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- (a) Prisoners against whom there are objections on security or political grounds.
- (b) Prisoners who are permanently unfit for duty or who persistently report sick.
- (c) Psychotics.
- (d) Men of bad character or bad discipline.

3. Those whose services are accepted retain the status of PW, but they will be so described only when status is material (e.g., the preparation of a charge sheet, on identity documents). The provisions of «Regulations for the Maintenance of Discipline among Prisoners of War, 1939,» apply therefore to co-operators, except where otherwise stated in this instruction.

4. As far as is compatible with their status as defined in para. 3 above and with the exception of any restrictions which may be imposed from time to time, the treatment of co-operators will follow the general lines of that afforded to British personnel in the units in which they work.

5. The functions of the Protecting Power, the International Red Cross Committee and the World's Alliance of Y.M.C.As. remain unchanged.

6. Article 31 of the Geneva Convention and any other Articles which restrict the nature or location of work will be suspended, but no co-operators will be employed in units engaged in active operations against the enemy.

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7. Instructions regarding restrictions to be imposed on the use of co-operators in any particular Command or District will from time to time be issued by A.F.H.Q., G-1 (B).

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CHAPTER II.

EMPLOYMENT

10. *Conditions under which co-operators may be employed.—Co-operators may be employed:—*

- (a) In units for which a special War Establishment has been created to show British and Italian personnel. These units range from Italian units with a British cadre for administrative purposes to units with a small percentage of Italians for general duties.
- (b) Within the War Establishment of suitable British units and in lieu of an equal number of British personnel.
- (c) Attached to units in excess of War Establishment.
- (d) On a daily, «casual labour», basis.

11. *Applications to employ co-operators.*

(a) For (a) above. In cases where no suitable War Establishment has already been approved, it will be necessary for a proposal to be submitted to the War Establishments Committee. Proposals will be submitted by Heads of Services to A.F.H.Q. (G-3 Org) in accordance with the terms of A.F.H.Q. letter 210/Org 3 of 17 April 44. Applications to form, convert or disband units in which Italian personnel appear as part of the W/E will be submitted to A.F.H.Q. through service channels in accordance with Appendix A. The authority for the formation of such units will be a formation letter issued by A.F.H.Q. (G-1(B)).

(b) For (b) above. Applications to dilute existing British units, i.e., units on whose W/E no provision is made for Italians, will be submitted in accordance with Appendix B. Authority to dilute units will be issued to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon by A.F.H.Q. (G-1(B)).

(c) For (c) above. Employment in excess of W/E will only be on a temporary basis. Authority permitting such employment in the case of unskilled personnel is delegated to Headquarters, North Africa District.

(d) For (d) above. By application to Commandant of nearest PW Reinforcement Holding Camp, or O.C., Base Depot for Italian Reinforcements.

12. *Employment by Authorities other than British Army Units.*

(a) *By Royal Navy.*

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- (b) *By Royal Air Force.*
 - (i) Establishments for units employed by R.A.F. are shown at Appendix E.
 - (ii) The responsibility for administration of such units is delegated to the R.A.F. British personnel in the units belonging to the R.A.F., but O.C. are empowered to deal direct with G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon and Sub-District H.Qs. on matters of detail and routine. The Army authorities retain the right of supervision and inspection of units.
- (c) *By Civilian and Para-Military Organisations.*
Where it is found necessary to authorise such employment, co-operators should be attached to the nearest military unit. Any other cases will be under special arrangements to be made by A.F.H.Q.

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CHAPTER III.

DOCUMENTATION AND REINFORCEMENT PROCEDURE

16. *Procedure on Acceptance.*—As soon as an Italian PW signifies his agreement to co-operate the following particulars will be despatched to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon in respect of each individual :—

- (a) PW number, rank and name.
- (b) Arm of the Service (Italian).
- (c) Army trade (Italian).
- (d) Civil trade.
- (e) Age.
- (f) Language qualifications.
- (g) Name and address of next-of-kin.

Italian PW who are in PW Camps will be despatched to the B.D.I.R.

17. *Strength States.*—Co-operators will be struck off the strength of the PW Camp and taken on the strength of the Italian X (iv) List. They will cease to be accounted for by PW Camps in A.F. W3487, and will be included in O2E Form 2. Hospitals will not account for co-operators on A.F. W3487 but deal with them in accordance with para. 19 (b) hereof.

It should be noted that PW who are not, or who cease to be, co-operators must be accounted for on A.F. W3487 by both PW Camps and Hospitals.

18. *Registered Number of Co-operators.*—For the purpose of readily identifying co-operators, the suffix R will be added to the PW number of each such man. This will be quoted as part of the number in all Casualty Forms and correspondence rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon and to PW Camps or B.D.I.R.

19. *Reporting of Casualties.*

(a) By Units.

The following casualties only to co-operators filling vacancies within a British W/E, or attached to a British unit in excess of W/E, will be reported to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on forms stated below :—

- (i) Posting on A.F. W3011A (Casualty Return—O.Rs.).
- (ii) Upgradings from unskilled to skilled labour and down grading—A.F. W3011A.
- (iii) Casualties due to accident, injury or sickness—A.F. W3011B.
- (iv) Casualties to co-operators attached to a British unit in excess of W/E will be reported on A.F. W3012A and B. In the case of officers A.F. W3010A and B will be used.
- (v) Casualties in respect of co-operators held on X (iv) List will be reported by B.D.I.R. on A.F. W3012A and B. In the case of officers A.F. W3010A and B will be used.
- (vi) Escapes will be reported on A.F. W3010A, A.F. W3011A or A.F. W3012A (see para. 40).

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(b) By Hospitals.

- (i) All admissions, discharges, transfers and deaths affecting co-operators will be reported to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on A.F. W3034, as laid down in «Unit Guide to Documentation in a Theatre of War (Overseas), 1942» page 18, para. 4 (b). It is important that separate sheets of A.F. W3034 be used for Italian personnel.
- (ii) When a co-operator is placed on the DI or SI list a report to that effect will be telegraphed to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon. Changes of condition, e.g., removal from DI or SI list or transfer from one to the other will be similarly telegraphed.
- (iii) Weekly states of personnel on DI or SI list will be rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on A.F. W3034A.
- (iv) An Italian clerk will be attached to each of the three hospitals dealing with co-operators, to assist documentation.
- (v) Escapes will be reported on A.F. W3034 (see para. 40).

All Army Forms mentioned in this paragraph are now printed in English and Italian. Casualties affecting co-operators in Italian Co-operator Wings to General Hospitals or serving with units will be rendered in Italian if possible; otherwise in English.

20. *Accidents and Injuries.*

- (a) A.F. B 117 will be rendered in all cases of accidental injuries to co-operators.
- (b) Units will render these forms to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon. In the case of injuries which are self-inflicted, or are suspected of having been self-inflicted, the form will be sent through the Commander of the Sub-District concerned.
- (c) In the case of injuries which are immediately fatal, a report of the Court of Inquiry proceedings will take the place of A.F. B 117.
- (d) Courts of Inquiry will be held in the same circumstances as for British personnel.

21. *Burial Returns.*

A.F. W 3314, in duplicate, will be rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon as soon as possible after burial.

22. *Reinforcement of Units (Italian personnel).*

- (a) Will be carried out from the B.D.I.R. whose functions will be equivalent to that of R.T.Ds. established for the purpose of reinforcing British units.
- (b) Rfts will be supplied to units only on authority of G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.
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- (iii) Part 'D (i)'. Will be divided into two portions by ruling a line across the sheet. The top portion will be marked 'BRITISH PERSONNEL', the bottom portion 'ITALIAN PERSONNEL'.
- (iv) Part 'D (ii)'. The word 'Italian' will be written in the column for Regt or Corps in the case of Italian officers attached in excess of W/E, less 1st Rfts.

(b) A.F. W 3009.

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- (iii) Part 'D'. Will be sub-divided into two portions by ruling a line across page 2 of the form. The top portion will be marked 'BRITISH PERSONNEL', the bottom portion marked 'ITALIAN PERSONNEL'. Separate totals of British personnel and Italian personnel will be shown on Part 'D'. The total British personnel will be shown at the bottom of the portion of Part 'D' allotted to British personnel, and the total Italian personnel will be inserted at the foot of page 2 of Part 'D'.

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In all cases where *Italian Army personnel* are held, they will be shown separately from co-operators.

26. *Ex Hospital Procedure.*—Co-operators admitted to hospital will be dealt with as follows:—

(a) Those who are detained in hospital for less than 21 days will be returned direct to their unit.

(b) Those who are detained in hospital for 21 days or more will be returned to B.D.I.R. on discharge. Personnel whose return has been particularly requested in Part « C » of A.F. W 3008-9 will be despatched to their units by O.C. B.D.I.R. on authority from G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.

27. *Status.*—A co-operator does not cease to be a PW. Part (i) of A.F. W3000, on which he was originally registered must therefore accompany the co-operator and be held in the B.D.I.R. Unit or Hospital where he is.

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CHAPTER IV.

DISCIPLINE AND APPLICATIONS FOR RELEASE

32. Regulations for the Maintenance of Discipline among Prisoners of War, 1939 », will continue to apply to co-operators.

33. *Punishments and Awards.*

(a) A British officer commanding any unit or body of troops to which Italian co-operators are posted or attached may deal summarily with such Italian co-operators and may award punishments as follows:—

- (i) If he is of the rank of Major or above:—
28 days' detention or field punishment or 14 days' confinement to quarters;
A penal deduction from the pay due to any co-operator of the sum required to make good any expenses caused or loss, damage or destruction done by him to any public or private property.
- (ii) If he is of the rank of Captain or below:—
14 days' detention or field punishment, or
14 days' confinement to quarters.

(b) If a British Officer Commanding considers that a charge is of such a serious nature as to require a heavier punishment than he himself can award, he will refer the case to higher authority.

(c) Italian officers in units will be responsible to the British Officer Commanding for the discipline of Italian personnel, but will not award punishments (including penal detention).

(d) Sentences of Field Punishment will be served with the unit if possible. Co-operators sentenced to detention may be sent to the nearest Italian prisoner of war camp to serve sentence. Co-operators under sentence will not be sent to British Detention Barracks or Field Punishment Camps.

(e) The privilege of receiving cash payments may be withdrawn in whole or in part from an ill-conducted or idle co-operator.

(f) The privilege will always be withdrawn from any sentenced to Detention or Field Punishment or confined to quarters during and for the period of such sentence or confinement.

34. *Identity Documents.*—Co-operators will at all times be in possession of an identity document in the form shown at Appendix « F », and will be liable to disciplinary action if found without such identity document.

35. *Relegation to Status of Non Co-operator.*—Co-operators may be relegated to the status of non co-operators on application to A.F.H.Q. (in duplicate) in the following circumstances:—

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- (a) Subversive activities.
- (b) Persistent indiscipline.
- (c) Persistently reporting sick.
- (d) After 42 days in hospital, unless likely to be discharged fit within a total of 91 days from date of admission.
- (e) Refusal to undergo inoculation or vaccination.

Applications for relegation will be accompanied by full reasons for the request.

36. *Officers—Unfavourable reports.*—While it is not intended that officers below the necessary standard should be retained, it must be remembered that Italian standards are very different from those in the British Army. In particular, where an officer is able to perform his duties in a reasonably satisfactory manner, he should not be rated unsatisfactory on the grounds of personal appearance and bearing.

When it is desired that an Italian officer be replaced on grounds of unsuitability, **4268** following procedure will be adopted:—

(a) A report will be prepared by the British Officer Commanding the Unit, to show the officer's name, Christian name(s) and PW number, and will state the exact reasons why he is considered unsuitable. (This report will be regarded as the co-operator equivalent of A.F. B 194e.)

(b) The report will be submitted through Service channels to A.F.H.Q. (G-1 (B)) in duplicate.

(c) In cases where replacement is considered necessary, postings will be issued to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon by A.F.H.Q.

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37. *Applications for Release.*

(a) On medical or compassionate grounds. Applications will be submitted to A.F.H.Q. (G-1 (B)) and must be accompanied by supporting evidence, e.g., full medical history or independent evidence of the compassionate grounds. No application will be considered in cases where co-operators would receive treatment preferential to that afforded to British troops in this theatre.

(b) Requests from individual co-operators for service with the Allied or Italian Military authorities will not be considered. Release will only be authorised where the services of a particular co-operator are specifically asked for by the appropriate Military authorities.

38. *Loss or Destruction of Public or Private Property.*—A co-operator's account may be debited to make good the loss or destruction of any public or private property which occurs through his own negligence.

39. *Traffic Discipline.*

(a) All Italian personnel employed as drivers will be tested as regards their competence to control a motor vehicle.

(b) They will be instructed in the action to be taken in the event of an accident, and their responsibility for making a full report immediately they return to their unit.

(c) They will be informed that they will be subject to disciplinary action should they be involved in an accident as a result of their own negligence.

(d) An Italian driver sent out unaccompanied will be in possession of a Traffic Accident Slip (A.F. A 3680) filled in with his name and the number of his vehicle, so that he may give this information to any civilian involved in a traffic accident with his vehicle.

(e) Traffic accidents in which the W.D. vehicle is driven by an Italian will be reported in the same manner as if the driver were British.

40. *Absence and Escape.*

(a) An Italian co-operator who absents himself for a period of 21 days or less will be reported as absent without leave unless other evidence clearly shows that he intended permanently to evade Allied control. In the latter case he will be reported as having escaped on the date when his absence began.

(b) A co-operator who continues absent after 21 days will be treated as having escaped and will be so reported.

(c) For reporting such casualties to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon see paragraph 19.

(d) When a co-operator goes absent or escapes and it can be established that he has taken away with him any British clothing or equipment, the following procedure will be adopted:—

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- (d) When a co-operator goes absent or escapes and it can be established that he has taken away with him any British clothing or equipment, the following procedure will be adopted:—
 - (i) A.F. W 3488 will be closed and a slip of paper will be securely attached to it to show the quantity and value of the missing articles.
 - (ii) At the expiration of 21 days from the date of absence, A.F. W 3000, Part I, and A.F. W 3488 with slip attached, will be forwarded to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.

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CHAPTER VI.

DRESS

53. Description of Uniform.

Co-operators will wear standard British uniforms with a distinctive badge to distinguish them from British troops. This badge consists of a white emblem 1 in. x 2 1/2 ins. in the shape of the letter «I» and will be sewn permanently on the left sleeve of the BD Blouse, Bush Shirt and Greatcoat, the top of the letter «I» being one inch below the shoulder seam.

54. Scale of Clothing, etc.

(a) Clothing.	Winter	Summer
Boots, Ankle, w/laces prs	2	2
BD Blouses	1	—
BD Trousers, prs	1	—
Caps, FS, Dyed	1	1
Greatcoats	1	—
Shorts, KD, prs	—	2
Trousers, KD, or Shorts KD with turnups, prs	—	1
(b) Necessaries.		
Anklets, web, prs	1	1
Bags, kit, part worn	1	1
Braces, prs	1	1
Brushes, shaving	1	1
Brushes, tooth	1	1
Combs, hair	1	1
Drawers, woollen, prs	2	—
Forks	1	1
Gloves, knitted, prs	1	—
Hosetops, drab, prs	—	1
Knife, table	1	1
Razor, safety	1	1
Shirts, angola, drab	2	—
Shirts, bush	—	2
Socks, worsted, prs	3	3
Spoons	1	1
Towels	2	2
Vests, woollen	2	—

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Forks	1	1
Gloves, knitted, prs	1	—
Hosetops, drab, prs	—	1
Knife, table	1	1
Razor, safety	1	1
Shirts, angola, drab	2	—
Shirts, bush	—	2
Socks, worsted, prs	3	3
Spoons	1	1
Towels	2	2
Vests, woollen	2	—
Basins, ST, 6 in.	1	1
Plates, ST	1	1
Badges, distinguishing letter «I»	2	2
Blankets—Scale as for British troops.		

(c) All clothing and necessities issued under these scales will be part worn whenever possible. Winter clothing will be withdrawn when summer clothing is issued and vice versa.

(d) Clothing and necessities for officers will be issued on payment. They will not be permitted to purchase through Officers' Shops, nor will British Officers' pattern articles be supplied.

(e) The winter scale will be applicable to all personnel evacuated out of the theatre, irrespective of the time of year at which evacuation takes place.

(f) Attention is drawn to War Clothing Regs, 1943, Appendix VI.

Alterations to the scale of clothing, etc, will from time to time be promulgated
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CHAPTER VII.

RATION SCALES

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Commodity	Scale in oss. per diem	Remarks
Bread	20	
or Biscuits	13 1/2	
Meat, Frozen (bone in)	5 19/21	
or Meat, Frozen (boneless)	4 1/2	
or Meat, Preserved	4 1/2	
Vegetables, Fresh	8	
or Vegetables, Tinned	4	
or Beans, Canned	4	
or Vegetables, Dehydrated	1	
Potatoes, Fresh	10	
or Potatoes, Dehydrated	2	
or Potatoes, Tinned	5	
and Flour	1 1/4	
Fruit, Fresh	2	
or Fruit, Dried	2/7	
Peas/Beans/Lentils	1 1/2	
Macaroni	2 1/2	
or Oatmeal	1 1/2	
Rice	3/78	
Tea	2/7	25 days per mensem
or Coffee	1 1/2	5 days per mensem
Sugar	1 1/7	
Milk, Fresh	5	
or Milk, Tinned (U.K. or DOM.)	2	
or Milk, Tinned (U.S.A.)	2 1/2	
or Milk, Powder (F.C.S.U.)	2/3	

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Meat, Frozen (bone in)	5 10/21
or Meat, Frozen (boneless)	4 1/2
or Meat, Preserved	4 1/2
Vegetables, Fresh	8
or Vegetables, Tinned	4
or Beans, Canned	4
or Vegetables, Dehydrated	1
Potatoes, Fresh	10
or Potatoes, Dehydrated	2
or Potatoes, Tinned	5
and Flour	1 1/4
Fruit, Fresh	2
or Fruit, Dried	2/7
Peas/Beans/Lentils	1 1/2
Macaroni	2 1/2*
or Oatmeal	1 1/2
Rice	3/78
Tea	2/7
or Coffee	1 1/2
Sugar	1 1/7
Milk, Fresh	5
or Milk, Tinned (U.K. or DOM.)	2
or Milk, Tinned (U.S.A.)	2 1/2
or Milk, Powder (F.C.S.U.)	2/3
Herrings	4/7
or Sardines	2/7
Jam	4/7
Salt	3/8
Chillies	1/10
or Pepper	1/100
Mustard	1/100
Baking Powder	1/30
Margarine	6/7
Cooking Fat	2/7
or Cottonseed Oil	2/7
or Olive Oil	2/7
Bacon, M.C.	4/7
or Bacon, Tinned	1/2
Offal or Sausage, Fresh	1 5/7
or Sausage, Tinned (Pork and Soya Link)	1 5/7

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Commodity	Scale in ozs. per diem	Remarks
Cheese, Crated or Cheese, Tinned	3/7 3/7	
Flour	2 *§	
Fruit, Dried	4/7	
Skim Milk Powder or Dried Yeast	1/4 1/8	
Vit. B1 Yeast tablets or Ascorbic Acid, Tablets 25 mgm or Comp. Vit tablets	3 tablets) 1 tablet) 1 tablet)	On Medical Recommendation only.
Tobacco or Cigarettes	1 1/4 oz weekly) 35 cigarettes weekly)	O. Rs. only.

NOTES

- (a) * ADD either Macaroni 1 oz.
or Flour 1 oz.
§ ADD either Rice 1 1/2 oz.
or Flour 1 1/2 oz.
i.e. Maximum daily issue of Flour would be 3 1/2 ozs.
- (b) Milk fresh may be increased to 10 ozs., or Milk tinned (UK or Dom) to 4 ozs, for invalids on medical recommendation.
- (c) 25 % of fresh Vegetables to be carrots, spinach, lettuce, tomatoes or tropical equivalents, Chinese cabbage, Snake gourd, Amaranth, etc.
- (d) All flour, including bread, to be wholemeal if available, or Vit. B1 fortified. Other flour will be issued in lieu if neither are available.
- (e) Dried chillies will be issued in preference to pepper when available.

Fruit, Dried	4/7
Skim Milk Powder	1/4
or Dried Yeast	1/8
Vit. B1 Yeast tablets	3 tablets)
or Ascorbic Acid, Tablets 25 mgm	1 tablet)
or Comp. Vit tablets	1 tablet)
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CHAPTER VIII.

MEDICAL

58. Italian co-operators will, so far as possible, be given medical care and attention by Italian Protected Personnel, who will be attached to units on a scale of two medical officers, six medical orderlies, one dentist and one chaplain per 1,000 co-operators.

59. Cases requiring admission to hospital will whenever possible be admitted to British General Hospitals which have Italian medical units attached to them. These are as follows:—

(a) North Africa District.

- (i) Italian Co-operator Wing att. 97 Br Gen Hosp—BONE.
- (ii) " " " 6 Br Field Hosp—OUED ATHMENIA nr. CONSTANTINE.
- (iii) " " " 94 Br Gen Hosp—ALMA, ALGIERS.
- (iv) Camp Reception Station —TUNIS.

The hospital treatment of Italian co-operators in Nos. 2 and 3 Districts will be the responsibility of the Italian Army Medical Corps.

In No. 1 District hospital treatment will be obtained in British Military Hospitals.

60. Co-operators will undergo inoculation and vaccination under the same conditions as for British troops.

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CHAPTER IX.

CORRESPONDENCE, PARCELS AND CENSORSHIP

65. Regulations with regard to mail facilities will be carefully explained to co-operators and instructions for guidance and reference will be posted in all units.

66. *Incoming Correspondence.*

- (a) Correspondence addressed to co-operators will be passed to the Prisoner of War Censorship Detachment, A.P.O. 689, U.S. Army.
- (b) It will then be forwarded to the Prisoner of War Postal Section, for distribution to the various units where co-operators are held.

67. *Outgoing Correspondence.*

- (a) Method of addressing correspondence.
 - (i) A co-operator will write on the back of the envelope his official PW number, rank and name.
 - (ii) The return address for all Italian co-operators employed in units, held as RfTs in the B.D.I.R. or patients in hospitals, will be:—
208 PW Camp,
ALGIERS, ALGERIA.
- (b) Collection.
 - (i) Locked letter boxes will be installed by unit commanders in each unit, in which co-operators will post their outgoing mail.
 - (ii) Separate boxes will be used for officers and other ranks.
 - (iii) These boxes will be cleared regularly, at stated intervals, by British personnel of the unit staff.

(c) Correspondence will be forwarded daily to the Prisoner of War Censorship Detachment, A.P.O. 689, U.S. Army. Officers' and other ranks' mail will be bagged separately and marked. In order to avoid congestion it is essential that correspondence is not held up, even for short periods. After censorship, the PW Censor will forward correspondence in accordance with arrangements effected for that purpose.

(d) Commanders of units and their representatives will not censor co-operators' correspondence, nor will the unit censor stamp be impressed on co-operators' correspondence, but correspondence containing more than the permitted quantity of written material or disclosing any location other than the authorised return address will be returned to the writer.

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(e) Co-operators will be instructed that the use of civilian postal facilities is forbidden.

(f) Stationery.

- (i) Special PW stationery will be used, and only in special circumstances will any exception be allowed. Authority for the use of other than PW stationery will be granted only by A.F.H.Q., G-1.(13).

(ii) Types of PW stationery are as follows:—

- A.F. W3058—Letter Card A.F. W3494—Post Card.
- (iii) Indents for official PW stationery will be submitted to 15 Stationery Depot, B.N.A.F., or 21 Stationery Depot, C.M.F.

(g) Quantity of correspondence permitted.

Correspondence of co-operators will be limited as follows:—

- (i) Italian officers and other ranks: Two letters, or one letter and one post card, or two post cards, weekly.
- (ii) Protected Personnel are allowed to write double the quantity allowed to co-operators.
- (iii) Subject matter of letters will be limited to 24 lines, and of postcards to 7 lines.

68. *Incoming Parcels.*

(a) Censorship.

- (i) In order to avoid the necessity of opening and repacking parcels by the PW Censor, the responsibility of examining them will rest with unit commanders.
- (ii) Parcels for co-operators will be opened in the presence of the addressee. Letters which may be found enclosed in these packages will be forwarded to the Prisoner of War Censorship Detachment for examination.

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(iii) Packing and wrappings will be inspected. If they contain any censorable material, a memorandum listing contents will be prepared in triplicate and signed by the examining officer and co-operator addressee. The entire parcel will then be forwarded to the Prisoner of War Censorship Detachment. Otherwise packing and wrappings will be destroyed.

(b) Articles permitted.

- (i) Clothing (except as stated below), footwear, underclothing, food (of a non-perishable nature), pipes and other similar articles.
- (ii) Tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, pipe plug tobacco, toilet requisites (except as stated below), games, cards, books (all subject to censorship).

(c) Articles not permitted. (N.B.—This list of restricted articles is under review.)

- (i) Money of any sort (such as is sent will be credited to the account of the co-operator).

- (ii) Civilian clothing and underclothing which could be used as civilian clothing.
- (iii) Red Cross armbands for those not entitled.

- (iv) Weapons and weapon-like tools, large pocket knives and scissors.
- (v) Ammunition and explosives.

- (vi) Tools which could be used for escape or sabotage.

- (vii) Duplicating machines, carbon paper, tracing paper, compasses, haversacks, maps, cameras, field glasses, microscopes.

- (viii) Torches, cigarette lighters, fuses, candles.

- (ix) Spirits and spirituous liquors.

- (x) Solid spirit, inflammable objects.

- (xi) Telephones, wireless receiving and transmitting sets, or parts thereof.

- (xii) Hair lotion, mouth wash, tooth paste, boot polish, perfumes.

- (xiii) Fruit juices, chemicals, acids, or anything which could be used for secret letters.

- (xiv) Books and printed matter of subversive or immoral contents, foreign newspapers, books with maps attached.

- (xv) Cigarette tips or cigarette papers.

- (xvi) Notebooks, writing paper, postcards.

- (xvii) Printed papers and periodicals.

(d) Disposal of articles confiscated from parcels.

- (i) Any prohibited articles which are found in parcels for co-operators and are subject to confiscation will be disposed of as follows:—

- (ii) Anything which is usable by, or would be found useful to hospitals, will be sent to the nearest hospital. A periodical distribution will be made, after which unit commanders will forward to A.F.H.Q., G-1(B) a list of the goods thus dealt with and to whom given.

- (iii) Any articles left over after the foregoing distribution will be catalogued, the list being forwarded to A.F.H.Q., G-1(B) who will issue instructions for disposal.

- (b) Articles permitted.
- (i) Clothing (except as stated below), footwear, underclothing, food (of a non-perishable nature), pipes and other similar articles.
 - (ii) Tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, pipe plug tobacco, toilet requisites (except as stated below), games, cards, books (all subject to censorship).
- (c) Articles not permitted. (N.B.—This list of restricted articles is under review.)
- (i) Money of any sort (such as is sent will be credited to the account of the co-operator).
 - (ii) Civilian clothing, and underclothing which could be used as civilian clothing.
 - (iii) Red Cross armbands for those not entitled.
 - (iv) Weapons and weapon-like tools, large pocket knives and scissors.
 - (v) Ammunition and explosives.
 - (vi) Tools which could be used for escape or sabotage.
 - (vii) Duplicating machines, carbon paper, tracing paper, compasses, haversacks, maps, cameras, field glasses, microscopes.
 - (viii) Torches, cigarette lighters, fuses, candles.
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70. *Cables and telegrams.*—Co-operators are not permitted to send telegrams or cables, either direct or through a third person. This rule will not be departed from except at the express request of the representative of the Protecting Power, or in the most exceptional circumstances, such as serious illness the recovery from which is dependant on the co-operator's freedom from anxiety.

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CHAPTER X.

WELFARE

72. The welfare of co-operators is a matter to which great importance is attached. The problem is in some districts more acute for co-operators than for British personnel in the same units, owing to the lack of liberty afforded to the former. Much has been achieved by the enterprise of unit commanders, but the following notes set out amenities which are available in addition.

73. *Italian Welfare Staff.*—Italian officers are attached to District and Sub-District Headquarters with the appointment of Italian Welfare Officer. Their duties are :—

- (a) To inspect the welfare amenities, in units, to receive suggestions for improvement, and to submit suitable reports to the British authorities.
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74. *E.F.I. Supplies.*—These are available under the same current conditions as for British troops, with the exception of Schedules B and D items (beer, spirits and cordials). Officers are permitted to purchase an additional 35 cigarettes a week to offset the fact that they receive no free issue.

75. *Welfare Funds.*—These may be regarded as the Italian equivalent of P.R.I. funds, and must be run separately from unit P.R.I. funds. They are created principally as a result of N.A.A.F.I. rebates, but also from donations through the International Red Cross from time to time.

It should be the aim of every unit commander to retain as small a credit in the Welfare fund as possible. Funds may be spent without restriction, including the purchase of wine, fresh fruit and vegetables from local resources to supplement the ration. Funds should be spent for the benefit of the men who helped to create them, and in the event of units being disbanded or drafts being posted away, the whole or a suitable proportion of the Welfare fund should be transferred to their new units.

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76. *Recreational Facilities.*

- (a) Footballs and other games equipment have been distributed in very limited quantities and more may be available from time to time for distribution through Sub-District HQs.
- (b) Some books have been made available for distribution by the International Red Cross and it is hoped that further supplies will be forthcoming.
- (c) It is considered advisable that accommodation in units be allotted wherever possible for reading and writing purposes, and in cases where it is found possible to run a separate canteen for co-operators, the two might well be combined.

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APPENDIX «A»

REVISED APPENDIX «B» TO ALLIED FORCE HQ. LETTER 210/Org-3 of 27 Oct 43.

APPLICATION TO FORM, CONVERT OR DISBAND UNITS

To : G-3 (Org-3) (2 copies)
Copy to G-1(B)
Q (AE)
G-3 (Org-2) (Manpower)
G-3 (Org-4)

1. Application is made to form/convert/disband the following unit(s) :—

	War Est.	Officers		O.Rs.		Vehs.	Trailers	M.Os.
		Br.	It.	Br.	It.			
(a) Units to be formed and/or new establishments to which units are to be converted.								
(b) Units to be disbanded and/or old establishment from which units are to be converted.								
(c) Any other establishments to be amended as a result of this application (show increase or decrease as + or —).								

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(d) Net increase								
(e) Net decrease								

2. Additional appointments or upgradings above the rank of major (British Officers only) :—

3. Where net increase is shown, the proposed offset in terms of reduction(s) in the A.F.H.Q. Basic Order for Battle.

4. Reasons for the formation, conversion or disbandment :—

5. Reasons for items in para. 2 (only required if they are part of a new establishment).

6. The supervisory authority or authorities for the above action (applicable to units in N. Africa only).

7. G 1098 No. (if known).

8. Effective date for fmn, conversion and/or disbandment (applicable to units in N. Africa only).

9. Location for reorg.

10. Is Imprest a/c necessary (or whether one held if disbandment).

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APPENDIX «B»

APPLICATION TO DILUTE BRITISH UNITS WITH ITALIAN CO-OPERATORS

To: G.1 (British) A.2.

1. Application is made to dilute the following unit(s):—

Unit	War Est.	Nos. of British to be replaced by Italians	
		Officers	O.Rs.
Total (a)			
2. Present total deficiencies on W.E. of the above units: (a)			
		Officers	O.Rs.
3. Numbers of British personnel who will be released for other duties as a result of this application: (a)—(b).....			
		Officers	O.Rs.

4. Reasons for proposal:—

APPENDIX «C»
ITALIAN NAVAL CO-OPERATOR COMPANIES

1. *British Personnel, Weapons and Transport.*—To be supplied from Army sources on the same scale as for Italian Pioneer Coy (NA/172/2).

2. *Italian Personnel, each company.*

Detail	Total
Captain	1
Subaltern	1
TOTAL, Officers	2
W.O.	1
C.Q.M.S.	1
Serjeants (includes one Interpreter)	6
TOTAL, W.Os., Colour Sfts. and Sfts.	8
Corporals	21
L/Cpls.	21
Privates	231
TOTAL, Rank and File	273
TOTAL, Other Ranks	281
TOTAL, Italian Naval PW Coys	283

3. *Distribution of Rank and File by trades and duties.*

TRADESMEN:	No 1 Coy	No 2 Coy	No 3 Coy	No 4 Coy	TOTAL
Blacksmiths	2	—	3	2	7
Bricklayers	20	5	2	16	43
Carpenters and joiners	30	4	3	40	77
Concretors	16	—	—	16	32
Cooks	7	8	8	7	30
Draughtsmen	1	—	—	—	1
Driver, mechanics	8	4	4	4	20
Electricians (wiremen)	8	1	1	8	18
Fitters, ICE	2	4	4	10	20
Masons	12	—	—	8	20
Motor Mechanics	1	2	1	3	7
Painters and	—	—	—	—	—

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Cooks	7	8	8	7	30
Draughtsmen	1	—	—	—	1
Driver, mechanics	8	4	4	4	20
Electricians (wiremen)	8	1	1	8	18
Fitters, ICE	2	4	4	10	20
Masons	12	—	—	8	20
Motor Mechanics	1	2	1	3	7
Painters and Decorators	8	—	—	4	12
Plumbers and pipefitters	12	4	4	14	34
Steelbenders	4	—	—	4	8
Surveyors	1	—	—	—	1
Timbermen	2	—	—	2	4
Tinsmiths and whitesmiths	2	1	1	2	6
Engine hands (IC)	—	4	4	4	12
Welders	—	—	5	—	5
TOTAL, Tradesmen	136	37	40	144	357
NON-TRADESMEN:					
Drivers, I.C.	6	9	6	6	27
Batmen	6	6	6	8	24
Sanitary men	1	1	1	1	4
Water Duties	1	1	1	1	4
General Dutymen	123	219	219	115	676
TOTAL, Non-Tradesmen	137	236	233	129	735
TOTAL, Italian Naval Co-operator Coy	273	273	273	273	1,092

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APPENDIX «D»

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY
BETWEEN ROYAL NAVY AND ARMY IN RESPECT OF
ITALIAN NAVAL CO-OPERATOR COMPANIES

1. The Italian PW included in Naval Co-operator Coys consist of certain skilled tradesmen as laid down in the W/E of these Coys, and will be permanently allocated to the Royal Navy for such work as the latter may decide.

2. They will, therefore, be considered as A.F.H.Q. Coys and will not come within the labour pool of NORTH AFRICA District.

3. Although permanently allotted to the Royal Navy for work, these Coys will come under the D.D.L., of the appropriate District, who will be responsible through the local Pioneer Group Commander, for the details enumerated in paras. 4 (b) and 7 below.

4. The division of responsibility for these Coys between the Royal Navy and the Army will be as follows:—

(a) The Royal Navy will be responsible for:—

- (i) Deciding the place and nature of work of these Coys.
- (ii) Arranging accommodation, when this is to be provided in Naval Barracks.
- (iii) When accommodation in Naval Barracks is not available, contacting, in conjunction with the local Pioneer Group Commander, « Q » Branch of the Sub-District concerned with a view to the allocation of alternative accommodation or tentage.
- (iv) Supply of any transport required for the conveyance of personnel to and from the place of work irrespective of whether such transport comes from Navy or Army resources.
- (v) All tools required for the performance of each particular task irrespective of whether these tools are provided from Navy or Army resources.

(b) The Army will be responsible for:—

- (i) All documentation and general administration.
- (ii) Discipline.
- (iii) Medical arrangements.
- (iv) Stationery.
- (v) The collection and distribution of all rations and E.F.I. supplies and the accounting thereof.
- (vi) The accounting for all G.1098, accommodation stores, clothing and necessities.
- (vii) Pay and accounting.

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5. Owing to difficulties of administration and discipline that would arise thereby, it is strongly recommended that these Coys should not be split into small detachments.
6. Where this is unavoidable, it is requested that due notice of such moves be given to the local Pioneer Group Commander in order that arrangements can be made, through the appropriate D.D.L., for these detachments to be attached, where possible, to the nearest Italian Pioneer Coy for the fulfilment of all Army responsibilities.
7. In the event of detachments moving to locations where there are no local Italian Pioneer Coys, alternative mutual arrangements will be made between the Navy and the appropriate D.D.L., through his local Pioneer Group Commander.

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APPENDIX «E»

RAF ITALIAN CO-OPERATOR COMPANIES

1. *RAF Italian Co-operator Coy (Type «X»).*—Italian personnel as for W.E. NA/172/1. British personnel, weapons and transport to be supplied from RAF sources.
2. *RAF Italian Co-operator Coy (Type «Y»).*

(i) Personnel.

Italians

DETAIL	Head- quarters	Working Coy	TOTAL
Captain	1	—	1
Subaltern	1	—	1
TOTAL, Officers	2	—	2
Warrant Officer	1	—	1
C.Q.M.S.	1	—	1
Serjeants	—	10	10
TOTAL, WOs, Colour Serjeants and Serjeants	2	10	12
Corporals	1	20	21
Lance-Corporals	1	20	21
Privates	17	210	227
TOTAL, Rank and file	19	250	269
TOTAL, Other Ranks	21	260	281
TOTAL, RAF Coy (Type «Y»)	23	260	283

(ii) Distribution of Other ranks by Trades and Duties.

TRADESMEN :

Carpenters	(a) 11	11
Clerks	(b) 2	9
Cooks	7	7
Electricians	(a) 26	26
Engine Fitters	15	15
Fitters, M.T.	(a) 16	16
Instrument makers/repairers	(a) 26	26
Mechanics, M.T.	15	15

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Instrument makers/repairers	—	(a) 26	26
Mechanics, M.T.	—	15	15
Mechanics, W/T	—	(a) 16	16
Photographers	—	3	3
Storemen	—	(a) 16	16
(c) Air Force tradesmen	—	—	—
TOTAL, Tradesmen	9	151	160
NON-TRADESMEN:			
Drivers, I.C.	3	12	15
(c) General Dutymen	9	97	106
TOTAL, Non-Tradesmen	12	109	121
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All personnel will be as far as possible Italian ex-Air Force PW.

(iii) British personnel, transport and weapons will be supplied from RAF sources.

NOTES

- (a) Includes one serjeant.
(b) Includes one interpreter.
(c) Tradesmen with exclusively Air Force qualifications (e.g. fitters, aircraft, armourers, aircraft, etc.) will be supplied in lieu of General Dutymen as and when available.

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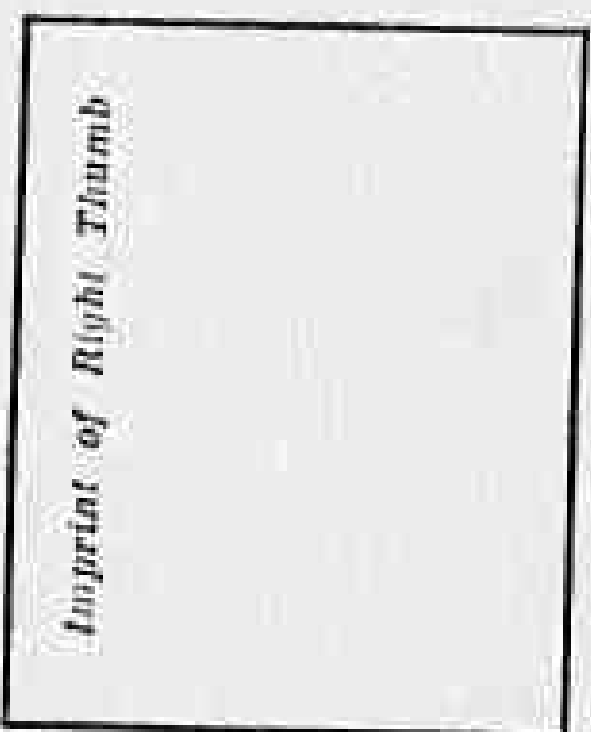
APPENDIX «F»

DESCRIPTION OF ITALIAN PRISONER OF WAR

Description du Prisonnier de Guerre Italien

ISN — No. Matricule _____	
Name of Prisoner Nom du Prisonnier _____	
Age Age _____	Height Stature _____
Color of Eyes Couleur des yeux _____	Weight Poids _____
Distinguishing Marks Marques caractéristiques _____	Color of Hair Couleur des cheveux _____
Teeth Dents, condition _____	
Knowledge of English Connaissance de l'Anglais _____	
Knowledge of French Connaissance du Français _____	

(Signature of PW — Signature du prisonnier de guerre)



Date _____

PW Camp No. _____

No. du camp de P.G. _____

(Issuing Officer — Officier Distributeur)

(Overstamp of Issuing Office)

Name of Prisoner

Nom du Prisonnier

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(Issuing Officer — Officier Distributeur)

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REVERSE

NOTICE

The bearer of this card can be identified by his description given on the other side.

He is an Italian prisoner of war who has been allowed certain privileges.

When he is absent from his quarters or place of work he must also have a pass issued by his commanding officer.

AVVISO

La descrizione a tergo corrisponde al portatore di questa carta d'identità.

È un prigioniero di guerra italiano a cui fu concesso certi privilegi.

Quando si trova assente dal suo campo o posto di lavoro deve pure avere seco un permesso scritto dal suo ufficiale in comando.

AVIS

Le porteur de cette carte peut être identifié par la description à l'inverse de cette carte.

Il est un prisonnier de guerre italien, à qui on a accordé de certains privilèges.

Quand il se trouve en absence de son camp, ou de l'endroit où il est employé, il doit posséder une permission accordée par son officier commandant.

IDENTIFICATION CARD

The finder of a lost card should hand it to the nearest military authority.

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CARTA D'IDENTITA'

Chiunque trovi questa carta d'identità e' pregato di ritornarla all'autorità militare più vicina.

CARTE D'IDENTITE

Celui qui trouve une carte d'identité doit la rendre aux autorités militaires competentes.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
APO 594

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25 August 1944

Ref 9/135/CA.

SUBJECT: Transfer of P.W. from French
to American Custody.

TO : Mr. Enzo G. Diagoal & Italian POW
Subcommission.

Re Capt. Giuliano Constantini.

The attached from Region V addressed A.F.M.C.
dated 22 Aug 44 is forwarded to you for action. Will
you please take the matter up with the appropriate
authorities. From the attached letter it will be seen
that the French Authorities will consider favorably a
request for the transfer of this P.W. from French to
American custody.

[Handwritten signature]

WILLIAM B. FISKE.
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to Region V (Your letter of 22 Aug refers.)

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 51

DISPOSAL OF PW OF NON-GERMAN NATIONALITY

GENERAL

1. This instruction deals with the disposal of PW of non-German nationality who, immediately prior to their capture by, or desertion to, the Allied Forces, were serving in the German Armed Forces.

INTERVIEWING

2. All PW referred to below will be interviewed by Allied Intelligence staff concerned in the normal way. Should any particular PW be required by the Intelligence staff for special purposes he will be routed to GSDIC and will not come within the scope of this instruction.

SEPARATION

3. Immediately on establishment of nationality all PW referred to below will be segregated from, and where practicable be kept out of the sight of other prisoners.

POLES AND RUSSIANS

4. The disposal of Polish PW has been dealt with in ADMQ AGV Admin Encl Adm Instruction No. 30, issued under reference 3152/9/A dated Feb 44, as amended. The disposal of PW of Russian nationality has similarly been dealt with in ADM Instr No. 31, issued under reference 3078/A dated 17 June 44.

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FRENCH

5. PW of French nationality (including PW of Alsace-Lorraine origin) will be evacuated
 - (a) in the case of British owned PW, to 209 PW Camp FERRAGOLA (AR H2557)
 - (b) in the case of US owned PW, to 326 PW Enclosure, AVERSA (AR H1763)

HQ 3 District or PBS, as the case may be, will contact the French Military Base and arrange for such PW to be interrogated by the French Military authorities.

PW selected by the French Military authorities will then be released on demand to those authorities. Those PW whose release is not demanded will be treated as ordinary German PW.

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6. PW of Yugo-Slav nationality will be evacuated to 207 PW Camp, GRIMO APULIA (AR P2571). HQ 2 District will arrange for them to be interviewed by a British Officer of 'Z' Military Mission. Those who express Royalist sympathies will be released on demand to the Royal Yugo-Slav Military Mission; the remainder will be released on demand to 'Z' Military Mission. PW not released will be treated as ordinary German PW.

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DUTCH, GREEKS AND LUXEMBOURGERS

7. PW of Dutch, Czech or Luxembourg nationality will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, ATRAGOLA (MR H2657). HQ 3 District will arrange for their evacuation in the status of PW to 204 PW Camp, NORTH AFRICA.

DANES AND BELGIAN

8. PW of Danish or Belgian nationality will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, ATRAGOLA (MR H2657). Their names and all available details of their past history will be reported to 1st Branch, HQ AII, who will issue disposal instructions.

GERMANS

9. PW of Czech nationality will be evacuated to 207 PW Camp, GUMMO ATRAGOLA (MR H2657). HQ 3 District will arrange for their evacuation in the status of PW to NORTH AFRICA.

ITALIANS

10. PW of Italian nationality captured whilst serving in the Italian Republican Army will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, ATRAGOLA (MR H2657). HQ 3 District will arrange for their evacuation in the status of PW to NORTH AFRICA, prior to being returned from 1st Branch HQ AII. They will be treated similarly to German PW.

AUSTRIANS

11. PW of Austrian nationality will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, ATRAGOLA (MR H2657), where they will be held pending receipt of disposal instructions from HQ AII.

MUTUALS

12. PW of Yugoslav nationality will be treated as ordinary German PW.

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any German nationality will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, GERMANY (AR 12657). Their names and all available details of their past history will be reported to 1st Branch, HQ AAF, who will issue disposal instructions.

CIVILIAN

9. PW of Czech nationality will be evacuated to 207 PW Camp, GERMANY (AR 12657). 1st Branch will arrange for their evacuation in the manner of PW to 1st Branch, HQ AAF, who will issue disposal instructions.

ITALIAN

10. PW of Italian nationality captured whilst serving in the Italian Republic will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, GERMANY (AR 12657). HQ 5 District will arrange for their evacuation in the status of PW to HQ AAF. Prior to evacuation being obtained from 1st Branch HQ AAF. They will be treated similarly to German PW.

AUSTRIAN

11. PW of Austrian nationality will be evacuated to 209 PW Camp, GERMANY (AR 12657), where they will be held pending receipt of disposal instructions from HQ AAF.

RUSSIAN

12. PW of Russian nationality will be treated as ordinary German PW.

DOCUMENTATION

13. General accounting for processing will be carried out in the case of all the above PW.

In the case of PW who are admitted to British Base Camps, the following details will be documented:-

- (a) The PW will be registered on AF W3000 as soon as possible and in conformity to German PW.
- (b) The actual nationality claimed by the PW will be clearly stated on AF W3000 in every case.
- (c) All movement of such PW will be reported to HQ AAF by the PW's commanding officer and receiving Base Camps.
- (d) All releases will be reported by Camps on AF W3002 stating in each case the authority for the release.

(E) See para 139

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for ...
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 Chief Administrative Officer.

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Acknowledged by Adj. Gen. (Miss Lee) (Ina)

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REF RELEASE ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR ON PAROLE EFFECTIVE
31 JULY REFERRED TO IN CABLE FROM AFHQ HAS ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
BEEN OFFICIALLY INFORMED. AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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TO: ACC REAR (R) NOIC NAPLES

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No:

FROM: FOWIT (o)

CLASSIFICATION: **SECRET**

REFERENCE No: **NONE**

PRECEDENCE: **NONE**

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JULY 8/1124 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: **CITE: NONE**

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FOR CAPTAIN MORDEN. YOUR LETTER 9/122/CA OF 20/6.

ITALIAN APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED FOR 200 ITALIAN CIVIL PRISONERS TO BE SHIPPED IN CRUISER GARIBALDI AND 100 IN CRUISER POMPEO MAGNO, SAILING ABOUT 13TH AND 14TH JULY.

ITALIANS REQUEST ADEQUATE CARABINIERI GUARDS BE PROVIDED AS ESCORT. REQUEST YOU CONTACT NOIC NAPLES TO ARRANGE EMBARKATION DETAILS

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FOWIT D-3a. 5.6,12,13,14,18,19 Log.
SHM: ACC REAR JACK V.C.

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*Phoned May Wilson 131140.
He is arranging*

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PRIORITY

RC/LG Section

Executive Commissioner

FOR GENERAL KNOWING FROM CAPTAIN STONE PD PAROLE TO MMIA FROM
ACC MAIN PART PD CONSIDER NECESSARY INCREASE ITALIAN MILITARY
 FORCES IN SICILY IN ORDER ASSIST IN IMPROVEMENT GRAIN COLLECTION
 DESIRE PD WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO EMPLOY AND EMPLOY FOR THIS
 PURPOSE SEVEN ZERO ZERO ZERO PAROLE FOR EX-ITALIAN ARMY
 WHO ON DEPARTURE ISLAND HAVE SECTION WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS WILL
 BE UNEMPLOYED AND PRESUMABLY RETURNABLE TO MILITARY SERVICE PD
 OTHERWISE SHALL HAVE TO ASK FOR DISPATCH TWO BATTALIONS FROM ELSEWHERE

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ATTN POLICERS FOR INFO AMG EIGHT ARMY

ACC MAIN

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Civil Affairs Branch

YOUR V NINE SEVEN OF TWENTY NINE JUNE AND SEVEN NINE ZERO NINE THREE OF FIVE JULY EX
POW EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER HAS MADE STRONG REPRESENTATIONS TO AAI AND THEY ARE TAKING
ACTION TO FORWARD TO AMG POLICERS FOR INFO TO AMG EIGHT ARMY FROM ACC MAIN PD
RESPONSIBILITY IS ENTIRELY THEIRS

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ROGER R. DESNEY
Capt. AGO
Deputy Adjutant

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THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

MEMO

TO THE SECRETARY

FROM THE SECRETARY

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THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20315
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NAPLES 30th June 1944

COMBINE OPERATIONS
NAVAL LIAISON OFFICE

Office of POW/IT
NOIC

Tel. "Navy" 45

Ref. No CC.19/544

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF PRISONERS TO SARDINIA

A request has been received from HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, for assistance in the transporting of 300 Italian Civil Prisoners from Naples Area to CAGLIARI, Sardinia.

2. - It would be appreciated if Admiral CASARDI would give his approval for the Italian cruisers at present employed on the NAPLES-SARDINIA ferry service to be utilised for this purpose.
3. - On receipt of this approval, instructions will be issued by the FLAG OFFICER WESTERN ITALY to the NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, NAPLES to make the necessary arrangements for a date as near to the first week of July next as possible, in accordance with HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION's requirements.

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Lieutenant, R.N.V.R.
Staff Officer Liaison (Italian)

To : COMANDO IN CAPO del
DIPARTIMENTO MARITTIMO DEL B.T.
Ufficio di Collegamento
N a p o l i

Copy to : H.Q. A.C.C., R.O. & M.G. SECTION, APO 394
(ref. 9/122/CA of 20.6.1944)

" " M.O.I.C. - NAPLES

C.N. & A.F.H.Q.

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LIAISON OFFICE

*Spoke NOLC 11/7/44. 4m?
also inf. 18/8/44 about to long
Suggested contact Eng. in command
to same time 13/8/44*

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MAY THIS HEADQUARTERS BE ADVISED DESIRED PLACE OF RELEASE FOR
PERSONNEL REFERENCE NATOUZA CABLE FX64733 DATED 27 JUNE AND ADVISABI-
LITY OF ESCORT OF FINAL DESTINATION.

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NOTIFICATION IS RECEIVED FROM AGNAR BY CABLE 555865, 25 JUNE THAT ITALIAN PRISONERS OF
WAR MAJOR GENERAL EMIO PITAGGI MANNELLA AND LIEUTENANT GENERAL LUIGI FRUSCI WITH
ORDERLIES MARIOSCALIO CESARE PLATA, BRUNO MERI AND ANTONIO DANESI AND AIDES DE CAMP
SERVANTES LUIGI FRUSCI AND RENATO ALCI ARE TO DEPART UNITED STATES BY AIR IN EARLY
JULY UNDER SHIPMENT NUMBER 13 204-HI TO ARRIVE THIS THEATER. COMMANDING GENERAL SOS
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INFORMATION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 374

11 June 1944
Henry 45

Dec 19/22/44

20 June 1944

URGENT: Transfer of Prisoners to Sardinia.

TO : R.C. & M.C. (Naples) Attention Staff Officer Italy
Rialto.

1. It is desired to transfer 300 Italian Civil Prisoners from the Naples area to Cagliari, Sardinia.
2. Italian cruisers are used for transporting Italian Military from Sardinia to the mainland, and it is thought that accommodation could be found on the return trip for the civil prisoners from Naples.
3. Our arrangements to make plans for shipment in the first week of July 1944.

Let us know order
to P.S. & C. May 1944
to move by cruiser 12/10 July

Copy to:
Army Sub-Commission
Army Sub-Commission (MIA) Legation
R.C.'s Regions III and VI
Public Section (for Public Safety Sub-Comm.)

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner

done

Dec 12/

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Ex Comm.

File this

At 121 - Public Safety Sub. On
 day a transfer of 300 prisoners to
 Sardinia from Naples has been
 agreed.

2. at 20 in attached file - Brig
 Can (para 3) says guards are still
 crowded.

3. I tried to ring Public Safety
 Sec. at 6.10 pm. to clear this up
 but no reply. This shows what
 happens when Col Young goes away.
 I shall have to deal with it
 tomorrow.

cc: Spoke to Wilcox. This letter
 says as these prisoners are going to
 be in the guards in Sardinia?
 Reg'd know all about it. 20/6.
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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY
Public Safety Sub-Commission
JUN 1944

19 JUN 1944

18th, 1944

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SUBJECT: Transfer of prisoners to Ardina.

TO: Executive Committee (through V.S. 100. 100. 100.)

1. Agreement has been reached to transfer 300 prisoners from Region 2 to Region 5 (Ardina), where accommodation is available. The prisoners will work on farms.
2. Italian military prisoners and police brought from Ardina to the mainland to work in Leggio. Italian civilians are used for transporting these men, and it is thought that accommodation could be found on the return trip for the prisoners from Region 2.
3. Lt. Commander Davies, Staff Officer Italy Division (V.S. 100. 100. 100.) has been seen at Navy House 100. 100. 100. He agreed that it might be possible to provide the necessary accommodation for the passage of 300 prisoners to Region 5 from Naples in the first week of July 1944.
4. By the attached letter he forwarded to Navy House Naples 100. 100. 100.

Enclosures
Letter to T. S. I. T. (100. 100. 100.)

Copy to:
Navy Sub-Commission.

St. Malton
Prof. Lawrence Williams

for Mr. D. Wilson N.A.S.
Colonel, I.C.
Chief, Public Safety
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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES COMMISSION
RO & MG SECTION
APO 394

A.

18th June, 1944

SUBJECT : Transfer of prisoners to Sardinia.

TO : U.S.M.I. (Warren) & mention staff officer Italy
Division.

1. It is desired to transfer 300 Italian civil prisoners from the Asolo area to Cagliari, Sardinia.
2. Italian cruisers are used for transporting Italian military ~~prisoners~~ from Sardinia to the mainland, and it is thought that accommodation could be found on the return trip for the civil prisoners from Naples.
3. Can arrangements be made please for shipment in the first week of July 1944.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
for Chief Commissioner.

Copy to:
Navy Sub-Commission.

Army Sub-Commission (Anzio) *Revised*

P.O. *Revised* *VI*

R.O. *Revised* *III*

(*Revised* *Copy* *to* *Army*)

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HQ, ALLIED ARMS IN ITALY

AAI/3078/A(O)

17 June 44

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 31

PW OF RUSSIAN NATIONALITY

This instruction cancels all previous instructions issued by this HQ on the administration of PW of Russian nationality.

1. GENERAL

For the purpose of this instruction the term "Russian PW" means PW and deserters of Russian Nationality who, immediately prior to their capture or desertion, were serving in the German Armed Forces.

2. INTERROGATION

All PW claiming Russian nationality, will be interrogated in the normal way. Should any particular PW be required by the Intelligence Staff for special purposes he will be routed to OSDIC and will not come within the scope of this instruction.

3. SEGREGATION

Russian PW will be treated in all respects as enemy PW, but immediately Russian nationality has been established they will be segregated from, and where possible kept out of sight of, other prisoners.

4. EVACUATION

Russian PW will be evacuated through normal channels to 368 PW Camp, TARANTO, under escort.

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4. EVACUATION

Russian PW will be evacuated through normal channels to 368 PW Camp, TARANTO, under escort.

5. DOCUMENTATION/PROCESSING

Normal documentation/processing will be carried out. Russian PW captured by American Fifth Army will be transferred to British ownership and redocumented on arrival at 368 PW Camp, TARANTO.

6. SELECTION

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HQ 2 District will arrange with Russian Military Mission for a representative of that mission to interrogate all Russian PW held in 368 PW Camp to ascertain suitability for employment with Russian forces.

7. DISPOSAL

(a) Russian PW selected, in accordance with para 6 above, as suitable for future service with the Russian forces will remain segregated from other PW and will be evacuated, under escort, in the status of PW, to Middle East where they will be treated as Russian repatriates. No Russian PW will be released from PW status until arrival in Middle East. Movement will be arranged by HQ 2 District who will signal details to GAO Middle East prior to embarkation.

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(b) Russian PW not selected for employment with Russian forces will cease to be segregated and will be treated in all respects as German PW.

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E. L. Cantrell
Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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R.O. & A.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/92/2/120

13 June 1944

SUBJECT: P.O. - Personal Possessions.

TO : HQ, AFI (P.O.) per L.O.

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Reference the attached copy correspondence
may this be advised where the belongings of
the d/n deceased soldier are held, and if they can
now be forwarded to the widow.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner

JER/JR

Copy to:

AFHQ (Your GL(b)/2113/A2 of 2 June refers)

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SUBJECT:- PI - Personal Possessions.

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2 Jun 44.

✓ Allied Control Commission,
C.M.F.

The attached copy correspondence received from the
International Red Cross Committee is forwarded to you for action,
please, and reply to this Headquarters.

HEADQUARTERS
4 JUL 1944
A. C. C.

H. T. MacLachlan

M.T. MACLACHLAN,
J. Comd.,
for Major-General,
G-1.(H).

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INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS COMMITTEE

ALGIERS, May 26, 1944

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A.S. BARSDORF Lt.Col.A.A.G.
FOR MAJOR GENERAL

Attention of Colonel Barsdorf

We forward attached herewith copy of a letter which we received from our Cairo Delegation.

This letter of the C.I.C.R. of PALERMO is forwarded to us, for the troops operating in Italy are not part of the Middle East Headquarters.

We would be happy to receive, just as soon as your inquiry will have been completed, supplementary information which we will forward on to the family of the soldier VENEZIA Bernardo.

Thank you.

THE C.I.C.R. DELEGATION

J. JOERG
Delegate

C.I.C.R. DELEGATION
PALERMO

PALERMO, 13 April 1944
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C.I.C.R.
CAIRO

On August 7th or 8th 1943 a search was effected by the British Police at the XXIIIrd Cavalry Group at Reggio Calabria.

Among other things, a pocket book was seized belonging to VENEZIA Bernardo, fu Giuseppe, born at Bisacquino (Palermo) April 8, 1912, deceased at Villa San Giovanni on 6.6.43 in consequence of a soldier bombing of the XXIII rd Cavalry Group. This pocket book contained a sum of 2000 Lire and the ~~XXXXXX~~ identity card of the soldier VENEZIA Bernardo, and was in the bag of Lt. Paolo RIZZO.

The Sergeant who effected the search, gave assurance that all was going to be forwarded to the Red Cross at Cairo, without however leaving a receipt.

The family of the soldier VENEZIA Giuseppina NAMISCALDO widow Venezia **4237** not as yet having received any news regarding same and being with her two children in precarious financial circumstances, applied to this Delegation so that help be given her for recovery of this money.

Please take care of this matter and let me know the result as soon as possible.
I remain.....

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COMITE INTERNATIONAL DE LA CRETE-ROUGE

ALGER le 26 MAI 1944

UNITED STATES HEADQUARTERS
A.S. SANDOZ Lt Col. A.A.G.
FOR NAJON AIRTEL.

A l'attention du Colonel SANDOZ.

Vous vous rendrez sans de ill. copie de la lettre que nous
recevons de notre délégation du Caire.

Cette lettre, du C.I.C.R. de LILLE, vous est transmise car les
troupes engagées en Italie ne font pas partie du C.G. du Middle East.

Nous serions heureux de recevoir, dès que votre réponse aura
abouti, les renseignements complémentaires que nous communiquerons à la
forille du colonel VIRELLA BERNARD.

Nous vous en remercions.

LA DELEGATION DU C.I.C.R.

J. JORDIS
Délégué

Cette lettre, du C.I.C.B., de l'Albanie, nous est transmise car les troupes engagées en Italie ne font pas partie du G.C. du Mido Past.

Nous serions heureux de recevoir, dès que vous en aurez l'occasion, les renseignements complémentaires que nous communiquerons à la famille du soldat VENEZIA, Bernarbo.

Bonne nuit et bon repos.

LA DIRECTION DU C.I.C.B.

S. JOMAS
Délégué

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RECEVUE DU C.I.C.B.

ITALIENS.

C.I.C.B.

DE CAIRE

ITALIENS le 15 avril 1944
DE CA 32

Le 7 ou 8 Août 1943 une perquisition fut effectuée par la Police Anglaise au Campo di Cavalleria à Reggio Calabria.

Entre autre un portefeuille fut saisi qui appartenait à VENEZIA Bernarbo, du Giuseppe, né à Biaccone (Palermo) le 6 Avril 1912, résidant à Villa San Giovanni le 6.6.43 par suite d'un bombardement soldat du 1011^e Gruppo Cavalleria. Le portefeuille contenait une somme de 2.000 liras et la carte d'identité du militaire VENEZIA Bernarbo, et se trouvait dans le sac du Lieutenant Paolo Rizzo.

Le Sergent anglais qui effectua cette perquisition assura tout allait être remis à la Croix Rouge du Caire, sans doute-jein laisser un reçu. **4238**

La famille du soldat VENEZIA Bernarbo MARISSIMO ved. Venezia, n'ayant encore reçu aucune nouvelle de ce prisonnier et se trouvant avec deux enfants et deux des conditions financières précaires, s'est adressé à cette délégation pour qu'on lui vienne en aide pour le recouvrement de cet argent.

Je vous prie de bien vouloir vous occuper de cette affaire et de m'en faire connaître le résultat au plus tôt, qu'il vous sera possible.

Veuillez agréer, ...

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ALLIED CONTROL CC MISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: CG TBS, CG NATOURA, CG NOS NATOURA, CG IBS
 SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 85429
 FROM: STATED FORCE CG SBS
 CLASSIFICATION: SECRET
 REFERENCE No: H-3410
 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
 DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: MAY 16 1406
 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CTR. SMPA

ITALIAN PRISONER OF WAR PERSONNEL AS FOLLOWS DEPARTED GLEN ABOARD SS ASCANIA SAILING WITH CONVOY NOF NUMBER 23 TO DESTINATION NAPLES WHERE THEY ARE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO PALERMO FOR RELEASE TO PM IBS MAJOR CARUSO, GARTANO, REFERENCE LETTER HEAD HEADQUARTERS NOS NATOURA 383.5 (SSPMG) DATED 19 MAY 44. LT PRADALI, LUIGI, REFERENCE LETTER HEADQUARTERS NOS NATOURA 383.6 (SSPMG) DATED 19 MAY 44. CIVILIAN BARONE, GIOVANNI, REFERENCE LETTER HEADQUARTERS NOS NATOURA DATED 16 MAY 44.

NEW SUBJECT:

ON SAME SHIPMENT ARE 50 ITALIAN CIVILIAN INTERNEES CAPTURED IN SICILY, USTICA, LAMPEDUSA AND PANTELIERA BEING TRANSFERRED TO PM IBS FOR DELIVERY TO PM CAMP NUMBER 371. TRANSFER DIRECTED BY LETTERS HEADQUARTERS NOS NATOURA 383.7 (SSPMG) DATED 3 AND ON 7 MAY 1944. FOLLOWING NAMES CIVILIANS INCLUDED IN ABOVE TOTAL HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS INSECURE BY THE INTELLIGENCE SECTION OF THIS OFFICE: BALOGGI, ANTONIO; DRAGO, CARLO; PANITIERI, PAOLO; LA VECCHIA, ANGELO; CABONI, STANISLAW; BAIGRANA, RAIMONDO; TOTAL EMBARKED 53. ETA 27 MAY 1944. ESCORT GUARD AMERICAN 1 OFFICER AND 2 ENLISTED MEN WILL ESCORT PRISONERS OF WAR TO NAPLES AND WILL THEN RETURN TO THEIR PROPER

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FROM: _____
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PRECEDENCE: _____
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: _____

STATION. ESCORT BOARD HAS COMPLETE HISTORY ON MAJOR CARUSO, LT TRINGALI
AND CIVILIAN INTERNEES BEING FORWARDED IN CASE HISTORY FORK BY AIR.

NEW SUBJECT: TO CG PBB.
PLEASE FURNISH COPY THIS MESSAGE TO ACC REAR.

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24 May 1944

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YOUR FILE QUOTE ONE ONE FIVE FIVE OF TWO TWO MAY REMAINS

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I. T. MONTAGUE, Jr. --
1st Lt. AGO
ADJUTANT.

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TO R.C. AND ..G. SEC. ACC MAIN

FROM MMIA

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RESTRICTED (.) REF YOUR 9/111CA OF 20 MAY

REQUEST COPY EXECUTIVE MEMO NUMBER 31 (.)

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TOO 220930B THI 220950B

Sir,
Published in
Hand Book, new
duplicate 1/23/5

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

11/1A/43

21 May 44

SUBJECT : Release of Italian POW.

TO : RC & MG Section. ✓

- 1 With reference to your 2/111CA of 20 May.
- 2 An Executive Memorandum based on the correspondence which has passed between Region I and District I will not be appropriate as the conditions in that Region are special and not of general application.
- 3 The new Executive Memorandum is already in draft and before the DCC for settling of certain minor points. It takes into consideration policy laid down by HQ AAI.
- 4 RC I no doubt appreciates that the policy affects the whole of ACC and cannot be settled between him and GOC Number I District but if there is any doubt on this point you will no doubt draw his attention to this.
- 5 The form drawn up for Executive Memorandum 31 is not appropriate
 - (a) it was drawn up for the limited purpose of applying only to Local Government Officials;
 - (b) it does not provide for points which require to be specified by the regulations now in draft.

Copy to DCC.



R.R. Chipp
R.R. CHIPPS,
Lieut. Colonel,
CSO Admin Section.

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Ref/9/111/CA

20 May 1944

SUBJECT: Release of Italian P.O.W.

TO : Admin. Section (Copy for D.O.G.)
Army Sub-Commission

1. Reference 11/1A/AS of 15 April 44 and enclosure, herewith are copies of letters received from Region I indicating the procedure laid down for P.O.W.
2. Executive Memorandum No. 31 ~~is to be~~ cancelled as requested. Its place will be taken by a memorandum based on the enclosure to above quoted letter.
3. It is suggested that the form drawn up for use under the procedure of Executive Memorandum No. 31 might be brought into use under the new procedure.
4. Would you please give this your consideration.

Major W. Driffield - White

MORRIS R. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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Ref/9/110/CA.

18 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter re. P.O.W.

TO : R.C. Region II.

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1. Reference your W/11 of 5 May 1944. *100ft*
2. The letter enclosed with the above-quoted memorandum has been forwarded to G5 AFHQ with a request that inquiries be made into this case. On receipt of their reply we will communicate with you further.
3. Action as in para.2 of your memorandum should be taken if similar cases arise, pending further instructions.

[Signature]
NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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Ref/9/108/GA.

18 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Attached letter re. P.O.W.

TO : OS, AMIQ.

1. Attached is a letter received from a woman who states that she has a son who is a P.O.W. of the British from whom she has not heard in two years. Also, that he sent her some money which she has never received.

2. My inquiries please be made and the results notified to this HQ so that a reply can be sent to the person in question.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
For Chief Commissioner.

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13 May 1944

SUBJECT: Paroled PW.

TO : Regional Control and Military Government
Section, Main HQ. A.C.C., NAPLES.

Reference your 9/90/CA dated 3 May 1944.

After discussion with the Legal Sub-Commission it was agreed that they should forward direct to you their opinion in detail on the question raised. This has been done in their letter ACC/4076/L dated 8 May 1944.

J. Quinsmith Lt. Col.
(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

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R.O. & M.O. Section
APO 394

Ref/9/107/Ch.

14 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Paroled Prisoners of War.

TO : Military Government Section, A.P.H.

1. Reference letter MGS 383.6 of 27 April 1944, it is considered that there are only three classes of POW :

- (a) POW on parole which includes classes (a) and (b) of your letter.
- (b) Interned POW, includes classes (c) and (d) of your letter.
- (c) Released POW - Italian soldiers on active duty - your class (e).

2. (a) The legal position in respect of class (a) above is that :

- (i) POW on parole who commit offences can have their paroles revoked and be returned to POW camp.
- (ii) There would appear to be nothing in the Geneva Convention or any other rule of International Law which renders it improper for a local court to try POW on parole for purely civilian offences (e.g. looting, rape) subject to the consent of the Detaining Power.
- (iii) Whether a paroled POW is tried before a civil court or a Tribunale Militare di Guerra depends upon the type of case.

(b) POW who are interned or who work should be tried in accordance with Chap. 3, Geneva Convention.

(c) Released POW as in (c) above are tried before their own tribunals. In exceptional cases in occupied territory, Italian soldiers are tried in AMI courts.

3. The procedure outlined in para. 3 is agreed as correct except that communication to the Italian authorities should be through this Commission, the Minister of Justice to be asked to issue the necessary directives to the Courts.

4. It is agreed that a forward release of all paroled prisoners would solve many difficulties.

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Executive Commissioner

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
For Chief Commissioner.

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Copy to: Admin for Legal Sub-Commission.
Army Sub-Commission (Rear).

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SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

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FILE:RC/383.6

9 May 1944

SUBJECT: ITALIAN PWs in Region I.

TO : Executive Commissioner
R.C. & M.G. Section
A. C. C.

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Further to my RC/383.6 of 8 MAY replying to your
9/86/CA of 24 APR:

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Copy of letter 1D/6/A of 8 MAY to-day received from G.O.C.
1 DISTRICT is forwarded together with extract from A.A.I
letter on Italian P.Ws.

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A. M. Hancock
Col

A.M. HANCOCK
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

2 Encls-

Encl 1-Letter (copy) Major General Heydeman to R.C.
Region I, 1D/6/A, 8 MAY 44.
Encl 2-Extract from AAI/3072/A(0) 25 APR 44.

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12 MAY 1944
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SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.CONFIDENTIAL1D/6/A8 May 44

Regional Commissioner,
 Allied Control Commission,
 SICILY Region Headquarters,
 Central Mediterranean Force.

Reference your RC/303.6 dated 2 May 44.

1. As explained verbally to you by the A.A.G., the letter from the Italian High Commissioner discloses ignorance of the present situation and policy regarding Italian prisoners of war.
2. The Commander, XIIIth Italian Army Corps has not been authorized to release any individuals nor has any PW been threatened with expulsion to North Africa.
3. The official policy of the Allied Governments is contained in a recent letter from H. M. I., an extract from which is attached hereto.
4. It will be seen that the release of Italian PW in Sicily may be authorized by the District Commander where the services of the PW concerned are specifically asked for by you or by the Italian Military authorities. In the case of the Italian XIIIth Corps they have been invited to submit the name of any individual whose services and release are specifically required. Such individuals for whom application has been made have already been released.
5. As regards the remaining Italian PW these are now known as "Parolemen". Their particulars are registered with GHO 2nd Echelon and they are posted by the HQ to such units who employ Italian PW as require reinforcements. Examples of such units are PW Pioneer Companies and PW General Transport Companies. Such units are posted by AFHQ to Districts where they are most urgently required.
6. The Allied Governments reserve absolutely the right to employ such Italian PW as they consider best suited to the Allied cause.

/s/ C.A. Heydeman

 /t/ Major General,
 Commanding,
 No 1 District

 C.M.F.
 RAC/RML

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SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

1. Authority to release Italian PsW on strong medical or compassionate grounds is hereby delegated to Commanders of Districts.
2. Applications will not be considered unless they are accompanied by strong supporting evidence to justify release.
3. Authority will not be given until CS.1's approval has been obtained.
4. The release of Italian PsW in SICILY may be authorized by Commander No 1 District where the services of the PsW concerned are specifically asked for by:-
 - (a) Hq Allied Control Commission, OR
 - (b) Allied or Italian Military Authorities.
5. A nominal return of releases during the previous month will be forwarded to reach Hq AAI by the 4th day of the month following.
6. PsW on release will be handed over to the Italian Military Authorities.
7. In cases where release is granted at request of Hq Allied Control Commission or Allied Military Authority, the authority requesting release will be responsible for arranging with Italian Military Authorities for discharge, and will ensure that personnel so discharged are in fact employed in the particular duties for which their release from PW status was granted.

Precis of AAI/3072/A(0) dated 25 Apr 44.

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 13 MAY 1944
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FILE:RC/383.6

8 May 1944

SUBJECT: ITALIAN P.W.'s in Region I.

TO : Executive Commissioner
 R.C. & M.G. Section
 A. C. C.



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 Your 9/86/CA of 24 APR and copy of 66 Pol of
 15 APR from Commissioner for P.W.

1. This question has been taken up with A.A.C.
 1 DISTRICT who has explained the following army policy:

a. The policy given to G.O.C. 1 DISTRICT is that Italian P.W. may be released to the Italian Armed Forces on the request of the competent Italian commander, or also for civil employment on the request of the Regional Commissioner.

b. As regards remainder of Italian P.W., it is the intention that all be released on parole - that is, not confined in a P.W. camp but given employment in Allied Military Units as speedily as possible. Such men are known as "Parole Men". Their particulars are recorded at a special branch of C.M.G. 2 ECH, and are posted from P.W. holding centres to such units as have an authorised W.E. including P.W.

c. The Allied Governments are understood to reserve absolutely the right to employ such parole men in any way seen fit but of course within the terms of the Geneva convention.

d. Parole men are required to give an undertaking to carry out such orders as they may receive from representatives of the Allied Forces. In the event of refusal - and in SICILY there has been NO such case - they would be retained in custody as for P.W.

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e. Existing arrangements do not provide for the issue of pay in cash to parole men. Working pay is however being credited to them and they are given facilities for obtaining canteen stores against this credit.

f. The only camp in 1 DISTRICT area is 222 P.W. re-inforcement holding centre at PRIOLO.

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2. 1 DISTRICT representative stated that no "conditional agreement" was demanded from P.W. except as in para 1 above where parole men sign the undertaking to carry out such orders as they may receive from representatives of Allied Forces.

3. It appears that the NATOUSA conditions governing I.R.S. and release or employment of P.W. are somewhat different, being interpreted in a stricter sense.

A. H. Hancock
A.H. HANCOCK
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

Copies TO: 1 DISTRICT
Liaison Officer Italian Authorities

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