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CIVILIAN SUPPLY, REGION III  
JAN. - MAY 1944

Subject: Matches - Reg. III

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We may like to see that your letter  
at 4 has had its effect, 200,000 boxes  
of matches being released as an  
additional allocation to Reg III vide  
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
INDUSTRY & COMMERCE SUBCOMMISSION  
APO 394

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ACC/5161/IC

27 May 1944

SUBJECT: Supply of Matches to Civilian Population

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. Reference: 213/4/CA dated 24 May 1944.

2. A supplementary allocation of 200,000 boxes of matches has been made to Region 3, as per copy of memo. ACC/5161/IC dated 27 May 1944 attached. This supply is made available to civilians by the release to ACC of the 1,200,000 boxes previously allocated to D.D.S.T. by the Miscellaneous Purposes Committee, AFLR(I)B.

3. A copy of the total original and revised allocation of matches is attached for your information. From this data you will observe that slightly less than 50% of the total Italian production was allocated to the Armed Services. Their allocation was reduced in April in the same proportion as that of ACC Regions when production schedules were not met. Allocation of matches were made to the Armed Forces due to hazards and cargo space required, as well as a sizeable production outlook. Failure of material supplies reduced availability to where monthly production will not exceed 500,000 booklets per month. No matches have been declared available to the Armed Forces subsequent to the 22 March allocation.

4. Matches rereleased to ACC by D.D.S.T. and produced during May have been held in reserve for emergency allocation. Of these, 50,000 boxes have been released to Under Secretary of State for Railroads for lamps and safety signals, and approximately 250,000 to the Italian Armed Forces to displace issues made by the British and U.S. Armies to the Italian Forces.

5. Further allocations to the civilian population will be made when supplies made available by production and import will be sufficient to warrant distribution to the population as a whole, probably for the month of July.

For Lieut. Gen. MASON MACFARLANE:

W. P. EVANS  
Colonel,  
Director, Industry and  
Commerce Subcommission

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ACC/5161/IC par. 2.

Copy of allocations par. 3.

Copy to:

Economic Section.

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INDUSTRY & COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION  
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ACC/5161/IC

27 May 1944

SUBJECT: Additional Allocation of Matches to  
Region 3.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region 3.

1. Attached is Release Order ACC 177 - 27 May, for 200,000 boxes of matches for Region 3, for distribution to the civilian population of that Region. This allocation is supplementary to the supply of matches released to you on our Release Order ACC No. 5 dated 22 March 1944 and revised in our memo. ACC/5161/IC dated 13 April 1944.

2. This additional supply should assist in relieving the match situation in your Region.

By Command of Lieut. Gen. MASON MACFARLANE:

*W. P. Evans*

W. P. EVANS  
Colonel,  
Director, Industry and  
Commerce Sub-Commission

Incl.  
Release Order No. 177

Copy to:  
Executive Commissioner,  
Thru Economic Section.

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INDUSTRY & COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION  
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9 April 1944

Ref. ACC/5161/12

SUBJECT: Allocation of Matches

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region III  
(Attn. Economics & Supply Section)

1. The allocations made on 22 Mar. 44, to Armed Forces, Regions and Army Rear Areas are revised as follows:

	<u>Previous Allocation</u>	<u>Revised Allocation</u>
	Boxes of 100 matches	Boxes of 100 matches
R.F.A.	1,200,000	800,000
U.S. & T. (R.N. & Mr. Army)	1,800,000	1,200,000
Region I	300,000	380,000
" II	250,000	600,000
" III	700,000	430,000 +
" IV & 5th Army Rear	200,000	135,000
" V	100,000	75,000
" VI	250,000	160,000
AND 5th Army Rear	100,000	62,000
Repeated production	6,200,000	4,055,000

+ Region III allocation consists of 400,000 boxes of 100 matches each from S.A.F.P.A. and the total production of the benevolent match plants expected to be 140,000 boxes of 50 matches each.

2. Revised release orders are being sent to all concerned.

3. The procedure for handling the purchase of these matches is covered in our memo ACC/3061/12 dated 25 Feb. 44, entitled, "Accountancy - Procedure for Inter-Regional Trade".

4. The price of the wax matches, selling at 2 Lire per box to civilian trade, is 1.80 Lire to MAFIA to be paid by Economics & Supply Division, Region III on advance from MAFIA, upon presentation of invoice. Copy of invoice should go to receiving Region or Army Rear Area Headquarters.

By command of Lieut. General MARSH HAWTHORNE:

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Copy to:  
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Lt. Col. Group, I & C Rep. ACC Rear III

S. P. STARR  
Colonel  
Director, Industry & Commerce  
Sub-Commission

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For Lieut. Gen. MASON MACFARLANE:

*W. P. Evans*  
W. P. EVANS  
Colonel, 1147  
Director, Industry and  
Commerce Sub-Commission

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ACC/5161/IC par. 2.

Copy of allocations par. 3.

Copy to:

Economic Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,  
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.  
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Ref: 213/4/OL

24th May 1944

SUBJECT: Supply of Matches for Civilian Population.

TO : Economic Section.

I confirm conversation with Colonel Evans to the effect that Region III have reported to us that two-thirds of the production of matches have been diverted for Allied military use. Region III understand that the military authorities do not require this amount and Colonel Evans informs us that a proportion has been released for the civilian population. It should be glad if this proportion could be made as large as possible in order to increase the present ration of matches to the civilian population which at present is one box every two months.

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*N. S. Muhl*

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Region III.

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*Please see above*  
*W. M. A.*  
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HEADQUARTERS  
REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
APO 394, U.S. Army

30 January 1944

Dear Brigadier,

Enclosed herewith the document in regard to the increase in the food ration in Naples.

I hope it gives all the facts that you require.

yours truly  
Forester.

LORD FORESTER  
Lt Col., R.H.G.,  
Chief of Staff

Brigadier Josh OBE M.C.

Hq. AMG. A.C.M.F.

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

30th Jan. 1944.

SUBJECT: Additional tonnage of flour needed to meet proposed increase in ration quotas.

TO : Lt. Col. The Lord Forester,

1. To afford the ration card holders of Naples City an increased ration of bread (25 grams) and a 70 grams ration of pasta, will require the release of an additional 91.66 tons flour per day, over our present ration schedule release of 100 tons per day, which provides only for a daily ration of 125 grams bread.

2. Therefore, the daily flour release required to meet the proposed increased ration as mentioned in our paragraph n° 1 will amount a total of 191.66 tons.

3. Our requirement bid as submitted 6th Dec. 43 to cover the estimated flour requirements of Naples City for this period did have such requirement on a daily issue of 150 grams of bread and 70 grams pasta, the lack of available flour forbade an issue in such quantity.

4. However, the above mentioned bid was computed on a ration card population of approx. 922,800 while the new ration card issue of Jan. 44 indicated a population of 996,301, an increase of 8%. Nevertheless as such requirement bid as submitted 6th Dec. 44, lumped the entire population figures, for Region III, showing no breakdown for the individual provinces or the City of Naples itself, although we now recognized by the new Jan. ration card issue, an increase of 18% for the Province of Naples exclusive of the City.

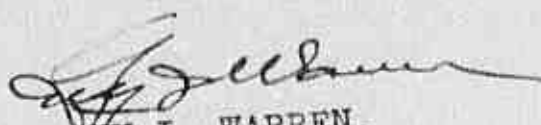
5. Thus the 6th Dec: requirement bid on flour would for the Region, now show a deficiency of 10% (total rationed population 6th Dec. 43, estimated at 2,800,000 - recognized rational population increase 288,279).

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The actual daily tonnage (wheat and flour) received for January 44 to date has equaled 4,178 tons as against a standing requirement bid of wheat and flour that would have totaled 19,470 tons flour.

  
GUY I. WARREN,  
Lt. Col. A.U.S.  
Director of Economics & Supply  
Division, Region 3.

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