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GENERAL ORDER, NO. 1
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.G. & N.G. SECTION
APO 394

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14 May
6 May 1944

SUBJECT: General Order No. 17.

TO : Admin. Section (for Legal Sub-Commission)

1. Reference telephone conversation (Col. Wilmer - Major Isaacs) regarding, it is desired to have General Order No. 17 made applicable to Regions IV and V. Region III have a Regional Order No. 25 (copy of which is attached for your perusal) which is in the same terms as General Order No. 17.
2. Will you prepare the necessary documents to have General Order No. 17 promulgated in Regions IV and V.

BENJAMIN R. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to:

Economic Section (for Labor Sub-Commission. Your OPI-A312 of
18 May 44 refers.)

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General Order No. 25 -
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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ES/LAB

2 June 44

SUBJECT: Extension of General Order No. 17.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

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1. Your attention is called to the comments of the Director of the Labour Sub-commission in the attached letter 091.4312, 18 May 44.

2. It is my opinion that the policy giving employees the right to organise, has already been established by Orders issued in other Regions as evidenced by Regional Order 17 attached.

3. It is quite proper to forward the application for the extension of the Order to Regions IV and V to the Executive Commissioner as there is no legal question or policy involved.

However, if, in the opinion of the Executive Commissioner, a further decision on policy is required, it is requested that the file be forwarded to the Chief Commissioner so that a decision may be reached.


D. S. ADAMS
Colonel, C. E.
Executive Officer
Economic Section

2 Incl:

- 1 - Labour Sub-commission ltr
091.4312, 18 May 44
2 - Regional Order 17.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

JTRB/tbw

LAB 091.4312

18 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Extension of General Order No. 17

TO : Executive Officer, Economic Section

1. The attached minute of 16 May, signed by Brigadier Lush, was received here yesterday. I have slept on it, but still cannot understand it; that may, of course, be my fault.

2. As I see it, there are three points, all of real importance, and if I am wrong, I should like to know just where.

a. Approval of the Order came from A.F.I.Q. The Labor Sub-Commission, which inspired it in the first place, is in complete accord. Something must take the place of the destroyed Fascist machine, and we are deeply convinced that it should be left to the freed men to work it out for themselves. The right to meet and organize is fundamental. It is right and proper that the Order should follow liberation.

b. What has the Legal Sub-Commission got to do with this matter? Policy has been declared and a form of words found.

c. This has me beaten, and apparently you are in the same boat, since you passed it on to R.C. & M.G. Section. I have always understood that R.C. & M.G. Section was the authority for Regional Commissioners, especially for those not in King's Italy. If I am wrong, I would like to know where.

J. T. R. BAIN,
Colonel,
Director, Labor Sub-Commission

Inci:
(as mentioned above)

Spoke to Col Bain & have advised him that we shall have the order made applicable to Reg. 1, 3 & 4.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
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LAB 091.4312

15 May 1944

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Extension of General Order #17.

TO: RC & MG Section (Thru: Economic Section)

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This Sub-Commission is informed that General Order #17 (copy herewith attached, both English and Italian versions), which is already operative in Regions I, II and III, has not been promulgated in Regions IV and V. It is recommended that the Order be extended to the last two named regions without delay.

J. T. R. Bain
J. T. R. BAIN,
Colonel,
Director, Labor Sub-Commission.

*I doubt the wisdom of this. Ask Legal Section
by telephone. Why does this come to me?*

MS (16/5)

See Update regarding an amendment of this Order.

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20 Jun 1943

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

GENERAL ORDER NO. 17

LABOR RELATIONS

Whereas in Sicily by General Order No. 8 and in Calabria, Lucania and the Province of Salerno by Regional Order No. 5, the Fascist Corporative Syndicate System was dissolved and a method provided for reestablishing and assuring freedom of labor organization;

Now, therefore, in furtherance of the objectives of said General and Regional Orders, I, CHARLES M. SPOFFORD, Colonel, G.S.C., Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer, hereby order as follows:

ARTICLE I

Right of Organization

Employees shall have the right to organize, hold meetings, and select representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to all matters pertaining to or connected with their employment, including such matters as concern hours, wages, working conditions, grievances, disputes and mutual social and economic assistance.

ARTICLE II

Effective Date

This Order shall become operative in Sicily, Calabria, Lucania and the Province of Salerno on the date hereof.

Dated: 18 January, 1944.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

ORDINE GENERALE N. 17

ORGANIZZAZIONE DEI LAVORATORI

Visto che in base all'Ordine Generale N. 8 in Sicilia e in base all'Ordine Regionale N. 5 in Calabria, Lucania e nella Provincia di Salerno il Sistema Sindacale Corporativo Fascista è Stato disiolto e una nuova organizzazione costituita per ristabilire e assicurare la libertà dell'organizzazione del lavoro;

Per realizzare i fini degli ordini suddetti, io, CHARLES M. SPOFFORD, Colonnello, G.S.C., Vice-Capo degli Affari Civili, con il presente ordine quanto segue:

ARTICOLO I

Diritto di Organizzazione

I lavoratori avranno il diritto di organizzarsi e di tenere riunioni, nonché di nominare rappresentanti di loro libera scelta al fine di azioni collettive in materia di lavoro riguardanti o connesse con tutte le questioni relative al loro impiego, come ore di lavoro, salari, condizioni d'impiego, reclami, controversie, mutualità sociale e assistenza economica.

ARTICOLO II

Data di Entrata in Vigore

Quest'ordine entrerà in vigore in Sicilia, Calabria, Lucania e nella Provincia di Salerno alla data indicata in calce.

18 Gennaio 1944


CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonnello, G.S.C.,
Vice Capo degli Affari Civili.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS

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APO 394

21 February 1944

SUBJECT: General Order No. 17.

TO : Executive Commissioner, R.C. & M.G. Section
A.C.C.H.Q.

1. In reply to your inquiry of 15 February regarding the publication of General Order No. 17, there is attached hereto the regional directive issued regarding the circulation of the order.

2. The right to hold meetings for the purpose of collective bargaining had been widely diffused in Sicily since the set-up of Provincial Labor offices, and trade unions have been freely formed in consultation with and on advice from the Labour Division of this Headquarters.

3. Under these circumstances it was considered unnecessary to publish the actual text of General Order No. 17 beyond sending copies to S.C.A.O.'s and Prefects in confirmation of existing policy.



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A. N. HANCOCK Lt. Col.
Lt. Colonel
Regional Commissioner

Encl.

Dep. Rx. Com.

Above in reply to 1.

As G.O. 17 is permissive and imposes no duties on anyone (ie there is no clause of ignition being necessarily passed) I think that it is a satisfactory answer & I suggest the matter might be dropped.

GR

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Sicily Region Headquarters
APO 394

28 January 1944

NUMBERED MEMORANDA:

NO. 15:

GENERAL ORDER NO. 17

Collective Bargaining

1. Copies of General Order № 17, received from A.M.G. Headquarters, Labor Sub-Commission, are forwarded herewith for your information.
2. As this is merely a confirmation of the procedure which has obtained in this Region for some time, there is no need for publicity of this Order, and the usual reproduction as an Official Regional Order will not be made.

CHARLES POLETTI
Lt. Colonel
R.C.A.O.

DISTRIBUTION

All S.C.A.O.'s and Prefects.

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Dated: 18 January, 1944.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
U.S. CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

V5

15 February 1944.

SUBJECT: General Order No. 17

TO : R.C.A.O., Region I

7 a.m.

1. ~~We~~ are informed that General Order No. 17 has not been posted in Region I.
2. Will you please state whether or not this information is correct. If the order has not been posted an explanation is required for your action.

M/S C.C.

M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

REO/JG.

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! Labour S. Commission
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We spoke my mind at first of 3.

You said you would clear the matter
with Col. Updike and we will have
another shot at getting the G.O. for Region
III, IV & V.

(2)

S.R.

22/2. R.C. and sub

Lt. Col. T. Farley Smith
R.C. + M.G. Sec.

Gen. order #17 was made operative in
Region III by publication of Regional order #3
dated 25.2.1944.

28.3.44.

T. C. Smith, Lt. Col.
G.M.C.
Labor Sec. (Prov.)

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Admin. Section

25 (with attachments) and 26.

Please let you for necessary action in accordance with
last minute at 26.

J. Peay Smith
LAW.
R.C.I.T.C. Sec.

Legal Sub Comm

Will you please draft the required order
Please X at 25 and over at 22

H. W. Johnson
for C.R.C.

Admin Sec
19 Feb 44
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To Admin Sec.

This Submission had already been
instructed to make the necessary draft by Law Sub Comm but
on 22 Jan as it appears they are unnecessarily duplicating this
wishes in this respect. Colby Johnson & Col Bain had a
conference on this matter on 14 Feb & the matter is ~~Colby, 16 Feb~~ ^{Col Bain, 16 Feb} pending a decision on Policy by Chief Commissioner ~~Col~~ ^{Col} 16 Feb

At G.P. Farley Smith

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I think we received our
order concerning this from XX
Army Corp. Can you check

11/2/44

Executive Commission

The Order issued by you in ANG
15 Army Corp abolished the Syndicates - this
proposal carries matters a step further

C.A.B.

(TBS) 11/2/44

I agree to issue for Region III IV
- V will you make legal & C to
forward to V.D.C. 11/2/44

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1225 ITB Read

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

091.431

10 February, 1944

SUBJECT: Extension of General Order No. 17

TO : Economic Section

1. General Order No. 17 becomes operative in Regions I and II on 10 January, 1944. The Order is based upon instructions received from Combined Chiefs of Staff.

2. It is recommended that the Order be extended to Region III immediately. The extension should be drafted by the Legal Sub-Commission, and provision made for its becoming operative in other Regions upon publication and posting therein.

PLS

DAM/tba

J. T. R. BAIN,
Colonel,
Director, Labor Sub-Commission.

Incl:

1. General Order No. 17
2. Copy letter Combined Chiefs of Staff

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Recd Dec. HQ. AGC, 10 Feb 44.

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TO: M.C. and N.G. Section.

The above recommendation is approved. It is requested that the necessary orders be drafted and issued.

Henry Brady
HENRY BRADY
Vice President
Economic Section

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