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MEETINGS, ADMIN SECTION
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AIRE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No 37

14 Aug 44

1 AUG Recd

- 1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.
- 2 The following matters were discussed or are for action;
 - a medical supplies for private practitioners;
 - b ration scale for C.G. FF,
 - c issue of permits of doctors cars;
 - d Sub Comsns to submit bids for cars for Italian officers, re-treading of tyres, provision of batteries and spare parts for 15 to 20;
 - e War Crimes or parallel forwarding to AFHQ to be through Admin Sec.
 - f Letters to Higher Authorities on policy etc matters to be signed for C.C.
 - g Clothing for Italian civilians.
 - h MFA filing cards are an essential tool.
- 3 The meeting closed at 1705 hrs.

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ADMIN MEMO IR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 36

11 AUG. 44

- 1 The meeting opened at 1705 hrs.
2 Letters for attention:
a Finance was opening a statistical branch.
b Sub Commissions have responsibility for approving promotions and transfers
of senior Italian Government officials as well as the appointments.
3 The meeting then discussed the question of manpower.
4 The meeting closed at 1750 hrs.

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ADM MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 35

8 AUG Recd

8 Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action -

- a Weekly return on Trips is no longer required.
- b Ministers should be asked to speak more frequently in Provinces.
- c Italian officials should be discouraged from visiting their homes.
- d Prepare for amalgamation of Regions II, III and VII.
- e Precis of speeches for PC meeting to be with Admin before 1200 hrs Aug 20.
- f Plans for sudden expansion must be got ready.

3 Meeting closed at 1045 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 34

3 Aug 44.

5 AUG Recd

- 1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.
- 2 Matters for action.
 - a PWB reports - Sub Comens to say what they require.
 - b Prodigal criticism of any defect - Public ignorant of immense amount of sound constructive work. Sub Comsn should keep PRO informed.
 - c Irregular passes in forward areas - only the yellow form will be recognised.
 - d CC, RR, coming in are of better type may not ceiling exclude acceptance of men of better type to some now in.
 - e Minister of Justice has expert draftsmen, Sub Comens requiring decrees should call them in at an early stage.
 - f Policy as to recording evidence of atrocities. Channel - who should check - who should store.
 - g Comments on W.E. proposals to show whole requirements not distinguish between US and Br.
- 3 The meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

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No. 58

1 Aug

1 AUG Recd

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- 1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.
- 2 Letters for action.
 - a Officers going forward must report to Mr. A.G. Andree.
 - b Monthly reports will be full.
 - c San Marino is neutral.
 - d Private cars of Ministers are not exempt from requisition.
 - e HC meeting 22 Aug.
 - f Directors to ensure that all cars in their GO are turned in.
 - g Messages to Region V should at present go by courier.
 - h Requests for permanent A.G.'s PA passes must be in by 2 Aug.
- 3 The meeting closed at 1040 hrs.

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29 JUL Recd

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AIDE MEMOIR

ADMIN VP MEETING

No. 32

28 Jul

29 JUL Recd

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- 1 Meeting opened at 1000 hrs.
- 2 Acting Admin Head reported on A/CC meeting, items covered:
 - a Feeding Civil Employees.
 - b Feeding Italian Government employees.
 - c Movement to N. Africa.
- 3 Passes into building to be issued to a restricted number of Italian Officials. All Sub-Commissions to submit a list of names for onward transmission to Secretary General to issue permanent passes.
- 4 CSO to issue copies of appendix "C" (Strength in Regions).
- 5 CSO to raise question of necessity of continuance of weekly trip return.
- 6 It was agreed that Sub-Commissions need not make any contribution to weekly letter to Regional Commissioners if there was nothing to report. No answer by 1200 hrs Sundays will be accepted as a NIL return.
- 7 Colonels Kirk, and Spicer to attend next ACC meeting at Adv. A.A.I. HQ. August 2.
- 8 The meeting closed at 1040.

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1 The meeting opened at 1005 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

- 2a a Omodeso purporting to act in Naples in name of AGO.
- b Sicily, consider whether sufficient Italian Judges, carabinieri, prison accommodation are available.
- c "Civilising" of AGO. Proforms for completion.
- d Files should not be sent out of HQ.
- e Italians removed from office should be suspended rather than dismissed.
- f Whether AGO can borrow specialist Officers from replacement centers on condition they are returnable at short notice.

3 The meeting closed at 1105 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETINGNo. 5021 Jul 44

- 1 The meeting opened at 1005 hrs.
- 2 The provisions of teams of Italian Officials for forward areas was discussed with officers from other Sections (Vide Separate Minutes).
- 3 At 1050 hrs the visiting officers withdrew.
- 4 The following matters are for action.
 - a A mission from London and Washington is arriving to investigate the possibility of "Civilising" ACC.
 - b Rome Region is likely to be merged in Rome by 31 July.
 - c What is ceiling of wages for employed Italian experts.
 - d Disposal of fascists interviewed by Armies.
- 5 The meeting closed at 1055 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIRE VP MEETINGRE. 1018 Jul 44

- 1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.
- 2 Matters for attention.
 - a Italian Liaison Section is being abolished. If any Sub-Coms desire the services of any officers they should submit the grounds.
 - b Villa Farnese, MPA to watch position and report if there is any danger of this villa being used.
 - c Reduction of staff. Sub-Coms to report all staff which can be spared to move forward.
 - d Movement. In A&G territory A&I requires restriction of movement over provincial boundaries. Rules as to movements across A&G-A&I line are being issued. Permits to Ministers may be issued under orders of A&I. Ministers permanent passes will require endorsement by A&I Sub-Coms will arrange to obtain through this Section.
- 3 The meeting closed at 1050 hrs.

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AUG 1944AIDE MEMOIR VF MEETING

No. 28

14 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

- All a Foggia is to be temporarily administered direct from HQ. Sub-Coms may wish to appoint a "Field" Officer to take charge of their interests.
- Admin, All b Weekly conference at Adv HQ. 5 Army and 8 Army. Admin Sec will be represented. Agenda to be asked for. Sub-Coms may attend if directly instructed either in agenda or some urgent matter.
- All c Regional Commissioner's Meeting, Mid August.
- Int, Legal, Educ. d Defascising of Ministers. Ministers are appointing investigatory commissions. Sub-Commissions will be responsible for seeing that these are appointed and get to work quickly and efficiently. Progress reports to be rendered. Personnel of these commissions must be screened.
- Admin e Food Scales and Prices. PH Sub-Commission should be consulted when these matters are under discussion.
- f Civil Personnel. Enquiry to be made as to feeding.

The meeting closed at 1038 hrs.

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No. 27

11 Jul 44

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1. The meeting opened at 0805 hrs.
2. The following points are for action
 - a. Accommodation. Officers should be able to rely on certain amount of stability. Enquiry would be made as to the right to live out (i) in requisitioned apartments (ii) as paying guests and also as to rations of those so living out. The allotting of quarters was stated to be not entirely satisfactory especially of junior officers.
 - b. Whether simple instructions as to the use of telephones could be issued.
 - c. Instructions as to reports on officers whose work was not satisfactory would be issued and Directors must be prepared to accept responsibility for making such reports. Specialist officers should only be reported on by Regions after consultation with Sub-Coms.
 - d. Monthly reports should be in as soon as possible.
 - e. It was desirable to continue the weekly news letter to regions. Sub-Coms would supply the material as before.
 - f. The AMGOT bible was dangerous and should either be revised or withdrawn.
 - g. Sub-Coms would report whether they had any further amendments of the "handbook" since their last report early in May.
 - h. Could anything be done to improve the appearance of the Italian drivers.
3. The meeting closed at 0955 hrs.

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~~SECRET~~AIDE MEMORANDUM

No. 20

6 July 1944

- 1 Meeting opened at 1100 hrs.
- 2 Matters for action.
 - a Passes. VP can now grant passes for Italian Officials proceeding to Rome on essential duty. ACC Officers proceeding on duty no longer require passes.
 - b Sicily. PS, Int, Legal, to discuss the Separatist movement, the failure to collect grain, police reinforcements.
 - c Channels of Communication. A new memorandum was in preparation and would be considered by a committee representing all 3 sections.
 - d Defascistisation. Sub-Coms were responsible for seeing that Ministries who were their opposite were defascistised. AMG with Ariales would be responsible for removing the principal fascists as they moved forward. Less important persons should be dealt with by the Italians under Regional supervision and if necessary pressure.
 - e Transportation. The crippling effect on ACC work of insufficient transport.
- 3 The meeting closed at 1140 hrs.

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AIDES MEMOIR VP MEETING

NO. 24

14 JUNE 1944

HEADQUARTERS
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1 FEBRUARY 1944

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1 The meeting opened at 1100 hrs.

2 Matters for attention.

PS Col. Polletti was not entirely satisfied with the state of the carabinieri in Region III. PS would investigate and report.

3 The meeting closed at 1140 hrs.

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Admin. Section Meeting, 6 June 44

Notes made by Capt. P.S. Norden.

1. The meeting was brief and much of it was devoted to the passing on of current information from ACC Main. The following points are however passed on for action:-
2. Col. R.C.B. Spicer (Interior) wishes to enlist help to obtain the prompt release of his teams of Italian officials. Teams for LITTORIA & GROSSESTE were mentioned, and in the future, ROME. Officials are nominated to the SC but when the time comes Regions, it is alleged, raise obstacles to their departure.
3. Ref letter 21/77/CA dated 24 May 44 from Dep. Ex. Commissioner to V.P. Admin. Section, names of members of Italian Govt. advance party for MILA ~~are~~ being sent up today. It is requested that a provisional date for the move is given as early as possible so that numerous enquiries on the subject can be dealt with.
4. Ref letter 313/106/CA dated 2 June 44 from Ex. Commissioner subject "Treatment of Italian Officials encountered on move northwards", Col. Spicer urges that Segreteri Comunale be included in Category "A". His office is usually a small one but is often held by a character who can do much damage.
5. Col. Wilmer is preparing a summary of decrees on "Epuration" and "Defascistization" and defining the two terms. It appears that an impression exists that they are synonymous and the point should be cleared with R.C.B.
- The question was asked if the Ex. Commissioner desired to send out this letter when draft is ready.
6. The V.P., Admin. Section on more than one occasion expressed pleasure that a representative from R.C. & M.G. was present and hoped that it might always be possible.

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 Deputy Executive Commissioner
 Lt. Col. Bowman
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Annual Section Meetings 6 June 19

Letter to Dr. Capt. T. D. Marshall.

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Lt. Col. Bonelli
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ADMN: Admin. Section Meeting, 17 May 1944.

27 May 1944

TO : Colonial Office.

Col. Albright, Col. Michell and myself visited the conference held in Salerno today at 1100 hrs. The following points might be of interest to you:

1. The V.P. outlined certain decisions by the Chief Commissioner at the conference yesterday in Naples.
2. The V.P. brought up the question of OURA openly operating in Sardinia. Col. Young is taking up.
3. Nobody appeared to be keen from Admn. Section to attend the Dislocation Committee meetings.
4. Price Control - gave the Chief Commissioners' ruling that certain essential foodstuffs would be controlled on the basis of the wheat price.
5. Deconscription. Col. Upjohn said that the final draft on which they had been working night and day was finished this morning. He was going to submit to Chief Commissioner for approval.
6. Emigration. Interior S/C said Government had finished final draft, of which presumably we shall get a sight. S/C said this force would be ready for the Advisory Council meeting on Friday next. He had already discussed with both S.Ruis and Count Scorsa.
7. Interior S/C reported that they had in hand the matter of pools of Italian officials to install as territory was occupied ahead. In particular they were pressing for two to three Prefects to be nominated in case local ones had played with the Germans.
8. I promised to pass to Admn. Section a copy of nitrope.
9. I brought back with me a copy of the last meetings minutes and arranged that we would get copies of future meetings. I consider that the contact was most valuable to Civil Affairs Branch and will send an officer to every conference, if possible.
10. The matter of the diesel train service to Salerno was mentioned by me to V.P. who said this was the first he had heard of it. Admn. Section discussed and were generally ~~unanimously~~ in favour of its adoption, provided the service could be done in 55 minutes. Col. Albright said that Transportation stated this was out of the question without an approach on a high level to the Army to give this train some priority.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 APO 394

MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE
SIE-COMMISSIONS, 17 MAY 1944

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1 The meeting opened at 1:00 hours.

- Legal PS 2 The VP reported matters discussed at the CC's meeting
- a The CC had asked the Executive Commissioner to prepare a brief for him for the meeting of the Allied Advisory Council meeting on the subject of Sardinia. Legal and PS would probably receive requests to supply information for the Brief.
- b Italian Government has been asked to pass labor legislation.
- c An Inflation Committee was being set up.
- d If Sub-Coms withdraw too many officers from released territory insufficient may be left to take full weight of administration off the army. Italian Government should not be encouraged to think that we will pull out quickly.
- e Sub-Coms will be careful not to press the Italian Government for particular legislation. Our task is to operate existing forms of Government (defascistised) notwithstanding reforms and changes.
- f Zamboni is HC for Refugees.
- g An Italian Radio is now operating subject to censor control.
- h It is proposed to control prices on a fairly general scale.
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h The following sectional matters were discussed or decided.

- a Promotions - arrangements have been made for consultation of Sub-Coms on promotion of Specialist Officers.
- b Defascistisation. The draft of the new order is now completed. Formula for the decree has been agreed and it is likely to follow fairly closely the original one dictated. The decree is likely to be published on 18 May (prior to the meeting of the Allied Advisory Council).
- c Cost of living. Finance had supplied a very interesting document (which can be seen on request) investigating family budgets in hand, cost of living per head per week, about 400 Lire. A person earning 80 Lire a day does not earn sufficient to keep himself and his wife. A Supplementary Report is expected.

- d An officer to deal with internal matters of the church has not yet been appointed.

e Operational pool for prefects is now being formed.

f Reports from Sub-Ocmts and visitors.

- g 1 Lecce prison badly overcrowded. taken by all ranks ACC even 12
- h 1 Metabrin should be taken by all ranks ACC even 12

they do not reside in material area as preparation in case they have to move through or to a material area.

i 116 cases small pox Naples. 73,000 persons vaccinated to date.

j 1 Overcrowding of prisons and delay in bringing prisoners to trial. Legal had suggested that a special commission should consider untried cases where accused has been in prison as long as the sentence he is likely to receive.

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			This proposal was not acceptable to Italian Government, who suggested (a) general amnesty or (b) release on parole and gradual trial. Italian Government would expect to clear these cases in two years time. Legal did not consider either proposal satisfactory.
11		Officers for Region IV -	These officers had been cleared with Regions at 1st May, orders still not issued. If a staff officer of Regional HQ clears a man it is not necessary to ask RC person ally as well. The staff officer speaking for the RC binds him. If he speaks without authority that is for the RC to take up. It does not justify delay. attempt is being made to reach a better degree of collaboration between the Military and Italian Police, prospects of achieving this are improving.
	c	1	Replacement centers to form pools of groups of organised.
	d	1	Minister is dividing teachers reported as fascists etc. into three lists (a) for dismissal (b) for transfer (c) insufficient evidence and are prepared to receive further evidence as to (c).
	e	1	Italian Government is appointing Central Inspectors for alienated territory and to make these Inspectors available to occupied territory if desired. The scheme is handicapped for want of transport, transport is not available. Italian Government itself should take steps to requisition what it requires now arranged.
MEAA	f	1	Fornightly meetings with Italian representatives now arranged.
	g	1	Church is cooperating to locate deposits of "Treasure" in ex-occupied territory so that endeavours may be

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CORR for sending to forward areas are being organised.

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III 5th Army will allow experts to watch repairs.

IV MAAF most cooperative in trying to avoid bomb damaging monuments. US major have gone through, higher Promotions. US partially cleared should not take much ones are partially cleared.

V RCMG f 1 Ear-marking of officers for Region VIII Sub-Coms who say they are unable to meet this position without an increase of Staff must realise that if the front breaks they will have to deal with the whole area, even if the staff is inadequate and must plan what they will do in that eventuality. It is hoped it will not occur but Sub-Coms must not allow themselves to be taken by surprise and cannot say we do nothing.

VI Region VI report was of interest has P3 any views on the prison question as then stated.

V There was a possibility an ACC "Special" D-3el courier being put on between Naples & Salerno if speed and punctuality could be assured.

PRO g Would welcome matter for their weekly bulletin press day Friday.

GEN h [] Dress. It should be made clear to the Italian Government that shorts is British Uniform and that no disrepect would be intruded by an officer wearing shorts at an interview with an Italian Minister.

5 The Meeting closed at 1215 hours.

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SUBJECT: Admin. Section Meeting, 17 May 1944.

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

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE
SUB-COMMISSIONS, 9 MAY 1944NO 20

- 1 The meeting opened at 1100 hours.
- 2 The VP reported matters discussed at the CC's meeting.
- Legal a SARDINIA: Legal to keep watch on progress of defascistisation, strengthening the judiciary and the abolition of OVRA.
- All b FASCISM: The removal of fascists to proceed more rapidly. Fascists not to be retained on ground of indispensability.
- Admin c FOOD: A mere index of cost of living is insufficient, it must be coupled with a study of family incomes. Can Econ Sec or PWB make a study of some typical family incomes, budgets and the sufficiency of the diet.
- PwB d Palermos interview on functions of the Italian Army.
- e The rate of increases of the cost of living is comparable to that in Germany preceding the financial crash. There is also evidence of distrust of the note issue.
- Int f PAPAL PROPERTY : is to be treated as property of a neutral. The proper channel for dealing with property will therefore be political; other church matters e.g. administrative will be dealt with by Interior. Interior will put up a case for appointment of an officer with special qualifications.
- g Senior officers to make personal acquaintances of as many Ministers as they have reasonable opportunities to meet.
- Legal h To report circumstances under which an allied military court was to be convened in unoccupied Italy.
- 3 The following section 1 matters were discussed or decided:
- a Control of Publications. AFB decree are in hand. Italian Govt will have free hand in making appointments to Local Boards.
- b Prisoners of War. Judiciary & a procedure - under discussion.
- c Prison recondition.
- 4 Reports from Sub-Comms.
- a MFMA. Booklet issued.
- b Safety. Allied personnel and vehicles an active part of Black Market machinery in Poggia.
- c Interior. Forming a pool of Sindaci to be available if front moves. A pool of Prefects is in contemplation.
- d CSO. i Health - 47 cases smallpox, Naples.
- ii Malaria - not being read. Col. Fiske will arrange for copy for VP.
- HQAG iii Handbook contains cancelled Exec Memos.
- Legal e Col. Polletti desired information as to progress in preparation of Emigration decree.
- PH ii also as to establishment of welfare service. 1123
- iii Senior police officials should be removed and replaced by administrators even if without police experience. Safety do not agree.
- 5 The meeting closed at 1222 hours.

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MINUTES OF ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION CONFERENCE,held at Rear H.Q., A.C.C.13 April 1944.

1. Introductory remarks were made by LORD STANSGATE. The tenor of his remarks was a plea for more freedom of communication by Sub-Commissions with their representatives at Regions. Establishment Memorandum No. 2 para 7 (a) dated 7 Feb 44 was referred to by this and subsequent speakers.
 2. LORD STANSGATE also stated that he was not getting information from H.Q. A.C.C.
 3. Lt. Col. SPICER said he was not getting information from R.C's and he felt he was not in a position to demand it from them.
 4. Instances were given of alleged failures to keep Vice Presidents informed of events, e.g. arrangements at Brindisi Prison.
 5. Brig. PARKINSON complained of not being informed of the move of a M.O. Executive Commissioner said he would investigate this.
 6. Col. HARRIS asked that monthly reports by specialist officers should go direct to Sub-Commissions.
 7. Col. UPJOHN appealed for right to advise on technical policy.
- The Executive Commissioner in reply to these remarks made the following points:
- (a) R.C's should correspond with Vice Presidents and there was no objection to Sub-Commissions corresponding with each other providing that copies of letters likely to have repercussions must be sent to R.C. & M.G. Section.
 - (b) He doubted if R.C's knew what information was required by Sub-Commissions. They should tell R.C's what they wanted to know.
 - (c) In reply to Lt. Col. SPICER who asked for more information from all Regions, he said that it could be arranged for one C.A.O. from each Regional H.Q. to visit Sub-Commissions at intervals.
 - (d) In general the time had now come when more lateral communication was permissible but the danger of bringing in matters of policy was emphasized.

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HELD ON TUESDAY, 18 APRIL 1944.

Lord Stansgate presiding.

1. Lt.Col.Spicer, Lt.Col.Hulls and Signor Reale conferred this morning in Salerno.
2. New Italian Government, when names are known, will make the Sections' work easier and harder. Easier because there will presumably be a better Government with a bigger public backing, and harder because the Government will be more inclined to be authoritative. Also Sub-Commission Directors have got to get to know the new men.
3. Do Regions get the Official Gazette?
4. The question of Italian Orders and Instructions (other than decrees which appear in Official Gazette) failing to get through to R.C's was discussed. Col.Poletti gave it as his view that R.C's were kept too much in the dark and something must be done. It was agreed that the Admin. Section should issue a weekly or bi-monthly summary of the Italian Government activities and send summaries of these to the R.C's.
5. Labour Day. Region III have already fixed with Italian Labour authorities for April 30 to be Labour Day, and both sides are satisfied. I said that Col. Bain would approach the Italian Government in respect of the other Regions. Lord Stansgate agreed with that and I said I would let him know if there was any change. From the Admin. Section point of view they approved of April 30 to be Labour Day.
6. Reports. Lord Stansgate will continue to call for monthly reports from his Sub-Commissions and does not favour the quarterly report since it will mean extra work for Sub-Commissions. When we frame our directive on reports he suggests we instruct Sub-Commissions to make a summary to ease the work of the compiler of the main report. Brig. Parkinson and Col. Harris claimed that their reports had a lot of detail it was desirable to transmit to Washington and London and I said that it would not be transmitted in their main report. Suggestion was therefore made that V.Ps. would decide which Sub-Commission reports will be forwarded as special reports independent of the main report. Property Control, Public Health and Finance were obvious instances.
7. Bomb damage of ancient monuments. Monuments and Fine Arts Sub-Commission were told that they must not report straight to Washington or London, it must go through the Executive Commissioner.
8. As meeting was breaking up a telephone call was made from Brig. Lush about the Taranto sit-down strike. Public Safety Sub-Commission was told that they must always inform Labour Sub-Commission at once of news of any labour troubles.

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E. TALBOT,
Captain.

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