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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND  
APO No. 794 U. S. Army  
Office of G-3 (British)

27 SEP Recd

RAMC/3/16/63(Br).

22 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Special British Responsibilities of Rome Allied Area Command.

TO: See Distribution.

1. Rome Allied Area Command will be responsible for the local administration of units within the Provinces of RIETI, VITERBO, and that part of ROME Province NORTH of present boundary.
2. Units at present in the above-mentioned Provinces are given at Appx 'A'.
3. All communications with reference to the local administration of the territory and units concerned will be conducted through Rome Allied Area Command.
4. The Province of ROME is Italian Government territory, and the Provinces of RIETI and VITERBO are, at present, under the jurisdiction of the Allied Military Government.
5. Advices of moves, both in and out of these territories, will be circulated by G-3 to all concerned.

*E. Sedgwick*

E. SEDGWICK,  
Major,  
G-3 (British).

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| ADCS                  | ACC              |
| DADME                 | HQ AND Region IV |
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| Real Estate           | HQ Br Tps ANZIO  |
| Education (Br)        | British APO ROME |
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APPENDIX 'A' to Rome Allied Area Command RASG/S/16/53 dated 22 Sep 44.

Unit	Location	Map Ref	Op Comd
RRQ 78 HAA Regt	CIVITAVECCHIA	F 178901	AAI
RRQ 72 LAA Regt	"	F 184978	AAI
212/72 LAA Bty	"	F 1790	AAI
213/72 LAA Bty	"	"	AAI
217/72 LAA Bty	"	"	AAI
RE	RIETI	E 0623	3 Dist
281 Wks Sec			
TN	CASFIGLIONE	A 5351	Eighth Army
10 Rly Constr Coy			
SIG	CIVITA CASTELLANA	A 691109	AAI
535 Sig Pz	(Mr Cemetery)		
33 Wing Sec	TARQUINIA Airfield	A 1408	
ST	CIVITAVECCHIA	F 1790	Rome Area
70 Sec 92 DID			
REME	CIVITAVECCHIA	F 1790	AAI
72 REME Wksps (att 72 LAA Regt)			
FCO	CIVITA CASTELLANA	A 692108	AAI
4 Sec 75 CME (TC)	(Hotel Flemingio)		
INT	RIETI	B 063261	1 Dist
Det 310 FS Sec			
V & R	Instituto Sperimentale Zootechnico di Roma	F 850975	AAI
3 Animal Management Trg School	PASSO CORSE	F 8935	AAI
3 Esse Depot Vet Stores	"	"	AAI
4 Vet Hospital (Italian Remount Depot)	"	"	AAI
1 Fd Remount Depot	"	"	AAI
LAE	GRTE	A 6829	3 Dist
Det 131 Par Coy	CIVITAVECCHIA	F 1790	AAI
1937 (Esuto) FC (att 72 LAA Regt)			
Det 2906 CLU	CIVITA CASTELLANA	A 6911	3 Dist
Det 2905 CLU	PASSO CORSE	F 8695	3 Dist
Det 2906 CLU	RIETI	B 0625	3 Dist

Eighth Army

A 5361

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PTC 4 Sec 75 CME (TC)	CIVITA CASTELLANA (Hotel Flaminio)	A 592108	AAI
INT Det 310 FS Sec	RIETI	E 683261	1 Dist
V & R VA Animal Management Trg School	Instituto Sperimentale Zootechnico di Roma	F 880675	AAI
3 Base Depot Vet Stores	PASSO CORESE	F 8895	AAI
4 Vet Hospital (Italian Remount Depot)	" "	"	AAI
1 Pd Remount Depot	" "	"	AAI
LAB Det 131 Fnr Coy 1937 (Pasuto) EC (att 72 LAA Regt)	ORTE CIVITAVECCHIA	A 6829 F 1790	3 Dist AAI
Det 2906 CLU	CIVITA CASTELLANA	A 6911	3 Dist
Det 2906 CLU	PASSO CORESE	F 8895	3 Dist
Det 2906 CLU	PIETI	B 6825	3 Dist
RM Naval Base (RN)	CIVITAVECCHIA	F 1790	
RAF 328 Wing 36 Sqn 33 ASF (Air Supply Park)	TARQUINIA Airfield	A 1408	
111 RSU	" "	"	
272 Sqn (Adv)	" "	"	



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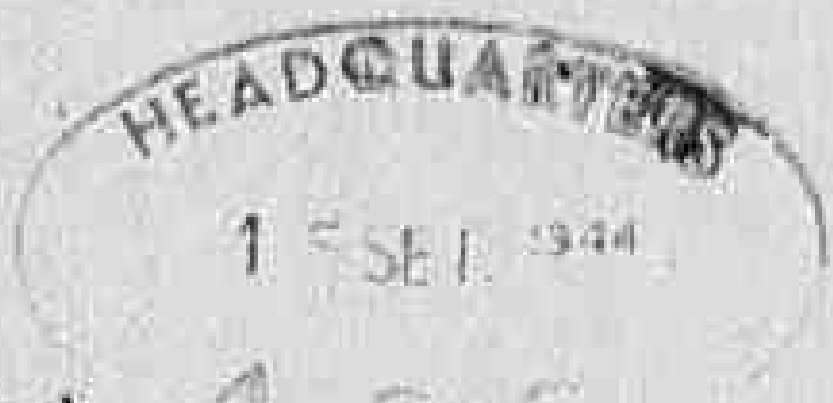
13 September 1944  
Date 16 SEP Recd

SUBJECT: Closing of United States Army Installations in Sardinia

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission, Rome ✓ 26

Attached, for your information are three (3) copies of letter, this headquarters, subject and file as above, dated 11 September 1944.

By command of General WILSON:



*A. B. King*

A. B. KING,  
Major, AGD,  
Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl

Ltr, AFHQ, file and  
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11 Sept 44 (Copies  
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11 September 1944

SUBJECT: Closing of United States Army Installations in Sardinia.

TO : Allied Garrison Commander, Sardinia.  
Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces.  
Commanding General, NATOUSA, APO 534.

- 1. Tentative plans indicate that the 42d Bombardment Wing will be withdrawn from SARDINIA at an early date and on short notice.
- 2. Upon the permanent departure of the Allied Garrison Commander, SARDINIA, Colonel C. K. HARDING, O12084, USA, will assume command and will be responsible to this headquarters.
- 3. The following instructions will govern:
  - a. All Army Air Force installations will be closed at the earliest practicable date.
  - b. Signal communications will be in accordance with separate signal instructions to be issued by this headquarters.
  - c. Railways now being operated under military direction will be turned over to civilian authorities as soon as practicable.
  - d. United States Army Air Forces will be withdrawn upon direction of Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces.
  - e. All other United States Army Forces will be withdrawn upon direction of the Commanding General, NATOUSA.
  - f. The final withdrawal and disposition of United States Army installations is the responsibility of the Commanding General, NATOUSA.
  - g. The target date for closing out United States Army Installations is 30 November 1944.

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- 4. The Royal Navy Base Installation at Maddalena will probably be closed out before 15 December 1944.
- 5. It is expected that all United States Naval Installations and personnel will be withdrawn from SARDINIA prior to 1 December 1944.
- 6. It is anticipated that Allied Control Commission operations will be reduced to a minimum upon the closing of the Allied Garrison.

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Ltr, AFHQ, AG 370.43/081 GDS-O,  
dtd 11 September 1944, (Cont'd)

7. The responsibility for the command and administration of Allied Forces remaining in SARDINIA subsequent to the withdrawal of all United States Army Installations will be the subject of review at the appropriate time.

8. Direct correspondence is authorized between the Allied Garrison Commander and the Commanding General, NATOUSA.

By command of General WILSON:

*R. H. Christie*  
R. H. CHRISTIE,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Acting Adjutant General.

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D I S T R I C T R O U T I N E O R D E R S  
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By Major-General E.P. NARES, CBE MC.  
Commanding N° 2 DISTRICT

Serial N° 27                      June 15, 1944.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

In occupied Italy the role of officers of the ACC is to advise and control the Italian Government.

One of the most important functions of the Regional and Provincial Officers of ACC will be liaison between Allied Military formations in the area and the Italian administrative officials.

All but the most routine dealings between the Italian administration and the Allied Military authorities must be conducted through the ACC. When the Italian Government is directly represented on a control board or committee, the Military may, of course, deal directly with that organisation without the intervention of ACC.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION  
REGION 2  
188 / (7) AB 135  
12 JUN Recd  
9 June 1944  
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Ref: A/30/49

SUBJECT: - Position of Military Authorities in Unoccupied Territory

TO : - Colonel NORMAN E. FISKE  
Deputy Executive Commissioner  
HQ. A.C.C. Main

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11 JUN 1944  
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*John T. Zellars*  
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Col. Inf.  
Regional Commissioner

*Recd 12/16/44*

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*for [unclear] 12/16/44*

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12/6/44



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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS  
APO 394

FILE:RC/321

10 May 1944

SUBJECT: Liaison FRENCH Troops.  
TO : Executive Commissioner  
R.C. & M.C. Section  
A. C. C.

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For your information:

1. On Sunday 14 MAY, the French National Holiday for St Jeanne d'ARC, a review of over 1,000 troops of 1<sup>er</sup> Regiment de Chasseurs Parachutistes was held at TRAPANI.
2. The salute was taken by Generale de l'Aviation RIGNON and a luncheon was afterwards given in the French mess.
3. Regional Commissioner and Provincial Commissioner attended: there were also present at the Review the High Commissioner for SICILY, Prefect and Vice-Prefect of TRAPANI, various officers of A.C.C. Regional and Provincial staffs and representatives of U.S. Parachute Bn and I.B.S.
4. General Heydemann and Colonel Stubblebine were also invited but declined to attend.
5. Later the Provincial Commissioner and his officers entertained High Commissioner and Prefect etc., Regional Commissioner etc., and French Colonel and certain officers for dinner at ERICE.
6. The day was undoubtedly a success. Useful contacts were made between French officials and Italian and military A.C.C. authorities. No reference was made to the former disturbances at XIPTA.

Gr Pike }  
Ex Comm } ✓ ps

*A.N. Hancock*  
Col.

A.N. HANCOCK  
Colonel  
Regional Commissioner

Copy TO: Public Relations, A. C. C.

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

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Ref/188/22/CA

NEF/mrG  
11 May 1944

SUBJECT: Position of Military Authorities in  
Unoccupied Territory  
TO : Regional Commissioner, Region II

Dear Jake:

1. I am sending you a copy of a letter received from Colonel Upjohn concerning the tendency, especially in the Apulia Provinces, of the military commanders dealing directly with civil authorities. As you know, the case cited by Colonel Upjohn is not an isolated one. There is the tendency in Brindisi and Taranto and perhaps elsewhere for Area Commanders to deal directly with Prefects and Questorri.

2. This tendency should, of course, be discouraged but I am not prepared to go to A.A.I. in the matter until I first have your views as to the desirability of that procedure. It is quite possible that you may be able to bring about a different situation by direct personal contact with the military formations concerned.

3. I submit that your Provincial Commissioner in Potenza might properly have brought this to your attention rather than the Legal Subcommittee.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

NORMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel  
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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*Handwritten notes:*  
L. H. H. H.  
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See above 17/5  
6/12/5

*Handwritten note:*  
Please see above 17/5  
6/12/5

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

Ref/188/ /CA

May 1944

SUBJECT: Position of Military Authorities in Unoccupied Territory.

TO : Hq. AAI

1. I refer to your AAI/3064/A(0) of 15 March 1944 and 56A/118/16/A of 30 March 1944 (copy attached for ready reference)

2. Attached is also copy fo PTO/34/28/ of 29 April 1944.

3. There appears to be a contravention of para 2. Admin. Instruction No. 6, which you will appreciate is harmful to relationship between ACC officers in the field and local Italian authorities.

4. May 52 Area be instructed to follow the <sup>procedure.</sup> / laid down in your Admin. Instructions, channelling requests of such nature through the appropriate ACC authority.

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NORMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel  
Deputy Executive  
Commissioner

Retain this in file WDS



9 MAY Recd 188 *CAB/for (Com)* 7386

HEADQUARTERS  
- 9 MAG 1944  
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NEAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
Legal Subcommittee  
APO 394

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ACC/4102/2/L

8 May 1944

SUBJECT: Position of Military Authorities in Unoccupied Territory.

TO : Executive Commissioner, ACC. ←

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1. I enclose copy of a letter sent to me from P.C. Potenza and enclosures. These were sent to me direct as a result of my request when visiting Major Nicholls at Potenza last Friday.

2. The communications by 52 Area Command ought, I think you will agree, never to have been made by them direct to the Italian authorities and contravenes Para. 2 of Administrative Instruction No. 6 issued by HQ AAI Admin. Echelon on 15 March (See AAI/3064/A(O)). *John 17A*

3. It is submitted that it is essential that all such communications be made through ACC for two reasons.

(a) Nothing is more harmful to relationship between ACC officers in the field and local Italian authorities than to have another body issuing requests and instructions to such local authorities.

(b) The wishes of the Military Authorities can be transmitted to the Italian local authorities far more efficiently through ACC. The Prefect or Questore can be asked to pass the appropriate ordinances and so on as to put the matter on a proper footing. This was done, you will recall, when 56 Area wanted to restrict the sale of wine and wrote to ACC asking them to take the necessary steps (See enclosure to your 307/46/CA dated 5 April). *66*

4. For the above reasons will you please ask HQ AAI to instruct 52 Area to discontinue their present practice and channel all such requests through the appropriate ACC authority.

*G. R. Upjohn*  
G. R. UPJOHN  
Colonel  
Chief Legal Officer.

*John 17B*

Copy to: P.C. Potenza.  
*File ACC/4140/L*

*Col. Drake*  
*for consideration of draft letter, action re above pl.*

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
POTENZA PROVINCE

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Potenza, 5 May 1944

TO : HQ ACC - Salerno - (for Chief Legal Officer)  
From: Major H.H.Nichols - Provincial Commissioner - POTENZA  
SUBJECT: Sale of Wine,

I enclose herewith copies of correspondence re: sale of wine to Allied Forces from No. 52 Area who it appears deal direct with civilian authorities.

Please advise me whether I should be in order in insisting that in this Province such instructions should be issued by ACC.

(sgd) H. H. Nichols

Major, Provincial Commissioner.  
Potenza Province,

Enc.

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C O P Y

SUBJECT: Sale of wine to Allied Forces.

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To:- 48 Town Major  
59 Town Major  
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1. Copies of correspondence addressed to the Italian Authorities in Taranto are sent herewith for your information.

2. You will find, with the arrival of warm weather, that there is more evidence of over indulgence amongst Allied Tps.

3. It will be necessary therefore to instruct the local Authorities on the whole subject of the sale of wine and to take such steps as you think fit to limit places where it can be sold.

4. EFI in Taranto are arranging to manufacture Ice Cream and provide Orange and Lemon Squash in the Canteens and you should therefore get in touch with the EFI Supervisor of your Canteens and arrange for such supplies.

5. There is no objection to local manufacture of Ice Cream provided it is approved by Hyg and provided it is made from the materials supplies by EFI.

CMP.

28 Apr: '44

TGR/EHC.

COPY TO 242 Town Major

ENCL. (2)

(Sgd)

Thomas G. Rosincon.

Lt. Col: AA & AMG

52 Area

C O P Y

SUBJECT: Sale of wine to Allied Forces

To:- Il Comandante Militare Marittimo.

A. 38/3.

1. Reference conversation with Comandante Vocatura of this morning considerable concern is felt about the obvious increase in the sale of wine to Allied Tps.

2. The practice of buying wine in bottle is forbidden and as you are aware, Bills have been exhibited in Taranto prohibiting this practice.

3. It is understood that a number of additional licences for the sale of wine have been recently issued and as this at present juncture is undesirable, you are requested to arrange that no more licences are issued and that this HQ is provided with a list of those cafes and Shops who are at present permitted to sell wine.

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Lt. Col: AA & AMG  
52 Area

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4. It is also understood that there has been a marked increase in the amount of wine which is sold surrepticiously from private houses and you are further requested to take stringent steps to stamp out this practice.

5. A copy of a letter addressed by the DAPM of this Area to R. Questura is enclosed for your information.

(Signed) ?

BRIGADIER  
Comander  
52 Area

C.M.F.  
28 Apr: '44  
TGR/EHC.  
Copy to:- NOIC  
Pro.  
ACC.

COPY

SUBJECT : Sale of wine to Allied troops.

PRO/34/23.  
29 Apl; '44

R. Questura.

1. Further to my letter PRO/34/21 dated 26 Apl: 44.

The British Military Commander has expressed grave concern that various businesses, that do not normally stock wines for sale, are now being permitted to sell wine, and instructs that this practice shall cease forthwith.

2. An order is being published prohibiting members of the Allied Forces purchasing wine in bottles or larger quantities.

3. Members of the Allied Forces in possession of wine in bottles will be apprehended by the CMP and the wine confiscated and destroyed.

4. You are therefore requested to arrange:-

(a) That so far as concerns sales to Allied Forces, only the following businesses shall be permitted to sell wine in bottles or bulk to accredited members of Unit Messes, who will present an authority to purchase, issued by their Unit:-

(i) Wine Merchants.

(ii) Dry Grocery Stores.

(b) That Cafes and Restaurants which are "In bounds" to Allied troops, sell wine for consumption by Allied troops on the premises only.

(c) That firm punishments be inflicted on civilians, who sell wine to Allied Troops in their houses, or in the neighbourhood of camps.

(d) That businesses, other than Wine Merchants, Dry Grocers Cafes and Restaurants, shall be considered "Unauthorized" for the sale of wine.

(e) That no further licences shall be issued for the sale of wine.

5. Area HQ today requested the Comandante Militare Marittimo to furnish a list of all shops in Taranto which are at present licensed to sell wine.

(Sgd)

S.H. BOND,

Capt:

D.A.P.M.

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5. Area HQ today requested the Comandante Militare Marittimo to furnish a list of all shops in Taranto which are at present licensed to sell wine.

Field.

(Sgd) S.H. BOND, Capt:  
D.A.P.M.  
HQ. 52 Area.



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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785017

SUBJECT : Licensing Hours for Allied Troops.

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Allied Control Commission.

1. Attention is drawn to RO 297/43, whereby alcoholic liquor may only be sold by licensed retailers to Allied troops between the hours of 1700 and 1930 daily.
2. The Area Commander has directed that any premises on which infringements of this order occur will be placed "Out of Bounds and Off Limits" to all Allied troops.
3. He also requests that an order be issued to the civilian authorities to prosecute the proprietors of all establishments, which sell alcoholic liquor to military personnel outside hours.

In the field  
30 Mar 44.

Lt. Col.  
AA & QMG  
HQ 56 Area.-

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Copy to: HQ N° 1 District  
Pro 56 Area.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION N° 6

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15 Mar 44

POWERS AND RIGHTS OF ALLIED FORCES AND  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN UNOCCUPIED  
ITALY.

Para 2 - General.-

Full powers of government will be possessed by the Italian authorities in unoccupied ITALY, subject only to such rights as have been reserved by the Commander-in-Chief by agreement with the Italian Government. The most important of these rights are given in paras 3-9 below.

Apart from these rights, Allied Military Government in unoccupied ITALY comes to an end. All Proclamations and Orders of the Military Governor and those made by his authority cease and are no longer operative; no such Proclamations or Orders can be issued in the future.

Although there will be officers of the Allied Control Commission in unoccupied ITALY they will be there to advise and control the Italian Government and not as governors. One of the most important functions of the Regional and Provincial Officers of A.C.C. will be liaison between Allied military formations in the area and the Italian administrative officials. All but the most routine dealings between the Italian administration and the Allied Military authorities must be conducted through the A.C.C. When the Italian Government is directly represented on a control board or committee, the Military may, of course, deal directly with that organisation without the intervention of A.C.C.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
REGION II

Ref. A/33/55

28 Mar 44

Subj. Correspondence with 94 Sub-Area.

To: Executive Commissioner, R.C. and M.G. Section,  
ACC Headquarters, Naples.  
(Att: Colonel Fiske)

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1. I wish to apologize for the delay in answering your 188/4/CA of 13 Mar on the same subject, but the P.C.'s first reply was not sufficiently full, in my opinion, to explain the situation adequately, and I therefore delayed until an answer to the whole story was available. From the attached statements by Major Nichols and the copies of the correspondence involved, as well as my recollections, I believe it should be clear that Major Nichols acted in a reasonable way, and that there was no intention on his part to be discourteous. I am, moreover, of the opinion that the Italian officer who in the first instance commandeered the truck without proper authority, should not have been allowed to escape without a reprimand.

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

This matter will be taken up by Col Fisher on this

visit this week to Reg II and a reply can be sent to

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GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO  
POTENZA PROVINCE

How = A. S. O.

FE/FF/R

Potenza 23 Meron 1944.

To : The regional Commissioner, HQ, Region 2.  
From : Major M.H. ALONSO - Provincial Commissioner - POTENZA -

SUBJECT = Correspondence with 94 Suo Area.

Further to my letter Fr/FF/R dated 20 March and in reply to your A/33/53 dated 20 March 44 I now enclose comment in fuller detail regarding the above subject.

1. In my dealing with the Army Authorities I have always appreciated that good co-operation was paramount. Wherever it is appreciated that the needs of the Army must come first, and S U A O has a duty to protect the interest of A M G and of the Civilian population in order to secure the lines of communication, by maintaining a smooth-working Civilian Administration. Perhaps the two most important items of Civilian Administration are a) Food distribution b) Public Health.

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3. The case was referred by AMG, SALERNO, to 94 Sub Area who requested that all future correspondence should be sent direct to them. I accordingly wrote on 17 Jan to 94 Sub Area, enclosing a copy of my letter of 26 Dec, asking them to order the return of the truck to AMG, POTENZA (Copy enclosed). Since the matter was urgent and 3 weeks had elapsed since my first letter, I wrote to Reg 2, HQ, on the same date, asking them to take up the matter on my behalf.

4. On 24 Jan I received letter X 245 dated 22 Jan 44 from HQ, 94 Sub Area, signed by Capt G. M. Dorman for DAM & CAO. Since the writer of the letter clearly did NOT appreciate the position, I wrote the reply which is now enclosed of the above.

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5. The replacement of the Italian Army Truck by a W D 3 Tonner from



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GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO  
POTENZA PROVINCE  
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No 41 vehicle park has resolved this particular problem of transport.

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CIVIL HOSPITAL (Public Health)

6. The copies of the correspondence in this matter forwarded to you under my Ir/T dated 20 March 1944, explain the position fully. I now enclose copy of a memorandum from my Medical Officer dated 22 Jan which explains the reason for my para 3 and 4.

The question of the Army wanting to take over the Civilian Hospital had been raised with Major Pollit, but he and I were naturally opposed to it and referred it to Reg 2, HQ. The letter Q 288 dated 20 Jan 44 from 94 Sub Area, presented the requisitioning as a "fait accompli". This was literally the first official communication on the subject. It was clear to me from Major Johnwick's letter of 21 Jan that the letter from 94 Sub Area was written without the knowledge or consent of No 2 District. It was therefore my plain duty to take immediate steps to suspend the move pending confirmation from Reg. 2, HQ - to inform 94 Sub Area and to refer them to Reg. 2. I suggest that the tone of my letter is NOT disrespectful and therefore no apology is called for in this instance. It no doubt displeased the Area Commander that I should give contrary orders; this I submit it was my duty to do on this occasion.

WMC.

*W.M.C.*  
MAJOR  
PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER  
POTENZA

*Copy forwarded by R/T 7.20.44.*

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Subject :- Vehicle Requisitioning.

94 Sub Area <sup>14</sup>  
Q 248  
22 Jan 44

S.C.A.O. = POTENZA Province

Ref your Pr/FF of 17 Jan 44

1. It appears that this truck, which is an Italian Army Vehicle, had been acquired by a civilian who had contracted, for this own gain, to carry food for the Municipality of LATRONICO.
2. Under these circumstances it is considered that the Italian Army had every right to seize it and it is requested that other arrangements be made for the carriage of these foodstuffs.
3. Should this be absolutely impossible the Italian Army will be asked to give what ever help they can.

GMD/ EP.

Sig. G.M. DORMAN Capt.  
for Maj.  
DAA & QMG

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C O P Y

A.M.G.  
POTENZA - PROVINCE

Pr/ FF/r

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Potenza 17 Jan. 1944.

To : 94 Sub Area  
Copy to AMG, HQ, Region 2  
" " AMG, SALERNO

From : Major H.H. NICHOLS SCAO - POTENZA PROVINCE

SUBJECT = Italian Military Truck R E 109105.

I enclose copy of my letter addressed to AMG SALERNO dated 28 Decembre 1943.

I understand the matter has now been referred to you and you wish all correspondence on the subject to be addressed to you.

Will you please order the immediate return of the truck to me at POTENZA.

The question of disciplinary action against the Italian Officer concerned is one requiring consideration.

(Signed) H.H. NICHOLS  
Major  
SCAO = POTENZA PROVINCE 620



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A. M. G.  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
POTENZA - PROVINCE

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Potenza, December 28th 1943.

To : A.M.G., SALERNO  
From ; S.C.A.O. , POTENZA - Province.  
Subject : ITALIAN MILITARY TRUCK R.E.109105

The a/m Truck, seized by A.M.G., was placed at the disposal of the Comune of LATRONICO about one month ago for the conveyance of foodstuffs between this Province and SALERNO.

I have before me a receipt signed by the Ten.Col. Addetto A. PAULISI, Comando Zona Militare di SALERNO, dated December 23, 43.

I am informed, that the truck was requisitioned by the Italian Army for their own use. I do not know, what power they have to do this without consent of A.M.G.

This truck is urgently required for food distribution in this Province, since it is the only truck at the disposal of the Comune of LATRONICO.

I would be grateful if you would take up the matter and order the immediate return of the truck to the Comune at whose disposal it was placed by this HQ.

It may be necessary, as a result of your enquiries, to take further action, since on the face of it appears to have been a high handed action on the part of the Italian Army.

I would be grateful, if this matter could be treated as urgent.

(Signed) H.H. NICHOLS  
Major  
S.C.A.O., Potenza-Province

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A. M. G.  
Governo Militare Alleato  
Potenza - Province

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S.C.A.O.

I rang up Region 2 about this, and was informed that Col. Mc Caffrey had mentioned the matter to the G.O. C. who said that he had given instructions that no civil hospital was to be requisitioned except in agreement with A.M.G. I therefore said that I should tell the Civil Hospital authorities that they were not to move except under AMG instructions, and to this Region agreed.

Signed - Major Follit

22 January 1944.

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Subject :- Hospital Accommodation.

16 Combined Gen Hospital.  
S.C.A.O. Potenza Province.

Copies to : - 48 Town Major .  
ADMS

HQ, 94 Sub Area <sup>10</sup>  
Q 288  
2<sup>o</sup> Jan 44

The move of 16 Combined Gen Hospital to the present Civilian hospital building and of the civilian hospital to the Piedmonte Institute will commence as soon as possible and will be completed as soon as practicable without dislocation of the hospital arrangements. Details for the move will be arranged between A.D.M.S. this HQ, O.C. 16 Combined General Hospital and S.C.A.C. Potenza Province.

Arrangements are being made by this HQ for two 3 ton lorries to report to 16 Combined Gen Hospital during the next few days to assist in carrying out the move. These lorries may be used for the backloading of civilian hospital equipment etc to the Piedmonte Institute.

CWH/EP.

Maj <sup>16</sup> 17  
DAA & QMC.



HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
REGION II

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Ref : ECA/49/37 21 Jan 44  
Subject : Use of Civilian Hospital, Potenza  
To : S.A.P.H.O., Potenza

The G.O.C., 2 District was in the R.C.A.O's office today and the problem of requisitioning your hospital was discussed.

The G.O.C. stated that his orders had been specific to the effect that no civilian hospital was to be taken over by the military without AMG consent, unless the matter was one of necessity.

E.B. Johnwick, Major MC  
Regional Director Public Health.

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A. M. G.  
POTENZA PROVINCE

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To : HQ, 94 Sub Area Potenza 22 Jan 1944.  
From: Major H.H. NICHOLS - SCAO = POTENZA PROVINCE  
SUBJECT = Civil Hospital POTENZA.

Reference your Q 288 dated 20 Jan 1944.

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- 2 = The a/m letter is the first official notification I have received on this matter.
- 3 = I have instructed the Director of the Civil Hospital that he is NOT to allow the move to commence without written orders from me. (Copy my letter sent to 48 Town Major and Registrar 16 C G H)
- 4 = AMG permission will be given if and when my Medical Officer is satisfied that satisfactory alternative arrangements can be made for accomodating the Civil Hospital, which is the only one in this Province.
- 5 = Any further correspondence on the matter should be made through the normal channels, namely via reg 2 HQ.

(Signed) H.H. NICHOLS  
MAJOR  
SCAO = POTENZA PROVINCE

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

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Ref/188/7/CA.

30 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Correspondence with 94 Sub-Area.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region II. 4

Reference our 88/4/CA of 13 Mar 44 and  
hastener 188/6/CA of 25 Mar 44, a reply is still  
awaited on the above subject.

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*N. E. Fiske*  
NORMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel,  
Deputy Executive  
Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
R.C. & M.G. SECTION  
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Ref/188/6/CA.

25 March 1944

SUBJECT: Correspondence with ~~9~~ Sub-Area.

TO : Region II. (for the Regional Commissioner)

A reply to our ~~188/4/CA~~<sup>K</sup> of 13 March 1944  
is requested.

*F. Fiske*  
NORMAN R. FISKE  
Colonel  
Deputy Executive  
Commissioner

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

NEF/mra  
13 March 1944

Ref ~~33~~/5/CA

SUBJECT: Discipline

TO : Commanding General, 3 District

1. The Chief Commissioner has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter attaching correspondence of Major H. H. Nichols, Provincial Commissioner, Potenza Province.

2. The letters are, of course, improper both in form and in tone. Major Nichols immediate superior has been informed and has been requested to report the action which he is taking.

NORMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel, Cavalry  
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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

Ref ~~38~~/4/CA

NEF/mrd  
13 March 1944

SUBJECT: Correspondence with 94 Sub Area

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region II

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1. I am sending you copies of correspondence concerning Major H. H. Nichols, Provincial Commissioner, Potenza Province. The correspondence is self explanatory. I should like to have an early report of your action in the matter in order that I may advise the Commanding General, 3 District.

NORMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel, Cavalry  
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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SUBJECT:- Discipline.

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1. Attached are two copies of letters written by Major H.H.Nichols, SCAO POTENZA Province, to 94 Sub Area.
2. It will be appreciated if steps are taken to clarify the position of a SCAO of a province vis-a-vis the Area Commander.
3. You will surely realise that letters of this kind do not make for good co-operation.

HBT/EJP

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Maj Gen  
Comd  
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AMG

Potenza 24 Jan 44

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To : Hq 94 Sub-Area

From : Major H H Nichols SCAO Potenza Province.

Subject : Vehicle Requisition

Ref your Q248 dated 22 Jan 44

1. You do not appear to appreciate the position. The truck RE109105 was acquired by AMG NOT by a civilian. It was being driven by a civilian to bring foodstuffs to the Communes of LATRONICO and LACORNGEO who could hardly be expected to work if it were not for his own gain.
2. The Italian have NO rights to seize a truck under AMG control. Other arrangements cannot conveniently be made for the carriage of these foodstuffs and AMG is the authority to make the decision.
3. It is not proposed to 'ask' the Italian Government for help.
4. A copy of your letter and my reply has been sent to No 2 District and to AMG Reg 2 Hq

(sd) H H Nichols  
Major  
SCAO Potenza Province

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GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO  
POTENZA PROVINCE

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TO HQ 94 SUB AREA  
FROM MAJOR H H NICHOLS SCAO POTENZA PROVINCE  
SUBJECT : Civil Hospital POTENZA

Reference your Q288 dated 20 Jan 44

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Major  
SCAO POTENZA PROVINCE

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*Civil Affairs Branch*  
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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
R.C. & M.G. Section  
APO 394

23 March 1944

Ref 125/18/CA.

SUBJECT: Powers and Rights of Allied Forces and Allied  
Military Government in Unoccupied Italy.

TO : See Distribution Below.

1. HQ. A.A.I. (Admin. Echelon) C.M.F. has issued an Administrative Instruction to all Military formations outlining the situation in general terms and substantially as stated in memoranda from this HQ dated 23 Jan. and 31 Jan. already in your possession.

2. The following extracts are quoted for your information :

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The Allied Forces have retained the power and right to requisition private and public property and services in unoccupied ITALY - this right must be exercised sparingly and only for reasons of genuine military necessity. This right will be exercised through the Italian authorities. If, for example, a building is needed by the military it should be requisitioned through the Sindaco of the town where the building is situated, with the assistance of the Provincial Officer of the Commission. The usual formalities of requisitioning used in occupied territory should be strictly followed in unoccupied ITALY. The property of dissolved fascist societies must not be seized without giving a receipt and then only if required for reasons of military necessity.

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(c) Allied Military Courts.

As the Proclamation of the Military Governor ceases to operate in unoccupied ITALY, all crimes will normally be tried under Italian law and in Italian courts. The Allied Forces, however, have reserved to themselves the right to hold Allied Military Courts in unoccupied ITALY for the trial of civilians who commit acts seriously hostile to the Allied Forces and to punish them in accordance with the Italian Penal Codes.

The reservation of this right is not intended to encourage the trials of civilian offenders by Allied Courts but only to deal with the most serious offences against Allied personnel or property which cannot be properly dealt with by the Italian Courts. If such an offence has been committed the Military authorities should give a full statement of the facts to the local representative of the Commission with the request that an Allied Military Court be convened to hear the charges. It will be the responsibility of the Commission to frame the charges and constitute the Court.



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Consequent on reservation of the power to try such offenders there is reserved to the Allied Forces the power to arrest persons who are believed to have committed such offences. High ranking Italian officials and officers of the Italian Armed Forces should, however, only be arrested in collaboration with the appropriate Italian official (e.g. the Prefect or the Commanding Officer of the officer concerned). In all cases of arrest the agreement of the local officer of the Allied Control Commission will be obtained beforehand, except in an emergency, when he should be informed immediately after the arrest.

(d) The right is reserved by the Commander-in-Chief to declare specific areas in unoccupied ITALY to be Military Zones. Should the situation in any area become such as to convince the District Commander that such action is necessary, he should, after consulting the Regional Commissioner, report accordingly to HQ. A.A.I. Giving full reasons to justify his view. It may happen that the local Italian authorities may ask for the assistance of Allied troops in quelling civil disturbances. If such request is made the local commander will point out that the quelling of civilian riots or disturbances is a matter for the Italian Administration and he will refuse such assistance unless he is of the opinion that it is necessary for the protection of Allied Military interests. Before rendering such assistance the local commander will warn the local official requesting his assistance that the territory in question will be made forthwith an Allied Military Zone. If time permits the local commander will consult the local officer of the Commission before giving assistance.

(e) Prisoners of War and Civilian Internees.

The Allied Forces may continue to hold or require the Italian Government to hold in Custody military or civil prisoners of war in unoccupied ITALY. If the Allied Forces require to arrest any person for security or other reasons such arrest should be carried out in collaboration with Italian officials unless in any particular case it is thought that a request to the Italian police to arrest a suspect would be ineffective. In all cases, except in emergency, the local officer of the Commission may be informed of the intention to make any such arrest, whether by the Allied or Italian authorities. If he is not in agreement the matter will be referred to higher authority. Normally such persons will be detained in 371 P.W. Camp.

(f) Process in Italian Courts.

No member of the Allied Forces may be prosecuted or sued in Italian Courts.

(g) The agreement now reached with the Italian Government makes the rights of the Allied Forces in the Provinces of Aquila identical with their



(d) The right is reserved by the Commander-in-Chief to declare specific areas in unoccupied ITALY to be Military Zones. Should the situation in any area become such as to convince the District Commander that such action is necessary, he should, after consulting the Regional Commissioner, report accordingly to HQ. I.M.I. Giving full reasons to justify his view. It may happen that the local Italian authorities may ask for the assistance of Allied troops in quelling civil disturbances. If such request is made the local commander will point out that the quelling of civilian riots or disturbances is a matter for the Italian Administration and he will refuse such assistance unless he is of the opinion that it is necessary for the protection of Allied Military interests. Before rendering such assistance the local commander will warn the local official requesting his assistance that the territory in question will be made forthwith an Allied Military Zone. If time permits the local commander will consult the local officer of the Commission before giving assistance.

(e) Prisoners of War and Civilian Internees.

The Allied Forces may continue to hold or require the Italian Government to hold in Custody military or civil prisoners of war in unoccupied ITALY. If the Allied Forces require to arrest any person for security or other reasons such arrest should be carried out in collaboration with Italian officials unless in any particular case it is thought that a request to the Italian police to arrest a suspect would be ineffective. In all cases, except in emergency, the local officer of the Commission must be informed of the intention to make any such arrest, whether by the Allied or Italian authorities. If he is not in agreement the matter will be referred to higher authority. Normally such persons will be detained in 371 P.W. Camp.

(f) Process in Italian Courts.

No member of the Allied Forces may be prosecuted or sued in Italian Courts.

(g) The agreement now reached with the Italian Government makes the rights of the Allied Forces in the Provinces of Apulia identical with their rights in the areas recently transferred from Allied Military Government to Italian Government.

3. The instruction emphasizes that except where, in emergency, immediate action is required by the Allied Forces for their own protection and security, all action required from the Italian Administration should invariably be taken through the medium of the Regional or Provincial Commissioner.

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It is further notified that where immediate action is taken without previous reference to the Allied Control Commission for emergency reasons, the appropriate officer of the Commission will be informed as soon as possible.

4. It will thus be appreciated that Hq. A.A.I. are seeking to obtain the fullest co-operation between military commanders and the Allied Control Commission. It should be your constant endeavour to reciprocate.

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