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

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28 March 1944

SUBJECT: Minutes of Conference.

TO : MIS, APO.

1. As requested in your MGS 337-5 undated, 4 copies of Minutes of Regional Commissioners Conference held on 4 March 1944 are forwarded for information.

2. Copies of minutes for the 3 March 1944 have already been forwarded by the Secretary General.

W. S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Ed Lake

This seems a reasonable request.

Perhaps CC & Exec. Commission should
be asked if there is any objection
to compliance with this request.Should they also have copies of
the minutes of the smaller district
conference of 4 Mar (Saturday).see over (9).

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True Dist.sent 4 of
minutes of Sat.
4 MAR meeting

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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MGS: 337-5

SUBJECT: Minutes of Conference

TO : HQ., ACC

It would be much appreciated if you would arrange for this Section to be placed on the distribution list for the minutes of the monthly conference which is held by the Chief Commissioner and for the periodic meetings of Regional Commissioners. It is felt that such minutes would be of very great interest to Civil Affairs London and Washington and it is requested that 4 additional copies may be supplied so that copies can be forwarded.

Henry Parkman, Jr. 3544

HENRY PARKMAN, JR.,
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
Acting Chief of Section.

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Have not got the word of
copies required of this
and of the conference on
what it
asks Major Sec.

*Yes
it is available*

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Director, Internal Transportation Sub-Commission (Col. Pitch) explained the salient points of the proposed organisation for road haulage transport, as issued to Regional Commissioners 11 Feb 44. Progress of plans was reported which included formation of Truck Unit of 80 trucks, and the availability of further 250 trucks. Of those allotted to Region II a total of 65 were now found to be unroadworthy. Arrangements have been made by Adm. Esh. MCMF to attach competent officers for the purpose of ensuring that all trucks assigned were put into roadworthy condition. Three officers had been detailed and would be attached for one month.

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Chairman stressed the importance of the organization and emphasized that the Chief Commissioner was not satisfied with the progress made since the publication of the instructions, and asked Regions to report on the state of organization in their areas.

Region I - organization working. Additional trucks required to augment services. Number required 100.

Region II - little progress.

Region III - organization ready to accept 50 trucks at once.

Region IV - plans made, estimate initial requirements 200 trucks.

Region V - plans made, estimate initial requirements 125 trucks. Ultimate requirements 380 to cover the whole Region, but it was required to know under what conditions the operatives would be clothed, fed and paid, and what sort of terms could be offered to contractors.

From Region V remarks, it was obvious that there was some misconception as to the nature of the scheme. The Chairman therefore explained that the outline of the plan and the agreements reached with the Italian Government authorities were as follows:

(a) Vehicles are to be assigned to A.C.C.

(b) Vehicles will be sold to the Italian Government with the option to re-purchase. Italian Government will contract out with public agencies and road haulage concerns on a basis whereby the road haulage concern undertakes the upkeep and maintenance of the vehicles, payment of the employees, and general management in return for kilometrage allowance on tariffs fixed in relation to areas and terrain.

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R.C. Region I explained the scheme now operating in Sicily under I.N.T. and in conjunction with Ispettorato Generale di Motorizzazioni which is represented in every Province in Italy.

Region II has the organization S.I.T.A.

Region III has a similar organization in C.A.N.

Region V has a number of contractors willing to form a pool in Puglia.

From this it appeared that the scheme could operate as soon as the necessary trucks became available.

Agreed that in A.M.G. territory, trucks should be turned over to R.Cs. and accounted for in the same way as A.P.A. line, or any other commodity. On the turn-over of territory to the Italian Government the vehicles would also be turned over to the Italian Government on payment. Vehicles would then be turned over to contractors against receipt and guarantee of maintenance and upkeep.

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Contractors to be paid allowance on distance according to tariff. R.C. Region I undertook to send to this H.Q. form of existing contract which has actually been used.

R.Cs. were asked to send in immediately their plan for freight charges and kilometrage allowance. It is appreciated that there will be differentiations and these will be coordinated at this H.Qs.

Deputy Executive Commissioner (Col. Fiske) took the opportunity to explain that A.F.H.Q. had ordered the return to the Italian Army of all Italian military equipment, especially transport vehicles. R.Cs. had been instructed to return all Italian military transport vehicles to the Italian Military authorities. Where this would vitally disorganise the existing transport system for civilian supply, or other works, R.Cs. were asked to state the case for each individual vehicle and then to submit to this H.Qs. without delay.

Item No. 24

Relation and Channel of Communication between Regions and Sub-Commissions.

The Chairman stated that Sub-Commissions have the right to deal direct with the technical members of Regional and Army AEG Staffs on technical matters. S.G.A.Gs. and R.Cs. were asked to give their views as to routine of channels of communications.

5 Army - no trouble so long as orders were not issued.

8 Army - satisfactory. Attention was drawn to the instructions regarding entry into Army areas. Essential that all officers should first obtain permission to enter these areas and inform the Army staffs who they were visiting.

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Agreed that correspondence should not be addressed to officers in the Regions by name. The R.C. suggested that Heads of Sub-Commissions should remember that Regional Control existed even in Naples and that contacts should be effected through the Regional Commissioner.

C.S.O. Admin. Section (Lt.Col.Cripps) asked that correspondence from Regions to Sub-Commissions should be addressed to the Executive Commissioner, H.Q. A.C.C. and routed to the Sub-Commission concerned. Also agreed that communications from the Italian Government to Regions must be sent through H.Q. A.C.C.

Region IV - no objection with the same proviso as Region III. It was noted that as the H.Q. of Region IV would not when in operation be situated in the same town as the central H.Q. the question would not arise.

Region V - no objection. R.C. requested that any officer travelling in the Region should give advance notice of their probable arrival in order that arrangements for their feeding and accommodation might be made. Also requested that all contacts within the Region should be made either through the R.C. in the first instance, or that he should at least be informed of the intentions of the visiting officer.

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Chairman instructed that an order to this effect should be published in the Daily Bulletin and repeated once a week until further notice.

Region VI - no objection. Suggested that military communications relating to the Region be reported to R.C. Visitors to be instructed to carry blankets.

Item No. 3.

The Rt. Hon. the Viscount Stansgate, Vice President Administrative Section, and representatives of Legal (Col. G. R. Upjohn), Interior (Lt. Col. R. A. B. Spicer), and Public Safety (Col. P. G. Kirk) Sub-Commissions joined the Conference.

(a) Chief, Legal Sub-Commission explained that it was proposed that decrees issued by the Italian Government and published in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" should, where applicable, be applied to M.G. territories. Machinery by which this was to be effected, would be the provision of a space in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" for the inclusion of a notice over the signature of the Chief Commissioner, which would indicate that certain decrees had received the warrant of the Chief Commissioner. One copy of the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" so signed would be returned to the Italian Government and one copy similarly signed would be retained by the Legal Sub-Commission.

It was suggested that some of the decrees might be made to apply in Army areas. Agreed that no such authentication should be given except after consultation with R.Cs.; and S.C.A.Os., likely to be concerned.

Posting of Proclamations and Orders. Attempt was being made to find a means by which the printing and posting of a large number of large size Proclamations and Orders should be obviated. In many cases this was unnecessary and wasteful because Proclamations and Orders are not read by the Italian people. Posting had to be carried out to conform with the laws and usages of war. This could be done by the posting of a small bill containing the necessary Proclamations and Orders in small print. The communication of the Proclamations and Orders in the appropriate quarters in occupied territory could best be effected by means of a small booklet to be handed to officials.

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(b) German Property.

Chief, Legal Sub-Commission, stated that a ruling had been sought regarding the status of German property in occupied territory. He gave as his opinion that this could not be confiscated merely because it was enemy property. Custody can only be taken by the Property Custodians in the absence of the owner. It would be necessary for the Italian Government to enact a decree enabling it to confiscate or requisition German property. This it was loath to do because it feared that reprisals might follow in territory now occupied by Germans against whom Italian Government had declared a state of war. With regard to the property of Governments not yet recognised by the Governments of the United Nations, or by the Italian Government, property could be taken over by the Italian Government if it so desired, subject to AMG permission.

(c) Communications.

Col. Upjohn reminded the Conference that under the Armistice terms the Armed Forces of the Allies were allowed complete control of all communication systems. For that reason military authorities were within their rights in denying to the Italian Government the use of any tele-communication facilities.

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(d) Prostitution.

Col. Upjohn advised that the control of prostitution was a very delicate matter and any steps taken by R.Cs. should be fully coordinated with the Legal Sub-Commission.

(e) Review of Court Cases.

The Chairman said that it was incumbent upon R.Cs. to take a very active interest in the review of all Court cases within their Regions. They should from time to time actually review cases themselves, especially those in which their own officers might be impugned, or against whom allegations might have been made, or might have subsequently been made. Col. Upjohn quoted as follows.

Item No. 4.Refugee Situation.

Head of the Refugee Branch (Lt. Col. Hullis) amplified his explanation of the Refugee problems of the previous day, emphasising that,

- (a) As the Transit Camps essential to a successful solution were still not provided, the more or less direct flow of refugees from the front to rear (Regions) had to continue.
- (b) For military reasons some areas were still banned as reception areas. It was hoped that bans would be lifted but whilst they were on the accommodation problem was accentuated.
- (c) Refugees were known to be unpopular in reception areas. This is understandable but must be surmounted.

The immediate problem was to cater for 50,000.

Suggestions.

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3. Sending refugees abroad was ruled out owing to shipping problems. Therefore, start would be made on the percentage basis at once. Noted that Region II absorption had been 1% only to-date.

4. Over the next 6 weeks it was required that ,

Region I should take 10,000

Region II " " 20,000

Region III " " 10,000 (District III were being pressed to raise the ban on some of its closed areas).

Region VI (Sardinia) to take 10,000 if shipping could be arranged.

(d) Feeding en route. The present arrangement was to put rations for 48 hours on the trains. This had not been entirely satisfactory, but would be continued. In addition, it was required to have feeding stations (soup kitchens) at 4 points (SALEMA, PAOLI, CATANZARO and REGGIO) along the railway route. One meal per train of 700 people at each point.

English. The mayor should be provided.

Organisation of team of workers was necessary, e.g. Mayor, doctor, priest and some women.

Stockpiles of food would have to be formed - initial supplies would be forthcoming.

- (e) Work required in camps and on route must be done by Italians up to 100%. Instructions and advice would be circulated to assist Provincial Officers in solving problems.

R.C.s. agreed to accept allotments and organise local help at feeding points and committees to deal with refugees in the communes. Subsequent local feeding problems would have to be dealt with by:

- (a) Relief payments
(b) Supplementary estimates for civilian supply.

Minimal rolls of refugees arriving at any place were promised as far as possible. R.C.s. were asked to realise the enormous amount of clerical work involved and to be patient if lists were not always furnished. (Lt.Col.Hulls left the Conference).

Item No.3 (Cont'd).

(f) Interior Sub-Commission.

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Pointed out that CC.LR is a national organization and command responsibility was being resumed. There would be changes in local commands and transfers of individuals for various reasons. No attempt should be made to influence these changes or prevent them on grounds of "losing a good man", or the break up of pleasant associations.

Reasons for a protest against moves would need to be very substantial.

The question of supplies (excluding food) for CC.LR is being taken up by Land Forces Sub-Commission.

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(h) Screening of Italian Officials.

Head of Security Branch (Col. Young) explained briefly the use of the "Scheda Personale" (copy attached) and how the screening scheme had been worked in Regions I & II. With modifications dictated by experience, a new form was being printed and would be brought into use in all Regions.

Chairman announced the formation of the Zanibone Committee and organisation for the purge promulgated. Suggested that a member of the Committee should be co-opted on to the organisation being formed in Region III. R.C. Region III declined to accept this without further examination.

(i) Control of Movement.

1. Agreed to remove all restrictions on travel and purchase of goods other than emased commodities within Regions.

2. Agreed that Regional Commissioners may arrange movement between Regions.

3. This should result in freer movement of abundant foodstuffs and assist in tracing black market dealings.

(Suggest that pass issued for outward movement be taken at end of journey and replaced by one for homeward journey. This would mean a little more clerical work but would stop traffic in permits).

Region V would like a special directive to prevent abuses and define the responsibilities of the R.C., P.Os. and P.Os. in relation to military bans in Reggio Province.

Agreed that special precautions should be taken to prevent controlled foodstuffs getting on to the black-market through these relaxations.

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Distribution of Petrol Products.

Chairman introduced Lt.Col. King to explain the work of the Petroleum Section, A.C.M.F.

Region II - Control was difficult because registration was not completed before the turnover to the Italian Government. Brigadier Lush replied that the Government would doubtless now cooperate in this.

S.C.A.O. 5 Army : The material presented would have special reference to Rome.

Agreed that returns on petrol supply bids be quarterly and not monthly.

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Item No. 6c.Personnel and Transport Situation (Colonel Albright) - (See attached Schedule "A").

Col. Albright said that many shortages existed as a result of calls for personnel to be used in other theatres and operations. The ultimate prospect for this theater was approximately 1222 officers, equally divided between American and British, which was considerably below the previous authorized strength of more than 1400. It would, therefore, be impossible to have fixed establishments within Regions. Personnel must be posted where required. Ceilings will, however, be set up for Regions. Also, with this situation prevailing, all advancements of officers and OR/EM would be dealt with by JOC HQ upon recommendation from the Regions and Sub-Commissions. It is hoped that Tables of Organization can be set up for enlisted men so that a fair distribution of grades might be maintained.

This shortage of personnel will make more imperative the fullest possible use of Italian personnel for cooks, waiters, drivers, etc. A detachment of Italian soldiers including an officer and NCO's was being set up to be trained as drivers, under supervision of American officers, who would be responsible for supervising the training and tests in order that the requirements of vehicle maintenance be observed. Italian typists must be used to the fullest extent within the limitations of security.

Region VI: asked if the Italian soldiers now used and others to be used would receive Allied rations and would that they now do receive these rations.

Region IV: inquired if there would be a directive covering the proposed Italian drivers and was informed that a directive would be issued.

Next asked whether Commanding Officers could administer discipline by appointment or reduction of enlisted men (A), and if it was to be handled. Recommendations are to be sent to the Commanding Officer of the Regiment who would appoint one officer as a board to recommend action, but only for reduction, as all promotions in the theatre are frozen, promotion could not be made to fill a vacancy created by a reduction. Suggested that the Regional Commissioners be appointed as the boards for their various Regions to accomplish the appropriate recommendations.

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Establishment Officer: on the assignment of Officers and EM/ORs, said that owing to the difficulties of location and mail, all permanent postings would be made by ACC H.Q. H.Q. must be notified of all moves of personnel within Sub-Commissions or Regions. The Armies might make requests for attachment of personnel by application to Regional Commissioners or to H.Q. after clearing through Regional Commissioners.

S.C.A.O., 5 Army: asked what is the status of the Rome Party until the formation of its Sub-Regions. Establishment Officer replied that in some cases their positions were not yet determined, but generally they would be attached to formations with which they were now working.

Agreed that Rome Party specialists may be summoned to meetings, if the specialists are notified through the Regional Commissioners.

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Establishment Officer: British vehicles are expected from NATOUSA for the Refugee and Displaced Persons Sub-Commissions which could then return the vehicles borrowed from Region IV. The American T/E's were now approved and additional vehicles would be available as soon as they could be assembled. Interest Regions and Sub-Commissions should submit requests especially for trailers. In order that priorities might be determined, reasons for request should accompany. At present, Refugees and Displaced Persons have the first priority. A Pool would be set up to cover emergency demands; T/E's will not be fixed, Maintenance to be handled by local units of other formations.

Region IV: asked for a reduction in personnel records and returns to prevent duplication. Consideration is promised.

S.C.4.0. 5 Army: said that EM/OR drivers were essential as Italians could not be used in the forward areas. Agreed that 5th and 8th Army must have priorities on personnel.

Region I: asked what the procedure was for forwarding requests for Italian drivers. Instructions being issued re Civilians, Army drivers, apply HQ. ACC.

The Chairman asked the R.Cs. to impress upon their Officers that they should, when visiting this H.Q. make a point of trying to see him, the Deputy Executive Commissioner and the Establishments Branch, as they all are interested in the individual officers, their problems, and the situations which arise in their Regions. Also, officers coming to this H.Q. might reasonably serve as channels for questions arising in their Regions.

S.C.4.0. 8 Army: suggested that O.Rs. should be inspected before departure from NATOUSA as they have previously arrived here badly equipped. Agreed that Establishments Branch would take care of this.

Establishments Officer said that attempts were being made to bring over the EM/ORs still at Tizi Ouzou.

Item No. 7.

Public Works Programme - special reference to highways and roads.

Lt.Col. Jenny explained that Military highways were the responsibility of the Army, and though largely handled by A.C.C. and civilian agencies, had to be under the direct control of the Army. The personnel working on this project ought to be controlled by Headquarters, especially in Regions III and IV, but the personnel assigned to the work in Region II might reasonably be employed on other highway work there.

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A great deal of information is collected by this Sub-Commission and it is always available to other members of L.C.C. The correct use of channels through H.Q. should be observed, with special reference to contacting ministers of the Italian Government.

Item No. 8.

Liaison.

Lt.Col. Bowman introducing the subject as Chief Liaison Officer, LOC HQ., emphasised that the following points should be observed in liaison work:

1. Be sure the contact or request is necessary.
2. Make all original contacts through the Liaison Officer to ensure that the proper agency is reached, and that too many people do not initiate contacts.
3. Make requests specific, and only if justified.
4. Make the use of liaison two-way.

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Item No.9.Medical Supplies.

Colonel Griffin said that help was requested from the Regions in collecting information upon which to base requisitions. Normally the operations of the Sub-Commissions would extend only down to the Regional level except in cases of emergency. The prices of supplies would be determined and notified to the interested persons. All possible aid should be given to restoring drug-making industries.

Item No.10.Other Matters.

(a) Chairman: said that the present delicate political situation made it imperative to keep information flowing in from the Regions. In cases where urgency made it necessary, PC's would communicate directly with this HQ.

Region V: asked whether the personnel attached to P.W.B. would be returned and was informed that they would not, their functions having been concentrated in the P.R.O. at Headquarters.

(b) After a brief discussion of the form and date of filing monthly reports, it was agreed that the reports could be summarized and accompanied by more expanded reports from the Specialist Divisions. The date of submission of the report would remain the 10th of the month.

The Conference closed at 1730 hrs.

10.March.44.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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1 March 1944

SUBJECT: Establishment

TO : All Regions, AMG armies, and sections, Sub-Commissions and branches of HQ.

1. Present Position

a. The authorized strength of the 2675 (American) Regt., ACC is 829 Officers, 15 Warrant Officers and 1045 EM. Of these, 74 EM are detached on special duty, but still carried on the strength of the Regiment.

b. The authorized strength of AMGAC, the British Unit created by War Establishment No. NA/266/1 dated 6 January 1944 is 663 Officers and 1347 ORs.

c. On the strength of the above two units is borne the whole of the personnel allotted to ACC-AMG in Italy.

d. The number of Officers scheduled to proceed to U.K. is:

American 200
British 50

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b. The chief reason for the decision is that conditions, and with them the weight and direction of efforts are and will be constantly changing. It is therefore impossible to allot personnel on any permanent basis, and it would be useless -- in fact positively harmful to issue sub-establishments /IOs which would be subject to constant amendment. Personnel will therefore be allotted by this HQ as and when required in accordance with the volume of work to the extent permitted by available numbers. All that can be said is that for the present Region I will operate with about 110 Officers, Region II with 117, and Region III will be gradually reduced to about 40 after its territory is handed over to the Italian Government.

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3. Ranks and Promotion

a. The question of ranks and promotion will similarly be dealt with centrally by this Hq because it is not possible to lay down any fixed ranks for Officers or AMG/OR in Regions since the total personnel will vary as territory is handed over and duties become supervisory on the one hand or operational duties increase under AMG on the other. Similarly, the volume of work in Sub-Commissions is not constant.

b. Recommendations for promotion of Officers (as to which separate instructions on the British side have been issued in Exec Memo No. 19) will therefore be submitted without regard to whether there is or is not a suitable assignment in a higher rank in the particular region, Sub-Commission, etc., in which the Officer being recommended happens to be serving at the time.

c. Instructions regarding the promotion of both EMs and OAs are being issued shortly.

For the Executive Commissioner:

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT
Colonel, Infantry
Establishment Officer

DISTRIBUTION:

All Regions
AMG 5 Army
AMG 8 Army
Sub-Commissions, Sections, Branches of Hq.

DATA

PROVINCIA

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

N. B. - Penalità severissime, di prigione e di ammenda sono previste per chiunque facesse delle dichiarazioni false nella presente scheda.

SCHEDA PERSONALE

SI DEVE rispondere a ogni domanda secondo le indicazioni
Every Question Must be Answered

1. Cognome _____ Nome _____ di _____ fu _____
e fu _____
- a) Luogo di nascita _____
Place of Birth
2. Indirizzo _____
Address
3. a) Professione _____
Profession
- c) Carica desiderata _____
Position Desired
4. Eravate iscritto al P. N. F. ? _____
Were you a member of P. N. F. ?
5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi (SI o NO): _____
Did you at any time belong to any of the following groups (Answer YES or NO).
- a) Sansepolcristi _____ b) Squadristi _____ c) M. V. S. N. ? _____
- d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio ? Indicate con un SI od un NO l'unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi :
If you belonged to the Milizia, in which of the following units did you serve ? (Answer YES or NO opposite unit giving the date).

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO (Length of Service)
(Specificare se servizio effettivo o nei quadri)
(Specify whether permanent or temporary Service)

Milizia ordinaria ?
Ordinary Milizia ?Milizia Ferroviaria ?
Railroad Milizia ?Milizia Postale ?
Postal Milizia ?Milizia Portuale ?
Port Milizia ?Milizia Forestale ?
Forest Milizia ?

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Forest Militia?

Milizia Stradale? _____
Road Militia?

Milizia Condannaria? _____
Border Militia?

Milizia Universitaria? _____
University Militia?

Milizia Antiaerea? _____
Antiaircraft Militia?

Milizia Artiglieria Marittima? _____
Naval Artillery Militia?

Moschettieri del Duce? _____
The Duce's Musketeers?

Battaglioni « M »? _____
« M » Battalions?

c) Se avete militato solo in tempo di guerra, siete entrato nella milizia da volontario o in seguito a regolare chiamata? _____
If you served during the war only, did you volunteer or were you drafted?

6. Avete ricoperto una delle seguenti cariche nel Partito Fascista (rispondete SI o NO e indicate i periodi di servizio in ciascuna carica negli spazi rispondenti): _____
Did you at any time hold any of the following positions in the Fascist Party? (Answer YES or NO giving the length of time of each).

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PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
LENGTH OF SERVICE

- a) Segretario nel P. N. F. I.
Secretary of the P. N. F. I.
- b) Membro del Direttorio Nazionale?
Member of the National Council?
- c) Segretario Federale?
Federal Secretary?
- d) Membro del Direttorio Federale?
Member of Federal Council?
- e) Ispettore del Partito?
Inspector of the Party?
- f) Ispettore Federale?
Federal Inspector?
- g) Segretario Politico di un Fascio?
Political Secretary of a Fascio?
- h) Filinchiario di un Gruppo Regionale?
Followery of a Regional Group?
- i) Membro di un Gruppo Regionale?
Member of the Regional Group?
- j) Caposettore?
Chief of a Sector?
- k) Caponucleo?
Chief of a Group?
- l) Una posizione autorevole nella G.I.L.I.
As authoritative position in the G.I.L.I.
- m) Una posizione autorevole nel G.F.F.I.
As authoritative position in the G.F.F.I.
- n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili?
As authoritative position in the women Fasci?

o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito?
Some other position in the Party?

Quale?
What?

7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell'OVRA?
Have you at any time a member of the OVRA?

8. Avete fatto parte dell'attivo politico del CC. F.R.?

Quando?
When?

Quanto?

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a) Qualche altra carica nel Partito?
Some other position in the Party?

Quale?
Which?

7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell' OVRA?
Were you at any time a member of the OVRA?

Quando?
When?

8. Avete fatto parte dell'ufficio politico del CC. RR.?
Were you a member of the Political Office of the CC. RR.?

Quando?
When?

9. Avete fatto parte di un ufficio politico di P. S.
Were you a member of the Political Office of the P. S.?

Quando?
When?

10. Siete stato in qualche periodo funzionario in una delle seguenti organizzazioni?
Were you at any time a functionary in any of the following organizations?

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
LENGTH OF SERVICE

a) In una Corporazione?
In a Corporation?

Quale?
Which One?

Denominazione della carica
Title of Position

b) In una unione sindacale?
In a syndical Union?

Quale?
Which One?

Denominazione della carica
Title of Position

c) In un Consorzio Agrario?
In a Consorzio Agrario?

Quale?
Which One?

Denominazione della carica
Title of Position

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PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
LENGTH OF SERVICE

d) In qualche altra organizzazione corporativa

o sindacale?

Is some other Corporation or Syndical organization?

Quale?

Which One?

Denominazione della carica

Nature of Work Done

11. Indicate le cariche nazionali, provinciali o comunali - governative o parastatali - occupate da voi dal 1921, come segue:

Give the National, Provincial or Communal, governmental or parastatal positions held by you since 1921.

NOME DELL'ISTITUTO

Name of the Institute

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

Length of Service

MODO DI ASSUNZIONE

How Acquired

12. Indicate le principali fonti dei vostri introiti durante il regime Fascista:

Show the principal sources of income during the Fascist Regime:

FONTI

Sources of Income

MEDIA ANNUALE

Yearly Average

INTROITO DEL 1942

Income in 1942

13. Avete prestato servizio militare?

Have you rendered military service?

b) Quando?

When?

a) In quale arma?

What branch?

c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente?

Last rank?

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Have you belonged to any political party other than the Fascist Party since 1922?

Name of the Party or Organization?

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I solemnly swear that all I have said is true.

Signed _____

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY**

Date _____

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2. Reports by Regional Central and Military Government Section.

Regional Commissioners:	
Region I (Sicily)	- Lt. Col. A.H. Thneed
Region II (Southern Italy)	- Lt. Col. G.H. McCaffrey
Region VI (Marchina)	- Brig. P.M. Durlap
Region III (Caponia)	- Lt. Col. C. Politti
Region V (Teglia & Campobasso)	- Colonel T.L. Watley
Region IV (Viterbo)	- Col. Capt. C.E. Benson
Region VII (Viterbo)	- Brig. Gen. E.H. Hume
Refugee Branch (Italians)	- Lt. Col. L.R. Halla
Displaced Persons Sub-Commission	- Colonel H. H. H. H.
Executive Commissioner	- Brigadier A.S. Lush
3. Reports by Administrative Section.

Interior Sub-Commission	- Lt. Col. R.G.D. Spicer
Public Safety Sub-Commission	- Colonel R.O. Kirk
Public Health Sub-Commission	- Brig. S.S. Parkinson
Legal Sub-Commission	- Colonel G.A. Unjohn
Education Sub-Commission	- Lt. Col. Smith
Security Control Sub-Commission	- Lt. Col. C.R. Harris
Monuments & Fine Arts Sub-Com	- Major G. H. H.
Vice President	- The Rt. Hon. The Viscount Stanagato.
4. Reports by Economic Section.

Industry & Commerce Sub-Com	- Colonel R. Evans
Labour Sub-Commission	- Colonel J.R. Bain
Agriculture Sub-Commission	- Major W.A. Hartman
Food Sub-Commission	- Lt. Col. M.J. Long
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Finance Sub-Commission	- Colonel A.R. Haffley

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- Shipping Sub-Commission
- Electric Power Commission

Vice President

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- War Material Sub-Commission
- Land Forces Sub-Commission
- Air Forces Sub-Commission
- Naval Sub-Commission

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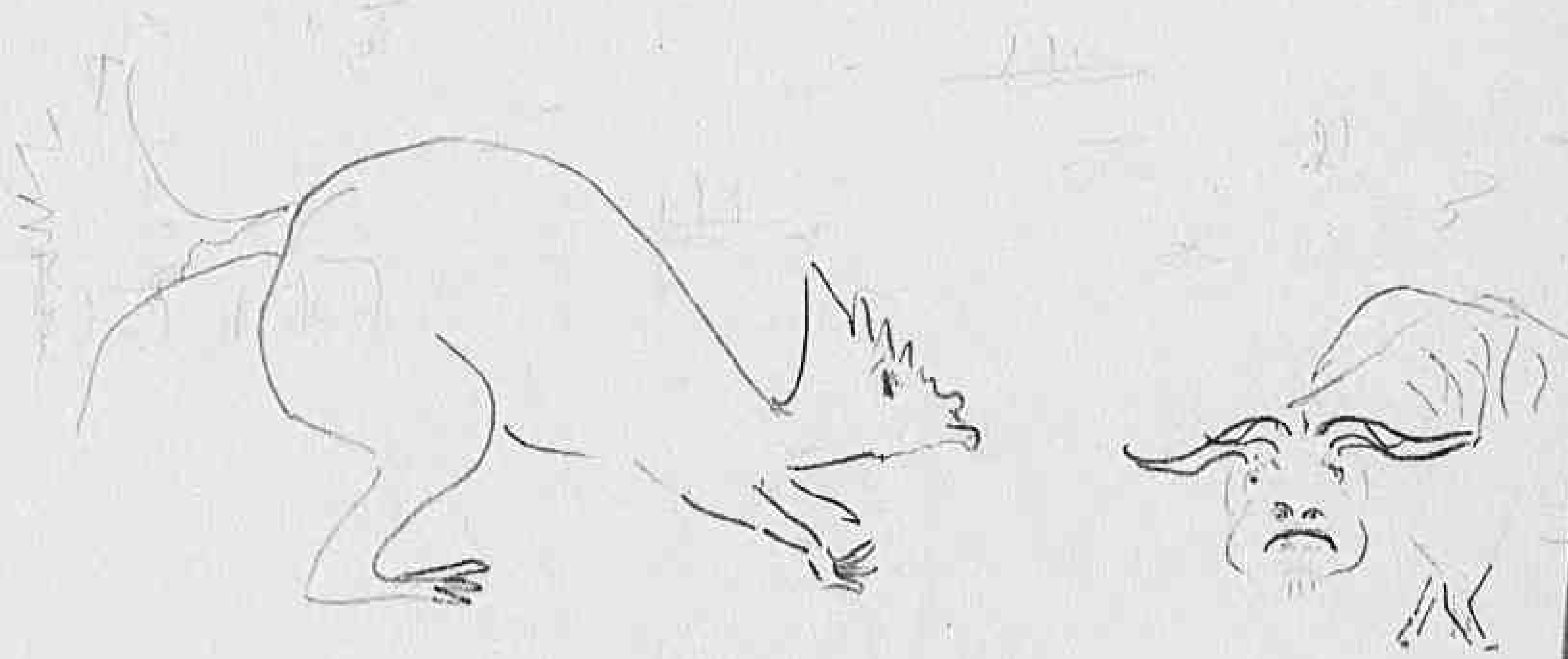
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MONTHLY CONFERENCE 9 MARCH 1944

The Conference was opened by the Chief Commissioner, Lieutenant General Sir Noel Mason MacFarlane at 1100 hours. General MacFarlane summarized the present situation as follows:

1. Move of the Italian Government to the Salerno Area has been completed.
2. The organization of the Allied Control Commission has reached finality.
3. The regions have been altered recently. Salerno Province has been returned to Region 3, and Region 4 now has a sub-region which will deal with Rome working under AMG 5th Army when Rome is reached and so long as Rome comes within 5th Army Area.
4. There has been a reorganization in the Sub-Commissions. The independent Sub-Commissions now are:

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Telecommunications | d. Air |
| b. Army | e. War Material Disposal |
| c. Navy | |

Allied prisoners of war are now dealt with directly by ACMF.

5. The Public Relations Branch will now be centralized at Main Headquarters, and PROs will go out into the regions only as required.
6. Close contact has been established between ACC PWB and ACMF.
7. The loss of personnel, officer and enlisted, has been a severe blow, which must be faced. There is a ceiling to the allowable personnel and it is final. It is up to ACC to shift the burden to the Italians as rapidly as they can assume it efficiently in order to place Allied personnel where they can be most useful.
8. Typhus control was taken over by ACC from the Typhus Commission as from 20 February.
9. The Italian Government is now a government of ministers, rather than government of secretaries.

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10. General Gazzera will deal with ACC in regard to PW. The Comando Supremo under General Messe would not deal with the service Sub-Commissions, but only with matters on a high level with the Chief Commissioner. All military matters at a lower level will be handled by Brigadier Duchesne at Lecce with General Orlando, Minister of War, and General Berardi, Chief of Staff.

(C.O.C-in-C, General Sir Harold Alexander, arrived at conference at 1113.)

11. The fusion of ACC and AMG has opened possibilities which are not fully realized by many, especially in the field, and there is a noticeable tendency not to make use of these advantages. It is important that there be a coherent chain of policy from the time AMG first takes over at the time of occupation to the time when ACC follows in its advisory capacity. As and when the Italian Government takes over, there must be an immediate reduction of Allied personnel who will move to new regions.

12. The question of promotions for American officers is being given all the attention possible.

13. Our main job is to get the maximum in war effort from Italy. AMG penetrates new ground, after which the Italian machine must be made to function under our supervision, and as soon as possible the Italians must run the job themselves with the minimum supervision.

14. The problem of defascistization continually looms up, and there are still

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many people in official positions who have Fascist records. This has been necessary for the smooth running of the country. It is desired to replace these individuals as soon as possible, and for this purpose an understudy is necessary who can be trained to take over the position.

15. The food and refugee problems are still important. A large influx of refugees from the Balkans contributed greatly to this. The Red Cross has given admirable assistance. The Chief Commissioner has asked for more Red Cross personnel to work with refugees.

The only real answer to the black market situation, which is common to all countries, is to procure adequate supplies.

16. Executive control has been established through the Executive Commissioner and his section. The Chief Commissioner pointed out that the Sub-Commissions may and should deal with their own representatives in regions and provinces, but their instructions should go through the Regional Commissioners.

17. Political situation.

The policy of the Allied Governments was for the AGC to collaborate with whatever government is in power in order to get the best war effort out of the country. Anything which may impede the war effort must be stopped. At present there is a strong opposition which has no constitutional method of articulation. AGC is keeping in close contact with this opposition giving it every opportunity to present its case to the Allied Governments, who are kept fully informed of the political situation.

The problems at present in the political field can be summed up as follows: (1) there is an intense feeling against the King; (2) the arrival in Rome is not on schedule, and (3) it is unfortunate that the opposition parties were able to organize the proposed ten minute stoppage of work. It is thought this latter problem will be settled amicably.

Political tension and excitement of any sort which would interfere with the smooth running of the government and the war effort should be avoided.

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2. Trouble threatened by electric workers was ironed out without difficulty by ACC. Managers are asking for increase in rates.

3. One serious situation arose when coal was removed from the South side of the Island for operational purposes, leaving trains without fuel.

4. Satisfactory relations exist with Army and Navy.

5. There was an unexpected arrival of refugees, but they were taken care of by Italians.

B. Regional Commissioner, Region II (Southern Italy), Lt. Col. G. H. Mc Caffrey.

1. There was no friction or disorder at the time of changeover.

2. The food situation has improved.

3. Crime is down 25% from normal.

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4. Court. The police are unsatisfactory. There have been very few prosecutions against people committing crimes against the Allies.

5. Road haulage is a difficult problem because of lack of trucks and the fact that 1001 CT Coy was handed over with 60 unserviceable trucks. An attempt is being made to get Italians to shoulder more of the responsibility for this transportation.

6. The power situation is not satisfactory.

7. Reduction in personnel has created difficulties.

8. Obstacles have been encountered in moving Headquarters from Matera to Bari. Assistance will be needed from higher authority in order to get suitable accommodations and assistance.

C. Regional Commissioner, Region VI (Sardinia), Brigadier R. K. Dunlop.

1. This region never passed through the AMG stage.

2. The population of Sardinia is just over a million. It is wholly an agricultural and pastoral community. The villages are crowded with Italian soldiers. It is a very malarious region. We must get the Italian soldiers away from the island before malaria season, or move them to the hills in bivouac if necessary.

3. The political situation is satisfactory.

4. The food situation is now well in hand. A shortage exists of olive oil and sugar. The American Army assumed the feeding of Italian Army on 26 February. Good crops appear to be in prospect.

5. There is much salt and cork ready for export and a little has already been shipped. Island trade with Sicily has been hampered by the Navy's taking over schooners.

6. Prices of consumer goods are going up.

7. There is no refugee problem at present. When there is, it will be principally a shipping problem.

8. Mr. Greedy added the comment on Sardinia that fishing and cannery wharves soon get underway.

D. Regional Commissioner, Region III (Campania), Lt. Col. C. Poletti.

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1. The transfer of Salerno Province to this region may cause difficulty in administration.
2. Benevento and Avellino have been visited. Much progress has been made and conditions on the whole in the region are good.
3. Public order in Naples is not very good. The crime rate is high. Some of the Carabinieri scheduled for Rome have been put on duty in Naples to help in dealing with this problem.
4. A squad of 100 trained men is dealing with the black market problem.
5. A public utility strike threat for higher wages and more food was quelled successfully.
6. On the political side there is the opposition to the King and a similar feeling toward the Badoglio Government. There is a feeling that the Fascists are not being cleaned out fast enough.
7. A primary difficulty in connection with the food problem is that there are too many restrictions on free movement of commerce, which curbs individual ini-

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tiative. It is desired to relax these restrictions if possible.

People are desirous of having a pasta ration in addition to bread. If necessary it would even be satisfactory to reduce the bread ration if a 42 gram pasta ration could be added.

The special rations which have been given by the services to certain groups doing hard labor have brought complaints from other groups. This will have to be ironed out.

8. Regarding crops, the people are asking which products are going to be amassed under the "Amasso System."

9. A special division has been formed for transport. It is planned to begin garbage hauling and cleaning up the debris in Naples.

10. The courts are clogged at present, both Army and Italian.

11. People are asking for a revision of regulations. (General Macparlane advised that this was being handled by the Finance Sub-Commission.)

12. Relations with PBS have improved.

13. The prostitute situation is being cleared up. Medical treatment is being administered. Prosecutions are being sought. More stringent legislation is recommended to curb this menace.

E. Regional Commissioner, Region V (Foggia and Campobasso), Colonel R. L. Whitely.

1. Headquarters were opened in Campobasso on 15 February.

2. The Region Headquarters is extremely short of personnel, having only 4 clerks. Request the return of personnel which are out on loan to Colonel Kirkwood.

3. The political situation is very good. It is desired to remedy the Bari radio situation, as there have been numerous criticisms by the Italians of the promises made over this station.

4. Supply situation is generally good. The lack of transportation is the principal difficulty. Supply for only one or two days can be amassed in an area, but no commune has been isolated for more than one day in spite of difficulties. The main roads are all open. In this, the Italians are doing a good piece of work.

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6. This is principally an agricultural area and planting is progressing.

7. Public safety is generally good; crime consists mostly of minor offenses.

8. Education has not been taken up so far.

9. There have been no developments in property control.

10. Legal matters are satisfactory.

11. The greatest problem is black market dealings. A roving patrol is clamping down on this matter. CAOS of other regions have been giving authority to enter Foggia to buy supplies, which has added to the problem in the region.

12. The fuel situation is not serious; there is enough wood for cooking.

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13. The salt situation is now satisfactory, but during the fall when meat is cured, this will become a problem.

14. General MacFarlane asked when the Regional Commissioner would advise handing over this territory and Region III to the Italians. The Regional Commissioner believed it would be better to keep the region as a military area due to Air Force requirements until all of Italy is liberated.

Colonel Poletti, Region III, stated that he thought it inadvisable to transfer his region at the present time. He believed that handing back the rest of Campania should be deferred until Rome is reached.

F. Eighth Army AMG, Gp. Capt. C. E. Benson.

1. The problem of feeding the Southern part of Campobasso Area could be handled better from the Naples Area.

2. Refugees are a real problem.

3. No typhus has been reported. One small outbreak of typhoid is now under control.

4. There is a question of charging for electric power.

5. Public safety. A close check must be maintained on movements of civilians. Policemen are needed and it would be helpful if some could be borrowed from those reserved for Rome. It is desired that the movement of civilians into Campobasso be stopped.

6. There is no industry in this region, it is almost entirely agricultural. Such industry as there was is located too close to the battle area.

7. 10,000 to 12,000 civilians are working on road construction.

8. No repercussions were caused by the hand over of territory.

9. In regard to finance, banks are being opened up as quickly as possible, and as far forward as possible.

10. Legal and political situations are satisfactory.

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G. Fifth Army AMG, Brigadier General E. E. Hume.

1. The chief problems are personnel and transportation. The organization has expanded, but personnel have been cut. French speaking officers are needed for liaison with the French Expeditionary Corps.
2. Transportation complicates the food problem.
3. Agriculture is progressing satisfactorily.
4. On the legal side, the principal difficulty lies in dealing with diverse types of troops.

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5. Military arrangements in regard to bridges get priority which sometimes cause civilians to suffer. The Engineers have been very cooperative in this matter.
6. With reference to transfer of territory, Region 3 overlaps the boundaries of the 5th Army, thus coming under the Army Commander as far as territory is concerned.
7. Rome. Carabinieri force already organized is to be taken along. It would be fine to have them work somewhere for the present, but they must not be dispersed, as there are no more to be recruited.

The Rome black market team is now getting training in Naples.

Transportation to Rome will be a big problem. There is none available at present.

H. Refugee Branch (Italians), Lt. Col. L. R. Hulls.

1. It has been endeavored to keep people from becoming refugees by starting at the front and encouraging them and helping them to stay where they are if possible. When they must be evacuated South, it is done as rapidly and humanely as possible. Lack of transportation has made transit camps necessary. Feeding refugees in transit is difficult. Communications difficulties often prevent word getting through to the areas receiving shipments.

2. 50,000 people have been evacuated to date, 10,000 of these during February. The evacuation of 1,000 per day is necessary in order to keep battle zones and forward lines of communication clear. It will be necessary to absorb still larger numbers in the future. It is best to keep them on the mainland in order to minimize the shipping problem. The Italians are helping by providing military personnel to run camps.

3. The problem of dispersion is important. Improvement is necessary. Households should be obliged to take refugees. They cannot continue to be thrown together in bunches to look after themselves to the degree in which they have been in the past.

4. General MacFarlane inquired as to the assistance given by the Red Cross. Colonel Hulls replied that they have been giving good cooperation.

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2. This job is a continuous one requiring much personnel. The constant changing of personnel has been a great hindrance.
3. There are 9 camps and 2 hospitals at present. 15,000 have been received plus 1000 more on 3 March. 11,000 displaced persons have been shipped. Small groups are continually appearing all over Italy. At present no difficulty is being experienced in caring for these.
4. Only two cases of typhus have been encountered and these were not in ACC camps. Many people are ill. They all require instruction in sanitation and disinfection.
5. Request is made that CAOS be instructed not to give passes to internees. Passes will be given by camp commanders.
6. People who wish to go out into the community to live must have permission from the Provincial Commissioner, as well as the camp commandant.

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7. The matter of food payments must be settled with Regional Commissioner.

8. General MacFarlane asked Colonels Kirkwood and Halls whether the Yugoslavs and other refugees were doing their own cooking and looking after their own sanitary problems. The reply was that they were not doing much for themselves.

The question was brought up regarding recruiting of Displaced Persons. General MacFarlane stated that Yugoslavs were not to be recruited from the Italian Army.

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

1. The heads of Sub-Commissions are to keep the Regional Commissioners well informed.

2. With reference to personnel, by the end of March we shall have a stationary ceiling of 1222 officers, all each British and American.

It is desired that an effort be made to get more men into the field and less at Headquarters.

The Security Branch is now taking over much of the work done by field security officers.

3. Brigadier Lush suggested that "Allied Control Commission" be the name for all of ACC/AMG activities. General MacFarlane said that he would give this matter consideration.

II. REPORTS BY ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION.

A. Interior Sub-Commission, Lt. Col. R. G. B. Spicer.

1. There have been conferences with the Minister of Interior and his staff. Liaison is good. There is an objectionable tendency on the part of the Ministry to remove Prefects and officials appointed by AMG, generally because the Minister feels that the appointees are too junior in rank.

2. A survey of Apulia in regard to local government and officials has been made.

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3. There is a need for more police.

4. Clothing and equipment have been handled through military channels.

5. Licensing and registration of motor vehicles is being dealt with in Regions I to V.

6. General MacFarlane asked whether it would be better to have the Public Safety work more centralized. The answer to this query was "yes and no." Some of the activities could be better directed centrally, some could not. A short discussion followed regarding the centralization of control.

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C. Public Health Sub-Commission, Brigadier G. S. Parkinson.

1. Responsibility for typhus control was handed over to AOC by the Typhus Control Commission. There have been between 1400 and 1500 cases. At present there are 700 engaged in the control of the disease. The shortage of soap is a great handicap. If caustic soda could be imported it would be possible to manufacture soap here. A meeting of the Typhus Board brought up the question of relaxation of restrictions on troops. This will be reconsidered at next meeting during coming week.

2. Venereal disease. There is the problem of what to do with prostitutes. 450 are hospitalized at the present moment. Concentration camps have been suggested. A revision of laws and their exact enforcement are needed.

3. Malaria. This Sub-Commission is endeavouring to get an expert to advise on its control. There is a malaria control board. Malaria will be a greater problem this year due to drainage situation.

4. An effort is being made to standardize food in the hospitals.

5. Malnutrition is not apparent, but investigations are being made in schools in Naples and Salerno.

6. An attempt has been made to centralize welfare head in close touch with Labour Sub-Commission. The Red Cross has helped considerably. There is a shortage of personnel in the field, especially in welfare work.

D. Legal Sub-Commission, Colonel G. R. Upjohn.

1. Up to recently the chief work has been concerned with documents connected with the restoration of territory.

2. Italian Government has had some difficulty with Army authorities in some Regions. This Sub-Commission has been ironing out the loose ends to get the situation running more smoothly.

3. The Italian Government has been very cooperative. Decrees proposed by AOC have been made their laws.

4. A new Minister of Justice was appointed.

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6. In reviewing a large number of cases it has been found that the records are not well kept.

7. There is an urgent need for legal officers in Naples to clear up congested courts.

8. Decrees issued in Apulia were applicable in restored territory. Decrees issued in future by Italian Government could be made applicable in occupied territory if endorsed to that effect by the Chief Commissioner. The Chief Commissioner stated that ACMF was about to issue a directive defining rights of Allied Forces in restored territory.

E. Education Sub-Commission, Lt. Col. Smith.

1. Defascistization of University of Naples was being accomplished.

2. Text books are finally being received which are void of traces of Fascism.

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3. A Youth Commission is exploring to see what can be done for youth to fill the gap left by the abolition of the Fascist Youth Movement.

- a. Serving of lunches to school children was under consideration.
- b. General MacFarlane suggested a Boy Scout movement, etc.

4. Many school buildings had been requisitioned and their release was required.

F. Property Control Sub-Commission, Lt. Col. G. R. Harris.

1. Region **III** has more Allied property than was expected.
2. The Commission now has a list of industrial concerns sequestered by the Italian Government.

(A question was raised by Colonel Poletti regarding the taking over of German property in newly conquered territories. General MacFarlane advised that any such cases encountered should be immediately reported to higher Headquarters.)

G. Monuments and Fine Arts Sub-Commission, Major de Wald.

1. There had been recent changes in personnel.
2. A slight reorientation of policy is necessary.
 - a. There should be certain standard rules for protecting monuments and fine arts in Italy.
 - b. The importance of their protection should be brought closely to the attention of military personnel.

(1) Up to now this has been done by printing of lists
(2) Lists are now being printed in small handbooks. These lists will indicate the monuments in Italy which are to be protected.

- c. Italian people are interested in doing what they can along this line.
- d. The Public Relations Section can help by giving information to troops.
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H. Vice President of Administrative Section, The Rt. Hon. The Viscount Stansgate, commented briefly on the functioning of his Section. He stated that it was necessary to examine the broad outline of the Italian machine; once this was grasped, then the details would fit in easier. To get this picture, day to day information of what goes on in the regions was necessary. He stressed the value of the services being rendered to the Italian people and the corresponding importance in results which would be obtained from a happier people of a higher morale.

III. REPORTS BY ECONOMIC SECTION.

A. Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission, Colonel W. Evans.

1. Industries which could be reestablished to care for essential civilian needs and not hamper the war effort have been promoted. Chief among these is the clothing industry.

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2. It has been desired to start soap manufacturing, but caustic soda cannot be obtained. This has been on requisition since September. There is no surplus in the United Kingdom.

B. Labour Sub-Commission, Colonel J. R. Bain.

1. The only real labour difficulties have arisen from the amount of food available to the workers. We cooperate with the Food Sub-Commission to determine which workers shall be given the midday meal which was authorized by AFHQ. The difficulty has been to limit such distribution. Additional groups of workers have asked for consideration. There should be no discrimination in the distribution of food. The recent trouble over the question of issuing a midday meal to the public utilities workers of Naples has been settled so that a serious threatened strike was avoided.

2. The demonstration "token strikes" staged for Saturday, March 4, political in nature, can probably be quelled without difficulty.

3. There has been excellent cooperation with the Italian Government and a number of decrees embodying the basic principles announced by AMF and ACC have been drafted by the Italian Ministry of Labour and submitted to the Labour Sub-Commission for approval. It is believed that these matters will become Italian law very shortly.

4. The question of an increase for Government pensioners, a matter which this Sub-Commission initiated last October, is now in the hands of the Finance Sub-Commission for final determination.

5. A number of important wage studies are now being made, of which the first, the hemp industry, has been completed.

6. The experiment initiated in Sicily involving a new form of registration for unemployment is continuing and will soon be completed. In essence, the new system builds up "live registers" and links up registration with the payment of unemployment benefits.

7. A number of trips have been made and conferences held with Italian officials connected with our Regional and Provincial Labour officers.

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4. Emphasis was placed on making the Italians more conscious of the necessity for forecast and planning.
5. There is a problem of varying prices, which must become more uniform for the essential needs of the farmer.
6. It was stressed by Major Hartman that more than 50% of the physical resources and 50% of the labour in Italy are engaged in agriculture.

Forestry

7. All Italian personnel possible have been utilized in forestry, but it is difficult to find experienced Italians in this field.

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8. Timber is being harvested as near to where it is to be used as possible to conserve transportation, which is already a major problem.

9. The Italian Minister has been asked to get reports which will enable the planning of a timber program for the coming year. A survey of resources is being made.

Fisheries

10. This Sub-Commission is working closely with the Fisheries Section of the Ministry with a view to central control of fisheries.

D. Food Sub-Commission, Lt. Col. W. J. Legg.

1. The overall supply situation is better in the base areas. Twenty days supplies have been amassed in certain areas. There is no anxiety. The whole situation on the West Coast is favourable

2. There is a problem in connection with the handling and safeguarding of food supplies.

3. A uniform ration scale has been approved for hospital patients.

4. The present rationing system requires modification.

5. A shortage of olive oil exists.

6. Transportation is insufficient to meet requirements.

7. Under the new ration scale it will be possible to issue a ration of pasta and raise the total ration near to the requirements set by the Public Health Sub-Commission.

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1. Military highways. We have relieved the armed forces as much as possible in taking over roads and bridges. We must get the Italians to do the job. Difficulties have been encountered in regard to paying civilian labor. This was taken up in conferences with the Finance Sub-Commission. 5th Army outlined a program for wages and also food menus for employees. In ACC's use of civilian labour no food is given. When groups are working side by side and being paid under two different categories, friction is bound to result. A uniform policy must be adopted.

2. Electricity rationing. We have had many conferences and the problem is well in hand. The armed forces agreed that it was their responsibility to see that the electricity was supplied but they have asked ACC for personnel to look after the matter. A decree must be issued to authorize rationing. The question was taken up with the Legal Sub-Commission. A decree is now ready to be presented to the Government. The armed forces must also reduce their requirements. Immediate results are not visible.

3. Utility rates. This is an involved problem and conditions are uncertain at the present time.

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F. Finance Sub-Commission, Colonel A. P. Graffey-Smith.

1. Colonel Graffey-Smith has had discussions with the Minister of Finance regarding the method of taking over Region 1 and 2.

2. Arrangements are being made for a repayment to AMFA in Sicily.

3. The revenue side is not bright. There is a general feeling that all the big tax payers have gone, and the tax-collectors are apathetic.

4. With regard to government finances, postal savings bonds will soon be on sale.

5. Banks are coming along well and bankers are cooperative.

6. Administrative Memorandum No. 95 was mentioned. The question was brought up as to whether Italian Army will pay certain agencies. A voucher system is being installed.

7. With reference to the accounting for supplies, the Finance Sub-Commission has consulted other Sub-Commissions interested. They are examining the desirability of setting up an Italian organization to work at the warehouses; the question is in regard to the Italians' capability. As for the policy to be followed in accounting for military supplies, the Finance Sub-Commission is trying to find out from AFHQ exactly what they need.

G. Internal Transportation Sub-Commission, Colonel S. A. Fitch.

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H. Shipping Sub-Commission, Mr. Ian Campbell.

1. With further reference to the registration of schooners, this is helping check up on the black market shipping.
2. Several deep sea ships have been put into operation. It is hoped to get another six into operation in the next few days.

General MacFarlane asked whether this would help to get troops out of Sardinia. Mr. Campbell replied that broadly speaking it would.

I. Electric Power Mission, Colonel J. P. Crowdon.

1. The demand is increasing for electric power; and the supply is definitely limited.
2. Plans for supplying power to Rome are underway.
3. The theft of wire has been a serious obstacle by hampering the work.

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J. Vice President of Economic Section, Hon. Mr. Henry Grady, concluded the reports from his Section. Mr. Grady remarked that since the small schooner matter is really for Internal Transportation Sub-Commission, the Shipping Sub-Commission at present is without a field.

A study has been made of the general question of inflation and the factors bringing it about. Mr. Grady stated that he was not satisfied with the manner in which currency valuation was worked out, and he wishes to present the matter to Combined Chiefs of Staff. The whole matter requires careful study.

Regarding prices, wages and rates - these matters should not be dealt with by the Sub-Commissions as far as taking action, however they may make recommendations.

A report is being compiled on the working of the Section which will show what has taken place.

IV. REPORTS BY INDEPENDENT SUB-COMMISSIONS.

A. Telecommunications Sub-Commission, Colonel J. L. Henderson.

1. Naples and other provinces are to be included in the internal and external postal services.
2. Foreign mail services are now established which puts liberated Italy in communication with many countries. There are PW services with Great Britain, China and Russia.
3. The Italian Government has telecommunications into Naples from Salerno.
4. There is the problem of two groups of employees working side-by side, part paid by the Government and part by the military.
5. Communications to Palermo and Cagliari have improved.

B. War Material Disposal Sub-Commission, Colonel J. T. Zellars. 329

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2. The question has been considered of the desertion of 5 Italian sailors to the Yugoslav Navy.

D. Army Sub-Commission, Brigadier C. C. Dienes.

1. Ceiling for Italian Army is now set at 500,000 men. We are within 3,000 of the limit. Rations for Italian Armed Forces are handled at the moment by the Allied Forces issuing to them through books of the ACC. This Sub-Commission has not touched nor attempted to touch the rationing in Sicily or Sardinia.

2. Clothing and boots are beginning to come in.

3. At present the Army Sub-Commission is handling program for ACMF.

4. There are three divisions on the Mainland, one of which is a combat division.

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- 5. The problem of shipping troops from Sardinia has been taken up.
- 6. The civilians employed by the Army have their pay based on administrative instructions.

E. Air Forces Sub-Commission, Air Commodore E. M. Foster.

- 1. The Italians have shown very fine cooperation.
- 2. An average of 700 sorties per month have been flown. It is hoped to get this up to 1,000 when the weather improves.
- 3. The Coastal Wing has done much useful work, especially in rescue missions. Bomber Transport Wing has been used for dropping personnel and supplies in the Balkans. There are a few aircraft for evacuating wounded. Work on the whole is satisfactory.
- 4. This Sub-Commission must rely entirely on wreckage and salvage as sources for spare and repair parts.

The Conference adjourned at 1800 hours.

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