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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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29 June 1944

SUBJECT: Labor Trouble.

TO : Acting Chief Commissioner

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Attached is a memo on three recent strikes. What I said at the meeting was based on a statement made to me in Rome by Col. Smith. Being away from his desk in Naples he apparently did not know what his Commission had done here.

Of the three incidents the first was the only one where proper procedure was not followed.

Henry F. Grady
HENRY F. GRADY
Vice President
Economic Section

Incl: Memo on 3 recent strikes.

*Enclosure
for [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] 77*

EC. You probably looked for this statement

for 8/7/7

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28 June 44

Memorandum for Mr. Cawdy

A. SII Strike.

1. On Saturday 24 June, Capt. Scicluna of the Labour Sub-Commission, HQ. ACC was informed by an Italian in the street that the SII electrical workers in Naples had been on strike since early morning. The time was then about mid-day.

2. This fact was known to the Region III, Labour Office, who had not, however, informed the Regional Commissioner, or this Headquarters as late as Saturday afternoon.

3. The strike was settled by Saturday night.

B. Taranto Dockyard Strike

1. Attached cable dated 20 June was passed to Labour Sub-Commission for action as soon as it was received from the Secretary General. Labor Sub-Commission told their representative in Salerno (Major Albright) to make representations to the Ministry of Industry Commerce and Labour that this rise mentioned in the cable was illegal. The Ministry prepared a cable on Major Albright's direction (not being able to get through by phone).

2. Labour Sub-Commission also called its representative in Matera and asked that a representative from Region II, Labour Office (Matera) go to Taranto to keep in touch with the situation. The second Region II Labour Officer was told to report to HQ. ACC for complete instructions.

3. Labour Officer, Region II reported Monday 26 June that the strike was over and the men were back at work.

4. Labour Sub-Commission has not yet received a situation report from the Taranto representative but are assured that one will arrive soon.

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2. Subsequent to the phone call Dr. La Loggia notified all Provincial Directors concerned to notify all workers that negotiations would stop unless they returned to work. The workers returned and the first meeting of the Trade Board was fixed for 26 Jun.
3. The Mine Operators and some employees wanted to postpone the meeting till 4 Jul, to which Dr. La Loggia agreed on one condition, i.e. that the workers stay at work and that there be no demonstrations.
4. Further Dr. La Loggia has a revised wage scale worked out to present to the Board on 4 July. If approved, the agreement will be sent to the Italian Ministry and thence to HQ. ACC for final action.

J. Bruce Thompson Maj RA

J. BRUCE THOMPSON, MAJOR R.A.
S.O. 2(C.A.), Economic Section

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TRANSLATION

COMMITTEE
FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF SICILY

Palermo, 20 June 1944.

To: General Sir Noel Mason MacFarlane
Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

And for information to: The Regional Commissioner for Sicily
Allied Control Commission

Col Hancock will discuss this with VC on the Separatist Question - He is in discussion with Col Hancock
BV 3/7 for
8C 3/7
Pa. 3/7

Following the disturbances at Regalbuto (Catania), where two communists who had come there with a group of evildoers to assassinate the director of the movement for the independence of Sicily were killed, the journalist Concetto Pattiato of Catania felt compelled to warn, knowing well that among the assassins there had been two officers of the Sabauda Division, dressed in civilian clothes, who had come in a military automobile and equipped with machine-guns, that these officers, before making eyes at the women, would do better to go out on the field of battle and fulfill their duty.

Following a denunciation made by the headquarters of the Division Pattiato, with manifest violence and violation of the law, has been arrested and referred to the incompetent Military Tribunal of Palermo.

While we call the attention of the Allied Control Commission to this arbitrary act, I cannot conceal the fact that no measures have been taken against the two unworthy officers of the Sabauda Division who should not have associated themselves with such an evil and criminal action.

I take this occasion to renew the invitation to the Allied Control Commission to be kind enough to make a careful examination of the Regalbuto incidences which, if they should be repeated, could not fail to hinder the legitimate and necessary revolt of the Separatists.

Respectfully,

/s/ A. Finocchiaro - Aprile

PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Trans - Sgt Shenfield/lws

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Translation please.
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Comitato per l'Indipendenza della Sicilia

Palermo, 20/6/1944.=

Ill./mo Sig/re Generale MAC FERLAN
 Capo della Commissione Alleata di Controllo

N A P O L I

e per conoscenza:
 Al Sig/re Commissario per la Sicilia della Commissione
 Alleata di Controllo

P A L E R M O

In seguito ai luttuosi fatti di Regalbuto (Catania), dove uccisero
 due comunisti recatisi con una squadra di malviventi per assassinare i dirigen-
 ti del movimento per l'indipendenza della Sicilia, il giornalista Concetto Battia-
 te di Catania ebbe ad avvertire - ben sapendo che tra gli attentatori erano
 stati due Ufficiali in borghese della Divisione "Sabauda" giunti colà in un
 auto militare e fermati da facili mitragliatori - che gli Ufficiali, anziché f-
 l'occhiolino alle donne farebbero meglio ad andare sui campi di battaglia
 compiere il loro dovere.=

Su denuncia del Comando della Divisione il Battiate, con manifesta vio-
 lazione di legge, è stato arrestato e deferito all'incompetente Tri-
 Militare di Palermo.=

Mentre richiamo l'attenzione della Commissione Alleata di Controllo
 queste atto di arbitrio, non posso non rilevare che nessun provvedimento con-
 te preso contro i due indegni Ufficiali della Divisione "Sabauda" che non ebbero
 ritengo di associarsi in un'azione scellerata e criminosa.=

Rinnovo con l'occasione l'invito alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo di
 volere portare il suo attento esame sui fatti di Regalbuto che, se dovessero
 ripetersi, non potrebbero non portare alla legittima e necessaria reazione dei
 separatisti.=

Con osservanza.=

IL PRESIDENTE DEL COMITATO NAZIONALE
 (A. Finocchiaro - Aprile)

Finocchiaro

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref /15/96/CA

29 June 1944

SUBJECT: Discipline.

TO : Hq. AAI (A. Branch)

Your letter AAI/5130/A (PO) of 25 June 44 is acknowledged with relative documents. The matter is being investigated and you will be informed of the result.

plc

ROBERT E. FIERCE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

JER/JR

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Noted 30/7
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

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Ref/15/95/GA

29 June 1944

SUBJECT: Discipline.

TO : R.C. Region III.

1. There is sent to you a copy of 71 Sub-Area letter 185/115/A dated June 4, together with SIB report and other documents.

2. Will you please investigate the allegations made as to the political character of the funeral of FISCHETTO and of the activities of the individuals and organizations mentioned, and report to this Headquarters.

3. When replying please return the SIB report.

for

*see folder 115
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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

JSR/JR

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SUBJECT: Discipline

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HQ, ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

AAI/5130/A/PS)

25 Jun 44

25 JUL 1944

Executive Commission,
Allied Control Commission

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3. Please inform this HQ of the result, and of any action that you propose to take.
4. When replying please return the SIB report.

JLF/JLH

YH 29/4

C.01. Talon
Brigadier,
D.A.G.

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SPECIAL SITREP. DISTURBANCE TOOK PLACE AT VILLANOVA MONTELEONE
 PROVINCE OF SASSARI AFTERNOON 24 JUNE. 500 PERSONS ATTEMPTED TO FORCE
 LOCAL MILLS TO GRIND WITHOUT AUTHORITY. 1 CARABINIERI AND 3 FORESTRY
 GUARD INTERVENED WERE STONED AND ATTEMPTS MADE TO DISARM THEM. FIRE
 WAS OPENED. 1 FARMER KILLED 8 CIVILIANS AND 2 OFFICIALS WOUNDED.
 3 RING LEADERS ARRESTED. SITUATION NOW QUIET. INVESTIGATIONS
 PROCEEDING AND DETAILED REPORT FOLLOWS.

*Force. Defects.
 Reports will be sent before
 you are down on this force.
 27/6.*

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 ACTION - FOR SAFETY
 INFO - SAC GEN
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 27 JUN 1944
 A. C. C.

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ALLIED COMMANDER'S HEADQUARTERS
SECTION 2
20 JUN 1944

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Station: - Student Promises

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22 JUN 1944
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No. A.C.C. No. 384

Within the last few days a certain amount of student activity in Bari has become evident which may have an adverse effect on the Allied war effort.

This activity is taking the form of protests against Italian girls and women being seen in the company of Allied officers and soldiers whether at dances, entertainments or elsewhere.

The protests have been of two sorts as to date:-

- (a) Verbal and/or written warnings (most of the latter on walls etc.) that any girl seen under such circumstances will be considered a moral outcast.
- (b) Some attempts at "picketing" dances, etc, taking the names of girls attending, and some form of intimidation either before or after the entertainment concerned.

No particular incidents have occurred up to date, but the Military Authorities are very concerned chiefly about the effects on female civilian labour or which they employ a considerable number.

Steps taken so far in collaboration with Military Authorities are:-

- (a) Issue of a statement by the District in the papers.
- (b) Action by Quarters
- (c) Rector of University warned to exert his authority.
- (d) Military Police activity.

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John J. Jones
J. J. Jones
Regional Commissioner

Regional Commissioner

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Verbal warning etc. are being made with
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 6

15 JUN 1944
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5 June 1944.

TO: Headquarters, A.C.C. (R.C. & M.G. Section)
SUBJECT: Disturbance at ONIFERI
REFERENCE: PS/1520

1. With reference to your 15/86/CA of 25 May 44, as explained in Para.1 of my report the Carabinieri opened fire on an armed party in the hills at a distance from the demonstration. They were apparently being sniped at by this party which presumably had posted itself on high ground away from the demonstration for this particular purpose. As explained in my report it was from among this armed party that the fatal casualty occurred.
2. If the reports received are correct I consider the Carabinieri would have failed in their duty if they had not returned the fire of this armed party.
3. I propose to draw the High Commissioner's attention to this matter generally but I shall not indicate in any way that the Carabinieri may have been wrong in this particular instance.

7 JUL 1944

M. Carr
M. CARR,
Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner.

MC/gch

Copy to: Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C.C. (Rear)

See by Com for 9/6/44

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AT PRESENT A SINGLE CAUSE OF LICATA DEMONSTRATION IS UNKNOWN.
A COMBINATION OF POSSIBILITIES EXIST: EMPLOYMENT OF EX FACISTS IN
LABOR OFFICE, DESIRE TO DESTROY GRAIN RECORDS, PROTEST AGAINST BREAD
AND PASTA RATIONS, AND LAWLESS ELEMENTS EXPLOITING SITUATION.
INVESTIGATION PROCEEDING.

Lt Col Basman

To see.

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By DFE

TO: Chief Commissioner.

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~~At the meeting~~ Col. Hancock says that conflict between separatist and Communists which had threatened for some time was sooner or later inevitable. He will consult with the High Commissioner as to ban on future Separatist meetings if they are going to lead to trouble.

Regarding the disturbance at Licata, as the situation now appears to be well in hand with the Italian military in charge of the town no further action for the moment is proposed until more precise details of the disturbance and the reasons for it are known.

Return to MSL

MSL/RAC.

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 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: ACC REAR FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACC MAIN FOR LUSH FOR HANCOCK
 SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 44/30
 FROM: IBS FROM STUBBLEBINE FROM HANCOCK FROM CLASSIFICATION: SECRET
 SNOOK ROUTINE
 REFERENCE No: S-10984 PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE
 DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: MAY 30 1355 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE RPS - 43

THERE WAS A DISTURBANCE AT REAGBUTO (PROVINCE OF ENNA) ON MORNING OF 28 MAY.
 CHIEF OF SEPARATIST MOVEMENT WAS SPEAKING IN THEATRE WHEN 100 COMMUNISTS WENT TO STOP
 THE SPEECH. CC RR DISPERSED THE MOB BUT THEY RETURNED AND OPENED FIRE. CC RR
 RETURNED THE FIRE. CASUALTIES WERE ONE CIVILIAN KILLED AND 2 OR 3 WOUNDED. THE
 HEAD OF COMMUNIST PARTY, RAVANUSA DIED OF HEART FAILURE. THE HEAD OF SEPARATISTS
 WAS ANDREA FINOCCHIARO - APRILE.

NEW SUBJECT

AT ABOUT 10 HOURS ON 28 MAY ABOUT 3000 PERSONS BELIEVED AGRICULTURAL WORKERS
 DEMONSTRATED OUTSIDE THE MUNICIPIO AT LICATA PROVINCE OF AGRIGENTO. REINFORCEMENTS
 WERE SENT FROM AGRIGENTO BUT THEY WERE FIRED ON BY MACHINE GUNS PLACED IN HOUSES AND OLD
 EMPLACEMENTS. ONE CAR GOT THRU BUT OTHERS COULD NOT AND TOOK UP FIRE POSITIONS
 OUTSIDE OF TOWN. FIRING CONTINUED UNTIL DARK. AT DAWN AN ARMoured CAR ENTERED
 THE TOWN AND FIRING HAS CEASED. ITALIAN MILITARY ARE PATROLLING THE TOWN.
 SUSPECTED LATE TEMPORARY MAYOR (RE) PROBABLE LEADER OF RIOTERS . DOCUMENTS BURNED
 IN TAXI, REGISTER AND FOOD OFFICES. CASUALTIES BELIEVED TO BE 3 KILLED 12 WOUNDED.
 FURTHER INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESENT.

DATE and Time of RECEIPT MAY 30

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

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Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 15/SG/CA.

25th May 1944.

SUBJECT: Disturbance at GHIFFRE.

To : Regional Commissioner,
Region VI.

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1. I have read your report of 20th May, Ref: 12/DEM/8, on the disturbance at GHIFFRE.
2. It appears to me, from this and other similar reports, that the Carabinieri are far too inclined to press the trigger. Disturbances, even in Sardinia, can be quelled without resort by the police to firearms. You should speak to the High Commissioner on the matter.

(Sgd) M. S. Lush.

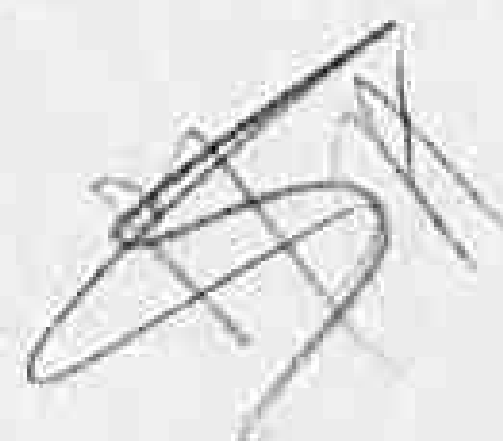
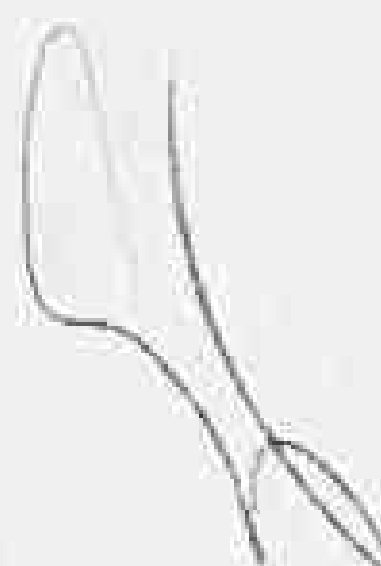
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

MEM/JC.

Copy to: Public Safety S/C.

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Si Please see above



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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, REGION VI
APO 397.

HQ/DEM/8.

20 May 1944

SUBJECT: Disturbance at Oniferi.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

With reference to your letter 15/74/CA dated 13 May 1944 and subsequent cable NR 2775, the following information is forwarded:

1. On 3 May 1944, a disturbance took place at Oniferi, Province of Nuoro, involving townspeople (shepherds and farmers) and the Carabinieri, Public Security Agents and soldiers from the Presidio of Orani. Shots were exchanged between the Carabinieri and an armed party in the hills at a distance from the demonstration. An armed civilian was killed and five other civilians were wounded. A total of 81 persons were arrested by the Carabinieri and Questura agents and proceedings are pending against them.
2. The disturbance had no political significance although the effect of the 1 May celebrations may have encouraged the people to act in the way they did.

3. The trouble is one of old standing and is common throughout the Province. In this particular case, about 80 years ago the Comune of Oniferi found itself in serious financial difficulties. To overcome these difficulties, the Comune sold a portion of the common land to private persons. This has been a source of grievance to the inhabitants ever since. On 2 May the shepherds and farmers moved onto this privately owned ground with their flocks and could not be persuaded to leave. When about 40 Carabinieri and Questura agents went on the scene, they were twice fired upon with a rifle. An exchange of shots ensued with the results mentioned above.

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4. The delay in this report is regretted but certain correspondence on the matter went astray and telephone communication with Nuoro is most uncertain.

MC/WLD.

Mc Carr Brigadier

M. CARR, Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner.

Nuoro Land dispute area 86

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C. A. Br
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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

8/2/44

19 May 1944

SUBJECT: Alrota (Renvento) Incident between
Canadians and Italian Civilians

TO : R.C. S.I.C. Section
Headquarters, A.C.C.
(For attention of Lt. Col. G. Shipp)

1. With reference to our telephone conversation
on the a/m subject, I forward attached a copy of a
report received from the Provincial Commissioner,
Renvento explaining the incident.

2. On my instructions, Major C.W. Fletcher,
liaison officer, Region III, approached 57th Area H.Q.
on this subject, and he informs me he was given to
understand that the Canadian Unit concerned has already
left, or is about to leave the area.

For the Regional Commissioner:

Allen H. White

ALLEN H. WHITE
Lt. Col.
Executive Officer

Incl.
As above

AW:JFF

Cor. F. J. Jones
Ex. Liaison

HEADQUARTERS
20 MAY 1944
A. C. C.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

February 2, 1950

TO: Major General H. H. Arnold

FROM: Major General H. H. Arnold

1. Reference is made to the report of 17 Feb.

2. I have a copy of a report from the U.S. Army, under
signature of this subject.

3. Major General H. H. Arnold, U.S. Army, is the
author of the report.

Very truly,
Yours,
H. H. Arnold

(S) T. J. ...
Major General
U.S. Army
Washington, D.C.

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Public Safety Office Benevento Province, A.S.C.

19th May 1944

SUBJECT: Complaints against Troops.

TO: Provincial Commissioner
Benevento

At about 6.30 P.M., on 18th May 1944 an Italian civilian was accosted at Airone by a Canadian soldier who asked where he could find a woman. When he replied that he did not know, the soldier struck him in the face. Four more Canadians then arrived and the civilian was knocked to the ground. Later a relative of the civilian came on the scene and attempted to defend the man with a stick. The Italian on the ground stabbed one of the soldiers with a pocket knife.

2 The wound was only slight and the soldiers and civilians disappeared.

There are a number of Italian soldiers in the area and arrangements have now been made for a mixed patrol of Canadians, Italian soldiers and Carabinieri. I have also arranged for a major of Italian troops to be posted in the area.

(s) D Stephens
Major, I.P.S.C.

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I have caused enquiries to be made in connection with the report made to you by the Minister of Interior regarding public order at SARI. (No. 517/40 dated 2nd May 1944).

Lieutenant Colonel Vining, who was Provincial Commissioner of Bari in March, states that during that month there occurred a considerable number of demonstrations. He was in constant touch with the Prefect but found him unwilling or unable to deal with these demonstrations except by the use of force. In view of the large number of Allied troops in the area and the importance of maintaining law and order by peaceful means, Lieutenant Colonel Vining did his utmost to persuade the Prefect to deal with these demonstrations without the use of force. He found it impossible for the Prefect to do this and, therefore, with the full agreement of the Prefect, took upon himself the responsibility of going personally to the demonstrations and explaining to the people the fact that the riotous meetings were contrary to law and order and the Allied war effort. Lieutenant Colonel Vining stated that in every case he succeeded in dispersing the crowds without incident, except on one occasion when the son of the local Mayor fired a shot into the crowd and wounded a demonstrator.

Although I agree that Major Reveley, who was acting on the orders of the Provincial Commissioner, went beyond his powers in instructing the Territorial Defence Commander that no military personnel should be attached for service with the Military Police without reference to the Allied Control Commission offices, I think you will agree that the action taken by the Provincial Commissioner effected, without resort to force, a restoration of public order.

I can assure you that Provincial officers have my instructions to refrain from executive action in territory administered by the Italian Government and that specific orders have been sent to the Regional Commissioner, Region II, calling his attention to the technical mistake made by his officer in this case.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

G. B. Marshal Pietro Badoglio
Capo del Governo

Sin. Please see 78-81

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT

File No. 1350

Salerno, 5 May 1944

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 :: HQ AGO, APO 394 ::
 :: Secy Gen ::
 :: Rec'd 8 May 1130B ::
 :: BY H.D. ::
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Dear General MacFarlane:

I submit herewith a copy of a letter with two enclosures which were sent to my by the Ministry of War concerning the subject of "public order at Bari."

I would be grateful to you, my dear General, if you will kindly make provision so that interventions of the kind on the part of the Provincial Commission at Bari be avoided, be it for the prejudice which such interferences can cause to the maintenance of public order in the Province, or for the necessary safeguard of our prestige.

Very cordially,

/s/ BADOGLIO

TO: General Sir Noel Mason MacFarlane
 Chief of the Allied Control Commission
 Naples

Note by C.C. :
Brig Lusk
Please sort this out.
P.V. Bari has clearly exceeded
his powers. Presume this was
McCaffrey. PL. draft suitable
reply
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TRANSLATIONMINISTRY OF WAR
CABINET

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No. 517/AG

APO 107, 2 May 1944

Subject: Public Order at Bari

2 Inclosures

TO: His Excellency The Chief of the Government SALERNO

With reference to what I have already had occasion to indicate to you in the matter, I deem it necessary that the powers of the Provincial Bari Commission of the Allied Control Commission be clarified with the Allied Authorities concerning public order, the responsibility of which rests exclusively with the Italian Military Authorities.

On the 20th of March last, Major Reveley, Provincial ACC Police official at Bari wrote to the Territorial Command of the IXth Army Corps that the Provincial Commissioner of the ACC had issued instructions to the effect that no military personnel could be used for services of public order without prior approval of the aforesaid police official. In reply to this communication the IXth Army Corps Command ordered that regulation could not be accepted because it conflicted with the orders of the Central Italian Authorities and that eventual modifications to the regulations in effect should have been notified by the same Central Italian Authorities. (Inclosures 1 and 2).

In addition I wish to state--this being an interference which, similarly, under the formal aspect appears even less in harmony with the limits of jurisdiction of the provincial organs of the Allies Control Commission--that the aforementioned Provincial Commission, in regard to the question raised in the item "Antifascists in Prison", which appeared in the March 26th issue of "Civiltà Proletaria", has requested information on the proceedings under hearing directly of the military prosecution at the Territorial Military War Court at Bari, instead of turning, as the case would have been eventually, to the appropriate superior Italian Military Authorities.

The Minister

/s/ TADEO ORLANDO

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Inlosure No. 1

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Ref. Pn/8/8

March 20, 1944

TO THE TERRITORIAL DEFENSE COMMANDER

BARI

Following our communication of this morning, March 20, 1944, the Provincial Commissioner has issued specific instructions to the effect that no military personnel shall be detached for service with the Civil Police, unless request has directly been made of this office.

G. M. REVELLY, Major
Provincial Police Officer
(Bari) A.C.C.

Provincial Commissioner
Palazzo del Governo
BARI

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Inclosure No. 2

COMMAND OF THE IX ARMY CORPS
S.M. - Operations Office

No. 2550/op.

APD 67, 31 March 1944

Reply to communication of March 30, No. 1354/op.

Subject: Public order in the Province of Bari

To: TERRITORIAL COMMAND OF THE IXTH ARMY CORPS
Office of the Chief of Staff
Bari

In reply to the communication made by the local Allied Control Commission with letter No. PS/8/8 dated March 20th, this Command states that it cannot accept the disposition given by the Provincial Commissioner because it is in conflict with the dispositions issued by the Central Italian Authorities.

Eventual modifications to the disposition in effect must be notified to us by the same central Italian Authorities.

THE COMMANDING GENERAL

/s/ Roberto Loricci

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SUBJECT: Fracas between Canadian Troops and Italian Civilians in
BENEVENTO Province.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

1. For your information the Provost Marshal has been to see Major Friend James about an incident at AIROLA in BENEVENTO Province where Canadian troops are stated to have been assaulted by several Italian Civilians.
2. L.O. passed this to Public Safety Sub-Commission who are taking up with the Provincial Police Officer. I have informed Col. White and he will get onto the Provincial Commissioner BENEVENTO.
3. I do not think there is much in this incident but we do not want another TRAPANI. You might care to take this up on your forthcoming visit to that area, *find out what is happening.*

ll
G.W.I. SHIPP,
Lieut. Col.

16.May.44

MS 16/5

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Maj Gen, Carlton York Regt. called at
yesterday.

He states that there have been a few
cases where Canadian troops have been assaulted
by several Italian civilians at AIRONIA
in the Province of Benevento.

Action.

1. Ascertained from DAPM, HQ AA1 that
Provost officer responsible was DAPM,
57 Area. I advised Major Gen Gendreau a
report to Provost through his Bde HQ.
2. Phoned Public Safety Sub Comm. &
ascertained they have a rep. at Benevento
who could obtain some CCRP if the
inquiry justified it. I indicated they
can go to the Public Safety Office
at Benevento, state his case and

Action:

1. Ascertained from DAPM, HQ AA1 that Provost officer responsible was DOPM. 57 Area. I advised Major Gordon a report of Provost through his Bld HQ.
2. Phoned Public Safety Sub-Comm. & ascertained they have a rep. at Belmont who could obtain some CCRR if the inquiry was tipped it. I directed Major to go to the Public Safety Office at Belmont, state his case and the problem would be dealt with.

16 May 44

Wm J. Jones
Maj.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394,

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 15/74/GA.

13th May 1946

Subject: Disturbance at ONIPERI.

To : Regional Commissioner,
Region VI.

I am directed by the Executive Commissioner to refer to your special sitrep, AWH 414 of 10th May, regarding the clash between peasants and Carabinieri at ONIPERI on 3rd May, and to request you to submit a report on this matter as soon as possible.

Captain,
PA to Executive Commissioner.

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Capt. Howard
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BU 17 May
K. V. L.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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MSG Center No : 49/10
Classification : CONFIDENTIAL
Precedence : ROUTINE
From : FABLE FROM CARR
To : W ACC MAIN RPTD ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA

Date Time Rec'd : MAY101827
Date Time Sent : MAY101425
Reference NR : AWM414
Cite : NONE

SPECIAL SITREP. NUORO PROVINCE REPORTS SOMEWHAT SERIOUS CLASH AT
ONIFERI BETWEEN PEASANTS AND CARABINIERI MAY 3. CAUSE UNKNOWN.
1 PEASANT KILLED 6 WOUNDED 92 ARRESTED, NO CASUALTIES ~~CARABINIERI~~ INVESTIGATION
PROCEEDING

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Dep Ex Comr.

To see
H. 11/5

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Minute for File No. 18/GA

SUBJECT: Incident at Trajani

Public Safety Subcommittee has forwarded a full report from Region I in a separate file. This is in great detail and completely impartial. It has gone to General Bessevin who is a little concerned, as the French troops are also to blame. He wishes to discuss it in further detail on the return of his staff officer.

The conclusions of the report are that both Italians and French were equally to blame. Italians are being brought to trial before AMG courts. French troops have been handed over to the French Commander for disposal. This report has now been handed to the Executive Commissioner for Jerusalem. No action is required other than to find out from French Commander what disciplinary action is being taken against the French troops.

G. 11. 1111
It. 001.

Handwritten notes and signatures:

- Top right: $10/12$ with a checkmark and "Noted" written vertically.
- Middle left: $13/11$ with a checkmark.
- Middle right: $4/5$ with a checkmark.
- Bottom left: "Noted" written vertically.
- Bottom center: A large, stylized signature or mark.

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Indonesians, 21100 Union in Italy, 2414

14th reference to your 9,036 of 19 April and this is correct No. 10090 for your information.

2. General Harrison was instructed by telegram on 16 April that in the event of the need to take the above action he considered it for the maintenance of law and order, including the use of the force which was necessary to a limited one if he considered such a course necessary. The reference to danger of the radio in the letter from Commander 1 11.1.1. is of course correct.

3. Commander 10.1.1. District is being instructed to report on any developments in the situation since 25 April and on any action taken by him. You will be kept advised of any important developments.

4. The last paragraph of General Harrison's report shows that the situation might well have been avoided if the move of the French troops concerned had been arranged in the proper way through this 11.1.1. All the points which have been raised in the above paragraph are covered here or out of necessity for which I am responsible enough by arrangement with you.

5. It was of course quite unnecessary for Commander 10.1.1. District to allow Commander 1 11.1.1. to send columns to Algeria to report to the French authorities, or to send their troops before taking action. All you please note it will clear to the French Command that all troops, irrespective of command or location, located in territory for which an responsibility will be required to report to the command and without question the orders of the area or district concerned in all matters pertaining to general administration and the maintenance of law and order.

Sgt/H. R. ALEXANDER.

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D. Committee No. 1. Material in being submitted to report on any developments in the education since 26 April and on any action taken by them. You will be kept informed of any important developments.

[illegible]

5. *It is not possible to give a definite answer to this question. The answer will depend on the nature of the work and the person doing the work. In general, however, it is not possible to give a definite answer to this question.*

Sgt/H. R. ALEXANDER.

22-10-14
11:07/14:30

Comments:
Comments in blue.

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Wm. H. Allen

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I have endeavored to give you in substance an idea as to what it was like to me, especially with regard to the situation I have said. The all police authorities are considered as security risks. The whole matter which they are discussing is an in due course and which I will let you know as soon as possible.

I should like to mention that the account I have given of this matter is only what I have been able to ascertain from several enquiries on both sides. I am in no way bound for the complete correctness.

When I was in the 1st and myself down to the immediate conclusion, that it was necessary to place the French Paratroopers in a tented camp at MLD Aerodrome where they are being trained. In spite of the fact that this site was occupied for some time by an American Regiment, who found no danger or inconvenience therefore, the French Colonel and his staff, to be placed in the proposed measure and asked if he could send his second in command, Major PAUL, to MLD in order to appeal to the French authorities. I agreed not to move the French Paratroopers until the French had been able to visit their camp to the French authorities at MLD. I attach a letter on the subject I received from the French Commander after the conference.

I have no idea as to how long it is intended that these French troops should remain in MLD or what is the operational urgency of their training. It is only these facts that have caused us to delay moving the French Regiment to MLD Aerodrome. I have tried to be absolutely impartial in my account of this unfortunate affair, and with that end in view I should like to add that the region in which these French troops were billeted is one where crime is very prevalent, possibly the most prevalent in the whole of MLD and the people are undoubtedly excited in all such affairs as this one by an ancient spirit of revenge.

I earnestly request that no more troops will be sent to No. 1 District without giving us some notice as to their nature and date of arrival. My Headquarters was never informed, officially or otherwise, of the dispatch or arrival of these troops. Had I been so informed I should have made immediate preparations for their reception and would never have considered billeting them in the area to which they have been sent. The reports of my security sections in this area having clearly indicated the unsettled state of the population.

Col. J. A. HARRIS
Major General,
Commanding,
No. 1 District.

S.M.

Copies to:- I.S.O.
H. S.O.C., Region 1.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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MSG Center No 10/21
Classification CONFIDENTIAL
Precedence ROUTINE
From FABLE FROM CARR
To FATIMA RPTD ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA FOR INFO

Date Time Rec'd APR210330
Date Time Sent APR201545
Reference NR WMB97
Cite NR AC311

SPECIAL SITREP FROM FABLE SIGNED CARR. STRIKE AT CARBONIA MINES
STARTED MORNING 19 ADRI. 2 PITS AFFECTED SITUATION QUIET. CAUSES
STATED TO BE QUESTIONS OF FOOD AND REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEE.
DETAILED REPORT BEING SUBMITTED BY MINING SECTION

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Info - Sec Gen
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FATIMA FOR KIRK



APR 22/1125

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AT 1030 HOURS 20 APRIL 1944 PERSONS DEMONSTRATED BEFORE THE MUNICIPIO, SICULIARA, AGRICULTO, DEMANDING MORE BREAD. THEY ATTEMPTED TO BREAK INTO GRAIN MAGAZINE BUT WERE PREVENTED BY CARABINIERI. NO DAMAGE INJURIES OR ARRESTS. CARABINIERI REINFORCED AND SITUATION NORMAL.

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Action: Public Safety S.C.

Info: D.C.C.

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J. H. 24/4
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

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Ref/15/65/CA.

23 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Disturbances involving French Troops in SICILY.

TO : Major Friend James, Liaison Officer, HQ. A.A.I.

1. You have no doubt heard of the disturbances which occurred recently with French troops at TRAPANI.
2. It is noted A.A.I. are inquiring into this matter and it would be appreciated if you could arrange for the results of any such inquiry to be made available to this Headquarters as soon as possible for transmission to General di Segin.

MB
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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24/5/44
Noted
[Signature]

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Discussed with AAI. They will set up
how enquiring but trust GOC. 1 Dist.
Have offered Gen de Serin - but no use
Can be made of him yet. We should
get a report from AAI or RE I & info -
De Serin

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IMMEDIATE
US CIPHER MESSAGE
INFOLIO 05238
19 APR 44FROM : FREEDOM
TO : ACTION AM
INFO IDS
ORIG NO : 634636TOD.19408/19
TOR.23266/18

.../RADA
FRENCH TROOPS DETAINED IN NUMBER 1 DISTRICT INVOLVED IN
CIVIL DISTURBANCE OF BRAVE PROPORTIONS WITH ITALIANS.
INCIDENT HAS CAUSED SERIOUS ASPECTS WITH FRENCH HIGH
COMMAND. HAVE REPORTS HERE OF 62 TBS TO AFNO, 60 FIRST
INFANTRY (FRENCH) REGIMENT TO ACC, AND LETTER CO OF SAME
REGIMENT TO ARMO GENERAL BETHLEMAN. REPORT OF 62 TBS
REPRESENTING GENERAL REYDERER AND IDS AT CONSIDERABLE
DISTANCE WITH FRENCH VERSION OF INCIDENT. FRENCH
HEADQUARTERS HAVE OBJECTS TO PROPOSED REMOVAL OF UNIT
TO WEST CAMP IN VICINITY OF AIRFIELD FOR FOLLOWING
REASONS: 1. IN FRENCH TROOPS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INCIDENT;
2. WIDE DETECT OF HOSTILE OF TROOPS FEEL THEY ARE BEING
MILITARY; 3. LACK OF SECURITY FROM AIR ATTACK; 4. LACK OF
NECESSARY FACILITIES. FRENCH RECOMMEND STATUS QAO AS BEST
SOLUTION. DESIRE YOU INITIATE THOROUGH INVESTIGATION
IMMEDIATELY AND FURNISH US FULL REPORT OF FACTS AND ACTION
YOU PROPOSE TO TAKE

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AM TO AGS 1
634 1
634636 4
AGS (LALSON) 1

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Brought up by Admin Section as a result of a
New instruction 5 March in Palermo in which Collier
ruled from flags.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

Col Fiske decided this
was too indefinite and he
held up - if another incident
was to occur it could be
reopened.

April 1944. *E*
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SUBJECT: Flags.

TO : R.Cs. All Regions and SCAOs. Armies.

1. A recent case in Sicily has raised the question of the carrying of Allied flags in processions and demonstrations.
2. In previous instructions of the 16th February 1944 in letter 125/6/CA it has been laid down that the Italian flag will not be flown together with the British and American flags.
3. Provided that no disrespect is shown, flags of national or Allied Nations flags may be carried in processions. It is not desirable to lay down any definite rules and the exact application of this measure must be left to the discretion of the Police authorities on the spot.

Col Fiske

This draft is the result of 35 a
on this file and minute by
Admin Section at "A".

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

2. Political Section have approved
it and it is submitted to you for comments.
Do you approve?

I don't like it. It doesn't say "yes" and it doesn't
say "no". Better say nothing. 13/4

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 125/6/CA.

16th February 1944

Subject: Flying of Italian Flags.

To : Regional Commissioners,
Regions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII & IX.
SCAO., AMC, 5 Army.
SCAO., AMC, 8 Army.

1. The C-in-C has directed that only Allied flags should be flown together.

2. If an Italian Headquarters is located in the same building as a British and/or American Headquarters, there is no objection to the flying of the Italian flag to mark the location of the Italian Headquarters. In this case the Italian flag must be flown by itself in a less important position and under no circumstances should the arrangement give the impression that British, American and Italian flags are now being flown together.

MSL/JG.

M. S. Lush.
M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub-Commission.
Air Forces Sub-Commission.
Naval Forces Sub-Commission.

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I have been to the Adjutant's office
 re. this & he explained that the
 Priority ceased when no action was
 called from this H.Q. It was
 only up to ACC, and should
 not have been marked Action
 Copy. It was treated as
 Routine. I think this is a
 reasonable explanation & fair
 in the circumstances. He explained
 that they are careful
 about Priority messages. J.H.

to Col. Shippe to see.

OK
 17/4
 J.H.

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Classification

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From

To

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

1 DISTRICT G336

AAI CST RPTD FATIMA

Date/Time Rec'd : APR 13 1815

Date/Time Sent : "

Reference NR : NONE

Cite : "

FURTHER TO G305 OF 12TH. MOBILIZATION OF WOMEN NOT REPEAT NOT YET ESTABLISHED. FRENCH TROOPS NOT REPEAT NOT CARRYING ARMS WHEN CLASH OCCURRED. 10 FRENCH CASUALTIES. POSSIBLE PREMEDITATED PROVOCATION ON PART CIVILIANS. 1 CIVILIAN CASUALTY OCCURRED WHEN PATROL ARRIVED. FURTHER CIVILIAN CASUALTY DURING SEARCH FOR ARMS. DETAILED REPORT BY O.C. FRENCH UNIT HELD. THE REQUESTED TO CONTINUE ENQUIN. CO-RR REINFORCEMENT CALLED FOR. FRENCH TROOPS CONTINUED BARRACKS. DETAILS UNIT IN OUR G335 OF 13TH TO SOY. FULL REPORT FOLLOWS.

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Action - C.A. B. (2)

Info - Sec. Gen.

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 Classification SECRET
 Precedence OPERATIONAL PRIORITY
 From 1 DISTRICT G336
 To AAT GSI RPTD BATTAL

Date/Time Rec'd : APR 13 1815
 Date/Time Sent : "
 Reference NR : NONE
 Cite : "

FURTHER TO G305 OF 12TH. MOLESTING OF WOMEN NOT REPEAT NOT YET
 ESTABLISHED. FRENCH TROOPS NOT REPEAT NOT CARRYING ARMS WHEN
 CLASH OCCURRED. 10 FRENCH CASUALTIES. POSSIBLE PREMEDITATED
 PROVOCATION ON PART CIVILIANS. 1 CIVILIAN CASUALTY OCCURRED WHEN
 PATROL ARRIVED. FURTHER CIVILIAN CASUALTY DURING SEARCH FOR ARMS.
 DETAILED REPORT BY O.C. FRENCH UNIT HELD. IBS REQUESTED TO CONTINUE
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 BARRACKS. BATTAL UNIT IN OUR G336 OF 13TH TO SDY. FULL
 REPORT FOLLOWS.

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Action - C.A. Br. (2)

Info - Sec. Gen.

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OFFICE DATE 51

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ACTION AM (GSI) information FATIMA

FROM

DISTWO

Originator's Number

G 305

Date

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In Reply to Number

SECRET	Following	K	paraphrase	of	report
received	from	HS	Number	one	REGION
9 th	April	between	Serious	clash	occurred
local	Civilians	in	French	Troops	and
TRAPANI	Woman	has	been	seen	of
Threats	used	on	both	sides	

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY
ANY MEANS EXCEPT WIRELESSTHIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER
IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL
INTO ENEMY HANDS.ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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Ref: 15/56/CA.

12th April 1944

Major General X. De Sevin.

I am directed by Brigadier Lush, Executive Commissioner, to forward you the enclosed copy of a telegram received from the Regional Commissioner, Region I, concerning a disturbance in Trapani, Sicily, in which some French troops were implicated.

Regional Commissioner, Region I, is at present in NAPLES and would like the opportunity of discussing the matter with you, if possible some time this afternoon.

A. J. STEWART,
Captain,
PA to Executive
Commissioner.

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FROM 1117012
TO 1117012
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AT 1100 HOURS 6 APRIL AT COMPOZZO, PROVINCE OF TRAPANI ABOUT 1000 PERSONS MOSTLY WOMEN ASSEMBLED OUTSIDE THE TAX OFFICE DEMANDING INCREASE OF BREAD RATION. SOME OF THE CROWD ENTERED THIS OFFICE THREW FURNITURE AND FILES INTO THE STREET AND SET FIRE TO THEM. AT 1900 HOURS 6 APRIL AT MARSALA DEL VALLO, PROVINCE OF TRAPANI ABOUT 2000 PERSONS MOSTLY WOMEN FORCED ENTRANCE INTO 2 MILLS. 10 QUINTALS OF GRAIN REMOVED FROM FIRST MILL WHICH WAS LEFT IN FLAMES. 100 QUINTALS REMOVED FROM SECOND BUT NO DAMAGE CAUSED. SEVERAL SHOPS CONTAINING FOOD AND SHOES WERE ALSO SACKED. CARABINIERI REINFORCEMENTS SENT AND SITUATION IN HAND AT BOTH PLACES. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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AFTER-NOON 8 APRIL SOME MEMBERS COMMUNIST PARTY OF CATANIA LED BY AVV CARALANIA ARRIVED AT CALTAGIRONE PURPOSE INAUGURATE CAMERA DEL LAVORO. SAME DAY WITH ABOUT 30 LOCAL MEMBERS LED BY AVV SANALUS ALL WENT TO SAN MICHELE SANSELA FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES. ARRIVED 1730 HOURS. IN VILLAGE SQUARE THEY BEGAN SHOUTING "DOWN WITH MONARCHY, CLERGY, BOURGEOIS". THIS PROVOKED RESENTMENT ON PART OF LOCAL CROWD AMONG THEM STUDENT WHO SHOUTED "DOWN WITH YOU". SOME OF THE COMMUNISTS, NOT YET IDENTIFIED, ARMED WITH WEAPONS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED THREE PERSONS AMONG THEM A MAN AGED 34 WHO DIED IMMEDIATELY. CARABINIERI DISPERSED CROWD. MAJORITY COMMUNISTS ESCAPED. TWO MEN, ONE FROM CATANIA AND ONE FROM CALTAGIRONE WERE LATER ARRESTED. SITUATION AGAIN NORMAL.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA

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3rd April 1944

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FROM: Brigadier M. CARR, C.B.E., M.C.

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Dear *Fiske*

With reference to your letter 15/35/CA of 24th March 1944, I have read the letter you enclosed with interest.

I am having the matter enquired into and have sent a copy of Peyton's report to the Allied Garrison Commander with whom rests the primary responsibility for preventing clashes between military personnel and civilians.

I find the work here intensely interesting and it is a great thing to have a really live job. I shall be delighted to see you over here and hope it won't be long before you pay us a visit.

Yours *Sincerely*

M Carr

Brigadier.

Colonel Norman E. FISKE,
Deputy Executive Commissioner
H.Q., A.C.C. (R.C. & M.G. Section)

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FROM: BEARS FROM HANCOCK 281630A

TO: PATRICK FOR KIRK

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(STATE FROM HANCOCK TO PATRICK FOR KIRK CITE KPM-26)

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WITHDRAWAL OF THE WAR INDEMNITY BY THE GOVERNMENT. TERMINATED AT ONE ZERO THREE
FIVE HOURS. NO DISORDER AND EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL. REPORT FOLLOWS.

SWIFT NO 55 281710

REC'D: 55 281740

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Action: Public Safety SC (Near HQ)

Info: Dep.C.C.

C.A.Br.

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Silent

Lt. Col. Shipp.

Surely Col. Hancock should have reported this to us.

H. Talbot - 25/3

Yes.

Major Drifffield White.

Would you please take up on your visit to Sicily.

G. H. I. Shipp - 25/3

to Col Shipp

W. J. 4

Taken up -
last offend again

Agreed to Reg I -

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION II

Ref. 4/1/22

1 April 44

Subj. Threatened Railway Strike.

To: Executive Commissioner, R.C. and M.G. Section,
ACC Headquarters, Naples.
(Att: Labor Sub-Commission)
(Att: Int. Transportation Sub-Commission)

1. There are forwarded for your information, a letter from the Provincial Commissioner, Cosenza, concerning a threatened Railway strike in that Province.

G.H. McCaffrey
G.H. McCaffrey
Lt. Col., Inf.
R.C.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PROVINCE OF COSENZA

Ref: Cs/53

SUBJECT: Railway strike

TO: Region 2

1388
Latour
30 March 30th 1944

The enclosed is forwarded for your information as a strike would be rather serious.

The deputation states that the wages amount to L.30 a day which I agree is quite impossible to live on these days.

E.H.J. Nicolls

Lt.Col.E.H.J.Nicolls
P.C.Cosenza Province

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RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY
WORKERS SYNDICATE

To: A.C.C.
 To: Prefect
 To: Italian railway workers Syndacate
 To: Executive Committee of the Chamber of Labour
COSENZA

To: Calabro-Lucane Railway Coy.
 To: Railway and Tramway workers Syndacate
CATANZARO

To: Railway and Tramway Syndacate
BARI

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Having noticed that said competent authorities don't want to take any provision:
 Having reached their maximum level of patience, eagerly protest against this attitude and appeal to the Allied Military Authorities in order that they defend their rights.
 They will act using all the means and strength at their disposal to defend their rights to life.

They ask all the Calabro-Lucane Railways workers, the State's railways workers and all the Syndicates of category of the working class, in the liberated territory, to be ready to take any eventual action that this Directive Committee may think wise and necessary, to equalise salaries to the present cost of life.

§Sgd) Cirolia Vincenzo
 Secretary

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SINDACATO FERRO-TRAMVIERI
Comitato Provinciale di Cosenza

AL COMANDO MILITARE ALLEATO
A S.E. IL PREFETTO

AL SINDACATO FERROVIARI ITALIANI
AL COMITATO ESECUTIVO DELLA
CAMERA DEL LAVORO

C O S E N Z A

AL GRUPPO ESERCIZIO FERROVIE CC.LL.

AL SINDACATO FERRO-TRAMVIERI

A TUTTE LE RETI DISTACCATE DEL GRUPPO
ESERCIZIO FERROVIE CC.LL.

C A T A N Z A R O

AL SINDACATO FERRO-TRAMVIERI

B A R I

IL SINDACATO FERROVIARI CC.LL. DI COSENZA, riunito in assemblea il giorno 29 Marzo 1944, udita la relazione del Comitato Esecutivo, relativa alla situazione della classe ed alle richieste di miglioramenti economici a suo tempo presentate al Gruppo Esercizio Ferrovie CC.LL., al Comando Alleato, a S.E. il Prefetto di Cosenza onde risolvere, almeno in parte, la crisi che la travaglia;

Constatato che dette autorità competenti non intendono prendere alcun provvedimento immediato;

Pervenuti al massimo della sopportazione, protestano energicamente contro tale incomprensione e fanno appello alle Autorità Militari Alleate affinché intervengano subito in difesa del loro buon diritto.

Si riservano di agire con tutti i mezzi e con tutte le forze a loro disposizione a difesa del loro diritto alla vita.

Invitano tutti i ferrovieri delle Calabre Lucane, tutti i ferrovieri dello Stato e tutti i Sindacati di categoria della classe lavoratrice delle terre liberate a tenersi pronte per una eventuale azione che questo Comitato Direttivo del Sindacato Ferrovieri CC.LL. riterrà opportuna e necessaria, per adeguare salari e stipendi all'attuale costo della vita.

IL SEGRETARIO
(Cirolia Vincenzo)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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23 Mar 44

Ref L/1/17

Subj. Possible Strike, BARI.

To: Executive Commissioner, R.C. and M.G. Section,
R.C. and M.G. Section, Naples.

1. The Provincial Commissioner of Bari Province reported on the date of Mar 21, as follows:-

"It was reported by the Questore that the employees of the Cortile Tobacco Factory had threatened to go on strike. On making investigations as to the cause of the trouble, it was ascertained that the workers demanded high wages and more food.

It was explained to them fully what the food situation was and that they were getting all the food it was possible to give them, and also that they were getting the standard wages.

No trouble took place, but I am going to inspect the factory myself with the Industries and Commerce Sub-Commission representative and will advise you if there are any further developments or points of interest."

G.H. McCaffrey
G.H. McCaffrey
Lt. Col., Inf.
R.C.

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Attn Shupp.

1. Ref. 44 and Gm pencilled note at foot.
Col Kirk (P.S.) was NOT called for a
Special Report in view of last sentence
of 44. He expects, however, to receive
his normal routine report on the
matter within a few days from his
Reserve Photo Officer, of which he
will send us a copy.
2. File now O.V. in 43.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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MSG CENTER NO: 24/01

DATE/TIME RECD: 010519

CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

DATE/TIME SENT: 311830

PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

REFERENCE NR: -----

FROM: STUBBLEBENT FROM HANCOCK

CITE: NEO-159

TO: NATIMA FOR KIRK

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ABOUT SIX ZERO ZERO ZERO PERSONS ASSEMBLED AT PARTINICO PROVINCE OF PALERMO
ASKING FOR INCREASE IN BREAD RATION ONE TWO NINE MARCH. SLIGHT DAMAGE WAS CAUSED
TO THE REGISTRARS OFFICE. ON THREE ZERO MARCH ABOUT EIGHT ZERO ZERO ZERO ASSEMBLED
SAME PLACE. DAMAGE WAS CAUSED TO NEVIGNE OFFICE. SOME SHOOTING TOOK PLACE AND ONE
CIVILIAN WAS KILLED. A CARABINIERI MARSHALLALLY DYED AS RESULT OF EXPLOSION OF A HAND
GRENADE. CARABINIERI REINFORCEMENTS AND ITALIAN MILITARY HAVE BEEN SENT AND PUBLIC
ORDER HAS BEEN RESTORED.

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DEC

EC will probably want to see report of
 RC Reg II on the threatened strike in Calabria.
 This has been very well handled and the strike
 has been averted.

2. In view of what RC says in para 8,
 we must do all we can to get the reps.
 of the Company from Naples to the Prov.
 Labor office for the hearing of the dispute.

3. I contacted Labor Sec. who will let
 me know their reactions before a reply is
 sent.

Col Smith will ring

Bv. 12/4

(Original to come)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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25 Mar 44

Ref. L/1/18

Subj. Threatened Strike in Calabrian Hydro-Electric Plant.

To: Executive Commissioner, R.C. and M.G. Section,
ACC Headquarters, Naples.

1. The threatened strike in the hydro-electric plant of the Sila Power Company has been averted.
2. On the evening of March 18th information was received from Headquarters, District 2, that a strike was threatened in this plant which supplies electrical power to parts of Calabria and Lucania and to all of Apulia and Abbruzzi. On Sunday, March 19th, the Regional Labor Officer was ordered to go to the plant forthwith, to serve notice on the employees that a continuous supply of power was necessary for the Allied Armies, that interruption of the supply would be treated as sabotage, the penalty for which included death, that the employees were to continue at work and that if they had any grievances, they were to submit them to him. On our part, if the grievances were justified, we would agree to do our utmost to have them remedied.
3. Captain Frazer, the Regional Labor Officer, reached Catanzaro, conferred with the local representative of the power company, who was unaware of any labor trouble at the plant, which was located 70 miles away at an almost inaccessible place in the mountains. When he reached the place, he found a tense situation. The employees were armed and openly threatening to shoot it out with the representatives of the management.

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4. The basis of the feeling was as follows:-

There are 120 employees at this Timpa Grande Plant and another 100 at three other plants, all operated by the Sila Power Company, with headquarters in Naples. The employees were working under a contract made with the Company in 1929. This contract provides for very low wages, but the workmen were actually receiving considerably more than the contract specified as the result of bonuses granted from time to time. When an increase in wages of up to 70% was authorized by Regional Order No.6, as of December 1, 1943, the Company wanted to base the increase on the salaries fixed in the 1929 contract. The workers insisted that the increase should be based upon what they were actually receiving on September 1, 1942, in accordance with the terms of the Regional Order. The workmen also requested the Company to give them a new contract. The request was refused. On Feb 18th the Company officials in Naples were requested to send a representative to the plant. No answer was received. Another request was made on Feb 23rd and a representative of the Company arrived at the plant on March 3rd. Matters in dispute were discussed but no agreement was reached, and the workmen later threatened to strike. There were several other points of less importance involved.

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The workers are receiving 200 grams of bread a day, a little olive-oil, but complain that they have received no sugar, pasta, or medical supplies (a supply of sugar has recently arrived in the province, but the inaccessibility of the plant and the shortage of transportation has made it impossible to deliver at this point, as yet). Apparently, the food situation was not an important factor.

5. The Company has furnished comfortable homes for the men and gives electrical service for a very small sum. A noon-day meal is also furnished for 75 centesimi.

6. Captain Frazer held a conference immediately with Signore Rephaele Leoni, the Chief of Maintenance for the Company, and with a committee of six workmen. He explained the very serious view which the Allied Military authorities would take of a stoppage of power. The committee assured him that there would be no stoppage of work at the plant. It was found that the workers did not know of their right to appeal to the Provincial Labor Office for mediation. Capt. Frazer explained to them how they should prepare the case for submission to that office, and asked the Provincial Labor Director, who had accompanied him to the plant, to expedite a hearing, after sending formal notice to both the Company and the workers of the time and place.

7. When he left the plant, the feeling of both the management representative and the worker's committee was very friendly and he was assured by both that there would be no strike.

8. This is the first important mediation case which has arisen in Region II. It may well prove to be a test case of the efficacy of our Labor organization, and as such, have a far-reaching effect. Captain Frazer does not believe the questions involved are very complicated or such as a board of mediators would find difficulty in adjusting satisfactorily. He has impressed upon the Provincial Labor Officer the importance of prompt action and most careful handling of the matter, and is planning to be present at the hearing

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9. It is respectfully suggested that the officials of the Company in Naples should be impressed with the necessity of being represented at the hearing and of carrying out promptly and completely, the decisions of the mediators.

G. H. McCaffrey
G. H. McCaffrey
Lt. Col., Inf.
R.C.

GHM/pjh

Copies: Director, Labor Sub-Commission, ACC Headquarters
G.O.C., No. 2 District.

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1. You have not heard from 26, 37, 38 & 39.
2. We shall want to know what action
OC. takes re 39.

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Thank you

JL

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Ref: 15/29/CA.

30th March 1942

Subject: Civil Labour.

To : Chief Commissioner.

After the meeting of 18th March to discuss labour and the threatened strike of electrical workers, I wrote the summary of the decisions to H.Q. A.A.I. (at Colonel Adams' suggestion), copy attached. I have received the attached answer from General Robertson.

I am afraid my own letter was not very tactfully worded but the reactions of the C.A.O. do not appear to be very helpful. Our representative on the Local Resources Board can, I think, iron the matter out at their next meeting on

MSL/JC.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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28 Mar 38.

Winghurst.

A meeting is scheduled for 10:00 tomorrow in Col Fenwick's office with representatives of (1) Labor SE (2) Pub Works SE (3) Reg III (4) Elec workers (5) Elec employers.

Elec workers (represented for all things by GENTILE) state that they will strike if they do not receive 40 hrs per day increase by 31 Mar.

I don't think it is too serious but the matter bears directly on the impasse 26-37.

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26 Mar. 1944 158 U-2183 C.A. R. 37
 Headquarters,
 Allied Armies in Italy,
 (Administrative Echelon).
 C.M.F.
 2059/5/43

Subject :- Civil Labour.

24 Mar. 44.

Executive Commissioner,
 Allied Control Commission.

I regret that I am not prepared to issue instructions to give effect to the decisions advised to me in your letter 15/26/CA of 18 Mar. 44.

I offered to discuss this question, which has been brought to a head by the strike of the electrical workers, but was informed that the Chief Commissioner did not wish a conference on the matter.

I take exception to the statement that the present rates were fixed arbitrarily. On the contrary they were fixed after very careful study by the experts on this subject and representation of AMG/ACC sitting as the Labour Committee of the Local Resources Board. Their recommendations were approved by the Local Resources Board itself, on which AMG/ACC is represented.

It is impossible for me to agree that wages of civil labour employed by the Fighting Services shall be fixed by the sole decision of the Chief Commissioner, ACC. The established method for settling the matter is the Local Resources Board on which all interested parties are represented. I shall be glad to discuss it at any time personally with the Chief Commissioner, but I cannot speak on behalf of the Services not under command of C.-in-C., A.A.I. and should therefore have to refer to the Local Resources Board any agreement reached.

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BHR/emb.

Johnston

Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

Copies to:- Vice Chairman,
Local Resources (ITALY) Board.
D/C.A.C. (2)
Chief Engineer.

Col. Smith
S.C. will wish to see
10/5-173

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FROM: SA [redacted] ERIC HANCOCK 241630A

TO: FOTI A FOR KING

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HEADQUARTERS
75 MAR 1944
A. C. C.

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CAP 3
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(REAR FROM HANCOCK TO FOTIA FOR KING SITE HPS-26)

0-8728 RESTRICTED BEFORE THE PROTEST AT MASSINA AT NINE THREE ZERO HOURS TWO FOUR MARCH FIVE
ZERO ZERO SEVEN EMPLOYEES DEMONSTRATED TO PROTEST AGAINST THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE WAR INDEMNITY
BY THE GOVERNMENT. TERMINATED AT ONE ZERO THREE FIVE HOURS. NO DISORDER OR ANYTHING UNDER
CONTROL. REPORT FOLLOWS.

SENTRAL 55 241740

RECEIVED 55 241740

ACC DISTRIBUTION:

- Action: Public Safety SO (Rear Hq)
- Info: Dep O.C.
- C.A. Br.
- File
- Float

Lt Col Shopp.
Surety on Hancock should have
reported this to [redacted] [redacted]

25/3

Major Duffield [redacted]

Don't forget to [redacted] up on [redacted] visit
to [redacted]

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

NET/mrd
24 March 1944

Ref/15/35/CA

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Brigadier Carr, Region VI

Dear Brigadier:

You might be interested in the enclosed memorandum. The conversation was held by Captain Peyton with an officer of the U. S. Army Air Force staff in Sardinia. Whatever the facts may be the conversation at least reflects his opinion.

I trust that you are enjoying your work in Sardinia and hope that I shall be able to pay you a visit in the near future. With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

NORMAN B. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Lt Col Shopp

Pl. Sec 25-32. ? no action for him being.

Si. 24/3.

No. 1 presume N° 2 Region will forward a report in due course. Bo. to Capt Talbot 31/3.

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Noted
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15 MAR 1944

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION BRITISH MESSAGE

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CABr.

CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

STAGE: ROUTING

FROM: 125

TO: PATTER

W/C NO: 42/22

REF NO: 4-3619

FILE NO: 221330A

REF: 111/ 221702A

A. C. C.

(CLASSIFIED MESSAGE TO PATTER NOT FIVE DITS 42-25)

FOR ADDITIONAL BRASS AND PATTER ABOUT FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO PERSONS EXPLOITATED AT
FARMER MOUNTAIN OF MOUNTAINS AT KIDNEY THESE ZERO ZERO ZERO TWO ZERO ZERO. SOME ZERO ZERO
TWO ZERO ZERO AND FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO. CANADIAN AND AD HOC ON PUBLIC SECURITY
MOUNTAIN. ABOUT FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO. OTHER IN MOUNTAIN. REF AT FIVE ZERO.

ADD DISTRIBUTION:

(ACTION) Public Safety SC (Recd HQ)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION II

Ref. 2 / 1 / 11

19 Mar 44

Subj. Threatened Strike at Sila Power Plant, Calabria.

To: Executive Commissioner, R.C. and M.G. Section,
ACC Headquarters, Naples.

1. Confirming my telephone message of Sunday morning to your clerk, I am attaching a copy of the orders given to Captain Frazer, the Regional Labor Officer, who left Sunday morning for the Sila Power Plant.
2. He will arrive in Catanzaro late Sunday, and assuming that the roads are not blocked by snow, will proceed on Monday to the station where the strike is threatened.

G.H. McCaffrey
G.H. McCaffrey
Lt. Col., Inf.
R.C.

GHM/pjh

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C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION II

Ref. L/1/10

19 Mar 44

Subj. Threatened Strike in Calabrian Power Station.

To: Capt. Frazer, Regional Labor Officer.

1. No. 2 District has informed us of a threatened strike in the power plant at the Sila Power Station in Calabria.

2. You will proceed as quickly as possible to the scene, ascertain if the report is correct, and if it is, deliver the following message to the employees:-

"There is a war going on. A continuous supply of power is necessary to the Allied Armies in fighting that war. Interruption of the power supply constitutes sabotage. The penalty for sabotage includes death. There will be no strike. Continue at work and make known your grievances to Captain Frazer. If they are justified grievances we will do our utmost to see that they are remedied".

(sd)

G.H. McCaffrey
Lt. Col., Inf.
R.C.

GHM/pjh

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C O P Y

SUBJECT : Electricity Supply.

Hq. 2 District.

18 Mar 44.

Hq. Region 2
ACC

Ref. this H.Q. letter No. CE/113/6 dated 17 March 44.

The letter should have been addressed to your HQ with copy to me instead of vice versa as at present.

C/E. states that the matter is really of most urgent importance.

(sd)

/s/ E.S. ORPWOOD
Lt. Col.
L.O., ACC

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C O P Y

SUBJECT : Electricity Supply.

ACC/AMG
Liason Officer
2 District

14 C.E. Works.
No. 2 District. H.Q.
Tel. No. 11422
Ref. No. CE/113/6

17 March 44.

The Chief Engineer of S.G.P.E. has reported that personnel of S.M.E. at Sila Power Station in Calabria are threatening to go on strike and cause deliberate interruption of supply.

As the whole of No. 2 District relies on the Sila Plant, it is requested that an immediate investigation be made of this report.

(sd) /s/ W.G. BENNETT
Major R.E.
for Brigadier
Chief Engineer.

Copy to A.C.C. Region II.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & L.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/15/28/CA

HEX/mrd
20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Threatened strike of electrical workers

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region I
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S.C.A.O., 5th Army
S.C.A.O., 5th Army

1. The following memorandum of telephone message from Regional Commissioner, Region II is quoted for your general information:

"Strike threatened at SILA Power Plant. Am sending Capt. Frazer, Labour Officer with the following message:

There is a war going on. A continuous power supply is necessary for the Allied armies to carry on that war. Interruption of power supply is sabotage. Penalties for sabotage include death. There should be no strike, continue to work and if you have any grievances tell them to Capt. Frazer. If they are justified grievances we will do our utmost to remedy them.

SILA Power Plant supplies Apulia and Foggia."

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Message received over the telephone at 11.50 hours on
19th March 1944: from Lt. Col. McCaffrey, Region 2:-

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1. Strike threatened at SIA Power Plant. Am sending
Capt. Frazer, Labour Officer with the following message:

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power supply is necessary for the Allied
armies to carry on that war. Interruption
of power supply is sabotage. Penalties
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utmost to remedy them.

SIA Power Plant supplies Apulia and Puglia.

Brig Lusk

to see

7/19/44

W. L. Lusk

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.
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Ref: 15/26/2A.

16th March 1944.

SUBJECT: Threatened strike of Electrical Workers.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy,
Attn. M.G.A.

1. The Chief Commissioner called a meeting to-day to discuss the question of labour in general and in particular the threatened strike of electrical workers in Naples city. In addition to the Regional Commissioner, Region III and Heads of Sub-Commissions interested, Colonel Crowdon representing the Chief Engineer was present.

2. The following decisions were taken:

(i) The discrepancy between the rates of pay granted by Service employers and ordinary employers must be reduced if not abolished. It was agreed that the higher rates paid by Service employers which have been fixed arbitrarily were at the root of many labour problems.

(ii) The mid-day meal at present given by Service employers should be abolished and substituted by an overall entitlement of extra civilian rations for all heavy workers. In this connection the Food Sub-Commission was instructed to explore the increase of food which would result from this increase in entitlement for workers and it was decided to inform A.F.M.G. that this extra entitlement would be issued at once.

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(iii) Short term policy. It was decided that the strike of the electrical workers would be prevented and that it would be unwise for the Chief Engineer to "take over" the electrical workers for this would mean "taking over" the remainder of the public utility services and would result in an increase in wages amounting to many billion liras to say nothing of the extra responsibility. It would thus mean the taking over by the Chief Engineer of a responsibility which was properly that of the A.E.H. The Chief Commissioner stated that he would represent this at a high level.

(iv) There should be no enforcement of payment for food drawn from the utility companies in November.

(v) The loan "anticipio" demanded by the workers should not be granted.

(vi) There should be no general increase in wages.

(Sgd) M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Economic Section,
Region III.

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10th March 1944.

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Chief Commissioner.

I attach report on the civil disturbance at Galtanisetta, on 1st and 3rd March 1944. Galtanisetta is not far from Warr in the centre of Sicily.

Recent telegrams show that the incident was unique and that no further trouble has followed.

Original

Copy to: V.P. Admin. Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

FILE: REF 000.5

4 March 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Civil Disturbance in Caltanissetta.

TO : Brig. M. LUSH, Executive Commissioner,
R.C. A.M.C. Section, A.C.C. H.A.

1. Particulars concerning a serious riot in the city of Caltanissetta which occurred on 3 March 1944 and continued throughout the day, are forwarded herewith:

Beginning at 0730 hours on 3 March 1944 about 1500 people demonstrated in the main streets of Caltanissetta to complain against a decrease in food rations, high prices and Fascist tendencies of employers. A few shots were fired and windows were broken. Attempts were made to break into the food warehouses but members of the Carabinieri and ACC officers on duty prevented this from taking place. One boy age 13 was shot trying to steal bread from a local bakery. The crowd was dispersed by Fire Brigade hoses around 0900 hours.

A crowd of about 2500 collected again around 1100 hours and proceeded to march to the Prefettura and stopped about 150 feet from the Prefettura when they were faced with Carabinieri and ACC officers with drawn weapons. A committee of rioters then called on the Prefect after which the Prefect and other officials addressed the mob. After the various speeches the crowd seemed to quiet down but shortly after they dispersed another crowd of about 300 marched to the Prefettura and attempted to break down the doors but CCR managed to prevent it. Throughout the day mobs gathered but no further damage was done. At approx. 1830 hours a crowd of 5000 collected in the Piazza. It flew a Red flag and sang a Communist song. It appeared that the entire day's activity was instigated by members of the Christian Democratic and Communist Parties. The agitation was believed to have been instigated by a number of agitators apparently sent into the city from communes in the Province. One of the leading agitators were found to be local citizens. It was reported that the Italian soldiers, called out by the Prefect to break up the mob, said to various rioters that they were in sympathy with them and would not shoot them as they were hungry themselves.

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A further demonstration was said to have been scheduled for the morning on 4 March 1944 but up to this writing normal public order has prevailed in the city today.

During the activities of 3 March 1944 rocks were thrown at Capt. Smith an AGO officer in Caltanissetta and threats resorted to have been made on his life. During the day arrests were made but the persons were released.

2. This is all the information received to date and is forwarded for your consideration and action.

For the Regional Commissioner.

WILLIAM R. JORDAN,
Lt. Col. GAC.,
Regional Executive Off.

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COPY.ALLIED ARMY COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

FILE: 230 000.5

4 March 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Civilian Disturbance (SERRADIFALCO)

TO : Brig. M. LUSH, Executive Commissioner,
R.C. & M.C. Section ACC H.

1. Particulars, concerning an incident which occurred at SERRADIFALCO, Province of Caltanissetta, at 0930 hours on 4 March 1944, are forwarded herewith:

On 1st March 1944 at 0930 hours, one thousand persons, majority of which were unemployed saltpetre workers and women, assembled in front of the municipio at Serradifalco demanding that the Sindaco Chiarella, Carmelo be dismissed.

Both at the Municipio and the Mayor's home windows were broken by stones thrown by boy members of group. Participants in the disturbances complained that unemployment was very prevalent, that employment in the commune was impossible to obtain, that their bread ration was insufficient and that prices of essential food commodities were too high.

2. Competent authorities have obtained authorisation to commence work which will alleviate the existing unemployment and work will consequently begin in the mines located there. The bread ration however could not be increased for general dispositions.

3. An appropriate commission has gone to the Provincial Capital and complained to the Prefect on behalf of the population.

4. Local Carabinieri members have arrested the main instigators of the demonstration and other violators of Public Order.

1. Particulars, concerning an incident which occurred at SERRA-
DEPALCO, Province of Caltanissetta, at 0930 hours on 1 March 1944, are
forwarded herewith:

On 1st March 1944 at 0930 hours, one thousand persons,
majority of which were unemployed sulphur workers and
women, assembled in front of the Municipio at Terradifalco
demanding that the Sindaco Chiarella, Carmelo be dismissed.

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of the demonstration and other violators of Public Order.

5. Public Order has been restored.

6. This information is forwarded for your consideration and
action, supplemental to radio, this date.

For the Regional Commissioner.

WILLIAM R. JOURNAL,
Lt. Col. GAO.,
Regional Executive Officer.

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Please pass file QUICKLY

FROM	OFFICER	TO
	Ensign M. S. Lush	✓
	Col. N. E. Fiske	
	Lt. Col. T. Farley Smith	
	Major Driffield-White	
	Major Van Dusen	
✓	Capt. Talbot	like
	Capt. Carr	
	Capt. Stewart	
✓	Registry	

REMARKS

Initial HERE and FOLIO referred.

Please see 22.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE

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C. B. B.

CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

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M/C NO: 34/7

PREC:

FROM: SEARS

TO: FATIMA

ACTION COPY

REF NO: S-7995

FILED: 071700

RECD: 072215

RECEIVED
15 MAR 1948
A.C.C.

AT 1030 HOURS FIVE MARCH ABOUT 300 MEN BELONGING TO (SEARS FOR HANCOCK TO FATIMA CITY
REC-110) SEPARATIST PARTY ASSEMBLED AT PALERMO FOR DEMONSTRATION. THEY WERE DISPERSED
BY CIVIL POLICE FORCES AVAILABLE AND SUFFICIENT FOR THE PURPOSE. SEVERAL SLIGHTLY IN-
JURED. NO SERIOUS DISTURBANCE. ORDER QUICKLY RESTORED. NEW SUBJECT. REFERENCE FATIMA
1678 ADDRESS OF MRS RICCI IS 488 EDITH AVE JOHNSTON, PENN

ACC-DIST

SUBJECT ONE

ACTION - CABL.

INFO - SECY GEN

" - DEP. CC

" - POL. SEC.

" - PUBLIC SAFETY SEC.

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ACTION - REGT S-1

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QUIET AND UNDER CONTROL IS SITUATION IN CALTANISSETTA (SEARS FOR HANCOCK TO FATIMA FOR LUSH CITE REQ-105) CURFEW ESTABLISHED THERE MARCH AT 1900 HOURS. INVESTIGATION PROCEEDING TO DETERMINE POLITICAL BACKGROUND OF RIOT. 1 RIOTER KILLED. KILLER UNDER ARREST. AT SERRADIFALCE PROVINCE OF CALTANISSETTA DISTURBANCE OCCURED 1 MARCH. ALLEGED CAUSE UNEMPLOYMENT, LOW BREAD RATION AND HIGH FOOD PRICES. ORDER PROMPTLY RESTORED AND NOW NORMAL. REPORT FOLLOWS.

ACC DISTR:

Info....C A Br (for Ex Comm)..2

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Public Safety (Rear)

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION...INCOMING MESSAGE.....4 RANCH

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FROM.....FREEDOM
TO.....PATINA

HEADQUARTERS
4 MAR 1944
A. C. C.

H/C NO.....27/03
REF NO.....W4186/59520
FILED.....031722
REQD.....031937
JC

7. SHORT FACTUAL ACCOUNTS OF EVENTS IN ITS AREAS SHOULD BE GIVEN BY EACH STATION.
 4. ARRESTS OF LEFT PARTY LEADERS IF VERIFIED MUST BE REPORTED STATING ANY CHARGE BROUGHT AGAINST THEM BY ALLIED AUTHORITIES.
 6. REFERENCE SHOULD BE MADE TO THE FACT THAT NAPIES IS AREA UNDER MILITARY GOVERNMENT.
- (PARAPHRASE BY CRYPTO FREEDOM, MSG IS IN DISARRANGED NUMERICAL SEQUENCE FROM ONE TO EIGHT. MUST BE REARRANGED IN NORMAL SEQUENCE TO MAKE SENSE OF MESSAGE, NUMBERS ARE ALSO PART OF THE MESSAGE. SIGNED WILSON CITE FIVEWO, HALL JWB IN NAPIES SARI PALERMO TUNIS AND KABAT ND PATINA USFOR ND AGWAR FOR INFORMATION)
- DIRECTIVE FOR TREATMENT ITALIAN WORKERS STRIKE FROM BARNEY CONCURRED MSG FOLLOWS.
1. IF STRIKE CALLED OF NO RADIO MENTION WHATEVER.
 3. ANY ALLIED OFFICIAL STATEMENT SHOULD BE CARRIED.
 5. ANY STATEMENT ISSUED BY LEFT PARTY LEADERS SHOULD BE SUMMARISED SHORTLY ND OBJECTIVELY AVOIDING PASSAGES CONTAINING PERSONAL ABUSE OF OPPONENTS AND OF ALLIED AUTHORITIES.
 8. CHECK ALL STORIES WITH ACC NO FILES TO ALGIERS. WE WILL FORWARD LONDON AND NEW YORK.
 2. IF STRIKE OCCURS THIS SHOULD BE REPORTED SHORTLY, OBJECTIVELY ND FACTUALLY.

ACC DISTRIBUTION:
Action....Sec General
Info.....Dep G C
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C.A.B. (for Ex. Comm)
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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE

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CLASS: SECRET

W/C NO: 25/3

PREC: PRIORITY

REF NO: S-7868

FROM: SEARS FOR HANCOCK

FILED: 031439A

TO: FATIMA FOR LUSH

REC'D: 031024A

SERIOUS FOOD RIOT IN PROGRESS PAREN SEARS FOR HANCOCK TO FATIMA FOR LUSH CITE REO
DASH ONE ZERO FOUR PAREN AT CALTANISSETTA OVER GRAIN RATION. LOCAL ITALIAN AUTHORITIES
REPORTED IN CONTROL OF SITUATION AT 1100 HOURS. NO INJURIES OR PROPERTY DAMAGE SO
FAR REPORTED.



ACC DISTRIBUTION:

Info: C.A. Br (For Ex Comm)(2)
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PUBLIC SAFETY (REAR)
Econ Sec (2)
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ARMED MILITARY MISSION...INCOMING MESSAGE...3 MAR 44

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PREC....."O"
FROM.....FREEDOM
TO.....FATIMA



N/O NO.....21/03
REF NO.....59358
FILED.....031320
RECD.....031435

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ENCIC. PERSONAL FOR GENERAL MASON MACFARLANE FROM GENERAL WILSON (PAREN TO FATIMA REPEATED FIFTH ARMY REAR). REFERENCE YOUR 1150 OF 2ND MARCH. I APPROVE YOUR PROPOSAL THAT IN THE EVENT OF STRIKE NOT BEING CALLED OFF, THE LEADERS OF THE 3 PARTIES SHOULD BE GIVEN 24 HOURS TO LEAVE AMG TERRITORY AND STRONG WARNING FOR THE FUTURE SHOULD BE ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME.

ACC DISTRIBUTION:

Action.....Secretary General
Info.....Dep C C
C A Br
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.G. Section
APO 394

Ref/15/11/0a

25 February 1944.

SUBJECT: Disturbance at Caltagirone

TO : Military Government Section, AFM:

1. Reference is made to your 50446 of 14 February 1944.
2. Copies are attached of two reports on the disturbance at Caltagirone which have been received from S.C.A.O., Catania and the Carabinieri.
3. From these reports it is clear that the original information received by you was exaggerated. American troops were not involved.
4. Demonstrations of this nature have occurred previously at various places but have always been quickly dealt with by the local Carabinieri.

Incl
As above.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO.394

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FILE NO. - RPS000.5

16th February, 1944.

SUBJECT - Disturbance at Caltagirone, Sicily, 25/1/44.

TO - - Commander in Chief, Allied Force Headquarters;
(Thro' A.C.C. HQ., Regional Control and Military
Government Section).

1. With reference to Incoming Message No. 51446.
2. Attached hereto are copies of two reports on the Caltagirone incident which have been received from the S.C.A.O., Catania, and the Carabinieri.
3. There has been very few incidents of this nature since the beginning of the year.
4. Submitted in confirmation of message sent in reply to Message No. 51446.

R. Hancock
for A.N. HANCOCK.
Lt. Colonel.
Regional Commissioner.

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Message No. 51446;
Message 16/2/44 - RPS/17;
SCAO. Catania, report;
Carabinieri report.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
PROVINCE OF CATANIA.
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TO:- R.C.A.O.
Sicily Region H.Q.

Our Ref:- CAT/173.

SUBJECT:- Demonstration at CATTAGIRONE.

1. There was a demonstration yesterday at Caltagirone the reason for which is not yet disclosed but said to be due to the low ration of 150 grammes a day and objection to paying taxes.
3. The demonstrations started about 0730 hours and gathered strength until some 50 bolder spirits forced their way into the Municipio, burning a few papers and generally making a nuisance of themselves. Carabinieri eventually fired over the heads of the crowd which then quietened down.
3. A.C.A.P.O. this Province with Capt. Reynolds arrived about 1230 and pushed back, with the aid of the Carabinieri, the crowd from the vicinity of the Municipio, posting a cordon at the entrances to the square in which the Municipio stands. The crowd except for the usual "gawping" sightseers then dispersed.
4. I arrived myself at 1315 and sent for the Sindaco being informed that he had gone to Catania. On my insisting he was apparently sent for as he turned up at about 1400 hours saying that he was ill and had just got out of bed.

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4. I arrived myself at 1315 and sent for the Sindaco being informed that he had gone to Catania. On my insisting he was apparently sent for as he turned up at about 1400 hours saying that he was ill and had just got out of bed.

5. I am of the opinion that:-

(a) had the Sindaco appeared when the demonstration started and had spoken to the crowd, and
(b) had the Captain of the Carabinieri taken more vigorous action, the crowd would have become so disorderly. Lack of determination on the Carabinieri's part encouraged the rioters.

6. Reinforcements of a hundred men arrived from the Sabauda Division at Enna and another hundred Carabinieri and Questore from Catania. These with some 150 soldiers and police already in the town made an exhibition of force which somewhat alarmed the townspeople and although I think such numbers unnecessary it would not have done any harm.

7. Action was taken as follows:-

- (a) Sufficient guards established at the Municipio, the Consorzio Agrario and Mills to prevent further disorder at these places.
- (b) S.C.A.F.O. and Capt. Reynolds to remain there for the night and until the arrival this morning of Capt. Parker as C.A.C.
- (c) Prefect ordered to send a Commissario Prefetizio to replace the Sindaco who is to be relieved of his post.

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(d) The Sindaco ordered to sleep at the Municipio until I agree that he may not do so.

8. In my opinion the Sindaco knew that the demonstration was to take place and carefully kept out of the way.

Catania.
26 Jan 44.
CHAT/BOB.

Lt. Colonel.
S.C.A.C.

Copy to:- G.O.C. No. 1 District.
Commander, 56 Area.

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Comando della 6th Brigata Carabinieri Reali.

Palermo :

26/1/44.

Ref N°. 202/2.

SUBJECT : Public Order in Caltagirone.

"I. transcribe the following telephone message received today from the CC.RR., Catania Group:

"At 8 hours, January, 25th, in Caltagirone (Catania), following an order reducing the bread ration from 250 gms to 150 gms, about 8,000 people gathered around the municipal Piazza and nearby streets, were stopped by Carabinieri and a section of local infantry. The re-inforcements were placed at mills, bakeries and grainery warehouses. The demonstration lasted about three hours, during this time a group of persons entered the municipio, destroying documents of little importance and damaging some furniture. The police, intervening, fired some musket shots and threw some hand grenades as an intimidation, which halted the demonstration.

Public Order is re-established, it is belivied that a recurrence will not take place due to re-inforcements of Carabinieri and Public Safety Agents coming from Catania and a section of Infantry from Piazza Amerina.

28 persons are under arrest.

The Senior Civil Affairs Officer arrived here with HQ Provincial Service Director. After the demonstration he expressed appreciation for the intervention and measures used. The absence of the Mayor - La Rosa and the Vice-Mayor was deplored. The only authority present was Vice-Mayor attached to Ration Service.

I am in this place with the provincial Questore.

Mayor DENTI" "

General BRANCA.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

NR : 51446

SECRET

ADDRESSED FOR ACTION TO : IBS FOR AMG FOR ROGERS IBS NUMBER : 9188
FOR INFORMATION TO :
FROM : CINC TIME SENT : 141426A
IN REPLY REFER TO : 51446, FHMGs TIME REC'D : 150800A
PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE

- EDITED LIBERAL TEXT -

ACTION

Information received to effect that on 25 January civilian riot arising out of cut in bread ration occurred at Caltagirone Sicily culminating in Americans opening fire with machine guns and throwing hand grenades to quell disturbance. In view interest here and possible questions submit detailed report here soonest as to facts. Was this an isolated incident.

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

DATE : 16 FEB. 1944 Reference No.
CLASSIFICATION : SECRET
PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE
ORIGINATED BY : HANCOCK - RPS-17
FROM : SEARS
TO : FREEDOM FOR MGS

INCIDENT AT CALTAGIRONE IS ABATED AND NOT SERIOUS PD REPORTS
ON AMERICAN TROOPS FIRING PAREN SEARS FOR HANCOCK TO FREEDOM
FOR MGS CITE RPS DASH ONE SEVEN PAREN ON CROWD AND THE USE
OF HAND GRADANES NOT ACCURATE PD COPIES OF REPORTS FOLLOW PD

Time Signed

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authenticated by:

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CIRCULATION SLIP
Please pass file QUICKLY

FROM	OFFICER	TO
	Brig. M.S. Lush	
	Col. N.E. Fiske	
	Lt. Col. T. Farley Smith	
✓	Major Driffield-White	✓
	Major Van Dusen	
	Capt. Talbot	
	Capt. Carr	
	Capt. Stewart	
X	Registry	✓

REMARKS

Initial HERE and FOLIO referred.

Lin,

Any action
on this file.
Await further report.

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SECRET

FARGO 1041

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FARGO (Col. Fiske)

17 February 1944

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ROUTINE

IRS for ACC Region I

No information here as to any such
occurrence. FHMG 51448 refers. Matter should be further
investigated and report submitted to this office.

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L. F. NICKEL
Lt. Col. AGD
Adjutant General

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FARGO 1040

Fargo (Col. Fiske)

17 February 1944

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FREEDOM for MGS

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Your 51446 refers. No information here
or Region 1 as to any such occurrence. Matter being further
investigated. Report will follow.

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L. F. NICKEL
Lt. Col. AGD
Adjutant General

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Signal Corps, United States Army

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ROUTINE

TO (ACTION) : CG PBS FOR FARGO RPTD IBS FOR AMG FOR ROGERS

(INFORMATION) : NONE

FROM : SIGNED CINC

DATE TIME SIGNED: 141426A

DATE TIME RECD : 141822A

REFERENCE NR. : 51446

TYPE : FHMGs

15 FEB

INFORMATION RECEIVED TO EFFECT THAT ON 25 JANUARY CIVILIAN RIOT ARISING OUT OF CUT IN BREAD RATION OCCURRED AT CALTAGIRONE SICILY CULMINATING IN AMERICANS OPENING FIRE WITH MACHINE GUNS AND THROWING HAND GRENADES TO QUELL DISTURBANCE. IN VIEW INTEREST HERE AND POSSIBLE QUESTIONS SUBMIT DETAILED REPORT HERE SOONEST ATTEST FACTS. WAS THIS AN ISOLATED INCIDENT.

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- C. G.

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REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

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11 February 1944

Dear

Brigadier,

Following my telephone conversation of yesterday I can now forward more details of the disturbances of Pastorano on February 7th. About 350 people collected outside the Municipio shouting that they had not had the flour ration, and that the Podesta and officials were all Fascists. The Podesta tried to speak to them but was howled down. A 5 Army A.M.G., CAPO then arrived on the scene. He told the people to disperse which they did, and reported that fact to the Region III, CAO. Flour came out that afternoon and the question of the Italian officials is being looked into.

This area being in front of the rear boundary of 5 Army is really 5 Army A.M.G. territory, but being in rear of the rear Corps. boundary, Region III, CAO's help to look after it, and are preparing to take it over in the near future. Thus a very closely liaison is maintained by the two A.M.G. formations.

Yours truly
Forester.
LORD FORESTER
Lt. Col., R. H. G.
D. R. C. A. C.

Brigadier Lush, C.B.E. M.C.
Headquarters
Allied Control Commission

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10th February, 1944.

Subject: Disturbance at PASTORANO.

To : Executive Commissioner.

1. Col. Lord Forrester rang up at 10.00 hours to say that there had been a minor disturbance at PASTORANO on 7th. February.

2. A crowd of 300 - 400 said that the Mayor was a Fascist and man-handled him.

3. However, in the afternoon the flour arrived and the situation became normal again. No damage and no misbehaviour towards ACC.

4. A report follows in due course from the C.A.O.

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I. E. CARR,
Captain,
P.A.

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10th February, 1944.

Memorandum to: Executive Commissioner.

Reference telegram C283 dated 5.Feb.44. Original is attached.

It was delivered in error to Colonel Young who, because it was marked "For Information Only", took no action. I have seen the Chief Clerk responsible for placing the sign "For Information Only" on the signal and he informs me that it was by the direction of the A-G Branch. He is arranging to have this system altered as he agrees it is impossible for him personally to know what signals require action or other work carrying out.

I. E. CARR,
Captain,
P.A.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [illegible]

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REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

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8 February 1944

Dear Brigadier,

A small riot occurred at Paduli, Province of Benevento, on 2nd of February 1944. A combined patrol of G.C.R.R., Finance and Municipal Guards were visiting farms for the purpose of detecting grain not properly surrendered to the Amasso and on entering one farm, found some 200 farmers assembled. When formal demand was made for the production of the grain, the gathering attacked the police with spades, forks and such like implements. During the melee one farmer was shot and is now in hospital, and three of the police were injured. Five men and three women have been arrested.

I thought it would be worthwhile bringing this to your notice after our conference last Saturday.

Yours Ever
Forester.

LORD FORESTER
Lt. Col., R.H.G.
D. R. C. A. O.

Brigadier Lush C.B.E., D.C.
Headquarters
Allied Central Mediterranean Force

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394, U.S. ARMY

4 February 1944

SUBJECT: Public Demonstration at Villamaina.

TO : Main HQ., ACC, APO, 394.

1. Herewith is transmitted for your information a report in duplicate relative to a public demonstration which occurred in the commune of Villamaina, Province of Avellino, on the 29th January 1944.

For the Regional Civil Affairs Officer:

Douglas N. Batson
DOUGLAS N. BATSON.
1st Lt., CMP,
Actg Asst Adjutant General.

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See by P. L. L.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
PUBLIC SAFETY SECTION
AVELLINO PROVINCE

Avellino,
2-2-44

SUBJECT : Public demonstration at Villamaina.

TO : Lt.Colonel C.T.Francis,
Commissioner of Public Safety,
Headquarters-Region 3.

1. On the 29th January 1944 a group of citizen of Villamaina met an Official and members of CC.RR from Gesualdo who had gone to the first mentioned town to fetch 10 quintals of grain from "the Ammassi."

2. Owing to the hostile attitude of the crowd they were unable to take the grain. The CC.RR fired a few shots in the air to disperse the crowd.

3. It appears that the demonstration was partly to stop the grain being moved and secondly as a protest against the present Podesta' and municipal employees including the Secretary.

4. There appears to be some justification of the objection to the grain being removed as it would have left Villamaina completely without grain. There would be little chance of getting grain in as the town is completely isolated from motor transport and it would be impossible to send grain into the town.

5. The lack of initiative on the part of the Authorities to open up any communication by repairing the bridges is one of the grievances the people hold.

6. Enquiries into the case are being made by the Questore. Public Order was quickly restored. There is no real political significance in this case except that it is alleged that certain communal Officials belonged actively to the Fascist Party.

T. Goodacre Capt.

T.GOODACRE Captain
C.A.P.O.
Avellino Province.

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MINUTE 1

Army Sub-Commission

Please see paragraph 5 of 139 of this file.

23 October 1944
Room No. 1 - 5 Floor.
Tel: 439081

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A.T. HCOX
Lt. Col
Public Safety Sp.

MINUTE 2

Public Safety Sub Commission

Ref Minute No 1.

1. This office considers that the incident of Italian Army NCO's horsewhipping Italian soldiers in SARDINIA referred to in Folio 137b of the incident propaganda by editor of "L'Unita" and that further details investigated and if necessary taken up with Italian Ministry of War.
2. If evidence shows that the alleged statement is incorrect it is considered that the Editor should be made publicly to withdraw the statement and should himself be severely reprimanded.

26 Oct 44
Tel: 478671

S.M. Engledew
Lt Col
GS
Army Sub Commission

Public Safety Sub Commission

Ref Minute No 1.

1. This office considers that the incident of Italian Army NCO's horsewhipping Italian soldiers in SARDINIA referred to in Folio 137b is unfounded propaganda by editor of "L'Unita" and that further details of the incident should be called for in order that the matter may be investigated and if necessary taken up with Italian Ministry of War.

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26 Oct 44
Tel: 478671

Lt Col
GS
Army Sub Commission

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Army Sub. Commission

It is presumed that your Sub Comm.

will take the necessary action in this case

as Public Safety is not concerned

Public Safety

27th Oct 1944

Public Safety Sub Com.

Ref minute 3

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28 Oct.

See Min.

Lt Col
GS
Army Sub Commission

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SUBJECT: Incident at MACOMER
on 13 Aug 44

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
G/103
28 Oct 44

TO : Ministry of War

Copy to: Public Safety Sub Commission

1. The attached cutting from the newspaper "L'UNITA" of the 22 Sep 44 brought to the notice of this H.Q. alleges that on the 13 Aug 44 at MACOMER, SARDEGNA, certain Italian Military were horse-whipped "for slight infractions".
2. In order to determine whether these allegations made by "L'UNITA" have any foundation, it is requested that you investigate the alleged incident and submit a full report to this H.Q.
3. In order that this matter may be speedily cleared up, will you please submit your report as soon as possible.

Major General
M.M.I.A.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

To : Headquarters, A.C.C. (Office of the Chief of Staff)

Subject : Article from Communist Paper "L'Unita".

Reference : PS/1511.

15th October 1944.
18 OCT Recd

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1. With reference to your 15/137/OA of 26 Sep 44, the article attached from "L'Unita" has some points of very great interest and I am most grateful for having it sent to me as I had previously been unaware of the case of the 35 men in gaol at OZIERI since the beginning of the year.

2. Taking the article paragraph by paragraph, De Ruggiero and Berlinguer, who are praised, did not come to see me when they visited SARDINIA and, as they were over here in connection with Defascism, it would have been of considerable assistance if they had made the usual courtesy call. The Italian Government Commissioner for Defascism has, so far, failed to appoint any Commission to deal with Defascism in SARDINIA and this continued failure to act is causing comment.

3. The paragraph "Starvers in Power" is a reference to a food riot which took place in January and as this is a case of considerable interest I attach a full report on its unsatisfactory features, by my Regional Legal Officer.

It will be seen that, in the first instance, the arrested men acted reasonably, they certainly raided food hoarders' houses but took the food they found to the Carabinieri. When nothing happened they then, unfortunately and unjustifiably, took the law into their own hands.

For this they have been put in gaol though no action seems to have been taken against the food hoarders themselves and apparently no action can now be taken.

The authority for the Commission set up by Generale di Brigata PRIMERI is not clear but as a result of this Commission's efforts the rioters were put in gaol, and once in gaol it seems there is no means of releasing them, not even on bail, under Italian law. So these men, whether guilty or innocent, remain indefinitely locked up until an excessively dilatory legal system deals with their cases.

I will do all I can to keep this case moving, and have drawn the attention of the High Commissioner to it officially, but as you know there is little I can do except to give constant advice, and our very small legal staff here has as immense amount of work to do.

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The reference to CHRISTIANI, Director of Railways, is probably exaggerated, he was a member of the Fascist Party and for a small time held the office of "Consulatore" at the "Raffaele Reis" group, SASSARI. He is said to have been a moderate fascist and has followed the new Government faithfully. He is reported to be a strict disciplinarian and so may have got himself disliked.

Turning to the "Model Town" the Granai del Popolo is giving poor results *and at* PATTADA near NUORO, which is represented as a stronghold of Fascism, the poor results are, in part, due to the Communists.

On 7th September a lorry was sent by the Consorzio Agrario to collect grain and arrived at PATTADA at 1830 hrs with instructions to bring in 60 quintals of grain.

It was turned back by a crowd led by Avvocato MANCA and his son; a man named SOLINAS, the Fiduciario of Agriculture workers, and a man named CAUCHI, a local Communist leader. MANCA is alleged to have paid the town crier to go through the streets and assemble the Communists - he is leader of the local Sard Action Party and his son a Communist leader.

The vehicle was sent in again on the 9th Sept, under a Carabinieri guard and brought back the grain, but the Communist element in this Fascist "Model Town"

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were very definitely active and obstructionist. MANCA and his son and four others were arrested. Since then MANCA and one man have been held in prison. His son and the three others were released on bail.

5. As regards Good advice of an Italian Colonel and the Italian soldiery. The soldiery are not barefooted or half-naked, though no doubt their uniforms leave something to be desired. I should doubt whether they carry out long instructions on foot or marches as stated in the article. The allegation as to the horsewhipping of soldiers is difficult to take seriously. Italian military law does not permit "corporal punishment". Perhaps this part of the article could be referred to the Army Sub-Commission.

6. I am afraid that with the much reduced staff I now have in this region it will be quite impossible to keep any very close touch with isolated districts and we shall have to trust to the High Commissioner to take action to see that justice is impartial. His office and that of the Procuratore Generale intervened very sensibly in September when they stopped the arrest of the 98 additional persons alleged to have taken part in the OZIERI riots early this year.

For the moment there is one energetic young American Officer in SASSARI, but this rather troublesome centre is 4 hours away from CAGLIARI by car and has suffered from poor administration for some time. The new Prefect, Dott. De SANCTIS has not yet been there two months. I hope conditions will gradually improve but the chaotic state of Italian legal proceedings is not a help towards good administration.

J. A. C. Perryquick
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J. A. C. PERRYQUICK,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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J. A. C. PENNYCUICK,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

13 October 1944.

TO : Regional Commissioner.

SUBJECT: Report on OZIERI Pillage Trial.

1. I have investigated the allegations regarding the detention of 35 workmen at OZIERI contained in the article in "L'Unita" referred to in H.Q., A.C.C. RC & MG Sec. letter 15/137/CA dated 26 September 1944.

2. The facts of the case are in some respects very obscure but I gather from the Sostituto Procuratore Generale that they are substantially as follows:-

(a) In mid-January of this year at the height of the food shortage in Sardinia and at a time when many food riots were taking place throughout the Island certain inhabitants of the OZIERI district, acting in concert, took it upon themselves to search the premises of a number of local farmers and landowners and to remove quantities of stored foodstuffs therefrom. These foodstuffs they placed in the charge of the local Carabinieri. The Carabinieri acting on information supplied by these informants, and accompanied by them, paid official visits to some at least of the premises whence the foodstuffs had been taken and took into custody further quantities of food. The food taken into custody is understood to have been inventoried. Subsequently it appears that certain of the local inhabitants, among them the persons now detained, took matters into their own hands revisited the premises in question without the Carabinieri and removed and distributed amongst themselves and their friends additional quantities of food.

Italian

2. The facts of the case are in some respects very obscure but I gather from the Sostituto Procuratore Generale that they are substantially as follows:-

(a) In mid-January of this year at the height of the food shortage in Sardinia and at a time when many food riots were taking place throughout the Island certain inhabitants of the OZIERI district, acting in concert, took it upon themselves to search the premises of a number of local farmers and landowners and to remove quantities of stored foodstuffs therefrom. These foodstuffs they placed in the charge of the local Carabinieri. The Carabinieri acting on information supplied by these informants, and accompanied by them, paid official visits to some at least of the premises whence the foodstuffs had been taken and took into custody further quantities of food. The food taken into custody is understood to have been inventoried. Subsequently it appears that certain of the local inhabitants, among them the persons now detained, took matters into their own hands revisited the premises in question without the Carabinieri and removed and distributed amongst themselves and their friends additional quantities of food.

Italian
(b) At the time in question the Military Authorities appear to have been considerably alarmed about the general situation. As a consequence a state of Martial Law was proclaimed in the town of SASSARI from 14th to 17th January 1944 and in the town of OZIERI (which is in SASSARI Province) from 13th to 16th January. The local Military Commander at OZIERI (a certain Generale di Brigata PRIMERI) whether acting within his powers or not I have so far been unable to ascertain, appointed a Commission, to investigate the above incident. This Commission included amongst its members the Pretore of OZIERI. As a result of the investigation about 35 people who had been arrested were "denounced" to the Military Tribunal and the Commission not only permitted but ordered the restitution of the foodstuffs to the owners. The legality, or at least the propriety, of this order appears in the circumstances to be open to question but I found the Sostituto Procuratore Generale reluctant to express any opinion on this head at the present stage of the proceedings. The Military Tribunal decided that the crime was not a political one and transferred the case to Sassari Tribunal.

(c) Before a Prosecution under the Rationing Regulations can be commenced the authorisation of the Prefect is necessary. The Prefect of SASSARI, OTTAVIANO, since transferred at the instance of this Headquarters, did not grant his authorisation to prosecute the owners of the foodstuffs in this present instance. It is safe to assume that the matter was officially brought to his notice although it is known that there was an unaccountable delay of 3 weeks in the rendering of the Carabinieri "Verbale" to the proper authorities. Apart from the proceedings of the Commission referred above, which may or may not have enquired into the matter, no steps appear to have been taken from first to last to ascertain whether in fact any infractions of the rationing regulations had taken place. The initial removal of the food by the Carabinieri seems however to point to the fact that there was at least some reason to suspect this.

(d) As a result of the Instruction (which took place before a junior and inexperienced Giudice Istruttoria at SASSARI) it was proposed at the end of last month to issue warrants for the arrest of 98 additional persons alleged to have taken part in the pillage of the food. On the intervention of the High Commissioner and the Procuratore Generale these warrants have been suspended and the

3. The Procuratore Generale is of opinion that whatever facts are brought to light by the new Instruction it will not be possible to prosecute the land-owners whose offences (if any) are covered by the Amnesty Decree.

4. In my opinion the appearances are that the whole matter has been bungled from the beginning and if it later transpires that the owners of the foodstuffs ought to have been prosecuted the failure to do so should be the subject of an inquiry when the full facts are brought to light by the new Instruction now taking place.

R.G.S. ALEXANDER,
Major,
Regional Legal Of

Regional Legal Officer.

1958

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
E.C. AND M.C. SECTION
APO 324

See 138
139

Ref: 15/137/CA

26 September 1944.

Subject: Article from the Communist Paper "L'Unita" of
Friday 22 September, 1944.

To : Regional Commissioner, Region VI.

1. Attached is a translation of an article from
"L'Unita" which describes an alleged fascist system
at Lattada.
2. This article is sent to you at the suggestion of
Mr. Caccia of the Political Section A.C.C.
3. Would you please let us have your comments on
the article and the conditions which it purports to de-
scribe.

for
J. B. FISH.
Colonel.
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

Incl: 1.

Copy to Political Section.

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TRANSLATION

From the Communist Paper "L'UNITA" of Friday 22 September 1942.

SANCTIS IN THE COILS OF DEATH

A challenge to democratic legality - Battaglia, a fascist leader - a general who does not want to be resigned to democracy.

BATTAGLIA 4 September. Battaglia greeted with satisfaction the new respect to Sanctis, who succeeds the treaty of 25 July 1942. Though this fact is small, almost negligible in the picture of national life, in the obscure social intrigue of Battaglia it represents a light of hope for those responsive elements who have to fight everyday against the dark barrier of reaction. In the same town the Communist Youth Movement and the Socialist Youth have drafted an efficient plan of collaboration. The Provincial Secretariat of the Communist, the Christian-Workers and the Socialist parties have agreed on a common action line and on a closer collaboration. Then there was the visit of the Minister to Ruggieri and of the Gen. Berlinguer, greeted everywhere with sympathy and trust.

SHADOWS IN POWER

But Battaglia, an island in isolation, is in the coils of reaction; prefects, mayors, and attached authorities in civilian life; superior officers in military life. In the town of Battaglia 35 workers, all the old officers of large families, are still in prison and have been there for seven months. (All of having managed the large agricultural harvest, from which soldiers and officers of the army, and all that was being withheld from the population was taken first. The big agriculturalists have avoided the fate of the workers and produce further arrests.

According to the official denunciations of these days, this year only 30% of the foreman count was given in to the "guardia del popolo" in Battaglia. And the rich landowners are safe; who could take the liberty of voting their vote in their affairs? The ex-fascist general Cristofari, Director of the railways, challenged the government's legality and with numerous, intelligent and capable he does not pay the ransom in salary of November 1942. He fought to keep the militarization of Battaglia, which safeguards him from the spontaneous initiative of the workers.

THE "SMALL" TOWN

The ex-governor is cunning and does not only to prosper but also not to be obliged to ask hospitality in the less itable little town of Battaglia. This little town, with little more than five thousand inhabitants is the stronghold of particular fascism. Four years ago it gave the primary citizenship to Mussolini and then continued to punish the fascist struggle with Federal court-martials, secretaries of confederations, out-thrusts and so on. Now it is the center of fascism. This a model town it is governed by fascist authorities, collects the victims of anti-fascism, tells of the good old times and does nothing more. Fascist criminals, such as Sonnatori the assassin of the 15-16 of those at Montebello and Veroli, the chemist of Battaglia assassin of communists; when the armature of the people has expelled from other towns with in the streets of Battaglia. These things were incredible but they are serious, and two fascist plots, which would have caused serious incidents, have already been discovered in the province of Battaglia.

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GOOD ADVICE OF A SOLDIER.

The same violent reactionary work troubles the military life. Cases are continually noted from every part of the island that show without a doubt how in the high ranks of the army there are persons who do not lose any opportunity of sabotaging the work of the Democratic Government. To barefooted and half naked soldiers who have already done four or five years of service and who grumble about the long instructions on foot and the marches, the officers answer that it is the fault of the Political Section. A system of doing fascist propaganda without ceasing to. Non-commissioned officers and soldiers are, for slight infractions, horse-whipped (an episode which took place on 15th August at Baccar).

Cassard in an "operational zone" and the "operations" are reduced to the monopolizing of foodstuffs, also those rations, for the "hunger" which are still active, vegetating and suspicious.

Often only those peasant soldiers who can return from their homes with the usual "homages" for their superiors are sent on leave. The "hoarding of rations" has never been applied. Once, on 26th June last, at La Maddalena an attempt was made to apply it by lying some fish, but an error was made, and so as not to touch the "reserves" the fish destined to the soldiers had to rot.

Some days later General Mario Pannof said in a speech to the soldiers that the cause of all ills was to be found in the antifascist parties. There it is seen that the devoted assassins, if they are to look for friends and defenders, can only invoke their fascist friends. Always at La Maddalena, to a soldier who asked to be discharged because he was the only support of the family, the General answered that his sixteen year old sister was sufficient to support his mother as, owing to her age, she could quite well take care of herself.

Episodes that one does not concern in, but which are the result of a pre-meditated action with the object of infusing in the soldiers the greatest distrust of democracy. Or else with the object of exercising the painful patience of men to the limits beyond which there is violence, and therefore order with the fire of machine-guns.

The Sardinian reaction, which lives under the protection of *landowners* landowners, plays with recovered cards, helped by the insular position of the country. It is a game that the Government must stop with a greater urgency than in other countries, before these rebellious movements on which reaction is waiting to speculate become evident. But it is a bad speculation that can even cost the Homeland.

1961

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TO: Lt.Col.Shipp.

25 Sep 44

1. According to Captain Radcliffe, information contained in attached report was given him by head of Montecanti Rome.
2. The background story is that a Patriot group made up a list of names of those mine employees who could be depended upon to resist German plans to destroy equipment etc. This list fell into enemy hands and some seventy odd Italians were picked up and shot. One of the local managers took to the brush and escaped.
3. The fact that there is little or no work in sight for these miners, the managers lucky escape plus a reported spread of communism locally - all taken together lead to the belief that the reburials might set off a disturbance.
4. This information from Capt. Radcliffe.

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C.R. ODEN,
Captain.

B/V 28/9
-later 31.

SL
30/9

1962

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Capt Odum

Can you pt. try and find
out from Capt Radcliff what
the origin of this is.

U 24/7

1963

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LC.

Ref attached signal. Your
phone message was the first I
had heard of the material.
The signal was not copied to
CAB and we had no previous
knowledge of the affair.

In view of the fact that
the incident would have taken
place yesterday, do you wish
any further action taken?

1964

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RELOJANES REGION EIGHT INFO PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

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ACC HQ

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MINING DIVISION

REPERIODS REMOVAL OF MINE EMPLOYEES KILLED BY MINEBOMBING CAMPAIGN AT MICHIGAN
PD PARISH TO HQ REGION EIGHT INFO TO PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER GONZALEZ FROM HQ ACC
FOR MINING DIVISION SIGNED SENATE PARISH MONTGOMERY CMA REED OFFICE CMA STATES THEY
BELIEVE CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE MEMORIAL OF TWENTY VICTIMS AT
MASSACHUSETTS WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT VICTIM HUSBAND HOUSE CMA TWENTY THREE
SEPTEMBER PD THIS IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND ANY ~~OTHER~~ ACTION YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE PD

(Originating Officer Captain A. F. RADOLIFFE)

L. F. MONTAGNE JR.,
1st Lt. ACC
Adjutant

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Phone 478183

NEF/mrd
19 September 1944

Memo: *Ry. 15/CA*

To : Regional Commissioner, Sardinia
" " " Sicilia
" " " Southern
" " " Lazio
" " " Abruzzi-Marche

Following a recent disturbance at a prominent epuration trial, it is desired to call the attention of Regional Commissioners in Italian Government territory to their Advisory responsibility in anticipating and preventing possible disturbances on such occasions. The Regional Commissioner, through his Public Safety personnel, should see to it in advance that the procedure of the Italian authorities in the conduct of important trials is adequate; especially that the Carabinieri and City Police are in sufficient number and properly instructed and disposed, that entrance into the building where the trial is to be held is controlled, that admittance into the courtroom is restricted in number and that those admitted do not carry weapons of any kind and that material witnesses are properly safeguarded. Such supervision is within the Advisory powers of Regional and Provincial officials in Italian Government territory and is definitely their responsibility.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

Copy to:
R.C., Toscana
R.C., Emilia
R.C., Liguria
R.C., Piemonte
R.C., Lombardia
R.C., Venezia

1966

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SECRET
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: HQ ACC FOR LUSH
FROM: ACC REGION 1 (CARR)
REFERENCE No: RED-305
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEP 21 1000A
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 62/21
CLASSIFICATION: 2-2 SEP 1966
PRECEDENCE: OP PRIORITY
OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

ACTION

SECRET. REF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION MAJOR DOLLARD FOLLOWING HIS REPORT ON VILLALBA INCIDENT ON 16TH SEPT DURING MEETING HELD AT VILLALBA BY DOTTORRE GIROLAMO LI CAUSI OF COMMUNIST PARTY SEPARATIST ELEMENTS FIRED SEVERAL SHOTS AND THREW 4 HAND GRENADES. 14 PERSONS WOUNDED. ORDER RESTORED BY POLICE. SPECIAL INVESTIGATION PROCEEDING.

EC M Dec 132 a.

For info only. We must await special report.

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ACTION: CA BR 2
INFO: A/CC
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A. C. C.

DATE and Time of RECEIPT SEP 21 1910A

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TRANSLATION

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Taken from the UNITA of Wednesday 20 September 1944.

THE ATTEMPT.

At Villalba, yesterday, a large and enthusiastic crowd, in which were many women and children, assisted at a large popular meeting held by the Communist Party and the Socialist Party.

All of a sudden, while comrade Girolamo di Gausi, a member of the direction of our party, was speaking, a group of maffiosi in the pay of the separatist barons intentionally assailed the assembly throwing hand grenades.

Many of the citizens present at the meeting, women and children were more or less seriously wounded. Also comrade di Gausi was hit by several splinters of hand grenades.

The maffiosi dispersed after the attempt, managing to evade the indignation of the people which asks for justice and energetic measures against the barons who organized the crime.

Wagon. That is, (illegible) report for Brig. Gen.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

Phone:
Ext. 289

131

Ref/15/131/CA.

22 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Food Situation.

TO : R.C. Region IV.

The attached documents are forwarded for information
and any action considered necessary.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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[Signature]

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HEADQUARTERS
17 AUG 1944
A. C. C.

FIGHT OCCURRED 17 JUL AT SEATI BETWEEN TRO OF 78 DIV STAGING TARANTO AND
CIVILIANS. WITNESSES STATE UNPROVOKED ATTACK BY CIVILIANS. INVESTIGATE QUICKLY
AND REPORT.

Internal Distribution: Master.
File 5063/96/A(PB) Copy to: Pro

ACC LIST

ACTION: PUB SAFETY SC 2
INFO: A/CC
CA BR
ADMIN SEC
FILE 2
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Wing Dillard

PO take up with P/Safety

8/13/44

RCMG

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15 Aug 1944

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 2. HEADQUARTERS CAI 129

Your ref _____

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL POLICE OFFICER

My ref PS/3

Subject Disturbances

TO : Deputy Executive Commissioner, H.C. & M.G. Section,
NPO 394.

17 AUG Recd

Reference your letter of 7 July, 1944, 15/105/GA.
Subject: Disturbances.

The report of the F.P.O., Natera, concerning
the incident referred to, is attached.



LSK/ar

Lloyd E. Kelly

LEOYD E. KELLY.

Lt. Col. Inf.

Regional Public Safety Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PROVINCE OF MATERA

Ref: PS/26/1

1 Aug. 1944

SUBJECT: Disturbances

TO : Regional Police Officer - Region 2

In reply to your PS/8 of 10 July 1944 on the subject of disturbances.

On the afternoon of the 26 June 1944, Salomone Alberto director of the Bank of Naples at Pisticci and also as President of the local Association of Hunters lodged a protest against Scapecchi Santi, secretary of the local "Camera del Lavoro", because some of the temporary communal guards who were doing police duty were armed with shotguns. Salomone declared that the hunting laws forbid the use of such arms and ammunition to public agents. He also added that he would report this fact to the Ministry.

Scapecchi replied that no orders in this regard had been issued by him and that the guards depended on the Sindaco.

Salomone was accompanied by Grieco Giambattista and Rosano Filippo, both released convicts. These men were in a slight state of intoxication and behaved in a arrogant manner.

The commander of the CC.PP. warned Salomone to avoid any disturbance and not to interfere with the job of the guards.

Later on the 8 July these three men were warned by the local Italian Military Command to abstain from causing any disturbance with the Camera del Lavoro and to respect the opinion of other people.

This is all the information the Questura could give on this disturbance. However, the incident was the subject of a special report forwarded by the P.C. of Matera to the R.C. Region 2.

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Lt. C. Anderson

Lt. C. Anderson
Provincial Police Officer

1973

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS

26 JUL 1944

C.C.C.

26 JUL Recd

TO: ACC MAIN

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 1/26

FROM: ACC REGION 6 SIGNED CARR

CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

REFERENCE No: NONE

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JULY 25/2051 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: 941 914

SPECIAL SITREP TO STRIKE CARBONIL AREA CALLED OFF TODAY AND MINERS ARE RETURNING TO WORK. THERE HAVE BEEN NO INCIDENTS

ACTION

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
APO 394

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Ref/15/126/CA.

26 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Disturbance at ADRIANO Theatre.

TO : R.C. Rome Region.

The attached report by S/54267 SSM A. PALFREY of HQ.
AAI is forwarded for information and any action you may
consider necessary.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Incl
as above

1975

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

125

Ref/15/125/CA.

26 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Disturbances.

TO : R.C. Region II.

May a reply now be received to this HQ letter
15/106/CA of 7 July 1944.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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THESE PAGES TO ACC WARE REPTD ACC BARDENIA FROM ACC ROUTE 11

ACC REPT OF SIX
WAS

JUL 22/1949

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CLASS. 73

SPECIAL DIVISION FROM 1001 TO SIX BARRIED CAMP. STRIKE ITALIAN CALLED OFF AND 2000
RETURNED WITH THIS REPORTING LEAVING 2000 STILL OUT AT CARRONIA AND VICINITY. 2000
BARRIED WARRIED AT HEAD OF BARRIED RETURNED TO CAMP TO PREVENT INTERFERENCE BY ITALIAN.
ROOT CAUSE OF STRIKE APPEARS TO BE LACK OF EFFICIENCY AND UNWILLINGNESS OF ITALIAN OFFICIALS
TO IMPLEMENT AGREED FOOD DISTRIBUTION SCHEME. THIS IN ADDITION CAUSED HIGH PRICES LOCAL
PRODUCE. 2000 BARRIED ALSO NEEDED SUPPLIES OF MEAT EXPECTED 10 JULY ARRIVED BARRIED
21 JULY. QUOTE DISGRACE HAMPERED BY FACT THAT OVER TO CHANGE OF VESSEL INITIAL DISGRACE
BY LIMITED NECESSARY REPORTS BARRIED

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(Info) A/c
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23 JUL 1949
A. C. C.

JULY 23/1950

1977

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15/7 2 124
SUBJECT:- Disturbance at AERIANO Theatre.

HQ, ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

AAI/5137/A(PS).
24 Jul 44.

La Rome Region
Executive Commissioner,
HQ, Allied Control Commission.

123/22126

25 JUL Recd

The attached report by 3/54267 SSM A. PALFREY of this HQ is forwarded for information and any action you may consider necessary.

JSG/GG.

Encl.

*Can't help to see
in between to send to
Rome Region*

See 126
Brigadier,
DAG.

1978

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

15

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CA BR

TO: JJSK PASS TO ACC MAIN
FROM: ACC REGION 6 SGD CARR
REFERENCE No: NONE
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JUL211944
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N3/22
CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE/ 715

SPECIAL SITREP MINERS CARBONIA-IGLESIAS AREA STILL ON STRIKE.
STRIKE LEADER LAST NIGHT ADVISED MINERS TO GO BACK TO WORK
PENDING SETTLEMENT OF NEGOTIATIONS. HE THEN STRESSED SHORTAGE
OF FOOD PARTICULARLY PASTA AND OLIVE OIL WHICH HAD BAD EFFECT.
UNDERSTAND THERE IS A FURTHER MEETING AFTER THAT DATE. STRIKERS
LAST NIGHT INDUCED PUMP MEN TO COME OUT DESPITE PRESENCE OF
ITALIAN GUARD. MINE WAS FLOODED SLIGHTLY BUT PUMPS WERE AT
WORK AGAIN THIS MORNING. THIS ACTION WAS STRONGLY DEPRECATED
BY STRIKE LEADER. IT IS TRUE THAT NO PASTA IS AVAILABLE
AS REPORTS IN SITREP OF 20 JULY AND THIS HQ WAS INFORMED SOME
TIME BACK THAT NO MORE OLIVE OIL WOULD BE SENT FROM MAINLAND
TO REGION 6

ACTION

ACC DIST

ACT- CA BR 2

INF- A/CC

SECY GEN

ECON SEC 3

FILE 2

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EC. I have changed action 15
Econ. Section - No action by this branch.
For your information. 22 III 1944
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Ex Comm:

Ref 117.

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A copy of this signal has been sent to Labour Sec, and the action changed to them. No action by this branch.

You might wish to discuss with Sec. Sec. or M. Ce. It ties up with a long report by Brig. Can which I send in to you today.

U 2/6

W 2/6

PA

90 2/7

1980

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 324

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Ref/15/113/CA

21 July 1944

SUBJECT: Discipline

TO : HQ. A.A.L.

1. I refer to your AAI/5130/A(PB) of 15 July 44.
2. A report has now been received from Brindisi a copy of which is enclosed for your information. Regional Commissioner Region II states that he has confidence that Capt. Strand who signed the report ~~clear~~ the situation well.

Mass. 1 B report returned from Brindisi

[Signature]
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to:
R.C. Region II

At (a) Shupp
Pl. See ~~the~~ 117 ~~the~~ 117
In case should see pg 21/7

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

15
20 JUL Recd

1200 117

CABR 2

TO: ACC MAIN
FROM: ACC REGION 6 SIGNED CAR
REFERENCE No: NONE
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JULY 191726
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N7/20
CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

ACTION

SPECIAL SITREP FROM REGION 6 SIGNED CAR.
ALL MINERS ON STRIKE CARBONIA-IGLESIAS AREA. CAUSES DELAY IN
ISSUE OF PASTA AND INEFFICIENT DISTRIBUTION AT COMMUNAL LEVEL OF
FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. SUFFICIENT FLOUR OR WHEAT HAD BEEN
ISSUED ITALIAN AUTHORITIES TO COVER NORMAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY RATION
REQUIREMENTS. SITUATION QUIET AND NO INCIDENTS REPORTED. MOST
DISQUIETING FEATURE IS THAT LOADERS HANDLING WHEAT BETWEEN WAREHOUSES
AND MILLS IN CAGLIARI-CARBONIA AREA ARE ON SYMPATHY STRIKE FOR INCRE-
ASED WAGES.

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 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 REGION 2. HEADQUARTERS 11345

Your ref _____

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL POLICE OFFICER

My ref PS/32Subject Discipline.

12 July 1944

TO : Executive Commissioner, R.C. & M.C. Section,
 R.C. Hq. APO 394.

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1. Reference 15/95/CA. 29 June, 1944, Subject: Discipline.

2. An investigation has been made as directed in the above mentioned letter. The report of the investigating officer, R.P.O. Brindisi, is enclosed and is self explanatory.

3. I have confidence that Lt. Strand R.P.O. Brindisi, knows the situation thoroughly as stated.

John T. Williams
 JOHN T. WILLIAMS
 Col. Inf.
 Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army

30 June 1944

R/4217

SUBJECT: Discipline

TO : Hq. Region III, A.C.C.

1. Forwarded as a matter pertaining to your Region.

For the Regional Commissioner.

Neil C. Baker
NEIL C. BAKER,
1st Lt., MC,
Adjutant.

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ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/15/95/CA

29 June 1964

SUBJECT: Discipline.

TO : R.C. Region III.

1. There is sent to you a copy of 71 Sub-area letter 185/115/A dated June 44 together with SIB report and other documents.
2. Will you please investigate the allegations made as to the political character of the funeral of FISCHEPPO and of the activities of the individuals and organizations mentioned, and report to this Headquarters.
3. When replying please return the SIB report.

Norman E. Fiske
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref /15/113/CA

17 July 1944

SUBJECT: Discipline.

TO : R.C. Region III

1. On 29 June (ref. 35/15/CA) you were sent copy of letter from 71 Sub Area dealing with the funeral of FISCINETTO.
2. We are being urged for a report so you report by an early date would be appreciated.

NORMAN E. PIERCE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

1986

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Subject:- Discipline .

1500 *1500 (Civil Affairs)*
HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

AAI/5130/A(PS)
15 Jul 44

HQ Allied Control Commission
RC and MG Section AIO 394

Ref our AAI/5130/A(PS) dated 25 Jun 44 and your reply
Ref/15/96/CA dated 29 Jun 44.

/ Are you yet in a position to advise us further on this matter.

HD/OIT

W. M.
Brigadier,
D.A.G.

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1. Folio 109 deals with a disturbance occasioned by an attempt by people of VILLANOVA to mill barley illegally.
2. Whilst serious enough in itself, it is an isolated case & in a place with a bad record.
3. Complete order was restored.

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(Defendant)
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 Alleato per soddisfare la sentenza resa e la multa imposta.

Witnessed by
 (Teste)

(Accused) (Accusato)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
APO 394

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Ref/15/110/CA.

16 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Discipline.

TO : R.C. Region III.

May a reply now be received please to this HQ
letter 15/95/CA of 29 June 1944.

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NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION VI

PS/1520

7 July 1944

SUBJECT: Disturbance at Villanova Monteleone (Sassari).

TO : H.Q., Allied Control Commission, R.C. and M.G. Section.

1. Following is a full report on the recent disturbance at Villanova Monteleone which resulted in the death of one person and the wounding of eight others. This report is based on reports received from Lt Col Francesco MATTU, Commander of the Sassari CC.RR Group and Capt HAYES, Provincial Public Safety Officer, A.C.C. Nuoro and Sassari Provinces.
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4. This system of operation was received with marked hostility by those families who wished to mill illegally. The millers themselves offered little co-operation since they disliked such rigid control measures and since it lessened their production.
5. At 1330 hours on 24 June 1944, a throng of townspeople composed of men, women and children marched upon the mills. At the Caralesu mill, the demonstrators demanded that the Carabinieri on guard leave the premises. The Carabinieri protested but was finally obliged to give way to the menacing throng.

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6. Following removal of the Carabinieri, the crowd forced their way into the mill, started the engines and obliged the proprietor to begin milling quantities of barley which they had brought with them. The deposed guard hastened to the caserma to report the incident to Maresciallo ROMANO.

7. While the demonstrators were taking possession of the CALARESU mill, a group of 50 youths assembled at the CC.RR caserma and challenged the Carabinieri to come outside. Maresciallo ROMANO, assisted by three Forestry Guards and three Carabinieri (his full available strength) left the caserma in an attempt to check the disturbance. Upon seeing the Carabinieri leave the caserma, the assembled youths ran to notify the crowd at the mill of their approach.

8. When the Maresciallo and his men reached the CALARESU mill they were suddenly assaulted and stoned in an attempt to disarm them.

Carabinieri 18/7

One Carabinieri fell to the ground while others struggled to free themselves from their assailants. Maresciallo ROMANO was struck on the temple with a large stone.

9. With a strong effort the Maresciallo succeeded in momentarily freeing himself and opened fire. Another Carabinieri also opened fire. Faced with the fire of the Carabinieri, the crowd fled. One 56 year old farmer was killed and eight others (including two women) were wounded.

10. The violence shown by the people was unjustified and it would appear the Carabinieri acted in line of duty.

11. Villanova has a very bad record of violence and a dislike for the Carabinieri. In this case, there seems to be little doubt that the demonstration was turned into an excuse for an attack on the Carabinieri.

12. Because of the "vendetta" tendencies of the people of Villanova Monteleone, Maresciallo ROMANO has been transferred elsewhere by his Command. All three mills have been ordered to resume working daily in order to avoid any further ill-feeling but rigid control and supervision is being continued in accordance with the wishes of the Prefect and to protect the Granai del Popolo.

13. Complete order has been restored.

14. An incident which took place a few years ago sheds some light on the mentality of the people of Villanova. A man was stabbed to death while actually taking part in a religious procession. Although the sacrilege was seen by many, all denied being witnesses.

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McCar Brigadier

M. CARR, Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner,
A.C.C., Region 6.

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SUBJECT:- ¹⁵Shooting Incident at Mercatello (Salerno)

7 JUL 1944

¹⁰HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

AAI/5130/A(P3)

30 Jan 44

Public Safety Sub-Commission
ACC

2 LUG. 1944

Ref your ACC/14030/3/PS dated 20 May 44.

Will you please forward the information promised in para 3 of your above-quoted letter.

JDP/IM

Copy to:- Executive Commission ACC

Brigadier,
D.A.G.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

RMC/15/106/GA

7 July 1944

SUBJECT: Disturbances.

TO : R.C. Region II

The attached Signal (received at Salerno) from Michele Bianco, representative of the Chamber of Labor of Matera is forwarded to you. Please investigate this incident and in due course forward a report to this Headquarters.

[Signature]
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

1995

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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6/7/44
(Date)

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Dep. Chief Commissioner	
Dep. Secretary General	
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Public Safety	
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Agriculture	
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OR:

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 Investigation & Report _____

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MATERA, Michele Bianco, Representative of
the Chamber of Labor of Matera.

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ACC SALERNO

Il locale direttore del Banco di Napoli, spalleggiato dalle peggiori scorie fasciste e tenendo fede alle minacce circolate nei giorni scorsi, il giorno 26 corrente provocava il Segretario di questa Camera del Lavoro, violava la Sede della Camera stessa e ne richiedeva la chiusura, incitando alla distruzione dei locali allo scopo evidente di disorganizzare il sistema di controllo sulle evasioni all'ammasso del grano, ammasso disposto d'accordo con le Autorità. Denuncio tali fatti alla Commissione interalleata. Denunciamo la criminale manovra sabotativa, protestiamo contro l'attentato alla libertà sindacale e richiediamo protezione della libertà stessa. Firmato il Rappresentante della Camera Provinciale del Lavoro di Matera, Michele Bianco.

TRANSLATION:

The local director of the Bank of Naples, backed by the worst fascist elements, and faithful to the threats spread in the last few days, on the 26th of this month provoked the Secretary of this Chamber of Labor, forced himself into the Hq of the Chamber demanding its closure, inciting the destruction of its premises with the obvious intent of disorganizing the control on the evasions of the public granaries, which have been ordered in agreement with the Authorities. I report these facts to the Inter Allied Commission. We denounce the criminal act of sabotage, and protest this attempt to destroy syndical liberty and ask protection of this freedom.

/s/ Michele Bianco
Representative of the
Chamber of Labor of
Matera.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-1465)

DATE: 7/5/66

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-388610)

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FOR: DIRECTOR

RE: MURDER OF

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JULY 5, 1966, AND BUREAU TELETYPE TO NEW YORK, JULY 5, 1966. ADVISE THAT NEW YORK OFFICE IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION OF THE ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN A PASSPORT FOR DR. KING, JR. FROM THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

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AIR MAIL

Action - Col Hancock
(96 C.A.B.R.)

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

- 3 JUL 1944

2 July 1944

118/3

SUBJECT: Isola del Giglio.

TO : HQ, ACC Adv. (RC & MGS).

Reference your signal 670 of 22 June and this HQ letter 118/3 of 23 June, herewith two copies of report by a CAO of Grosseto Province who recently paid a return visit to the island.

For the Commanding General:

E.B. Mayne
E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, UDF,
Chief of Staff,
AMG 5th Army.

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Report on visit to the Island of Giglio.

To: S.C.A.O., Grosseto.

1. On 29th June 44 the C.A.O.; Orbetello proceeded from Port Ecole by fishing boat to the island of Giglio.

It was impossible to proceed on this assignment earlier due to a two day gale at sea.

At approx. 1100 hrs; halfway between the two islands a Mustang fighter plane with one pilot aboard circled the ship three times, on the third circle the motor stalled and the plane crashed into the sea, disintegrating instantly. The ship's boat immediately put off and in about 8 mins picked up the pilot who was dead. The C.A.O. ordered the boat to proceed to Giglio with the pilot's body aboard.

The party arrived at the port of Giglio at 11.35 hrs.

The population of the island is approx. 2,400 people made up of one third fishermen, one third tradesmen and one third farmers. Of the tradesmen there is included two hundred stone quarrymen who are now completely out of work. This is also true of the fisherman who cannot ply their trade until the deep sea fishing regulations have been relaxed. There are two fractions on the island: the town of Port Giglio with 800 inhabitants and the town of Castello with 800 inhabitants. The rest of the inhabitants are scattered throughout the island.

The population at Port Giglio were extremely friendly. There was absolutely no sign of any hostility toward us.

The C.A.O. immediately called a meeting at the local hotel. Those attending were Marshall Dona Machele who had been acting as Sindaco pro-tem of the island; the Secty of the Commune, Teno Scoto; the doctor Pozzoine Florenzo; a ship's captain, ansaldo Paolino, who seemed to have the respect and admiration of a large percentage of the people in the port.

The C.A.O. before the meeting requested that a message be sent to Castello to invite a representative group from this town to attend the meeting. In the meantime a discussion took place with respect to the food and financial condition of the population. It was ascertained

from those present that the Communal Treasury was bankrupt and that there were outstanding debts, the amount being unknown. Due to the complete secession of all industry including the main one of fishing the population themselves were very short of funds.

Dr. Pozzoini informed me that there were about 200 cases of scabies and two cases of pellegra present on the island: there were also many cases of undulant fever caused by the drinking of raw goat's milk. Those present felt that it would be impossible for them to pay in cash for the last shipment of food supplied by A.M.G. on 25th June.

With respect to the appointment of a permanent Sindaco it was suggested by the acting Sindaco, and agreed to by those present, that Dr. Pozzoini would make a good Sindaco. First, because he is not a native of the island and secondly because, in his official capacity as a physician he cares for the population of Castello.

A few hours later the committee arrived from Castello and consisted of ten persons headed by a chairman, namely Baffigi Loredano. A general discussion then took place and the C.A.O. then suggested to the Castello group the name of Dr. POZZOINI for Sindaco. The chairman replied that the doctor was not acceptable and requested that a committee be set up to nominate a sindaco. This was agreed upon and the C.A.O. ordered two delegates to be appointed from Port Giglio, two from Castello and one from the countryside who would be agreeable to both parties. This was approved and it was stated that a Sindaco would be appointed within three days.

There was absolutely no unrest on the island and the delegates from both towns informed me that at no time had there been any physical violence. It is true, however, that there has been a feud for many years between the two towns. The inhabitants of one town disliking and sabotaging, when possible, the work of the other town.

Food Supplies. The C.A.O. believes that it will be imperative to supply the population of the island with certain articles of food and medicine until the fishing industry has been re-established. To explain this more fully, the fisherman informed me that, in normal times, the catch was about two tons of fish per week. This catch was sold on the mainland or traded for fresh vegetables and meat. As this way of obtaining funds or food has ceased I consider that the following should be the requirements for a thirty day period:-

Flour 13,800 kgs. Sugar 600 kgs. Meat 3,450 kgs.
or a live cattle sub. of 6,000 kgs. Vegetables (most essential)
2,300 kgs. Oils and fats 1,000 kgs. Milk 460 kgs. soap 460 kgs.
Candles 2,000 Matches 2,000 boxes.

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This estimate is predicated on the assumption that the fishing industry will not be re-established within thirty days.

Public Utilities. Water is available and all homes on the island have it. There is no electricity, nor any substitute for same. However there is a generating plant on the island which is in good condition and can be operated for a period of thirty days with a supply of 9 fifty gal.drums of Naptha. The proportionate amount of Lub.oil would also be required. There may be some slight repairs necessary to the power lines.

Fishing Industry. The C.A.O. has requested that a survey be made at once of the total no.of fishing boats which are now serviceable, and the amount of Naptha and lub.oil required to operate these boats for a thirty day period. The C.A.O. was also informed that, within a period of ten days, it would be possible to begin sardine fishing on a limited scale in waters surrounding the island.

General. The C.A.O. again wishes to emphasise that the inhabitants of Giglio will be entriely dependent upon outside food supplies. The present supplies will not last longer than seven days from the date of visit.

It will also be necessary to advance a sum of money of about 75,000 lire to the Sindaco when appointed and approved by A.M.G.

30/JUN/44

/s/ C.I. DUNN Capt.,
C.A.O. Orbetello.

Medical Supplies needed:

1 gal powdered sulphur
1 gal vasoline.

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ADVANCED HQ
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

26 June 1944.

Ref/Adv/15/4/CA.

SUBJECT: Island of Giglio.TO : R.C. Region VIII (for P.C. Grosseto Province)

1. I enclose:-
 - (A) A report by AMD IV Corps.
 - (B) A report by British Red X.
 - (C) A memorandum regarding VENSA's membership of the Fascist party.
 - (D) A report by the CC.RR in GIGLIO.
 - (E) A letter from the wife of VENSA.
2. (A) and (B) above tell a very different story to (C), (D) and (E).
3. Your report on the situation is requested in due course.

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NORMAN L. FERRE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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3 July
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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

24 June 1944

118/3

SUBJECT: Report on Isola del Giglio.

TO : HQ, ACC Rome (attn. Col. Fiske).

Reference our letter on above subject dated 23 June
reference 118/3, herewith supplementary report on the island
made by the British Red Cross representative.

For the Commanding General:

E.B. Mayne
E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, UDF,
Chief of Staff,
AMG 5th Army.

Copy to: P.C., Grosseto Province

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

23 June 1944

118/3

SUBJECT: Report on Isola del Giglio.

TO : HQ, ACC Rome (attn. Col. Fiske).

Reference your cable ADV-49 of 22 June herewith copy of report on the Isola del Giglio received here on June 20.

Further developements on the island are now the responsibility of the P.C., Grosseto Province, who is being informed of the contents of your cable and will check up to make certain that the reports you have received do not refer to the period before the arrival on the island of the AMG task force.

For the Commanding General:

E B Mayne

E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, UDF,
Chief of Staff,
AMG 5th Army.

Copy to: P.C., Grosseto Province

23/6 */mfa* *Capt Talbot*. This report by *Sgt Annenberg* does not tie in with our other information. Suggest both reports be sent to PC Grosseto Province for his further investigation.

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AMG 5 Army (REPEAT R.C. REGION VIII)

C.A. SECT. (FISKE) A.C.C.ADV.
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REPORTS REACHING HERE INDICATE ISLAND OF GIGLIO IN STATE OF
ANARCHY PD POPULATION BEING TERRORIZED UNDER LEADERSHIP OF
VERGA PD PLEASE INFORM EARLIEST

BW 30/6

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