas.
- (e) Labour Sub-Commission. Prevention of strikes and labour unrest:

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- (e) Labour Sub-Commission. Prevention of strikes and labour unrest: wages.
- (f) Finance Sub-Commission. Intervention where the Italian Government fail to make financial provision for essential services, many of which affect military interests.
- (g) Transportation Sub-Commission. Coordination of civilian traffic with military traffic: clearance of rail wagons: movements work.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Tel. Ext. 525

14 Feb 45.

Ref: L/32A/CA.

SUBJECT: FAN 487 *file under COS*

TO: Chief of Staff.

I am not entirely certain that I fully understood what was required by you for submission to AFHQ, by way of comments on the working out of FAN 487, but the attached notes embody the principal changes as they affect CA Section.

G. V. Upjohn
G. V. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
DCOS AC.

SEE (64), comments embodied therein

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EFFECT OF IMPLEMENTATION OF FAN 487 ON
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

- 1 Allied Commission will cease to be responsible in Italian Government territory in any way for the following matters:

- (a) Maintenance of law and order; organisation of police, courts of Justice and prisons.
- (b) Distribution of medical supplies; organisation of hospitals.
- (c) Treatment of civilian epidemics and diseases except to the extent that one team stationed at Naples, may be available to deal with Typhus and/or malaria in an advisory capacity in the field.
- (d) Appointment, transfer, promotion or dismissal of Italian Officials even where originally appointed by AMG.
- (e) Patriots and Italian refugees.
- (f) Education and distribution of educational books.
- (g) Preservation of monuments and fine arts.
- (h) Evacuation
- (i) Mine Clearance
- (j) Welfare in Devastated Areas.

In all the above matters the role of AC will be confined to giving advice, where requested, at Governmental level.

- 2 No more AMG Courts will be held in Italian Government territory even in the case of serious ammunition thefts or murder of Allied soldiers. All such cases will be tried in Italian courts.
- 3 The Italian Government will, perforce, be left without protection in the case of excessive requisitioning in Italian Government territory except in the vicinity of Headquarters where Liaison officers are established.
- 4 In the Educational and cultural field it is not thought that a flow of books or personnel can be implemented at a very early date. (See FAN 487)
- 5 The question of distribution of Allied Medical supplies by an Italian organisation (ENDIMEA) is being closely watched. It is not working very satisfactorily and controls may have to be re-imposed. (FAN 487, para 4.)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APD 394

ECONOMIC SECTION

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SUBJECT: Summary of Comments from Economic Section Sub-Commissions concerning withdrawal of AC personnel from Italian Government territory.

COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION

Withdrawal would effect mainly activities in which AFHQ is presumed to have an indirect interest such as export trade, imported supplies for AG and reprocessing and distribution of salvaged clothing and footwear. Activities in which AFHQ might be presumed to have a direct interest e.g., uncovering of availabilities of local resources have been turned over to organs of the Italian Government.

INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

This Sub-Commission believes that the withdrawal of their personnel will have a very direct effect upon the activities of AFHQ. First because of lack of confidence of industrialists in the Italian Government capacity to control and direct industries and second, because of the lack of means of government control. It is pointed out that industry must depend, in order to function, on control of transportation of raw materials and of fuel and power. The Italian government can in fact control none of these during the existence of military necessities. The following items are listed as the main ones over which Allied control must be maintained if production and distribution are to be kept up to a high standard.

- (1) Electric power
- (2) Sugar production
- (3) Paper
- (4) Caustic soda and chlorine
- (5) Sulphur mining and distribution
- (6) Automobile spare parts and tires
- (7) Pharmaceuticals
- (8) Cement
- (9) Bricks and tiles

It is pointed out that adequate production and distribution of nearly every one of the above mentioned items have a direct bearing on the "Disease and Unrest Formula".

P.W. & U. SUB-COMMISSION

It is pointed out that this Sub-Commission is charged with the responsibility for reconstruction of military highways and bridges; that at the present time only three officers are left in Southern Region; that the chief engineer of #5 District has asked for an increase of AC officers from three to five in Southern Region, together with sufficient assistants to carry on the work with the speed required by the military because of this fact that when this work is turned over to Italian engineers it suffers through inefficiency and slow progress.

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INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

This Sub-Commission believes that the withdrawal of their personnel will have a very direct effect upon the activities of AFHQ. First because of lack of confidence of industrialists in the Italian Government capacity to control and direct industries and second, because of the lack of means of government control. It is pointed out that industry must depend, in order to function, on control of transportation of raw materials and of fuel and power. The Italian government can in fact control none of these during the existence of military necessities. The following items are listed as the main ones over which Allied control must be maintained if production and distribution are to be kept up to a high standard.

- (1) Electric power
- (2) Sugar production
- (3) Paper
- (4) Caustic soda and chlorine
- (5) Sulphur mining and distribution
- (6) Automobile spare parts and tires
- (7) Pharmaceuticals
- (8) Cement
- (9) Bricks and tiles

It is pointed out that adequate production and distribution of nearly every one of the above mentioned items have a direct bearing on the "Disease and Unrest Formula".

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P.W. & U. SUB-COMMISSION

It is pointed out that this Sub-Commission is charged with the responsibility for reconstruction of military highways and bridges; that at the present time only three officers are left in Southern Region; that the chief engineer of #3 District has asked for an increase of AC officers from three to five in Southern Region, together with sufficient assistants to carry on the work with the speed required by the military because of this fact that when this work is turned over to Italian engineers it suffers through inefficiency and slow progress.

It is also pointed out that this Sub-Commission is responsible for reconstruction of electric power plants and transmission lines; that these have a direct bearing on the military; and that plants in AC territory sometimes serve AMG areas and vice versa; that therefore, it is not feasible to divide these responsibilities on geographical lines.

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FOOD SUB-COMMISSION

Withdrawal of AC personnel will effect functions of the Food Sub-Commission as follows:

- (a) Port clearance
- (b) Checking and reporting of ship unloadings
- (c) Movement of supplies from port areas to interior
- (d) Prevention of pilferage from ships in port and transit
- (e) Procurement and movement of local resources to deficit areas (Italians have been appointed to operate in the main producing areas, but if this breaks down the food situation in the larger urban areas will be affected and the information of availability of local resources for the Armed Forces will be erratic.)
- (f) Distribution and control of ration cards and ration policy
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LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

The essential functioning of public utilities military railway systems, communications and other naval and military installations involving large numbers of Italian civilians are of direct interest to AFHQ. The prevention of strikes and labor interest and labor unrest will continue to be a concern of AFHQ. Withdrawal of labor officers from Italian Government territory removes an important focal point in each area in regard to dealing with demands of Italian civil labor wages and working conditions, labor developments such as local disturbances and unrest and the spread of unrest to such an extent as to impair military operations. AFHQ will wish to indicate the extent to which it requires any or all functions to be continued.

FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

The only specific function of Finance Sub-Commission in Italian Government territory is the provision of AM lire currency by AFA Branches to the Allied Forces. It has been agreed that the branches at Naples and Rome will remain, however AC will not now be able to intervene effectively in cases where the Italian Government fails to make financial provision for its essential services.

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This policy would require about 15 officers in King's Italy. Italy. The second policy is that of withdrawal of AC officers from King's Italy. This is bound to effect the Allied war effort in the turn-around of shipping in the clearance of rail wagons urgently required for military traffic and will throw the responsibility on to AFHQ, if the Italian's fail.

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This policy would require a minimum of 7 officers in King's Italy.

It is assured that ~~these~~ ^{truck} pool officers will remain until these pools are safely handed over to the Italian Government. Therefore, these officers have been ~~included~~ excluded from the above calculations.

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 - Industry✓
 - PM&U✓
 - Food✓
 - Labor✓
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APO 394
COMMERCE SUBCOMMISSION

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Tel. 556

14 February 1945

Ref. AC/5018/Commerce

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Personnel from Italian
Government Territory

TO : Chief of Staff
THROUGH: Economic Section

1. Reference is made to a letter of the Economic Section of 13 February, Ref. 2.06/ES, directing the submission of a memorandum to the Chief of Staff indicating to what extent withdrawal of personnel of this Subcommittee from Southern Region would affect activities in which AFHQ has a direct interest.

2. Withdrawal of such personnel would affect, in fact, mainly activities in which AFHQ is presumed to have an indirect interest, such as export trade, the handling of imported supplies for AC, and the reprocessing and distribution of salvaged clothing and footwear. To only a limited extent would it affect activities in which that HQ might be presumed to have a direct interest, i.e.: uncovering of availabilities of local resources, which theoretically, if not for all practical purposes, has been turned over to organs of the Italian Government (Uffici Provinciali pel Commercio ed Industria).

3. There is enclosed a copy of a letter of this Subcommittee dated 6 February, Ref. AC/5018/Commerce, to the Economic Section, of which portions of para. 3 and following indicate in detail what the effect of withdrawal of Commerce personnel from Southern Region would be.

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Ref. No. 5018/1945

6 February 1945

SUBJECT: Release of German Sub-Commission Personnel in Italian-Government Controlled Territory

TO: Economic Section

1. Reference is made to the conversation of Col. Bennett and Major Scott on February 3 in which the latter was directed to furnish a justification for the retention of essential German sub-commission personnel in the area now subject to the control of the Italian government and to indicate the consequences of their complete withdrawal should this be found necessary.

2. A careful review of the functions and activities of German personnel in the area under consideration has been made and the position will be set forth in two phases: (a) what may be considered as an absolute minimum necessary to be retained in this territory to prevent breakdown of programs now in progress and (b) the result of withdrawal of all personnel therein.

3. No purpose of this discussion, Marche-Ancona region and Pesaro-Urbino region may be disregarded inasmuch as no German personnel is assigned to either of these areas at the present time, nor does there appear to be any compelling necessity therefor in the immediate future. There are at present assigned to Northern region, Sicily region, and Sardinia region the following officers:

Northern Region:

Lt. Col. G. E. Jones (B)
Maj. G. E. Hart (B)
Maj. G. E. Robertson (B)
Capt. J. E. Gilbert (B)
Capt. H. E. Coyne (B)

Sicily Region:

Maj. G. E. E. Stephens (B)
Capt. G. E. E. Hayward (B)
P/O G. E. E. Lloyd (B)

Sardinia Region:

Lt. G. E. Kucheloff (B)

With regard to Lt. Kucheloff, this sub-commission is of the opinion that no German officer is required in Sardinia region, as

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activities of this officer at the present time being to an extremely limited degree within the province of economic functions. It will be remembered that he was assigned to that region to replace Capt. J. H. S. Turner (3) only on the insistence of the regional headquarters.

In southern region two officers may be mentioned without comprising in any way operations in that area, namely, Capt. J. H. Hubert whose work in connection with the procurement of timber for vitrine packing materials is seen at an end for all practical purposes, and Maj. W. H. Robertson, with expert, whose assignment to southern region was only made as a matter of convenience in order not to overburden the table of organization of the sub-headquarters at 10 headquarters. His activities requiring him to travel constantly to all producing and processing centers in various parts of the country. These can be accomplished without difficulty if he is assigned to one of the north central areas, possibly Norfolk-Bristol.

Of the remaining 6 officers, 3 are concerned with the Foreign Trade program, 3 being assigned to military region and 3 to southern region. Of these Lt. Col. W. H. Coyne is occupied with the practical aspects of shipping exports out of the port of Naples, including arrangements for loading, warehousing, documentation, accounting, etc. He is likewise concerned with the receiving and handing over to the Italian authorities of goods reported for the amount of 100. While it is felt that a more junior officer could effectively carry on this work, it is deemed highly advisable that one officer remain in this capacity, at least until such time as the Institute Economic Bureau is better organized to carry on both import and export operations or until suitable Italian, to assist particularly in shipping matters, is provided to serve as a link between the IES and military port authorities. Capt. W. H. Coyne is serving in a similar capacity in Bari where his entire time has been taken up with forwarding operations involved in the export of vegetable seeds, principally to North Africa and the Balkans. Prior to his assignment to Bari, exports from the east coast were controlled with great difficulty from Naples and from this headquarters, and it is certain that his removal would be detrimental to the movement of these goods, inasmuch as the IES is not represented yet in that area. However, the movement of vegetable seeds is seasonal and may shortly be expected to decline very considerably, and, therefore, it may be agreed that Capt. Coyne could be spared within a reasonable time sufficient to permit IES to be organized there.

Maj. W. H. Hart is employed as a general command officer in the Economic sub-section of Economics and Supplies sub-division, Southern region headquarters. One of his most important functions at present is control of the processing and distribution of salvaged

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clothing and footwear, a program which immediately requires the presence of an officer of this sub-delegation. An attempt was made at the end of last year to turn over the clothing and footwear program to the Italian government. This, however, failed signally, with the result that full responsibility for the operation had to be resumed by this sub-delegation. Now, this is likewise concerned with the whole problem of leather and leather materials production and distribution centering on that area, which the latter is on the point of being turned over completely to the Italian government. Likewise, Col. Pitti occupies himself with the recovering of availability of controlled materials, for which special requests are received from various military formations, while at the same time he is maintaining surveillance over the operations of the local officials Provinciali and Democratici Industriali in that connection. The necessity for these latter activities has now become relative, however. Now that the organization of the clothing and footwear program is virtually complete, supervision thereof can be combined with the duties of the officer who should remain in Naples to cover foreign trade matters.

In view of the active program, which has occupied the major portion of the time of the three officers there present, is rapidly drawing to a close, and the export of other products is at present in a doubtful state due to the rise of prices above levels which can be met in Africa and other markets. At the same time the IOM organization on the island is now beginning to function in a satisfactory manner, to the extent that a complete turnover to that organization can be considered feasible. However, for the same reasons as have been cited above in the case of the port of Naples, it is desirable that one officer remain on the island, preferably an Italian or Catalan, and unless suitable liaison personnel should become available, his continued presence there must be considered indispensable.

Of the three civilian representatives or the ministries of work and supply now in Sicily, two are being recalled shortly to the United Kingdom and the remaining representative of the Ministry of Food, Mr. Smith, is expected to leave for his headquarters.

During cooperation of the above suggestion for the retention of at least one officer in the area under consideration, the sub-delegation has been in Sicily. This sub-delegation feels bound to point out that complete withdrawal would result in stoppage of the salvage footwear and clothing project and seriously disrupt foreign trade operations, including importation of goods for the account. The suggestion has been made that liaison officers will be left in these areas to act as a link between AD and the local

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government. The main difficulties in connection with foreign trade operations, in the absence of Commerce officers on the ground, would be with respect to the announcement of ship arrivals (which is regularly made by means of secret signal) and liaison with military port authorities, as well as the delivery of receipts, procurement of arrivals, etc. If liaison officers were properly instructed to carry on this part of the work, these difficulties might not inevitably be overcome, though very considerable confusion and distraction would be inevitable.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 328

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Ref. AC/5502/IND

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of A.C. Personnel from Italian Government Territory

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Letter 2.06/ES, from Acting Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 13 February refers.

2. It is understood that this Sub-Commission is to indicate its opinion as to the effect, from A.F.H.Q. point of view, of the withdrawal of A.C. officers from Italian Government territory.

3. This letter is written at short notice so "high lights" only can be indicated. The first of these, and the most important are, a) the very evident entire lack of confidence of industrialists in the Italian Government's capacity to control and direct industry and, b) the lack of means of Government control, even if the capacity were present. Industry must depend on control of transportation, of raw materials both imported and of domestic origin, and of fuel and power. The Italian Government can control none of these whilst military necessities exist, as they must for some considerable time to come.

4. ELECTRIC POWER. Basic to manufacturing capacity is control of electric power. Presumably control of power, so far as the "grid" is concerned, will remain vested in A.C.H.Q., Rome: such control will presumably not exist over the "non-exportable" power produced by S.M.E. at Sila. Allocation of power will presumably still be made by A.C.H.Q. on requests from the Italian Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour. Who will screen these requests, and what coordination will exist between the Ministry, P.B.S., 1 and 3 Districts, and R.A.A.C.? Who will screen requests from Apulia, Calabria, and Sicily? What effective allocation and control powers will the Electric Power Committee of A.F.L.R.S. possess if power production and distribution is an Italian Government responsibility? It is felt that Ing. Pavia (Government adviser on electric power control) is not the astute and energetic individual necessary to prevent abuses, and that unless A.C. or A.F.H.Q. retain control, distribution will not be rational and effective. Most of these questions are the concern of Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission and are raised solely from the Industry point of view.

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8. SULPHUR MINING AND DISTRIBUTION. Sulphur is a national, not a regional problem. It is produced in the South and in Sicily and is consumed as far North as the Alps. It is essential for fungicides, for fertilisers, for the automobile industry (battery acid) and, perhaps most important, for the production of carbon bisulphide, without which grain fumigation, soap production and olive-oil refining will cease. Without A.C. control of production and distribution, all these industries will be endangered. "Disease and unrest" formula.

9. AUTOMOBILE SPARE PARTS AND TYRES. Spare parts for automobiles for civilian use are in extremely short supply and A.C. have now obtained plant capacity, for their manufacture on a very limited scale. Italian Government action had previously been limited to putting forward "de-requisition" demands from former ammunition manufacturers who are not entirely disinterested in the matter of preserving their equipment. Procrastination by these people is noticeable and they need constant prodding. It is needless to enlarge on the need for spare parts. So far as tyre production is concerned, this has now been undertaken by Industry Sub-Commission but the manufacturers will lose confidence if A.C. control is withdrawn -- they do not believe that under Government control they will receive their raw materials, power and fuel. Tyres are more than scarce.

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10. SOAP. On 1 November 1944 production of soap, previously directly handled by Industry Sub-Commission, was transferred to the Italian Government and only at the end of January 1945 did they present a co-ordinated plan of manufacture. The Ministry of Industry stated that they could not undertake the executive work which was to be handed to private interests, to whom the Ministry allot imported caustic soda, in short world supply and realising a price nearly 100 times its imported value in the black market. In other words, December/January - no soap, and none yet in sight. Scabies reported from all Regions; if scabies is here, can typhus be far behind? Disease and unrest.

11. PHARMACEUTICALS. If production of pharmaceutical supplies be released to the Italian Government, bearing in mind present scarcity and astronomical prices, black market value of raw materials (wax for lipsticks, alcohol for beverages, to name but two) it is felt that little amelioration of present conditions can be counted on. Disease formula.

12. CEMENT. This material has top priority in reconstruction work. If no A.C. assistance in obtaining transport, raw materials and power be given to the plants in presently liberated Italy, a drastic drop in production will result and many months of work by Industry Sub-Commission will be thrown away. No attempt has been made by the Italians to control and assist plants already handed over to them, and constant direct assistance to these plants by A.C. has been necessary. An arrangement between A.C. and the military whereby tonnages are exchanged between plants better geographically situated for civilian and military needs will fall to the ground.

13. BRICKS AND TILES. The season for baking stocks of bricks and tiles for civilian reconstruction purposes is now approaching. A.C. had planned provision and transport of fuel to the plants; it is not felt that the Italian Government is at present capable of carrying this work to completion.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission

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14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Military Construction Work Done by Allied
Commission in Liberated Areas in Italy In-
cluding Italian Government Territory

TO : Chief of Staff, Allied Commission (through
Economic Section (Col. Densmore))

1. MILITARY HIGHWAYS - Under instructions issued by Advance A.F.H.Q. at Naples 20 January 1944 and under date of 13 February 1944 the Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission of Allied Commission was directed to take over the direction and supervision of military highway and bridge reconstruction, formerly the duty of military engineer units. The Allied Commission under this directive was to properly organize and utilize the Italian civil engineer forces, as well as Italian contractors for this task.

2. The directive stated, among other things,

"The Civil Organization under A.C.C. control will be set up as shown in Appendix "A" hereto, to deal with all military roads in occupied Italy. This organization will operate in conjunction with the Military Engineer Organization whose present form is represented graphically at Appendix "B" attached."

"The A.C.C. have undertaken full responsibility for financing all road work and for insuring that such labor, transport, plant and materials as the Italian Road Organization may possess is made available."

"It is essential that the maximum possible use be made of the Civil Organization and it is most desirable that instructions to it are made through the A.M.G. or A.C.C. representatives." 3437

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3. Since the above directives were issued A.C. has received scores of supplementary directives from A.F.H.Q. These directives revise priorities of military highways to meet changing conditions and make requests for the reconstruction of certain new roads or bridges. Frequent requests are received to undertake the reconstruction of bridges to release Bailey bridges.

4. At the present time, A.C. only has three officers left in Southern Region on military highways and four or five in Italian Government Territory of Umbria-Lazio and Marche-Abruzzi Regions.

5. At a meeting in Naples on 6 February 1945, called by Brigadier McKeane, Chief Engineer of No. 3 District, for the purpose of discussing the military highway situation in the Southern Region, the Brigadier outlined that, since withdrawing so many of our engineers from that Region military highway reconstruction work was suffering greatly because the Italian engineers were not pushing the work as energetically as required. He asked that our engineers in Southern Region be increased from three to five and that they receive enlisted men and other assistants so as to carry on the work with the speed required by the military.

6. Brigadier McKeane was advised that, instead of increasing our personnel in the Southern Region we may shortly be requested to withdraw all of our engineers in that territory.

7. Since returning to home I received a copy of a letter which Brigadier McKeane addressed to the G.O.C. 3 District on 6 February 1945 in which he outlined the fact that I had stated that we may soon have to withdraw all of our officers and he asked that five Public Works officers be left in that region.

8. ELECTRICAL RECONSTRUCTION - Under A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No. 43 dated 5 October 1944 the Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission of A.C. was directed to take over the responsibility for the reconstruction of electrical power plants and transmission lines in Italy. This memorandum created the "Electrical Reconstruction Committee" and outlined the functions to be performed by A.F.H.Q., the Electrical Reconstruction Committee, and A.C.

9. A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No. 58, dated 12 December 1944, headed "Power Rehabilitation" makes certain revisions indicated in Administrative Memorandum No. 43 and again outlined the duties to be performed by various military organizations and by A.C. Insofar as A.C. duties are concerned it stated as follows:

2. (c) The A.C. will:

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- (1) Furnish Secretariat for the Electrical Reconstruction Committee.
- (2) Be responsible for planning power rehabilitation throughout Italy.
- (3) Maintain liaison with A.A.I. and keep informed as to existence and condition of power plants and probable rehabilitation needs in operational areas.
- (4) Ascertain power requirements from A.A.I., P.B.S., Districts (Pr.), and other sources.
- (5) Submit plans for rehabilitation to the Chief Engineer for consideration and approval of the Electrical Reconstruction Committee.
- (6) Using Italian labor and local materials, direct, administer and supervise construction work of rehabilitation and operate the power systems except those projects specifically assigned other agencies by A.F.H.Q. and except as provided in Paragraphs 2d (2) and 2e (1).
- (7) Will issue all orders necessary to implement the program to Italian Power Companies or other civilian agencies.
- (8) Keep the Chief Engineer, A.F.H.Q., advised of its activities.

10. The above procedure was necessary in order to have one central overall organization with jurisdiction over all parts of Italy to take over the reconstruction and rehabilitation of these electric facilities. This is extremely important because electrical plants in Italian Government territory do serve important areas in A.M.G. territory and vice-versa. Central and direct control over this rehabilitation is essential to success. Because of divided responsibility with various districts and military units having certain jurisdictions and A.C. other jurisdictions there was no proper central direction or coordination, hence the issuance of the above named Administrative Memoranda from A.F.H.Q.

11. The Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission has only one electrical officer now in the Southern Region. Under our new plan he is to be the electrical engineer for Naples Province, but he could continue in his present duties in connection with rehabilitation of plants in Southern Italy.

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12. In central Italy we now have a team of four electrical engineers working partly in Italian Government territory and partly in A.M.G. territory working out of Rome. Farther north we have another team of four electrical engineers working out of Florence and charged with the rehabilitation of plants immediately behind and within army areas. At headquarters there are several men with specialized knowledge in certain fields who coordinate this work and who frequently make field inspections in connection with their duties.

13. If A.C. is to continue to be responsible for the above named military highway and bridge reconstruction projects as well as the electrical reconstruction in Italian Government territory additional officers would be necessary when north Italy is occupied as at the present time all officers of this Sub-Commission are fully occupied and none of these could be spared for other duties.


L. A. JENNY
Colonel, C. E.
Director

INTER OFFICE MEMO

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Tel: 584

14 February 1945

Ref: 1-1 / 52 / FOOD

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Personnel from Italian Government Territory

FROM : Food Sub-Commission

TO : Economic Section

1. The withdrawal of AC personnel will affect the functions of the Food Sub-Commission in respect to;

- a. Port clearance particularly in Sicily, Sardinia and toe ports (Reggio/Crotone).
- b. Checking and reporting of ship unloadings.
- c. Movement of Supplies from port areas to Interior.
- d. Provision of sacks and supervisory personnel in the event of bulk grain shipments to any of the ports in (a) above.

2. Local Resources;

- a. While Italians have been appointed to operate in the main producing areas, a temporary breakdown in the procurement and movement of indigenous resources to deficit areas is probable. Thereby affecting the food situation in the larger urban areas.
- b. Information of availability of local resources for the Armed Forces will be erratic.

3. Pilferage of food supplies from ships in ports and in transit.

4. Distribution and control of Ration Cards and Rationing policy.

5. Inspection of SEPRA in matters of Rationing and distribution of food and proper allocations.

Every effort is being made to provide against any serious breakdown under any of the foregoing headings.

Copy to:
Chief of Staff
(THRU: Economic Sect.)
Supply Officer
Rationing Officer

W. J. ...
Colonel
Director, Food Sub-Commission 3433

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

TEL : Ext. 204

WHB/rmw

REF : LSC/110

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Personnel from Italian Government Territory.

TO : Chief of Staff (*thru Economic Section*)

1. So far as Labor Sub-Commission is concerned, the withdrawal of A.C. personnel from Italian Government territory will comprise:-

Sicily - Capt. C. F. Mason (B)

Southern Region
(Naples)
(Bari)

- Capt. D. L. Botham (B)
- Capt. U. Alessandrini (A)

Lazio (Rome)

- Capt. N. A. Holsten (A)
Capt. M. Adams (B)

Marche-Abruzzi

- Major T. R. Fisher (A)

All these officers are earmarked to act as Regional Labor Officers in Northern Regions on liberation.

2. The functions of these Officers in their present positions are as follow:

- (a) To insure the prompt satisfaction of demands for Italian civilian labor for military purposes.
- (b) To insure that the wages and working conditions of such Italian personnel were in conformity with the AFHQ directives.
- (c) To advise and report on labor developments with particular regard to possible local disturbance and unrest, and to the spread of such unrest to other parts of Italy, to such an extent as to impair military operations.
- (d) On all the above points, to keep A.C. Headquarters fully informed, offering recommendations and receiving instructions and guidance.

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3. In areas where there are large naval and military installations involving the employment of large numbers of Italian civilians, AFHQ will continue to have a direct interest in the adequate performance of all the above functions. Examples are: Taranto, Brindisi, Bari, Naples; and the military railway services and communications throughout Italian Government territory. The efficient functioning of public utilities, such as power installations, etc., will continue to be a concern of AFHQ and the labor aspect of these services should not be overlooked.

4. It should, therefore, be recognized that the withdrawal of A.C. personnel from Italian Government territory, involving the withdrawal of Labor Officers, removes an important focal point in each area as regards the above issues. AFHQ will wish to indicate the extent to which it requires any or all of such functions to be continued, probably in a modified form. If so, Officers should be designated in the respective areas who will concern themselves with these issues and report to AFHQ and A.C. Headquarters for the purpose of supplying information and receiving guidance. Officers might be designated either from AMG/AC personnel who are proposed to be left in the South, or from Service personnel already in post in the various localities.

W. H. Braine
W. H. BRAINE
Director
Labor Sub-Commission

cc: Economic Section

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1. Reference your 2.06/ES of 13 February, 1945.
2. The only specific function of Finance Sub-Commission in Italian Government Territory that effects AFHQ is the provision of AM lire currency by AFA branches to the Allied forces. It has been agreed that the branches at Naples and Rome will remain, so that no question arises on this score.
3. It might be as well to direct AFHQ's attention to the fact that AC will not now be able to intervene effectively in cases where the Italian Government fails to make financial provision for the functioning of essential services. It is assumed that this consideration was given its due weight when the withdrawal decision was made.

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Personnel from Italian Government Territory.

TO : Economic Section

1. Reference is made to your memorandum 13 February 1945, 2.06/ES, subject as above. This Sub-Commission is becoming subject to two different policies.

2. First, it must be explained that transportation and movements work is inextricably bound up with the corresponding military systems; in this respect we are probably more closely affected than other sub-commissions. Civilian traffic has to use the same trains, the same ports and the same ships as military traffic and there is one bidding system for the whole. This difficulty is inherent in transportation work and will remain.

3. The first policy to which we have been working was largely the result of verbal arrangements made with the DEMG (Mov. and Tn.) at AFHQ. It was realized that Allied Commission traffic did not fit into the general picture as it should and at the end of 1944 a reorganization took place in this Sub-Commission. A Movements Division was set up at this time. The creation of this Movements Division had two main objects; first, to fit in civilian traffic with the military traffic from the point of view of bidding and programs, and secondly, to transfer more and more movements work to AC from AFHQ. If this policy is accepted we shall require about 15 officers in King's Italy. The attached memorandum gives more detailed justification for these requirements and shows the proposed location of 8 officers additional to the absolute minimum of 7 referred to in the next paragraph.

4. The second policy is the present one of withdrawal from King's Italy. If this latter policy is adopted it is known that when certain work is left to Italians it will probably go wrong. If it affected Italians only we could "just shrug our shoulders"; but insofar as it affects the Allied war effort, e.g., in the turn-around of shipping, in the clearance of rail wagons which are urgently required for military traffic owing to the present shortage, it becomes more serious and it is presumably for AFHQ to say how far they will accept this withdrawal and its effects and how far they will continue (or even take on) work which they have planned to transfer to AC. Under the withdrawal

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policy the minimum number of officers required in King's Italy is 7, viz.,
Naples-3, Bari-1, Reggio-1, Rome-1, and Civitavecchia-1.

5. In all the above requirements it has been assumed that truck pool officers will remain until such time as the truck pools are safely handed over to the Italian Government or their representatives and that the officers will then be withdrawn. The officers have, in fact, been excluded from the above calculations.

Merritt H. Taylor
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission
(Movements Division)

MJS/vb

Tel: 318

13th February, 1945.

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SUBJECT: Transportation Personnel in
King's Italy.

TO : Deputy Director,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your 101/9/Tn.1, dated 8th February, 1945.
2. I do not think that the number of Transportation officers, shown in Appendix B, for King's Italy is adequate to cover Movements' problems, and is certainly not adequate to ensure that transportation problems as a whole are properly resolved.
3. The following details are given of some of the transportation problems at present in existence in King's Italy:-

(a) SICILY:

- (i) Sulphur and citrus fruit export programmes to areas outside Italy.
- (ii) Coal and cereal importation programmes.

Both (i) and (ii) above involve the utilisation of considerable Allied shipping and resources. The efficient utilisation of all available transportation facilities in Sicily is most necessary, if shipping is not to be delayed, and programmes are to be fulfilled.

(b) SARDINIA:

- (i) Export of Sardinian coal to Italian territory and the South of France.
- (ii) Importation of cereals into Sardinia.

Again, both the above involve Allied shipping; at present some 50,000 tons of Allied shipping is permanently allocated to the Sardinian coal trade. It is hoped that production will be increased and the output eventually raised to 100,000 tons per month, which will entail an almost equivalent tonnage of shipping. Any delay in moving Sardinian coal to wherever it is required generally means that an equivalent amount of coal must be imported from extra Mediterranean sources. This not

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(c) CALABRIA:

The Catanzaro, Crotone, Vibo Marina area is the largest timber producing area in liberated Italy.

Timber is being moved, both by sea and rail to the maximum shipping and rail capacity available from this area to other areas in Italy. There are at present at least four clear claimants for this timber:-

- (1) Military, for purely military purposes;
- (2) MRS, AC, and LSR combined, for such work as the repair of rail cars;
- (3) civilian consumers, for the production of cases for export, i.e. citrus export from Sicily to the U.K.;
- (4) essential civilian demands for rebuilding.

(d) HEEL PORTS:

The volume of A.C. traffic in and through the Heel ports is increasing; at the same time there is no sign of any slackening of military traffic. Civilian tonnages are in direct competition, so far as all means of transportation are concerned, with military tonnages.

(e) FOGGIA ZONE:

This is a large grain exporting area and at the same time a nodal railway centre for military traffic. Military and essential civilian traffic are in direct competition.

(f) CIVITAVECCHIA:

The port of Civitavecchia is being developed by the Italian authorities with a large measure of Allied military assistance to handle 3,000 tons per day. Both the rail and shipping programmes entail the closest coordination with the military programmes.

(g) NAPLES GROUP OF PORTS:

In addition to supervising A.C. traffic in the Naples area and Naples ports there is also the supervision of the growing volume of traffic at Castellammare, Torre Annunziata, and Salerno. Up to the present ship and port working in the satellite ports has been appallingly inefficient.

4. I consider that a minimum of one Transportation officer liaising with the Italian authorities is necessary in (a) Sicily, (b) Sardinia, and (c) Catanzaro-Crotone area; I think that a minimum of three officers is necessary in the Heel, one in the Foggia area, two in the Civitavecchia area and four in the Naples area.

5. Eventually it should be possible to hand the bulk of the work in Sicily, Sardinia, and the Southern Region over to the Italian authorities; unfortunately little action has been taken by the Transportation Sub-Commission during 1944 to prepare the Italian authorities for this work. It is only now that steps are being taken in conjunction with the Italian Ministry of Communi-

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systems operating, then confusion and waste will again occur. In certain areas there is likely to be a continuation of heavy military traffic, i.e. Naples zone and the heel zone. Unless AFHQ military organization is prepared to accept responsibility for moving this traffic on behalf of the Italian authorities, and deal direct with them, then the traffic is unlikely to move according to programme if there is not adequate A.C. transportation representation. This has been fully proved by past experience.

6. Considerable military assistance is now being received from G-4 Mov. & Tn. AFHQ in these areas, but this is on the understanding that A.C. Transportation Sub-Commission will train up their own field representatives and the Italian authorities to take over this work as soon as possible.

7. I therefore consider that in addition to the officers already detailed, the following are still required:-

Sicily	1 -
Sardinia	1 -
Crotone-Catanzaro	1 -
Heel Area	2 -
Foggia	1 -
Civitavecchia	1 -
Naples Area	1 -

I consider this an absolute minimum under present movement and transportation circumstances.

M. J. Steff

M. J. STEFF, Col.
Chief, Movements Division.

Copy to:-

Director, Transportation S/C.

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13 February 1945

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Personnel from Italian Government Territory.

TO : PW & U S/C
Transportation S/C
Commerce S/C
Industry S/C

Labor S/C
Finance S/C
Food S/C

- 2.06
1. In connection with the above subject, the Chief of Staff has concluded that the withdrawal will in some measure affect activities now carried on by AC personnel in which AFHQ has a direct interest, such as highways, electric transmission lines, port clearance, etc. It is proposed to notify AFHQ that it is contemplated to withdraw AC officers and to call to AFHQ's attention the functions which may affect them.
 2. The Chief of Staff has directed that each Sub-Commission which may have functions that will be affected as indicated above should please prepare a memorandum which the Chief of Staff can use as a basis for this letter to AFHQ. It is not necessary that such memorandum be in any particular form, but merely a statement of those items which this Headquarters should indicate to AFHQ so that new instructions or other arrangements can be made.
 3. If at all possible, the Chief of Staff would like to have the memorandum by noon, Wednesday, ~~14~~ February. May such memorandum be directed through the Economic Section?

LDD
L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, F A
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Economic Section

cc: Major Talbot

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: AG/4435/1/L.

14 Feb 45.

SUBJECT: Liaison Officer at BARI.

TO : Chief of Staff.

1. In view of the difficulties which have been experienced with the BARI courts in the past, coupled with their great importance in view of thieving from Allied arms depots in the vicinity, it is recommended that Maj. BOYD CARPENTER (Legal) be appointed Assistant Liaison Officer at BARI.

2. R.C., Southern Region concurs in this view.

(Sgd) G. R. UPJOHN,
VP, CA Section,
DCOS, AC.

Copy to: Establishment Section.

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From Major General G LAMMIE

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HQ 3 District,
CMF

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12 Feb 45

My dear Lush,

I am extremely sorry to hear the rumour (because that is all it can be called as far as I am concerned) that the whole of the Allied Commission organisation in my District is about to be withdrawn. It will be most unfortunate if this is really so and especially in so far as the road organisation is concerned.

As you probably know, I am deeply concerned at the moment at the state of the roads in my District, which are supposed to be maintained by the Italians through Allied Commission, and I have recently, in conjunction with your HQ here, addressed a letter to AFHQ on the subject.

It is, therefore, more than disturbing to learn, so unofficially, that the whole set up is to be withdrawn.

This, of course, is an entirely unofficial letter in an endeavour to find out what the true situation is. I sincerely hope that your reply will be more reassuring than the present rumour!!

I have not seen Dunlop for some time as he has been away and so have I, and I am still without the "paper" you asked him to let me have.

CB,
Brigadier M.S. Lush, /CBE, MC,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
CMF.

*Yours sincerely
G Lammie*

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AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION,
ROME.

AISC/324/CNG.

12th February 1945.

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Dear

Lush,

You will remember we spoke about Sardinia at Commodore Warren's party the other night, and you said you thought it would be advisable to leave an A.C. Liaison Officer in the Island when Pennyquick pulls out.

2. In view of the importance of what is going on there, I think this is an extremely good idea, as however competent the R.A.F. Officer in charge of the Staging Post may be, he will not have the experience of dealing with the Italians that our people have, and will not be able to make the best of what the Italians have to offer.

3. He has already been in difficulties, and I hope to get over to Sardinia late this week. Perhaps the final decision might be left until I come back, but I think we ought to bear the thing in mind.

Yours *was*,

B.B.

Brigadier M.S. Lush, CB, CBE, MC,
Chief of Staff,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

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Typewritten copy of Brig. Carr's note at (28)

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Brig. Lush.

Herewith my paper on reduction SICILY REGION. It may not be good but it is a little difficult to compile a paper like this away from one's HQs.

I want to stress that I am not out to make difficulties. I feel it will be chaotic if one withdraws the economic side before other procedures are evolved - that is my main point.

I have included the para on accommodation (para 3) because I feel it wants consideration. In Southern Italy, NAPLES will presumably exist for a long time as the place where both service and civilian personnel will be able to find accommodation and rations.

But in the capital of SICILY - PALERMO - once AC closes down there will be no accommodation with rations where any service or civilian personnel working in civil matters will be able to find accommodation and rations. I have already had a talk here with an UNRRA doctor, Mr. Layton, who is destined with a small staff for SICILY. I have advised him to visit PALERMO as early as possible to study the lie of the land.

(Intd) M.C. 10/2.

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MEMORANDUM ON THE PROPOSED CLOSING DOWN OF SICILY REGION.

1. The views in this memorandum are based mainly on considerations affecting the war effort and not on any scheme for providing employment for AC personnel or similar consideration. It is stressed that SICILY is an Island and its economic life is more dependent upon Allied shipping and Allied controlled railways (in view of the fact that rolling stock once it crosses the Straits of Messina seldom returns) than other parts of liberated Italy and that adjustments in existing procedures are necessary.

2. DRAFT PROPOSALS.

The proposals to date (10 February 1945) as regards the strength to which the Region should be reduced are as follows as regards Officers:-

	HQ AC Proposals.	Regional Commissioner's Original Proposals.	Regional Commissioner's Revised Proposals.
Liaison Officers	2	-	2
Economics and Supply	-	2	3(A)
Exports (foreign)	-	3	2(B)
Finance	2	1	1
Property Control	1	1	-
Mining	-	1	1
Transportation (Roads, INF)	-	1	1(C)
Transportation (Railways)	1	1	1(D)
Administration	-	-	1(E)
Total Officers	6	10	12

The increase of two Officers in the revised proposals is due to the inclusion of two Liaison Officers which it is agreed are desirable especially in view of the fact that the two Islands of PANTELLARIA and LAMPEDUSA will remain under AMG.

(A). ECONOMICS AND SUPPLY.

There are at present 4 Officers in this Division who are fully employed. Three are located at PALERMO and one at CATANIA who deals with the eastern ports, mainly CATANIA and SYRACUSE.

Their responsibilities, with comments on the effect of the proposed reductions, are set out below.

Exports to Mainland. All bids for schooners and shipping space under existing procedure are dealt with by the Economics and Supply Division and transmitted to HQ AC. This work, together with the notification of the arrival of vessels, allocation of shipping space, agreement on prices, coordination with Railway authorities in regard to Port clearance laid down ~~by law~~, needs the full time employment of one officer. If this work is to be done entirely by Italian officials the local Chambers of Commerce must make bids direct to HQ AC or through the High Commissioner to the Italian Government, who would then deal with HQ AC. Prices would be a matter solely for the Italian authorities. Some arrangement would be necessary under which the Italian authorities are notified of the proposed changes.

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1. The first step is to identify the problem or goal. This involves understanding the current situation and what you want to achieve.

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Imports. Economics and Supply Division receive information as to maintenance programmes. The Italian authorities would have to be given secret prior information re the arrival of vessels. Grain and other imported civil foodstuffs are taken over by the Italian authorities at the ship-side but arranged.

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ments for the loading of the grain etc. from the ship are the responsibility of AC. Shipments of some commodities such as Rock Phosphate are paid for by and remain the property of AC (to the best of my recollection) until they have passed to the factory and have been processed. These duties fully employ the time of one officer.

If no officer is assigned to this duty all commodities must be taken over and paid for at the ships side by the Italian authorities who must also be made responsible for the unloading of vessels.

Requisitions. All requisitions for imported supplies (except Petrol and Coal) are handled by the Economics and Supply Division. These include Commerce and Industry items required for the production of commodities urgently required such as essential oils from the Aranella factory. Newsprint is in the hands of this Division. Mining requirements are normally dealt with by the Regional Mining Officer.

Warehousing. There is still one Warehouse under AC. Every endeavour has been made to clear this warehouse and a definite date as to when AC responsibility for it could cease cannot be given without reference to Regional HQ.

(B). EXPORTS (FOREIGN).

If the existing programme of export of citrus fruits to the U.K. is to be continued two AC Officers at least are required. Their main responsibilities are the provision of timber and other material for packing cases, prices, liaison with the Railway authorities as regards movement of fruit to the docks and the arrival of ships.

(C). TRANSPORTATION (ROAD - INT).

If it is agreed that the control of INT, including financial operation, should be passed to the Italian authorities as early as possible, so long as the above remains the responsibility of AC it is considered essential that one officer should remain in SICILY until transfer is effected.

(D). TRANSPORTATION (RAILWAYS).

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Warehousing. There is still one Warehouse under AC. Every endeavour has been made to clear this warehouse and a definite date as to when AC responsibility for it could cease cannot be given without reference to Regional HQ.

(B). EXPORTS (FOREIGN).

If the existing programme of export of citrus fruits to the U.K. is to be continued two AC Officers at least are required. Their main responsibilities are the provision of timber and other material for packing cases, prices, liaison with the Railway authorities as regards movement of fruit to the docks and the arrival of ships.

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The provision of 4,500 tons of Carot Beans from SICILY for the Army is under consideration.

It is felt that as there is believed to be a surplus of citrus fruit and wine on the mainland, ~~that~~ economy in rail transport would be effected if activity in respect of such items ceased in SICILY. On the other hand, Sicilian economy would be adversely affected.

(E). ADMINISTRATION.

It is considered that if as many as ten to twelve Officers, mainly specialists, were to remain temporarily in SICILY one officer to deal with Administration would be required.

3.

ACCOMMODATION - VEHICLES AND CIVILIAN STAFF.

It must be appreciated that once accommodation for messes, offices, and quarters is derequisitioned it cannot be obtained again if required.

There are certain officers and officials, not belonging to SICILY Region, who have been accommodated with AC at PALERMO by force of circumstance. They include:-

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- Officer i/c PALERMO Airport (RAF).
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The retention of a small number of AC Officers will require some vehicles and maintenance arrangements.

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It is now 10 February and only 18 days remain if complete reduction and withdrawal of personnel is to be effected by 1 March. It is considered that unless operational requirements call for it, hasty withdrawal in the above period can only be ignominious and uneconomical. It is strongly recommended that reduction should take place immediately on the scheme agreed in those departments which are not affected by any change of procedure. Under this Head, CATANIA Provincial HQs should be reduced immediately to Liaison Officer strength plus one Supply Officer and the Public Safety, Legal, Labour, Property Control, Public Health and Welfare, Agriculture Divisions should be dissolved at once. Immediate consideration should be given to the change in procedures necessary to effect reduction or complete abolition Economics and Supply, Transportation, Exports and any remaining Divisions.

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10 Feb. 45.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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- 1 Italian Clerk
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Colonel,
Regional Commissioner, Sardinia

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Ref: 7002/COS.

9 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Officers from
Italian Government Territory.

1. In discussing the withdrawal of Allied Commission officers from Italian Government territory I think it should be made clear to the C.A.O. that from the point of view of the Commission and in implementation of the C.C.S. directive, withdrawal must be made as complete as possible. Otherwise, as experience has shown to a certain extent in SICILY, we must fall between two stools.
2. This must to a certain extent affect military needs. The military services depend upon Allied Commission officers for assistance in the supervision of railroads, maintenance of highways and electric power and in work connected with local resources. If this supervision and maintenance is to continue it should become a direct military commitment and staffs of the Districts and Areas will have to be supplemented, not by Allied Commission officers but by officers from A.F.H.Q.
3. A further point which will have to be made clear to the Italian Government but should be cleared with the C.A.O. is that a large part of the duties of Allied Commission officers have been concerned with protecting Italian interests from the incursions of Allied troops. This will now cease and whereas the Italian Government must accept the removal, it is only right that A.F.H.Q. should issue instructions to Allied troops to ensure a reasonable amount of protection to Italian interests.

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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2nd DRAFT DIRECTIVE.

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WITHDRAWAL OF ALLIED COMMISSION OFFICERS
FROM ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY.

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(vi) The Regional Mining Officer will be assigned to Headquarters, Industry Sub-Commission, and will be despatched to SICILY as occasion demands.

(vii) The 4 Export Officers loaned by the Ministry of Food (British) will be attached to the Commerce Sub-Commission and sent to SICILY as the occasion demands. There numbers will be reduced if possible.

(viii) LAMPEDUSA and PANTALENERIA will remain under Allied Military Government. CAO's will report to the AC Liaison Officer at PALERMO.

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In addition an Allied Commission Liaison Section will be attached to Rome Area Allied Command consisting of the following:

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- (i) 1 Public Safety Officer
- (ii) 1 AEA Officer, ROMA.
- (iii) 1 Supply Accountant.
- (iv) 1 Property Control Officer.

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Allied interests.

4. They will correspond direct with HQ. Allied Commission under whose authority they will work and to whom they will render regular and frequent reports on their day to day work and on the political, administrative and economic situation in the areas which they cover.
5. All withdrawals indicated above and the establishment of AC Liaison Officers will be completed by 1st March 1945.

Appendix "A".

COMPOSITION OF STAFF FOR ALLIED MILITARY
GOVERNMENT, NETHER COMMORE.

Provincial Commissioner	1	B
Executive Officer	1	A
Adjutant	1	A
Provincial Officer	1	B
Commander, Coy "C"	1	A

Civil Affairs Section.

Legal	3
Public Health	3
Public Safety	4

Economic Section.

Commerce	2
Food	1
Industry	2
Finance	5
EW & Utilities	2
Transportation	5
Communications	1

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Tel. 550

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8 February, 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Withdrawal of Allied Commission officers
from Sicily, Sardinia and Southern Italy.

1. Reference your draft directive, above subject and reference
7002/COS, 6 February 1945.

2. It is recommended that the following number of officers on
the Economic side be retained in Italian Government territory:

a. Sardinia

(1) 2 - Mining Division Officers (Industry S/C)

b. Sicily

(1) 2 - Officers until about 1 Apr. 45 (Finance S/C)

(a) 1 - Supply Accountant to 1 Apr. 45 and
1 - Property Control Officer to 1 Apr. 45.

c. Southern Region

(1) Naples Commune (AMG Provincial Staff)

(a) 2 - Officers (Commerce S/C)
(b) 1 - Officer (Food S/C)
(c) 5 - Officers (Finance S/C)

(i) 1 Finance
1 AFA
1 Supply Accountant. - 1 Supply Accountant to 1 May.
1 Property Control to 1 April

(d) 2 - Officers (P. W. & U. S/C)
(e) 5 - Officers (Transportation S/C)

(i) 1 Rail, 1 Port, 1 Warehouse,
1 Warehouse to March 15,
1 Trucks and Roads.

(2) Bari - Attached to Liaison Office

(a) 3 - Officers (Transportation S/C)

(i) 1 Rail, 1 Port & Food, 3 Truck

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(3) Reggio

(a) 1 - Officer (Transportation S/C - Rail)

(4) Foggia

(a) 1 - Officer (Transportation S/C - Trucks and Roads)

(5) Campobasso

(a) 1 - Officer (Transportation S/C - Trucks and Roads)

d. Lazio-Umbria (Attached RAAC - AC Liaison Section)

(1) - 7 Officers

(a) 3 - Officers (Transportation S/C)

(i) 1 Rail-Rome, 1 Rail-Civitavecchia,
1 Port-Civitavecchia.

(b) 1 - Officer (P.W. & U. S/C)

(i) Engineer.

(c) 3 - Officers (Finance S/C)

(i) 1 AFA-Rome
1 Supply Accountant to 1 May,
1 Property Control Officer to 1 April.e. Abruzzi-Marche (Italian Government Territory)

(1) - 1 Officer (Tn S/C) Trucks & Roads - Chieti

3. Summary of paragraph 2 above.

a. Sardinia	2 Officers
b. Sicily	2 3
c. Southern	
(1) Naples	15 - Plus - 2 for Stamp
(2) Bari	3
(3) Reggio	2
(4) Foggia	1
(5) Campobasso	1
d. Lazio-Umbria	7
e. Abruzzi-Marche	1
Total	33

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2 Hemp
Naples

4. Attention is invited to the fact that at present there are at Naples, 1 Allied Officer, and 1 Allied Civilian assigned to duties in connection with "Hemp". The officer has been carried against Southern Region personnel, whereas the British civilian has not been considered either a part of the Region or HQ AC, Industry Sub-Commission. It is submitted that these officers will have to be carried either against the new Naples Provincial ceiling or HQ AC, Industry S/C. It is recommended that the ceiling of Industry S/C be increased or these officers be abolished and the activity turned over to the Royal Navy.

5. A reduction over present strength of Finance S/C personnel is being made. However, further reductions are contemplated upon receipt of the financial directive.

6. A number of truck and road officers have been retained due to the fact that they are required to supervise maintenance and account for WD vehicles now in civilian truck pool. Situation will be clarified upon receipt from AFHQ of instructions with respect to disposition of such WD vehicles.

7. A number of Rail and Port Officers have been retained in order to prevent breakdown of movement of civilian freight and expeditious handling of Allied ships. The Warehouse officers are being retained pending completion of final turnover to Italian Government of Warehouse functions.

8. There are now 158 Officers and/or Allied Civilians assigned to Sardinia, Sicily, Southern Region, Lazio-Umbria and Abruzzi-Marche and also 33 temporarily attached to these regions. It will be noted that of the 33 Officers being retained, 9, principally Finance Officers, are being retained for a limited period to extend not beyond 1 May, 1945.

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, F.A.
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Economic Section

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Ref: 7002/15/CCS.

8 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of Officers from Italian
Government Territory.

TO : DCSA, 2nd Sec.

Reference attached letter from RG, Lazi-Labria Region,
N/2829 of 7 Feb 45.

Chief of Staff states that he agrees in principle to 18 officers
for the new establishment and requests that the details be worked out by
your Section.

(Sgd) E. Tanbo T.

Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Ext. 376

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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5 February 1945

SUBJECT: Transportation Personnel Requirements in King's Italy
TO : Economic Section

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1. Consideration has been given to the retention of certain transportation officers in King's Italy after the general withdrawal of AC from this territory.

2. It is felt that the following arguments apply particularly to transportation work:

a. The movements organization has recently been set up to fit in with the general movements system in force for the Armies; some of this work is being decentralized to secure increased efficiency and it is necessary to retain, particularly at Compartimento headquarters, experienced officers to look after civilian interests as against purely military interests and to see that AC traffic is properly worked in accordance with the AFHQ system. This work cannot yet be left to Italians.

b. At ports it is essential to have Allied officers to insure that Allied shipping is turned around in the shortest possible time. If this responsibility is left to Italians, experience has shown that they do not appreciate the importance of the quick release of shipping and the effect that delay in it has on the war effort.

c. A number of officers will be required to temporarily see that WD vehicles are properly treated until such time as those vehicles are sold or otherwise transferred to Italian control; the temporary officers could then be withdrawn.

d. Similarly, for warehouse work arrangements are in hand for making the Consorzio Agrario responsible for warehouse work; but until this is done certain officers will have to be retained at warehouses as a temporary measure.

3. Bearing in mind the above arguments, the following is considered the minimum establishment for transportation officers in King's Italy:

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SICILIA REGION

1 Captain

Note: would be responsible particularly for quick turn-around of ships and for controlling wagon balance with the mainland.

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Temporarily, until approximately 600 vehicles are handed over to INT.

SARDINIA REGION

1 Captain

Note: would be responsible particularly for quick turn-around of ships and for implementing export programs to mainland, eg., coal and livestock.

SOUTHERN REGION

Naples 1 Lt. Col.

Chief, Tn.

1 Major

Rail

1 Major

Port

1 Captain

Port (small ports near Naples)

1 Captain

Shipping (schooner control)

Bari

1 Major

Rail

1 Captain

Port

Reggio

1 Major

Rail

CrotoneTorino

1 Captain

Port

The following temporary officers would be required until the 454 truck pool vehicles are handed over to the Italians:

Foggia 1 CaptainCanopuano 1 CaptainBari 1 CaptainNaples 1 Captain

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The following warehouse officers will be required until warehouse work is handed over to the Italians:

Naples 1 Major
 1 Captain

LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION

Rome 1 Captain Rail

Civitavecchia 1 Major Port
 1 Captain Rail

Foligno 1 Captain Rail

ABRUZZI-MARCHE REGION

Aquila 1 Captain Road and Rail

The following officers will be required temporarily until the 91 truck pool vehicles are transferred to Italian control:

Chieti 1 Captain Road

Teramo 1 Captain Road

Pescara 1 Captain Road

M. B. THOMAS
Deputy Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the President

APO 394

Draft Directive on -

Withdrawal of Allied Commission Officers from Italian Government
Territory.

2(b)(iii) and (iv). I would like these permanently under A.M.G. This is of great importance for the reasons explained to Brigadier Lush.

2(b)(v). The citrus fruit officers loaned by the Ministry of Food must be nominally attached to Rome. It is for consideration whether they can be reduced to two. I should like a letter prepared for me to write to the Minister of Food informing him that in conformity with the new directive I have made this arrangement which I think will preserve his Ministry's interests.

H.M.

7th February, 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
APO - 394

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7 February 1945

SUBJECT: Reduction of Lazio-Umbria

TO : Chief of Staff
Headquarters, Allied Commission

1. The proposal to reduce Lazio-Umbria Region to the two Provinces which are still under AMG control raises the question of whether a Regional Headquarters should remain in existence.

2. Taking into account the very small size of the area involved, and with due regard to such practical considerations as accommodation, it is proposed that the two Provinces be transferred either to Toscana Region or to the remnants of Abruzzo-Marche, and that Lazio-Umbria be abolished entirely. (It should be noted that owing to war damage and military demands there is no accommodation even for a small Headquarters in either Perugia or Terni.)

3. The table which follows gives a detailed proposal for the future establishment of the two Provinces. In order to give continuity, a few additions have been made which are new at Provincial level, but the economy in personnel is thought to be reasonable.

4. Particular emphasis is laid on the transfers which are requested. They are few in number and have only been requested where an officer who is now attached has only nominal responsibility to another Region, and where a change means disrupting the continuity in Perugia or Terni without any real compensating advantage.

Proposed Establishment Perugia/Terni

		PERUGIA		TERNI	Total
Provincial Commissioner	1	Lt. Colonel Ramsey	1	Lt. Colonel Fricker	2
Public Safety Officer	1	Major Fowler	1	Captain Holt	2
Supply Officer	1	Major Sheehan	1	Major Galotta	2
Finance Officer	1	Captain Marshall	1	(Captain Marshall)	1
Legal Officer	1	Captain Falk	1	(Captain Falk)	1
Agriculture Officer	1	Lt. MacMillan	1	(Lt. MacMillan)	1
Health and Welfare Officer	1	(Captain Kellet)	1	Captain Kellet	1
Engineering Officer	1	Capt. Spriggs or Laughton	1	Capt. Wade Brown	2
Transportation Officer	1	Capt. Piper	1	(Capt. Piper)	1
Provincial Officers	3	Major Pain or Reynolds	2	Lt. Van Eerde	5
		Major Geller		Capt. Salway	
		Capt. Atkinson Grimshaw or			
		Captain Aulton			
Total Provinces	9½		8½		18

See M-11 and Add. (18)

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5. The above proposals raise the following problems:

- a. Agreement required to Major Fowler's retention from Public Safety. Clearly it would be a most unfortunate thing if another change were made here. If his retention is impossible, Captain Fleetwood or Captain Kane is proposed. Major Fowler is attached from Lombardia.
- b. Provincial Officers, Perugia. Major Reynolds is now a Provincial Commissioner and his appointment as a Political Officer is probably undesirable unless no province is available. Major Pain is attached from Lombardia. Captain Atkinson Grimshaw has been very ill and, although classified B, is under observation. The combination Reynolds/Aulton or Pain/Atkinson Grimshaw would be satisfactory, but not Reynolds/Atkinson Grimshaw or Pain/Aulton.
- c. Provincial Officers, Terni. It has been verbally agreed that Lt. Van Berde, who is attached from Lombardia, be allowed to remain. Lt. O'Donnell is offered in exchange.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A. D. Bonham-Carter
A. D. BONHAM-CARTER
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel. Ext. 525

Ref: 4/26.1/CA

7 Feb 45.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal From the South.

TO: Chief of Staff.

1. Reference Conference yesterday, I suggest the following amendments
be made to your draft directive

To Para. 3. At end of second sentence:

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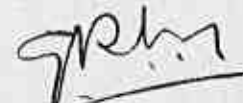
"When requested so to do by local Italian officials, however,
they may give such advice, assistance and guidance as may be
desired."

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To Para 5. I suggest this should be omitted; it is purely a
personal matter (which so far as C A Section is concerned is already worked
out) and ought not to be in a Policy directive.

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2. The necessary amendments should also be made for revision of the number
of personnel and for Medical Supply Officers to remain in Sicily and Sardinia
until 31 Mar 45.



G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
DCOS.



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APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

6 February 1945.

Ref: 7002/003.

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of AC Officers from
SICILY, SANDHILL and S. ITALY.

TO : VE, CA Sec
VE, Est Sec
VE, Econ Sec
VE, Pol Sec (2)
Director, Communications Sub-Com.
Director, W.D & IPW Sub-Com.

1. I attach draft directive relating to para 2(e) of CCS
telegram PAN 487 for use as a basis for discussion at the Chief
Commissioner's meeting this afternoon.

2. I should be grateful if you would be ready, so far as
is possible, to make suggestions as to the formation of the staffs
of the Allied Commission Liaison Officers mentioned therein,
remembering that the number must be kept at a minimum.

Handwritten signature
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

ISL/30.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner,
AC, Southern Region
Ex. Officer (P).

SECRET.DRAFT DIRECTIVE.WITHDRAWAL OF ALLIED COMMISSION OFFICERS
FROM ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY.

1. Para 2(e) of CCS telegram FAW 487 transmitting the directive on the "New Deal for Italy" directs that:

"The Allied Commission shall as soon as possible withdraw all its officers stationed in the field in the territory under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government. However, the Allied Commission should retain the right to send its representatives into territory under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government for any special tasks when Allied interests require it".

2. As a result of this the following action will be taken with regard to Allied Commission functions in SARDINIA, SICILY and SOUTHERN ITALY:

(a) SARDINIA. All Allied officers will be withdrawn with the exception of the officers and staff of the Mining Division who will restrict their functions entirely to advice regarding the output of the Sardinian coalmines. This will involve the withdrawal of the Regional Commissioner and 10 officers, and the retention of 2 Mining Division Officers.

(b) SICILY. All Allied officers will be withdrawn with the following exceptions:

- (i) Export Officer, Western SICILY.
(ii) Regional Mining Officer. *Loche at HQ.*

(iii) CAO, LAMPEDUSA.
(iv) CAO, PANTELLERIA.

- (v) 4 Export Officers loaned by the Ministry of Food (British) and attached to the Commerce Sub-Commission.

(vi) In addition, Allied Commission Liaison Officers will be appointed:

- (a) In PALERMO to correlate the functions of the US Navy Base with the Italian authorities.

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(b) In CATANIA to correlate the functions of 204

Sub-Area with the Italian authorities.

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2. (c) SOUTHERN REGION. All officers will be withdrawn with the following exceptions:

(i) Provincial Commissioner and staff for Allied Military Government, MARITIME Commune (See Appendix "A"). This officer will also act as AG Liaison Officer in order to correlate the functions of No. 3 District, ~~and~~ ^{with military authority} ~~and~~ ^{with} ~~the~~ ^{the} Italian authorities in the compartment of CAMPANIA and CALABRIA.

(ii) There will also be established an AG Liaison Officer at BARI with the same functions in connection with the compartment of APULIA and BUCCHIA, together with the Provincial ~~of BUCCHIA~~ ~~and~~ ~~CAMPANIA~~ ^{of CAMPANIA}. This Liaison Officer and his staff will work with the Sub-areas operating in this area and the 15th USAAF at FOGGIA. The AG Liaison Officer will have a small staff consisting of:

- (a) 2 Legal Officers (so long as Allied Military Courts operate in ~~area~~).
- (b) 1 Public Safety Officer (so long as Allied Military Courts operate in ~~area~~).

(c) 5 Representatives of the Economic Section. *(Transferred Sub Com) 3 of whom will work in connection with the 15th USAAF and 1 will be withdrawn with the 15th USAAF and 1 will be withdrawn with the 15th USAAF and 1 will be withdrawn with the 15th USAAF)*

(d) LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION. All officers will be withdrawn with the exception of the Provincial Staffs of PERUGIA and TERNI who will continue to administer Allied Military Government in these two Provinces under the command of the Provincial Commissioner, PERUGIA, reporting direct to the Allied Commission. *Office (Public Safety) (hand)*

In addition an Allied Commission Liaison Section will be attached to Rome Area Allied Command, consisting of the following:

- (1) Public Safety Officer *(11) 1 Public Safety Officer*
- (ii) 1 AEA of Rome *(ii) 1 AEA of Rome*
- (iii) 1 Supply Act. *(iii) 1 Supply Act.*
- (iv) 1 Property Control. *(iv) 1 Property Control.*

will also act as AC Liaison Officer in order to correlate the functions of No. 3 District, ^{with military authorities} ~~the~~ ^{the} Italian authorities in the compartment of CAMPANIA and CALABRIA.

(ii) There will also be established an AC Liaison Officer at BARI with the same functions in connection with the compartment of APULIA and LUCANIA, together with the Provincial of ~~FOCALTA~~ ^{FOCALTA} ~~CAMPANIA~~ ^{CAMPANIA}. This Liaison Officer and his staff will work with the Sub-Areas operating in this area and the 15th USARF at FOGGIA. The AC Liaison Officer will have a small staff consisting of:

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In addition an Allied Commission Liaison Section will be attached to Rome Area Allied Command consisting of the following:

- (4) ~~Public Safety Officer~~ (1) Public Safety Officer
 (ii) ~~1 AFA D/O Rome~~ (ii) 1 AFA D/O Rome
 (iii) ~~1 Supply Aert.~~ (iii) 1 Supply Aert.
 (iv) ~~1 Property Control~~ (iv) 1 Property Control

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(e) ABRUZZI-MARCHE REGION. All Allied Commission officers will be withdrawn from the Provinces of AQUILE, PESCARA and CHIETI. Regional Headquarters will be moved to (?) and will administer Allied Military Government in such Provinces of the compartments which have not been handed back to the Italian Government. The Regional Commissioner will also act as Liaison Officer with the Sub-Area concerned in the Provinces administered by the Italian Government.

3. The duties of the Allied Commission Liaison Officers retained in Italian Government territory will be to watch over the inter-relation of Allied and Italian interests insofar as the Allied war effort is directly concerned and to assist the Allied military authorities in their relations with the Italian local authorities. They will give advice to the Allied military authorities on any matter pertaining to Italian civil affairs but they will no longer be concerned with the assumption of control or advice or guidance to the Italian authorities. They will be careful not to assume functions which are properly those of the military authorities and must retain their purely advisory capacity. It may well be that functions hitherto carried out by Allied Commission officers such as supervision of ^{→ highways & electric power} railroads on behalf of the military authorities will have to be handed ^{to Italy} to those military authorities. They will normally combine their activities to the neighbourhood of the Headquarters in which they are located, ie, PALERMO, CATANIA, NAPLES and ROMA, but in cases of necessity they will, of course, take cognizance of all matters/arising from civil affairs affecting Allied interests.

4. They will correspond direct with HQ. Allied Commission under whose authority they will work and to whom they will render regular and frequent reports on their day to day work and on the political, administrative and economic situation in the areas which they cover.

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4. They will correspond direct with HQ. Allied Commission under whose authority they will work and to whom they will render regular and frequent reports on their day to day work and on the political, administrative and economic situation in the areas which they cover.

5. Distribution of Allied Commission staff released from Italian Government territory. Generally speaking Allied officers released in the manner described above who have not already been earmarked for other Regions

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or AUSTRIA, will be re-assigned as follows:

- (a) SARDINIA and SICILY to VENEZIA GIULIA,
- (b) SOUTHERN REGION to VENEZIA,
- (c) LAZIO-UMBRIA to LOMBARDIA,
- (d) ABRUZZO-MARCHE to PIEMONTE.

There will, of course, be exceptions from this rule which should, however, be followed as closely as circumstances allow.

6. All withdrawals indicated above and the establishment of 10

hundred officers will be completed by 1st March 1945.

Appendix "A".

COMPOSITION OF STAFF FOR ALLIED MILITARY
GOVERNMENT, MILAN COMUNE.

Provincial Commissioner	1	B
Executive Officer	1	A
Adjutant	1	A
Provincial Officer	1	A
Commander, Coy "C"	1	A

Civil Affairs Section.

Legal
Public Health
Public Safety

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Economic Section.

Commerce
Food
Industry
Finance
PW & Utilities
Transportation
Communications

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There will, of course, be exceptions from this rule which should, however, be followed as closely as circumstances allow.

6. All withdrawals indicated above and the establishment of 20 Liaison Officers will be completed by 1st March 1945.

Concordia "A".

COMPOSITION OF STAFF FOR ALLIED MILITARY
GOVERNMENT, MEXICO CONTINUE.

Provincial Commissioner
Executive Officer
Adjutant
Provincial Officer
Commander, Coy "C"

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1 = (x-1)^2$$

Civil Affairs Section.

Legal
Public Health
Public Safety

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Economic Section.

Commerce
Food
Industry
Finance
EW & Utilities
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Communications

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