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JUNE-SEPT. 1944

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

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Ref/366/181/GA.

23 Sept. 1944.

SUBJECT: Insertion in Daily Bulletin.

TO : Adjutant.

Please insert the following in the Daily Bulletin:

" REGIONAL COMMISSIONER - SOUTHERN REGION.

Regional Commissioner leaves NAPLES 24 September
for CATANZARO and REGGIO. He will return NAPLES
about 28 September.

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NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: ACC CATANZARO RPTD HQ ACC FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 78/21
FROM: HQ SOUTHERN REGION ACC
CLASSIFICATION:
REFERENCE No: SR/238 NONE 22 SEP Recd
PRECEDENCE:
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Lt Col Shupp
It might take a few
minutes telephone call
if this was put in Daily Bulletin
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Yes portion in brackets
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HEADQUARTERS
22 SEP 1944
A. C. C.

DATE and TIME of RECEIPT SEP 21 2217A

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EXTRACT FROM DO LETTER TO BRIG. LUSH
FROM COL. PENNYQUICK, REGION VI - FILE 546,

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VISITS OF OFFICERS

19 SEP Recd

We received a visit from Lt. Col. SHARP and Captain MORDEN and were delighted to see them and will welcome further visitors. I should be grateful if I could be given the terms of reference of Officers coming over to see us in future so that we can arrange some kind of programme to help them. These two officers paid a short visit which only allowed them to see CAGLIARI and the neighbouring centre of CARRONIA. They were fortunate in finding most of the staff in CAGLIARI when they arrived as it was at the time when the Monthly Report was being prepared.

In connection with this our accommodation in CAGLIARI is still somewhat primitive and we got no notice of the arrival of these Officers, a wire came in the morning and they appeared the same afternoon. Even the Grand Hotel in ROME is sometimes full and in CAGLIARI there is no Grand Hotel. In extending a welcome to more visitors may we please, if possible, be given a minimum of three days' notice and may Officers be told to be sure to bring with them bedding and mosquito nets.

I would in particular welcome a visit from a responsible Finance Officer to go into our finances and help my Finance Officer to work out our future relationship with the High Commissioner's Office. Precise plans are now required as regards our future procedure with a reduced Regional staff. I would suggest that time be allowed in the visit for a quick journey to both SASSARI and NUORO though it takes eight hours to go and return from either of these places. A visit from a senior Police Officer would also be welcome, the object being to complete our arrangements for working with a very reduced staff in touch with the High Commissioner's Office. He could also go into our Carabinieri requirements with my Police Officer.

Col Shupp

Ref para 2 a Signal was sent from here 3 days before & was read at Reg VI next day concerning our visit.

Col Sharpe & self also took note

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Administrative Section
Allied Control Commission
14 Sept 1944

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SUBJECT: Recent Tour.

Dear Maurice

The following points which I gleaned on my recent tour and which are not strictly up my alley may be of interest.

1. I saw Col Hartley at Orvieto who complained that he only had 56 trucks. He said that if he could have the loan of 20 or even 10 trucks to shift his Reg Hq to Bologna it would make all the difference.

His request seems reasonable, and I said I would pass it on making no promises.

Write to Gen Brown
Write to AAI
BT Sat Area
See report of 16. Sept

2. I also saw Col Quin Smith at Siena. He complained bitterly of requisitioning not merely by AAI to which he is resigned but by wine trucks coming up from Rome. In one case a truck came up requisitioning (I think) 200 quintals of wine from his best estate, Proglia, for the use of the Excelsior Hotel at Rome and he had other equally dreadful stories.

3. Lt Col Nicholls at Ancona also begged for assistance to stop the appalling requisitioning by AAI there. The P.O. has been taken for the NAAFI and the leading bank for an Office Shop (a very good one too!)

4. The general view about Patriots expressed everywhere was that the thing is being overdone. Volumes of paper on the history of the movement, Tom McCarthy's speech etc, which have been issued have evoked some criticism. Everyone seems to think it can now be dealt with as a local problem with local communal committees. The number of returns required have also irritated some.

Papa.

I think there is a good deal in these criticisms although of course they only see one side of the picture in the field.

5. Regrettable criticism of Halls everywhere but I don't think it matters now and if I take over this I propose to overhaul the thing with Findley. I have sent a note to Col Halls on one or two minor problems.

6. Terrific and universal praise for the work of the Red Cross everywhere.

7. At Aquila they have employed some convalescent Allied Officers very usefully in conjunction with the harvest and the officers incidentally are enjoying themselves. Do you think we could enlarge on this with AAI?

Already done in South
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Brigadier M.S. Lush
Executive Commissioner

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G.R. Lush

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HQ ACC FOR INTERIOR SC
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HEADQUARTERS
17 SEP 1944
A. C. C.

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ROUTINE 17 SEP Recd

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WOULD BE HELPFUL TO US AND OF VALUE TO THE ADMINISTRATION IF REPRESENTATIVE OF INTERIOR SC CAN BE SPARED TO VISIT THIS HQ IMMEDIATELY AND GO ON TO PISA, LUCCA AND PISTOIA TO ADVISE ON REORGANIZATION OF PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION. PLEASE TELEGRAPH WHETHER THIS POSSIBLE. CITE OUR 339.

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- ACTION - Interior SC
- INFO - A/CO
- AMBK SEC
- CA BR
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Wld Shipp:

I find this rather surprising

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*Yes, but
Very satisfactory*

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
AFO 394

Ref/366/176/CA.

13 Sept 1944

SUBJECT : Southern Region (Zones)
TO : Distribution below.

13 Paper - Copy to 571806

1. Southern Region, consisting of the Provinces of Campobasso and Foggia and the former Regions 2, 3 and 7, commenced operations on 28 August with Colonel C.E. Temperley, OBE, MC, as Regional Commissioner.

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less Taranto)

Taranto (from Region 2)

Naples (from Region 3)

Salerno (from Region 3)

Foggia (from Region 5)
Hq. at Lucera

Catanzaro (former Region 7)

Provinces.

Bari
Potenza
Matera
Brindisi
Lecce

Taranto

Avellino
Benevento
Naples

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Salerno

Campobasso
Foggia

Poggio Calabria
Cosenza
Catanzaro

Photo of Bari to 571806

NORMAN E. FISKE,
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| Foggia (from Region 5) No. at Lucera | Campobasso Foggia | |
| Catanzaro (former Region 7) | Berrio Calabria Cosenza Catanzaro | |

W. J. ...

NORMAN E. FISKE,
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Deputy Executive
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
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Ref/366/174GA.

13 Sept 1944

SUBJECT : Zones.

TO : Southern Region.

Reference your R/3056 of 11 Sept 44, the attached
correspondence is returned to you as these appear to be your
file copies.

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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army

R/3056

11 September 1944

SUBJECT: Zones.

12 SEP Recd

TO : R.C. & M.G. Section,
Headquarters Allied Control Commission.

1. Reference your 366/172/CA of even subject dated 7 September 1944.
2. Attached letter shows division of Southern Region into Zones and Provinces which they cover.
3. Please note that Foggia Zone Headquarters is at Lucera.

For the Regional Commissioner:

Paul Revere
PAUL REVERE,
Major, A.G.D.,
Adjutant.

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8th September, 1944

SUBJECT: Captain Morden's Visit to Sardinia
TO : Executive Commissioner

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1. A very good report by Capt. Morden is attached as a result of his recent visit to Sardinia. There are no outstanding problems, according to him. He had plenty of time to go into things in detail so I think we can take it that everything is satisfactory.
2. This has been distributed to Establishment Branch and Admin. Section, while Col. Sharpe himself was there to take up the economic points.

G. W. I. Shipp Lt Col

G. W. I. SHIPP
Lt. Colonel

A good ref. P. R. O. to see

*Seen by PRO
10 Sep*

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REPORT ON VISIT TO REGION VI BY CAPT. E.S. MORDEN
2 - 5 Sept 1944

1. In this report I shall only lightly touch on matters relating to the Economic Section as Lt.Col.C.M.Sharpe who accompanied me is reporting in detail and will himself take up the points arising with the Sub-Commissions concerned.
2. On 2 Sep I attended the R.C.'s weekly conference for officers. There were few points of interest and the meeting was of brief duration. The R.C. emphasised the remarks of Gen.Maitland Wilson at the R.C.'s Conference and directed that all officers would read the Minutes of the Conference. The R.C. is touring the Island week commencing 11 Sep.
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 - (b) The Island grows mainly hard grain suitable for making pasta and this is exported, and imports soft grain for bread.
 - (c) The crop varies considerably from year to year from 40,000 - 60,000 tons.
 - (d) This year the crop sown is good but slack administration by the Government resulted in insufficient sowing and suspected consumption of the seed grain. It is not expected that more than 30,000 tons will be collected.
 - (e) The Island has never been self supporting and a round figure of 100,000 tons may be taken as necessary to feed the population.
 - (f) Measures taken to publicise Granai del Popolo include showings of the wheat film by two mobile units and in the cinemas. It is showing at the new cinema in CAGLIARI and at the first showing the R.C. and High Commissioner addressed the audience.
 - (g) It has only recently come to light at HQ ACC I believe that there are four ration scales in use on the Island.
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4. In further reference to Ration Scales attention is directed to the R.C.'s letter dated 4 September making future recommendations, and also the Monthly Report for Aug of Lt.Col. Chayton, Food Officer.
5. Industry and Commerce: Principle items of interest are the large quantities of sheepskins, hides and salt available for export. There are a number of tanneries on the Island but none can operate due to lack of tannin, so that shoes cannot be made or repaired. It is said that there is tannin available on Corsica but the French will not sell to the Sards.
6. Coal Mining: Visited CARBONIA on which money was lavished during the Mussolini era. It has modern equipment and housing for employees and cost of coal at the pithead is 148 lire per ton whilst the cost of production is more than double this figure. It is the opinion of Major Mathews (A), who is one of the two Mining Div. Officers there, that Sardinian coal has not been 'sold' properly

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7. Transport: Decree with regard to ENAC has not been applied here but will be on Lt.Col. Sharpe's recommendation. In an investigation of the transport organization it was found to be slackly operated with deliberate evasion of restrictions. The monthly FOL indent is approximately 15,000 gals and it is recommended this is cut by 25% without giving the Italian authorities opportunity to justify their figures.

8. Finance: An impost of 25% is applied to all imported food excepting grain and flour. This impost is made up of dock charges, handling, transportation and two additions of 2% to cover overheads of middlemen. As examples the following are landed and prices to consumer:

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|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Sugar | 13.00 | 16.60 + |
| Soup | 24.00 | 31.30 |
| Dried Veg. | 24.00 | 29.30 + |
| Powdered milk | 13.00 | 16.50 |
| Soap | 19.00 | 25.20 |

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Malaria: Only a fifth of cases last year (July period). 2361

Medical Supplies: Adequate.

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(b) A point^{on} which an urgent decision is required is the employment by the Region of Italian Army personnel - 1 Officer and 32 OR's. The Italian Army is being withdrawn at a rapid rate, but it is intended to leave one low establishment division. Authority is required to form a platoon, strength as above, for employment by the Region but attached to the Italian Division for administration and discipline. This detachment is already with the Region and employed on guard duties, driving, vehicle maintenance and the like, and is extremely useful. The men are good types and have fitted well into the Regional organization.

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(c) As requested by Col. Clough I asked Col. Pennycuik what his plans would be as regards supplies when the military installations leave the Island. He is still considering the matter but proposes to obtain a three months' supply of rations. They have a cold storage plant in CAGLIARI so fresh meat could be stored also. NAATI and FX appear a difficulty. Three months supply could be obtained but would have to be paid for on delivery, a considerable financial outlay.

13. Public Safety: Carabinieri strengths and prospective reductions have already been fully discussed but one point may require attention. The Carabinieri have about 500 horses for which forage has been obtained from the Italian Army, but with the latter's departure this supply is ceasing. Another small supply has been located but when this is used up there is no more forthcoming and it will have to be imported, especially for the winter. These horses assist mobility which becomes more important as the force is decreased in numbers.

14. Public Works and Utilities: Water supply is precarious until the rains come and present supplies are coming from reserves. It is stated that the military authorities are not cooperating sufficiently in the conservation of these reserves. There are no restrictions on electricity supplies and tramways are in full operation. Railways are operating under normal conditions.

15. General Remarks: CAGLIARI was heavily bombed and one would have expected more energetic measures to clear up debris. Shortage of transport is said to be the trouble. In a location where it might be all too easy for morale to be low I was struck by the atmosphere of keenness. Officers are cheerful and blend well together, OR's and MI are well turned out and disciplined. Relations with Italians appear to be correct with satisfactory liaison with opposite numbers in the Italian administration.

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*Copies to: Establishment Br
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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army

R/1021

9 September 1944

SUBJECT: Report for Period from 28 August 1944 to 31 August 1944,
Southern Region, ACC.

TO : Executive Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

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| Catanzaro (former Region 7) | Reggio Calabria Cosenza Catanzaro |

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C. E. TEMPERLEY,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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

Phone:
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REF : 366/172/CA

7 September 44

SUBJECT : Zones

TO : Southern Region

Reference your Signal S R/166 of 5 September 44,
please forward to this HQ a list of Zones which have been
formed showing the Provinces which they cover.

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NORMAN F. VISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive,
Commissioner.

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RESTRICTED
ALLIED CONTROLLED MISSION
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TO: ACC LUCERA RPTD ACC TARANTO RPTD FOR INFO HQ ACC FOR EXECUTIVE COMM
FROM: SOUTHERN REGION FOR REGIONAL COM/CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 38/06
REFERENCE No: SS/166 PRECEDENCE: NONE
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 5/1738 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: NONE
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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER TOUR NUMBER ONE ARRIVES LUCERA MIDDAY ELEVEN SEPTEMBER,
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BARI FOR NAPLES 0900 HOURS 14 SEPTEMBER. ONE ITALIAN DRIVER. ALL PREFECTS EACH
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*See Shippo for info. Have the
names by the way. I don't want no info.
I should have file 619
Mespk.*

HEADQUARTERS
A.C.C.
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all 172
619

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 35/06
FROM: EA GOURNAY BELICH FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER RESTRICTED
REFERENCE No: SR/166 PRECEDENCE: NOTE **6 SEP Recd**
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 5/1708 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: NONE

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*had battle for info. have the
since he is big but will have no info
but can't get it
I shall write file 619
for it
People. JH/619*



file 172

DATE and Time of RECEIPT ... SEPTEMBER 6/1132

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Ex Comm: Ref 169 CERR Fifth Army.

(170)

at 169 Fifth Army want a P.S. rep to go up to discuss plans for future.
Lt Wilcox is temporarily in charge and is so short of personnel that he has had to send Major HARVEY who will leave Thursday. Harvey has been briefed on CERR and is a good choice under the circumstances.

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519.
E.C. saw Lt Wilcox and myself. Lt W. is to contact RC's X & XI with me to discuss police and CERR arrangements. When RC's are in picture they will discuss with Fifth Army - M.S. reply to 169 on these lines and no rep to be sent by them.

8 2:50/9

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P.A. - B¹² 4394 169

HQ ACC FOR PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMISSION (ACTION) HQ ACC FOR RC AND MG SECTION (INFO)
42/03

AMG 5 ABEY SIGNED HOME
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SEP 031145B



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CITE: 288

CONFIRMING PHONE CONVERSATION 1 SEPTEMBER CONSIDER VERY DESIRABLE REPRESENTATIVE PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMISSION CONFER WITH THIS HQ SOON AS POSSIBLE ON PLANS TO MEET EXPECTED DEVELOPMENTS IN NEAR FUTURE. CAN YOU ARRANGE REPRESENTATIVE VISIT THIS HQ. ACKNOWLEDGE.

ACC DLST

ACTION: PUB SAFETY SC 2
INFO: A/CC
CA BR /
FILE 2
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FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Capt Macnamara

*Can be please find out 2353
P.S. are sending on what they
propose doing about this?
St. 4/9*

*Home
1220*

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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STAFF MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 82)

28 August 1944

VISITS TO SEVENTH ARMY
AND FRENCH ARMY "B"

HEADQ. 1 SEP Recd
1 Sep 1944
A.

1. Visits to Southern FRANCE, because of the nature of operations and lack of accommodations, must be kept to a minimum and be confined to visits of an operational nature.
2. The following policy will govern visits to the Seventh Army:
 - a. Staff sections of this headquarters desiring to send officers to visit Seventh Army will notify the Seventh Army of the officer's visit prior to his departure. Concurrence of G-3, this headquarters, will be obtained before any officer departs for Seventh Army.
 - b. Subordinate Headquarters (AAI, SOS NATOUSA, Fifth Army, etc) desiring to send officers to visit Seventh Army will first obtain concurrence of this headquarters to the proposed visit. G-3 will be responsible to screen the requests and obtain concurrence of Seventh Army.
3. Requests originating in North Africa for the transportation of French personnel to Army "B" will be made in Algiers to MADIST (G-3L); requests originating with French personnel in Italy will be made to G-3, this headquarters, through the Liaison Section, AFHQ.
4. Individual officers will be in the possession of regular travel orders.
5. The above will not apply to nor be construed to prevent visits of officers to Base Section or SOS activities when established in Southern FRANCE, nor to air force or naval officers visiting naval or air installations in Southern FRANCE, nor to members of Advance Detachment, Allied Force Headquarters.

By command of General WILSON:

ACC-DIST
Secy. Gen.
G-1 AYB
G-4 AYB
Adj.
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R. H. Christie
R. H. CHRISTIE
Colonel, AGD
Acting Adjutant General
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AOC HQ

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31 August 44

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Civil Affairs Br.

REFERENCE OUR TWO FOUR SEVEN ONE OF THIRTY ADDRESS ED PAREN TO PAGE FOR
FRITZBUCK FROM AOC HQ PAREN LT COL SHARPE AND CAPTAIN MEDEN WILL ARRIVE
TOMORROW FRIDAY

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MA

LT. MEDLAND.
1st Lt. MED.
ADJUTANT.

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ALLIED MILITARY COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

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Mac/366/166/OA.

31 August 1944.

SUBJECT : Interior Sub-Commission -
Visits to Provincial HQ.

TO : Region IV.

1. My attention has been drawn to a report made by Lt. W.V.M. LEWIS a Staff Officer of the Interior Sub-Commission on his visit to the Provincial Commissioner Rieti on 13 August 1944.
2. A copy of this report is enclosed and I am left with a strong impression that the P.O. was not helpful and made it impossible for Lt. LEWIS to fulfill the purpose of his visit.
3. I should be glad if you would take appropriate action in this matter.

M.S. LUSH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Admin. Section (for Interior Sub-Comm.)

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FAIR

HQ ACC

2471

30 Aug

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ROUTINE

Civil Affairs Branch

LIEUT COLONEL SHARPE AND CAPT MORDEN WILL VISIT YOU FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS PD
PASSE FAIR FOR PERQUICK FROM HQ ACC FAIR PD LEAVING HERE FRIDAY ARRIVE
SATURDAY SECOND SEPTEMBER UNLESS YOU ADVISE TO THE CONTRARY

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L.T. MONTAG, JR.
1st Lieut. ASD
ADJUTANT

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EXPECTING SECURE TR BACK WEDNESDAY 30 AUG. BRISTER.

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30 AUG 1944
A. C. C.

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File - 24-11-1944
*in ch... San...
10-1-1944
13 AUG Recd*

NOTA del personale attualmente residente
nell'Isola di Montecristo:

13/8

- 1) TESEI Francesco
- 2) Vongher Biagio
- 3) Roni Leonello
- 4) Tesei Sebastiana
- 5) Vongher Teresa
- 6) Roni Teresa
- 7) Tesei Gina

Roma, 4 Agosto 1944

see 155

INC 2350

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NOTES VISIT TO REGIONS VIII & IX, AMG 8 ARMY
AUGUST 9, 10, 1944

19 AUG Recd 162

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REGION VIII.

Visited Regional HQ and saw Col. Johnson, Col. Kirkwood being away. No particular problems and the situation seems to be in hand. He was concerned about mines and minefields and I told him that it was very doubtful if he would get any mine lifting facilities before the end of the harvest. Carabinieri are sufficient and Col. Johnson was satisfied with the supply position.

REGION IX.

In the absence of Lt. Col. Bowman who was in Rome, spoke with Lt. Col. Hartley at Regional HQ. Three Provincial Teams are out, one at SIENA is standing by for MODENA, one at PERUGIA standing by for BOLOGNA and one at MACERATA standing by for FORLI.

Saw Col. Eye who was concerned at the number of Carabinieri which he understood he was going to get. Says he would like 1500 (ask P.S.) I also saw Major Cousins, who was in SIENA second-in-command of the MODENA Team. His party is one of eight and he still lacks a Supply Officer. I told Col. Hartley that he must prepare at any moment to help Eighth Army.

AMG EIGHTH ARMY.

Spent two nights in camp. Second night Col. Marshall Region V came and stayed. Returned to Rome with Wing. Comdr. Deer who will make full report.

Gp. Capt. Benson again emphasized the probable serious situation that would be met with in FLORENCE when the north bank of the Arno was captured. The position in FLORENCE was still very obscure and he was quite adamant that nobody should be allowed in except for operational purposes. He has not been in himself yet.

A point on monuments which did not appear in the sitreps is that reports from Patriots showed that all important edifices south of the Arno seemed to be undamaged. The Istituto d'Arte was shelled but with little effect. The Palazzo Vecchio is said to be undamaged.

Promised to take up with Col. Todd the question of the loan of a mine detector. Col. Todd had asked Eighth Army to supply but all their detectors are operational. He must therefore approach AAI.

Returned midday 11th August.

MA

E. FALBOT,
Major.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

12 AUG Recd

TO: SOME AREA FOR HQ ACC FOR ERIG IRESH, INFO ACC REGION 3 FOR COL ABAYIAN
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 70/11
FROM: ACC FOSSLA PROVINCE CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED
REFERENCE No: FP/6 PRECEDENCE: IMPORTANT
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: AUG 10 17 02 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: _____

COL TELPEYS MOVEMENTS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS STOP BARI NIGHT 12/13 AUG. TARANTO
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Col Sharp
For info
SH 12/19

HEADQUARTERS
11 AUG 1944
A. C. C.
8-13-44

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TO: BASE AREA FOR EQ ACC MOB BRIG LASHI, INFO ACC REGION, FOR CDS BOSTON
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 70/11
FROM: ACC BOGOLA PROVINCE CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED
REFERENCE No: EP/6 PRECEDENCE: IMPORTANT
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: AUG 10 1710Z OFFICE OF ORIGIN: _____

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REF : 366/466/CA

8 August 44

SUBJECT : Officers Field Trips.

TO : Displaced Persons Sub-Com
Italian Refugee Branch
Information Division
Establishment Branch
Patriots Branch
Security Branch

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1. The weekly field trip return, called for in our 366/CA of 31 July 44 can now be discontinued.

[Signature]
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commission

[Handwritten initials]

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Deputy Secretary General

FILE No. 54732

SUBJECT: Weekly Field Trip Returns

7 August
7 AUG Recd

TO: Administrative Section
Economic Section
IG & MI Section

The weekly field trip returns heretofore submitted to the Chief Commissioner should be discontinued immediately.

Frank S. Elgert
FRANK S. ELGERT
Captain, AGD
Deputy Secretary General

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tel. Ext. 310

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HEADQUARTERS
ITALIAN REFUGEE BRANCH
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

7 August 1944

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SUBJECT: Officers Field Trips.

TO : Executive Commissioner, Hq. ACC.

8 AUG Recd

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F.M. Brister
 F.M. BRISTER,
 Lt. Col.,
 Deputy Director.

Mawr Jabbar.

hired - returned - thank you.

R. H. Fawcett

7/8.

FILE
APR 4

~~Dr. F...~~ 156

Major Talbot,

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1. A copy of this report is on our file + is ^{our} action copy.
2. It is now minuted to Col Fiske for decision on the method of supplying MONTECRISTO, or ~~the~~ alternatively taking off these people.
3. Suggest the attached copy goes on its way.

4 Aug 44

J.H.

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R.A. Branch, CAPT BRAYBROOK

Ref: the very interesting Monte Christo
Island - marked X unattached -
Can you tell me the answer please?

J.H. Tannen

22/9/44 Information Div

Can you help?
I will supply an answer
& details on Monte Christo
from the point of view
of the Royal Family
with links. Will that
do?

1/10/44

CRB

W 317
Date: 1/10/44
File: ACC 705
Info: JAS



MINISTERO DELLE CORPORAZIONI
CORPORAZIONE DELLA CARTA
E DELLA STAMPA
IL VICE PRESIDENTE

Col Farner

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St. 4/8

Memo to Major Dalbot:

The Crown Prince stated last night:

- a) The island of Montecristo is royal property and there were caretakers left there.
- b) It was administered from Pisa, therefore it may be difficult to get ^{the} records etc but he is having a look and will get in touch with me today or tomorrow
- c) If it is impracticable to supply the island he is agreeable that they should be evacuated, tho' naturally would prefer, if the house has not been destroyed, that they stay.
- d) He is interested in their welfare, payment etc.

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see 163

at Brandy East

3 Aug 44

Notes on visit to P.C. Crosetto and Orbetello. 7.44.
Crosetto, Lt. Col. P.A.B. Hamilton.

Harvest - bumper - no trouble in assessing. Only trouble is shortage of fuel for threshing and of electricity for the silos.
Clive Oil. Should be a very good crop.
No food shortage of any kind - no necessity to import any.

Officers Question of Capt. Mureberg's promotion, well deserved and overdue. There appears to be a feeling that American promotions are given only to officers at HQ A.C.C.

Particans No trouble except in the case of a couple of lands. These are really pretty well under control.

Orbetello Capt. Charles Dunn.

Food No problem at all. Plenty for everybody.

Damage. Orbetello Town - 2/3rds destroyed.
Port 'Erebia' } practically entirely destroyed.
Port Stephan }
Oil tanks in the Island - 12 to 14 times bombed by M.A.A.F. were not damaged - now connected to our wire line and being of great assistance.

Factories 1. Fertiliser Plant. Could be repaired within 60 days but would then be useless unless phosphates could be imported from North Africa.
2. Large Powder (explosive) plant which formerly employed some 3500 people - about 1/2 intact. Repair material available has been frozen by the Military Transportation (Brig. Grey).

Above are the only industries, bar fishing, and both dead for the moment.
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2. Giglio Isle. Holds about 3,500 fishermen who fish for sardines at night. As lights are necessary navy has withheld permission so their source of employment, and etc, has gone, and they do have to have food sent to them.

Housing problem for the winter.

Population about 9000 of whom there are now in Orbetello about 800, remainder live in the Hills of the Mainland or on the Island in grass huts. All right for summer but cannot be done in winter. Italian Govt. doing nothing yet about building up houses for the winter. Question really very acute.

Employment. Some 4,000 men unemployed. About 300-400 used in cleaning up debris, etc.

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Inter Region problems - Food

1. People are coming in from Rome Province, they have been told there is no food in Orbetello and they must make their own arrangements to obtain it - see note from Rovrario Sindaco.

2. Trucks come out from Rome City - owned by civilians apparently who have permits issued by Rome Region to buy fish in Orbetello. No prices given and apparently no co-operation with Region VIII. Passes confiscated and handed over to Provincial Commissioner. Provincial Officer fears prices of fish will be forced up.

V. P. Lammari' Section. *Luca's' Lammari'* *M. P. H. Lammari*
R.C.M. 6. Section. *Luca's' Lammari'* *Luca's' Lammari'*

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TO: Col. Fiske.

4 August 1944.

1. Reference report folio 136 para. "Housing Problem for the Winter" refer also to letter from Region IV dated 29 July (folio 20 file 392 herewith). Will you take this up with the Italian Government ?
2. Reference para headed "Montecristo" this island can either be supplied from LIVORNO, as for ELBA, or we might be able to arrange it from ORBETELLO (GROSSETO Province). Alternatively we hear from the Crown Prince that he is agreeable to the state employees being evacuated but would prefer not.

*Yes. Give
the data to
Pub Wms
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*PA
Ely*

E. S. Morden
E.S. MORDEN
Capt.

*How winter
to Kuluwood
the Province
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I*

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

Ref/366/151/C.A.

5 August 1944

Dear *Col. Listerud*

In the rush of our departure I did not have a chance to thank you personally for the lift. Allow me to say now how grateful I am for the comfortable ride in your car and for the lunch which you so kindly shared with me.

I hope that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you again and of thanking you in person.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM A.S. DOLLARD,
Major,
Civil Affairs Branch.

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Regional Commissioner,
Region 8.

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HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.G. AND M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/366/151/C.A.

4 Agosto 1944.

Gentilissimo

Mi permetta di esprimere la nostra gratitudine per averci portati all'Isola d'Elba e per averci riportati a Piombino l'indomani nel suo simpatico vapore "Cotugno".

Senza il suo aiuto in quell'ora tarda avremmo certamente perso tempo e il nostro lavoro sarebbe stato quindi ritardato.

La ringraziamo pure, come anche il Signor Silvio Polignani suo Tenente di Vascello, per l'ospitalità che ci hanno offerto durante la traversata. Spero avere il piacere di rivederla e di godere un'altra traversata in sua compagnia.

Distinti saluti,

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commander.

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Comandante Sergio Rosso
Capitano del "Cotugno".

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HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. AND M.G. SECTION
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4 August 1944

Ref/366/150/C.A.

Dear

May I express my thanks to you for having arranged at that late hour to take our party over to Elba in the Cotugno.

Without your assistance we should not have been able to cover so much ground as we had planned. The trip was both agreeable and profitable.

Will you please express my thanks to Mr Ellison for the aid which you both gave us.

Sincerely yours,

NORMAN E. FIERKE.
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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Commanding Officer
C.I.C.
Pierbino.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. AND M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/366/149/O.A.

4 August 1944.

Dear,

Thank you very much for having sent the signal to announce our coming to Elba at that late hour. Thanks to your signal we arrived safely and were able to accomplish our mission.

Sincerely yours,

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Commanding Officer,
Royal Navy,
Florence.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. AND M.G. SECTION
APO 394

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Ref/366/148/C.A.

4 August 1944

Dear

Thank you very much for all the help which you gave us on our recent trip to your province. I am grateful for your having arranged with C.I.C. to take us to Elba after the usual hours and for having arranged other details including lunch for the members of my party. Without your assistance it would have been difficult to accomplish our mission.

Would you be kind enough to deliver the enclosed letters to C.I.C., the Captain and the Mate of the "Cotugno" and Commander Lockhart; and would you please forward my note to Major Murchie.

I hope that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you again and of thanking you personally.

Sincerely yours,

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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Provincial Commissioner
Pisano Province.

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

Ref/366/147/C.A.

4 August 1944

Dear

May I express to you my thanks for your courtesy in receiving us on our recent visit to your province and for having telephoned the news of our arrival ahead to the Provincial Commissioner of Piacenza.

Your assistance helped to make our trip successful.

Sincerely yours,

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Provincial Commissioner,
Grosseto Province.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INFORMATION DIVISION

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SUBJECT: Officers Field Trips

TO : R.C. & M.G. Section

Reference 366/CA d/d
31 July 1944.

I. The return called for is

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John V. Hinkel

JOHN V. HINKEL
Major, M.I.
Director
Information Division
A.C.C.

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

Ref/17/4/PAT.

3 August 1944.

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SUBJECT: Officers Field Trips.

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

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With reference to your 366/CA dated 31 July 1944, the following particulars are submitted:-

| <u>Name.</u> | <u>Rank.</u> | <u>Place Visited.</u> | <u>Date of Visit.</u> | <u>Purpose.</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| C.D. Mc Carthy. | Col. | 5 & 8 Army Areas. | 27 - 29 July 44. | Arranging for handling Patriots. |
| C.D. Mc Carthy. | Col. | 8th Army. | 30 - 31 July 44. | ditto. |

PA *file*

C. D. Mc Carthy
C.D. Mc CARTHY,
Colonel,
Patriots Branch,
R.C. & M.G. Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.G. & M.G. Section
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1 August 1944.

Ref: 566/111/CA.

SUBJECT: Visits to the Field.

TO : Secretary-General.

Attached is a return showing officers of this Section who have been engaged on Field Trips during the period 16 - 31 July 1944.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Incl
as above

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RESUME OF FIELD TRIPS MADE DURING PERIOD 16 to 31 July 1944.

| <u>RANK & NAME</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATES</u> | <u>DUTY</u> |
|---|---|------------------|---|
| Civil Affairs Branch - Major J. STEWART BRACKES | Campobasso, Chieti Aquila, Termoli, Vasto, Pescara. | 18 - 21 July. | Civil Affairs. |
| Lt. Col. G. W. I. SHIPP | Aquila. | 29 July. | " " |
| Establishments Branch - Col. R. H. FARREN. | Grosseto, Orbetello, | 22 July. | Establishments. |
| Security Branch - Col. A. E. YOUNG Capt. L. V. GALE | Region I | 9 July | Collection of Grain |
| Major J. A. MCKAY Capt. R. P. FIELDERS | Region IV, AME 8 Army, Main and Rear Hqs. | 13 July. | Security preparations for FLORENCE. |
| Major W. R. HARR | Forward HQ 5 Army. | 27 July. | Security matter. |
| Displaced Persons Sub-Com. | NIL | | |
| Italian Refugee Branch. | NIL | | |
| Information Division. | NIL | | |
| Patriots Branch | NIL | | |

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Col Shipp.

Ref 136 + 137.

1. This is raised as a matter of policy in letter from Reg IV 392/20 which I routed to you. File herewith.
2. Isle of MONTECRISTO is 20 miles from CIVITAVECCHI + 35 miles from PORTO S. STEFAN (ORBETELLO). Suggest it is allotted to Reg VIII for supply from the latter ^{port} by small vessel.
3. This has come in officially from AMG 5 Army + has been referred to Region IV for explanation.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
A.P.O. 394

Ref. : SB/ 125.02/1339.

1st August 1944

1 AUG Recd

Subject : Officers Field Trips

To : Executive Commissioner

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1. Reference your 366/CA of 31 July 1944.
2. The following are details of Field Trips of Officers of this Branch for July 1944.

(a) Col. A.E. YOUNG (Director) { 9 July 1944
 Capt. L.V. GALE { Region I.
 Major ZANCHINO (RR.CC.) { Collection of Grain.

Capt. GALE returned 23 July
Col. YOUNG and Major ZANCHINO not yet returned.

(b) Major J.A. McKAY { 13 July 1944 to Reg. IV.
 Capt. R.P. FIELDERS { (Perugia); A.M.G. 8 Army
 Main and Rear HQ; S;
 Security preparations
 for Florence.

Major McKAY returned 16 July 1944
Capt. FIELDERS still with A.M.G. 8 Army.

(c) Major W.R. HARE
 27 July 1944 to Forward HQ. 5th Army for
 4 days re. Security matter.

Col Shipp
EC asked for this
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FOR THE DIRECTOR:

John A. McKay
 JOHN A. McKAY,
 Major,
 Security Branch.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
E.C. & M.C. Section
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original of letter
of Major Talbot

31 July 1944

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I am sorry I shall not be able to go out to you as I was hoping to do but I am sending Evan Talbot instead and I know that he is quite capable of doing anything that I could have done.

Regarding the few points, I took up :

- (a) Papera: I have taken up with Major Gillet and he is going to send you copies as arranged plus the "Maple Leaf".
- (b) Communications: I have told the Message Centre about BOGGIA Province and I enclose for your information copy of instructions sent out on 14 July, which makes the position quite clear. For some odd reason you were omitted from the distribution list.
- (c) Pescara Harbour: I spoke to Navy Sub-Commission (Comdr. Butler) today. He said he had received a letter from you on this point and had immediately wired to NOTALI repeated FOWIT asking them to do their best. He cannot say what the likelihood is of meeting your request as it depends entirely on the availability of the necessary personnel.
- (d) Refugees: I spoke to Col. Halls about the refugee problem which was raised by Col. Marshall. AAI are sending a Col. Donnelly to ANCONA today to investigate.
- (e) Medical Supplies: I spoke to Col. Griffin about medical supplies. He said that AOC have run completely dry. Consignments from the U.S. are late and he does not expect any until August. When they arrive he will send them on the first opportunity. Meanwhile he hoped Capt. Wilhelm will shortly visit you.
- (f) FOL: I talked to Economic Section very briefly on this point, but feel sure that the matter will be raised at your Conference tomorrow at which Col. O'Dwyer will be present, and think it is better to take no action at the moment. Evan Talbot will speak to you about this point.

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I think that this covers all the points which you raised. I enjoyed my visit immensely and am sorry I cannot come up this time, but these trips have to be shared round the office. Thank you very much indeed for your hospitality when I was there.

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Lieut.Col. C.H.A. French, M.C.,
Executive Officer,
HQ. Region V. -

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APO 394
R.C. & M.C. Section.

Ref: 366/GA

31. July. 44

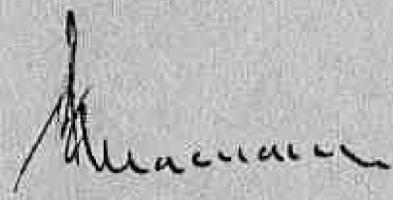
SUBJECT: Officers Field Trips.

TO : Displaced Persons Sub-Com.
Italian Refugee Branch.
Information Division.
Establishment Branch.
Patriots Branch.
Security Branch.

1. I am directed by the Executive Commissioner to ask you to submit particulars of visits by officers in the field for the month of July.

2. They will state: Time
Place
Period
Purpose

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Lieutenant,
PA to Executive Commissioner.

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Capt Marden

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Pl. follow up on this letter:-
where marked in green
points 1 2 & 3. & let me know
in due course what is happening.

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Notes on visit to P.O. Goretto and Orfello 22.7.44

Goretto, Lt. Col. R. B. Hamilton.

Harvest - bumper - no trouble in assessing. Only trouble is shortage of fuel for thrashing and of electricity for the mills.

Olive oil. Should be a very good crop. No food shortages of any kind - no necessity to import any.

Officers Question of Capt. Hansberg's promotion, well discussed and overdone. There appears to be a feeling that American promotions are given only to officers at HQ A.C.C.

Partisans No trouble except in the case of a couple of bands. These are really pretty well under control.

Orfello Capt. Charles Dunn.

Food No problem at all. Plenty for everybody.

Damage. Orfello Town - 2/3rds destroyed. Port Orfello } practically entirely destroyed. Port Stephen }
Oil tanks in the Island - 12 to 14 times bombed by M.A.A.F. were not damaged - now connected to our pipe line and being of great assistance.

Factories 1. Fertiliser Plant. Could be repaired within 60 days but would then be useless unless phosphates could be imported from North Africa.
2. Large Powder (explosive) plant which formerly employed some 3500 people - about 2/3 intact. Repair material available has been frozen by the Military Transportation (Brig. Grey).

Above are the only industries, bar fishing, and both dead for the moment.

Fishing 1. 15 good fishing boats blocked in the Canal - not a big job to clear this. Navy promised to send a special vessel to see to this (letter from Prov. I & S officer Region VIII dated 12 July) nothing done yet.

2. Giglio Is. Holds about 3,500 fishermen who fish for sardines at night. As lights are necessary navy has withheld permission so their sources of employment, and etc, has gone, and they do have to have food sent to them.

Housing problem for the winter.

Population about 3000 of whom there are now in Orfello about 800, Russians live in the hills of the Island or on the Island in grass huts. Alright for summer but cannot be done in winter. Italian Govt. doing nothing yet about building up houses for the winter. Question really very acute.

Employment. Some 4,000 men unemployed. About 300-400 used in clearing up debris, etc.

Monte di Lale. Who is responsible? There are only 5 persons, reputedly members of the Royal Family estates there. They say they are

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Orbetello Capt. Charles Darr.

Food No problem at all. Plenty for everybody.

Damage. Orbetello Farm - 2/3rds destroyed.
Port Orbetello } practically entirely destroyed.
Port Stephens

All tanks in the Island - 12 to 14 times bombed by H.A.A.F. were not damaged - now connected to our pipe line and being of great assistance.

Factories 1. Fertiliser Plant. Could be repaired within 60 days but would then be useless unless phosphates could be imported from North Africa.
2. Large Powder (explosive) plant which formerly employed some 3500 people - about 2/3 intact. Repair material available has been frozen by the Military Transportation (Mtg. Coy).

Above are the only industries, bar fishing, and both dead for the moment.

Fishing 1. 15 good fishing boats blocked in the Canal - not a big job to clear this. Navy promised to send a special vessel to see to this (letter from Prov. E & S Officer Region VIII dated 12 July) nothing done yet.

2. Ciglio Isle. Holds about 3,500 fishermen who fish for cardines of night. As lights are necessary navy has withheld permission so their source of employment, and etc, has gone, and they do have to have food sent to them.

Housing problem for the winter.

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Population about 9000 of whom there are now in Orbetello about 800, remainder live in the hills of the mainland or on the Island in grass huts. Alright for summer but cannot be done in winter. Italian Govt. doing nothing yet about building up houses for the winter. Question really very acute.

Employment. Some 4,000 men unemployed. About 300-400 used in cleaning by Sabylo, etc.

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Who is responsible? There are only 5 persons, reputedly caretakers of the Royal Family estates there. They say they are starving and have no one to look after them.

Inter Region problems - Food

1. People are coming in from Rome Province, they have been told there is no food in Orbetello and they must make their own arrangements to obtain it - see note from Romario Sabinco.

2. Trucks come out from Rome City - owned by civilians apparently who have permits issued by Rome Region to buy fish in Orbetello. No prices given and apparently no co-operation with Region VIII. Passes confiscated and handed over to Provincial Commissioner. Provincial Officer fears prices of fish will be forced up.

V. P. Economic Section
R.C. RMB. Section

R. A. Jensen

*Executive Commission see 142
Established Office*

Dep Ex Comm:

Report on visit to Reg V.

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25 Nov 1957

This is a useful report by Major Reakes.
 The main problem of supply of POL and the fixing of
 supply lines by sea and road is under consideration
 by Economic Section.
 2. The other minor points are being taken
 up by Major Reakes.

Good
 Major Reakes to see

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Major Reakes

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Thanks very much for this report which is excellent and gives just the sort of thing I wanted. Have you got another copy to work on and want to show this to Col Fisher, but you should first clear up the few points outstanding.

Let me know results

The main one (of POL supply linked with the rail head and port question) is under consideration by Econ. Section as a result of the meeting at AAA.

Shave another copy
Send to Col Fisher PK 24/7.

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Report by Major J. Stewart Reakes
on tour from 18th to 21st July.

1. I left Rome on the afternoon of the 18th July en route for CAMPOBASSO and arrived in CAMPOBASSO at 2300 hours. I called at Region HQ and left the Proclamations I had brought with me with the duty officer.

2. At 0900 hours I called at Region V HQ and saw Col. Walmsley and explained the need for getting the Procs. distributed for publication on the 20th July. Before I left about 1030 hours he had already arranged for distribution to the Provinces. Col Walmsley asked that a further supply of Legal Instructions be forwarded to him 20 or 30. He considered that Local Government (Italian Officials) was quite good. He mentioned an incident at CHIETI where girls going with Allied Troops had been attacked and one particular incident where a British Officer and a girl with him had been attacked. The girl was actually a British Nurse in civilian clothes. I raised this matter later on at CHIETI and am of opinion it has been settled.

3. I spoke to Col. Pickering the Public Safety Officer. He stated that the prisons were overcrowded but his most urgent need was for transport for his Carabinieri. Patriots were causing some trouble and he desired to move his Police about quickly so as to round them up. Without tpt. it was difficult. One truck would be of considerable help.

4. There were few officers at HQ some were at ROME, one, I think it was Col. Marshall had gone to AAI for the conference and the others were on their way to AQUILA where I met them. Generally things were in a state of flux but when I asked if I could help the answer was generally no. Transport was as usual a sore point. Grain was being cut and the position was considered satisfactory.

See Sect one dealing

5. On 19th July I left Region V and went to TERMOLI where I saw Lt. Cocks, Public Safety. He had no complaints and considered that things were satisfactory. One complaint he did voice was that of lack of Petrol for threshing. He said he had not received any but said he had received all he required unofficially from the Army so was quite happy. Grain was coming in but he could not get a storehouse ~~where~~ the army had and would not give up. He was going to try again and persuade them to let him have it. The storehouse was at Campo Manico and was occupied by 100 Regt R.A. and asked if we could take up with AAI. He was short of trucks and could do with 5-3 tonners. Carabinieri ²⁰⁰ ₂₁₀₀ food. Relations with the Army good. Local Government - position adequate.

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Water - suspect but was being tested. One annoying trouble was that trains coming down with refugees just stopped for the night at TERMOLI and the poor devils just had to hang about till the train moved again next morning without food. He was taking this up and would see what he could do to settle the matter or keep the train moving.

6. At VASTO met Major McIntyre (A) who was very busy indeed. He had a lot to do. Malaria - so far had no cases. 6 cases of typhoid reported but under control. Water - scarce. Half of the town gets it in the morning and the other half at night. Legally he's snowed under with court work. With regard to towns in the interior the food supply was bad and the old difficulty of transport is again present. No mules - they have been removed. P. O. L. C.I.P. have made no deliveries of petrol and McIntyre says the armies cannot help them. Crops are ripening in the fields and machinery is idle for lack of petrol. Olive oil - none since 22nd May. Granai del Popolo - quite successful but would be better if petrol available. Legal fines - in some cases the sentences given by McIntyre have been reduced, but his problem is that where he has fined a prisoner say 10,000 lire, this fine has been reduced to half (4,000) and he is expected to give the prisoner back 6,000. This would be all right if the culprits were local men but unfortunately when they pay their fines they disappear. As a result he is accumulating money because he cannot find the rightful owners. Storehouses for grain have not yet been derequisitioned. The food situation especially oil, soap and sugar is bad. They are not getting their rations and in spite of the bread ration being fixed at 200 grams the cutting out of the pasta is causing trouble.

7. I went from VASTO to PESCARA and passed on the way a refugee camp. Met Major Mannifold P. S. officer who stated the town had a population of 61,000. The population had been cleared out by the Germans in January last who had removed also every piece of furniture and property of any value. When the armies moved on the people started to return but an order compelling them to evacuate a second time has been issued and people are on their way out again. The only people remaining in the town are essential workers and their families. Practically every house has been destroyed and drainage and sewers disrupted. The town is unfit for human habitation and is mined from one end to the other. When the C.A.O. went in first there were only 12 people. Civilians require permits before they are allowed to return. Up to date 3,000 permits have been issued. This is a malarious area and there is a lot of stagnant water but at present no disease. They are in desperate need of some Italian engineers to help them with public utilities also mine clearing company. ²⁵ ~~24~~ used

him that the company should be on its way to PESCARA. They require 3 to 6 tons of cement for the prison. The refugee problem worries them a bit and they suggest that another refugee camp be

See Holmes said he would arrange this

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opened nearer PESCARA. They are very short of officers - they have only 7 including 2 C.A.O.s out in the province. Harvesting would be all right if they got the petrol for threshing. At present they have collected petrol from the Polish Corps - a round trip of 140 miles whereas they could easily get petrol from Ortona which would mean a journey of only 20 miles. Transport is available by requisitioning but sadly needs batteries and tyres. Patriots - well in hand but one band causing trouble in Teramo but the police are out looking for them. Major Mannifold said that F.S.S. don't seem to do their job properly. They throw people into jail and go away with their arrest slips and then local officer doesn't know why they are there because it's some time before F.S.S. people return (action through A.A.I. liaison officer). Supplies all right. Public Safety good. Personnel - shortage of OR/EM. Only one NCO is any good.

8. I went to CHIETI and saw Col. Holmes he said he would deal with the cement situation. Local government good and the matter well in hand. With regard to the CHIETI incident mentioned in paragraph 2 Holmes had got this straightened out. Italian unit would not be allowed into CHIETI except one company per night and they were to send out a patrol. Since then there has been no further trouble. Relations with army is good - water all right but light is poor. Officers are thin on the ground. Col. Holmes has two provinces to look after and while he has got CHIETI in order is just starting on PESCARA which is a big job. He is kept very busy indeed.

9. AQUILA - population 30,000. Saw Col. Smith P. C. who said that everything was in order. He felt, however, that finance was too centralised and would like something in the nature of an imprest account to be given to some of his officers. He had to go to finance if he wanted to spend money and this caused him considerable delay owing to bad communications. Grain - wages are too high. Petrol - the same trouble arises here about petrol. He believed there was a steamer trying to get into ANCONA. The army are not helping much here. It is believed that the petrol comes from BARI. I also spoke to the Adjutant Captain Marshall who had no difficulties. I also went to Region HQ and saw Col. Beard - they were just settling in. He said the harvest was good but again petrol was the trouble. They had none for a month but he would see what he could do.

John A. Ramsay

24.7.44.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

16 Jul 44.

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SUBJECT: Visits to the Field. ~~XXXX~~
TO : Acting Chief Commissioner.

Attached is (i) a Return showing officers of this Section who have been engaged on Field Trips during the fourteen days ending 15 Jul 44 and (ii) a Summary of visits paid to the field during the same period. 22 Jul

*den by
Capt. Stone*

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R.R. Cripps Col.
R.R. CRIPPS Col,
For A/Id. Adm Sec.

PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION

NIL.

PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

NIL.

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

NIL.

INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION

Col R.G.B. Spicer

RMS and 5th & 8th Armies.

3/7 Jul 44.

Ascertaining position of Italian officials in newly liberated areas.

MEMA SUB-COMMISSION

Major E.H. De Wald

Grottaferrata Vellevri

3 Jul(1 day)

Inspection of Monuments.

Major J.S. Ward Perkins

Tarquimia

5 Jul(1 day)

Inspection of buildings and collections in town and of the Etruscan tombs in the environs.

do. do.

Tivoli

6 Jul(1 day)

Insp. of Hadrians Villa in the light of current occupation by British troops.

do. do.

Palestrina

14 Jul(1 day)

Inspection of Monuments.

Capt A.S. Pennoyer

Nemi

15 Jul(1 day)

Inspection, after their destruction by fire, of the remains of the Ships of Nemi & of the museum which housed the

SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE IN THE FIELD DURING THE FOURTEEN DAYS ENDING 15th JUL 44.

| REGION:- | I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | 5 ARMY | 8 ARMY | Malta. | TOTALS. |
|---------------|-----|----|-----|-----|---|----|-----|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Education SC. | 1/5 | - | - | - | - | - | 1/5 | - | - | 1/5 | 3/5 |
| Interior SC. | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/2 | 1/2 | - | - | 2/4 |
| NEA & A SC. | - | - | - | 5/5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5/5 |
| TOTALS | 1/5 | - | - | 5/5 | - | - | 1/5 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/5 | 10/24. |

ET.
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SUBJECT: Check List for Civil Affairs Officers Touring Regions and Army Areas.
: Deputy Executive Commissioner.

1. I have thought of the following subjects after discussion with Major Talbot :

- Carabinieri
- Prisons
- Granai del Popolo
- Transport
- Personnel
- Local Government (Italian Officials)
- Refugees
- Supply
- Liaison with local District and Area Comds. etc.

I suggest it is important for us to look into the morale and discipline of officers and EM/OR. - billets, food, mail exchange supplies, leaves etc.

Forward Areas only :

- Monuments.
- Public Utilities (water, light etc.)
- Patriots

2. I suggest that this list be passed round to all officers in Civil Affairs Branch to add any other subjects they would like adding, after you have yourself commented.

16/7 Pass to officers of CAB for comment

15 July 1944.

*Major Rerth
Capt Mullen*

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

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29 JUL 1944

18 June 1944

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REPORT OF TRIP TO REGION V AND ADRIATIC 8th ARMY AREAS

by Lt. Col. Alfred C. Bowman

(for files, abbreviated by reason of earlier full oral reports and pressure of time. Reference to travel difficulties, mined roads, bridges out, etc., omitted by reason of earlier full memorandum on this subject to Colonel Jenny, Director, Public Works & Utilities Sub-Commission; Ref 457/3/CA).

Monday, June 12th

Arrived at Campobasso circa 7:30 PM and dined with Colonel Whitley. After dinners others present left and there was ample opportunity for a discussion both at the table and during the course of a long walk through the environs of Campobasso. Advised Colonel Whitley that rumors emanating from unspecified sources indicated that there might be some dissatisfaction in 8th Army AMG with the speed with which Region V field officers were coming up behind spearhead elements and taking over and that I had come to his headquarters for the purpose of determining whether he was conscious of any such difficulties and whether in any event there was anything Headquarters, ACC could do to assist him. Colonel Whitley stated that he had not been aware of any dissatisfaction except that he had received a number of calls either direct from Aquila Province or on its behalf through 8th Army AMG for additional officers, in spite of the fact (he said) that Aquila Province had already been supplied with twice as many officers as had been planned for originally. He also made other comments concerning shortages of officers and further stated that it was his feeling that the true shortage was his vehicles being diminished by reason of the lack of proper equipment resulting in lower production per officer and the need for more of them (there was a great deal of further talk on matters of detail which need not be recorded here since it was doubtless repeated at length at the conference at Isernia the following Wednesday, June 14th).

I then told Colonel Whitley that there was some indication that some of the complaints might emanate from the north or 50th Corps area and suggested that he travel to that sector with me the following day to reconnoitre and determine whether in fact elements of Region V in that vicinity had failed to move in promptly to relieve the spearhead troops of the rapidly

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advancing 8th Army. Colonel Whitley stated that he would be very glad to do this.

Tuesday, June 13th

Met Colonel Whitley the following morning at breakfast. He told me that after full consideration of the matter discussed with him the night before he was fully convinced that if there was any trouble it was far more likely to be in the Isernia-Forli area rather than 5th Corps area, and that it would be better for him to proceed directly to that sector, establishing contact with Group Captain Benson and Captain W.C. Smith, and leaving me to proceed to the Adriatic side with Major Heassler, the Regional Adjutant. I agreed to this modification in the plan and proceeded with Major Heassler. At Termoli we found Captain Robinson (A) in charge. Captain Robinson reported that transportation was his most serious difficulty and that as to all other matters the office had been established long enough and channels and relationships were sufficiently known to all concerned that there was very little trouble.

Vasto we found in the charge of two lieutenants, Lt. Davies, American, and a British lieutenant whose name has escaped me. Captain Courdjis, Finance Officer, was also temporarily at the Vasto Provincial Headquarters. I was informed that the office had formerly been in charge of Major Henderson, American, who had left only two or three days earlier to take over the duties of CAO of the city of Chieti at the urgent request of Colonel Selby, CAO 5th Corps. Lt. Davies told me that the work was heavy and that probably the bulk of it involved passes and that all of it was done in direct contact and cooperation with the military. I asked both lieutenants whether either of them had reason to believe that there was any feeling on the part of 5th Corps or 8th Army authorities that Region V or its subsidiary units was not giving full cooperation. Both replied vehemently in the negative. I have been acquainted with both officers for some time, know them to be intelligent and normally sensitive and am inclined to accept their judgment, at least as regards any outward manifestation of dissatisfaction.

While I was talking with the officers, Major Heassler surveyed several buildings in the city as potential Regional Headquarters and discussed this matter with the Town Major.

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We then proceeded to San Vito and beyond to Colonel Selby's headquarters where we were informed that the Colonel had left that morning to go to Pescara and Chieti and thence the following day to the conference at Isernia. We were advised by members of Colonel Selby's staff that if we proceeded to Pescara and Chieti we would undoubtedly locate him at one of these places. Members of the staff were casually interrogated as to the state of their relations with opposite members of the Region V Headquarters provincial staffs and stated that they have no complaints of any kind and believed relations between 5th Corps and Region V to be of the best. Furthermore, they did not feel that the cooperation they had received from the Region could be improved upon although of course they would like to see more men and more vehicles in the forward areas.

We then proceeded to Pescara which was discovered to be almost entirely deserted by civilian inhabitants-- a condition which we were informed had existed for several months. Upon close examination almost all of the buildings in the town appeared to have been gutted by bombs or shell-fire. One of the few sound buildings had been taken over 25 hours before by the Pescara Province Provincial Headquarters and we found Colonel Sturgis, Provincial CAO and his staff including Captains Forster, Rogers and others apparently in full control of the situation. After dining in the Provincial Headquarters Mess we had some discussion with Colonel Sturgis and his assistants but were unable through the most judicious questioning to elicit any information concerning unsatisfactory relationships with AMG 8th Army or any of the armed forces.

At this time the German lines were only a few miles from Pescara and it would have been physically impossible for the Pescara team to get much closer to the front. The officers consulted and interviewed were all old friends from Region V of which I was formerly a part. I do not believe that any of them would consciously or unconsciously withhold from me any information they might have concerning unsatisfactory relations.

Colonel Sturgis reported that far and away his most serious problem was lack of adequate transport. Requisitioning of civilian cars and trucks was, he said, totally out of the question in this case because of the character of Pescara as a "Ghost City". All transport had disappeared several months previous with the owners, he said, and no appreciable amount had yet returned. Colonel Sturgis also stated that as

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yet he was having very little difficulty with refugees. Major Heassler was able to hold out some hope in the way of further transport from Headquarters Region V.

The potentialities of Pescara as a possible regional headquarters were discussed at length. It appeared unlikely that there was any building of suitable size in condition to be used.

In order to be certain (as I thought) of being in time for the meeting at Isernia the following day, we proceeded to Chieti. At Chieti we located without very much difficulty both the Municipio, where Major Henderson's office is located and the Prefettura, which for the preceding 36 hours had been Colonel (Jimmy) Holmes' provincial headquarters. For a time it was not possible to locate any officers but eventually Colonel Holmes came in and arrangements were made for our accommodation for the night. There was no electricity and extended discussion was difficult to carry on. However, on the following day the situation was discussed in some detail with both Colonel Holmes and Major Henderson at the breakfast-table and again no reports of unsatisfactory relations were received.

Wednesday, June 14th

Having been in Chieti only about 48 hours, Colonel Holmes had as yet no idea as to what his specific problems would be and was unable to make any specific requests or recommendations for action by Headquarters, ACC.

Chieti was observed to be almost entirely undamaged in spite of the malfunctioning of utilities, which apparently is attributable more to traditional native inefficiency than to war damage. It is located on a high mesa; has a very picturesque situation and would, I think, make a very satisfactory regional headquarters.

Pescara and Chieti are only from ten to twelve miles apart, joined by very good roads. In my opinion, early consideration should be given to the consolidation of these provinces, particularly if the Regional Headquarters should be moved to Chieti.

Colonel Selby had apparently changed his plans, and I did not catch up with him either in Pescara or Chieti. In each place I was advised that he had "just left" and in the

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latter place was told that he had gone back to Headquarters 5th Corps for the night instead of proceeding direct to Isernia in accordance with what I had been informed were his original plans.

Instead of 4½ hours as had been estimated, the trip from Chieti to Isernia required more than nine hours due to a combination of extremely heavy traffic and much loss of time due to ruined roads, demolished bridges discovered after miles of travel along a road all of which had to be retraced. We arrived in Isernia at circa 1815 hrs in time for a talk with Colonel Selby and Group Captain Benson but too late to see any of the other participants in the meeting.

At no point on the route did there seem to be any appreciable number of long-distance refugees and it was reported that this matter constituted no problem in the area. A few people were observed traveling along the roads with cartloads of furniture and bundles on their heads but my impression was that these were people who had hidden out a few miles from town and were merely returning those few miles after the Germans had left.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
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25 Jun 44.

SUBJECT : Visits to Field.
TO : Acting Chief Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS
20610 1944
A. C. C.

Attached is (i) a Return showing officers of this Section who have been engaged on Field Trips during the seven days ending 24 Jun and (ii) a Summary of visits paid to the field during the fourteen days ending 24 Jun 44.

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R.A. PERSELL Lt Col,
for VP Adm. Sec.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF FIELD TRIPS MADE DURING WEEK ENDING 1800 HRS 24 JUN 44.

| <u>RANK & NAME</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>DUTY</u> |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|--|
| <u>ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION</u> | | | |
| Air Comdr Lord STANSFORD | AMG 5th & 8th Armies. | 22 Jun | Tour of Inspection. |
| Capt R.W. Buckley | | not ret'd. | |
| <u>LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| | NIL RETURN | | |
| <u>EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Joseph V. Vella | Rome City | 21/24 Jun | Education. |
| <u>PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Col C. Carroll | Rome Region | 19 Jun - not ret'd. | Tour of Inspection. |
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Major Cherry | 5th Army | 2 Jun - not ret'd. | Comm. Diseases. |
| Capt Wilhelmi | Rome Region IV | 20/21 Jun | Medical Supplies. |
| | | 22 Jun - not ret'd. | |
| Lt Yarbrough) | Region II | 19 Jun - not ret'd. | Nursing Activities. |
| Lt Milano) | | | |
| 2/Lt Wehrle | Region VI | 18 Jun - not ret'd. | Malaria Control. |
| <u>INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Col R.G.B. Spicer | Sardinia | 12/20 Jun | Regional Commissioner's Conference. |
| Lt W.V.M. Lewis | Campobasso | 23/24 Jun | do. |
| <u>MVA SUB-COMMISSION.</u> | | | |
| Major J.B. Ward Perkins | Pompeii | 19/19 Jun | Inspection of Monuments. |
| | Cava & Nocera | 24/24 Jun | a. Conference with Abbot at Cava & Montecassino. |
| | Nocera | | b. Insp. of repairs at Nocera. |
| Capt A.S. Remmeyer | Cava & Nocera | 24/24 Jun | as above. |
| | Cassino | 18/18 Jun | Inspection of Monuments. |
| Capt E. Croft Murray | Caserta | 19/19 Jun | Supervision of requisition. |
| | | 24/24 Jun | Royal Palace & furnishings. |

SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE IN THE FIELD DURING THE FOREGOING DAYS ENDING 1800 HRS 24 JUN 44.

| Officer | Region | Date | Activity |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Lt Col G. Carroll | Rome Region | 19 Jun - not ret'd. | Tour of Inspection. |
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Major Cherry | 5th Army | 2 Jun - not ret'd. | Comm. Diseases. |
| Capt Wilhelm | Rome Region IV | 20/21 Jun | Medical Supplies. |
| Lt Yarbrough) | Region II | 19 Jun - not ret'd. | Nursing Activities. |
| Lt Milano) | | | |
| 2/Lt Wehrle | Region VI | 18 Jun - not ret'd. | Malaria Control. |
| <u>INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Col R.G.B. Spicer | Sardinia | 12/20 Jun | Regional Commissioner's Conference. |
| Lt W.V.M. Lewis | Campobasso | 23/24 Jun | do. |
| <u>MPAA SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Major J.B. Ward Perkins | Pozzeil Cava & Nocera | 19/19 Jun 24/24 Jun | Inspection of Monuments. a. Conference with Abbot at Cava & Nocera. b. Insp. of repairs at Nocera. |
| Capt A.S. Pennoyer | Cava & Nocera Cassino | 24/24 Jun 18/18 Jun | as above. Inspection of Monuments. |
| Capt E. Croft Murray | Caserta | 19/19 Jun 24/24 Jun | Supervision of requisition. Royal Palace & furnishings. |

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SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE IN THE FIELD DURING THE FOURTEEN DAYS ENDING 30 JUN 44.

| REGION :- | I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | 5 ARMY | 8 ARMY | HOME | TOTALS. |
|------------------|---|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|--------|--------|------|---------|
| Adm Sec | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4/6 |
| Legal | - | 1/7 | - | - | 1/3 | - | - | 2/3 | 2/3 | - | 2/10 |
| Education | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/4 | 1/4 |
| Property Control | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/6 | 1/6 |
| Public Health | - | 5/25 | - | 1/3 | 1/6 | 1/7 | - | 1/14 | - | 1/2 | 10/57 |
| Interior | - | - | - | 1/3 | 1/2 | 1/9 | - | - | - | - | 3/14 |
| MPAA | - | - | 5/5 | 1/1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6/6 |
| TOTALS | - | 6/32 | 5/5 | 3/7 | 3/11 | 2/16 | - | 3/17 | 2/3 | 3/12 | 27/103. |

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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SUBJECT : Visits to Field.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

Attached is (i) a Return showing officers of this Section who have been engaged on Field Trips during the seven days ending 17 Jun 44 and (ii) a Summary of visits paid to the field during the fourteen days ending 17 Jun 44.

HEADQUARTERS
19 JUN 1944
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R. R. Chipp 2308
R. R. CHIPP Col.
for VP Adm Sec.

WEEKLY RETURN OF FIELD TRIPS MADE DURING WEEK ENDING 1800 HRS 17 JUN 44.

| <u>RANK & NAME</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATES</u> | <u>DUTY</u> |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|---|
| <u>ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION</u> | | | |
| NIL | | | |
| <u>LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Col L.G.H. Campbell | Campobasso | 9/11 Jun | Tour of inspection Region V. |
| Major M.J. Crossman | Leoce | 5/11 Jun | Attending Allied Military Court - Region II |
| <u>EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| NIL | | | |
| <u>PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| NIL | | | |
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Major Bushmore | Region V | 11/16 Jun | Vet. Diseases. |
| Major Lewis | Region II | 10/11 Jun | VD Control. |
| Capt Wilhelm | Region II | 11/15 Jun | Medical Supply. |
| Major Anderson | Region II | 8 Jun - not ret'd. | Malaria Control. |
| Major Cherry | 5 Army | 2 Jun - not ret'd. | Commun. Diseases |
| <u>PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| NIL | | | |
| <u>INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Capt G.C.R. Williams | Frosinone Province | 9/13 Jun | Conducting Italian officials and contacting SCAO. |
| Col R.G.B. Spicer | Sardinia | 12 Jun - not ret'd. | Regional Conference. |
| <u>LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Major J.B. Ward Perkins) | Nola & environs | 17 Jun (1 day) | Insp. of Monuments. |
| Capt A.S. Pennoyer) | Ponte Serretella | 13 Jun (1 day) | Field Insp. in conjunction with PWU of enemy blown bridge in which remains of Roman Imperial work had been discovered and photographing site and work in progress |

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EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION NIL

PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION- NIL

PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION

| | | | |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------|------------------|
| Major Bushmore | Region 7 | 11/16 Jun | Vet. Diseases. |
| Major Lewis | Region II | 10/11 Jun | VD Control. |
| Capt Wilhelm | Region II | 11/15 Jun | Medical Supply. |
| Major Anderson | Region II | 8 Jun - not retd. | Malaria Control. |
| Major Cherry | 5 Army | 2 Jun - not retd. | Commun. Diseases |

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION NIL

INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION

| | | | |
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| Col R.G.B. Spicer | Sardinia | 12 Jun - not retd | Regional Conference. |

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MEMA SUB-COMMISSION

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|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|---|
| Major J.B. Ward Perkins) | Nole & environs | 17 Jun (1 day) | Insp. of Monuments. |
| Capt A.S. Penmoyer) | Ponte Serretella | 13 Jun (1 day) | Field Insp. in conjunction with FGU of enemy blown bridge in which remains of Roman Imperial work had been discovered and photographing site and work in progress |

SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE IN THE FIELD DURING THE FOURTEEN DAYS ENDING 17 JUN 44.

| REGION | I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | 5 Army | 8 Army | TOTALS |
|------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|--------|--------|--------|
| Adm Sec | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Legal | - | 1/7 | - | - | 1/3 | - | - | - | - | 2/10 |
| Education | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Property Control | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Public Health | 1/1 | 6/29 | 1/2 | - | 2/10 | - | - | 7/26 | - | 17/68 |
| Public Safety | - | - | - | - | 1/5 | - | 1/6 | - | - | 2/11 |
| Interior | - | - | 4/4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4/4 |
| MEMA | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| TOTALS | 1/1 | 7/36 | 5/6 | 1/5 | 3/13 | 1/6 | - | 7/26 | - | 25/93 |

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 11 June 44
 SUBJECT: Weekly Return of Officers' Field Trips, seven days ending 11 Jun 44

| <u>SUB-COMMISSION & OFFICER</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATE DEPARTURE</u> | <u>DUTY</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| <u>Finance</u> | | | |
| Major Cunningham | 8 Army Area | 6 Jun | Revenue Stimulation Tour |
| Lt.Col. S.E.V. Smith | Region IV | 8 Jun | Change of assignment |
| <u>Agriculture</u> | | | |
| Capt. Cobb | Littoria & the area of the Pontine Marshes | 5 Jun | The restoration of the maximum area of land for agricultural purposes. |
| <u>Industry & Commerce</u> | | | |
| Captain Mydans } Captain Elliott } | Bari, Giovinazzo & Barletta | 6 Jun | To inspect steel plants at Bari & Giovinazzo: Also inspect oil refinery and storage plant & oxygen at Bari & Chemical Plant at Barletta. |
| <u>Mining</u> | | | |
| Captain Radcliffe | Lungro, & Crotone | 5 Jun | To investigate & report on the Lungro salt mines & the sulphur mines near Crotone. |
| <u>Food</u> | | | |
| Major Imrie } Major Myatt } | Rome | 9 Jun | Inspection of port facilities, warehouses, etc. in Rome area |
| Lt.Col. Smallwood } Lieut. Blair } | Region VIII | 9 Jun | Change of assignment |
| <u>Transportation</u> | | | |
| Lt.Col. Glanville | Balerno, Sicily | 11 Jun | Arrangements in regard to schooners |
| <u>Economic Section</u> | | | |
| Colonel Adams | Rome | 7 Jun | |

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| Major Cunningham | 8 Army Area | 6 Jun | Revenue Stimulation tour |
| Lt.Col. S.E.V. Smith | Region IV | 8 Jun | Change of assignment |
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| Captain Radcliffe | Lungro, & Crotone | 5 Jun | To investigate & report on the Lungro salt mines & the sulphur mines near Crotone. |
| <u>Food</u> | | | |
| Major Lurie } Major Myatt } | Rome | 9 Jun | Inspection of ² post facilities, warehouses, etc. in Rome area |
| Lt.Col. Smallwood } Lieut. Blair } | Region VIII | 9 Jun | Change of assignment |
| <u>Transportation</u> | | | |
| Lt.Col. Glenville | Balerno, Sicily | 11 Jun | Arrangements in regard to schooners |
| <u>Economic Section</u> | | | |
| Colonel Adams | Rome | 7 Jun | |
| Colonel Evans (Industry & Commerce) } Lt.Col. Carnes (Transportation) } | | Ret: 11 Jun. | Reconnaissance |
| | | | Accompanied Colonel Adams |

J. Bruce Thompson Major A.A.
 J. BRUCE THOMPSON, MAJOR R.A.
 S.O. 2, (C.A.), ECONOMIC SECTION

NOTE: The above officers, with the exception of the last three, have not as yet returned to Headquarters.

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Maj. Talbot ³⁶⁶ *GEN*
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11 June 44.

SUBJECT : Visits to Field.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

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Attached is (i) a Return showing officers who have been engaged on Field Trips during the seven days ending 10 Jun 44 and (ii) a Summary of visits paid to the field during the fourteen days ending 10 Jun 44.

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W. B. [unclear]

R. R. Cripps 2305
R.R. CRIPPS Col.,
for VP Adm Sec.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF FIELD OFFICERS DURING WEEK ENDING 18.00 HRS 19 JUN 44.

| <u>RANK & NAME</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATES</u> | <u>DUTY</u> |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|--|
| <u>ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION</u> | | | |
| Air Cdre. The Viscount) Stansgate) | Cassino Area | 9 Jun/10 June 44. | Inspection. |
| Capt R.W. Buckley) | | | |
| <u>LEGAL SUBCOMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Col L.G.H. Campbell | Campobasso | 9 Jun - not ret'd. | Inspection - Region V. |
| Major M.J. Grossman | Lecce | 5 Jun - not ret'd. | Attending Allied Mil. Court - Region II. |
| <u>EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Capt D.G. Tilroe | Region V | 24 Apr - not ret'd. | Education. |
| <u>PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Brig. Parkinson) Capt Savage) | 5th & 2th Armies | 1/7 Jun 44 | General Survey. |
| Lt Col Williams | 5th Army | 5/6 Jun 44 | General Survey. |
| Major Rushmore | Region II | 2/6 Jun 44 | Vet. Diseases. |
| " | " II | 8 Jun - not ret'd | " " |
| Major Lewis | Region III | 5/6 Jun 44 | VL Control. |
| " | " II | 10 Jun - not ret'd. | " " |
| Major Cherry | 5th Army | 2/3 Jun 44 | Comm. Diseases. |
| " | 5th " | 9 Jun - not ret'd. | " " |
| Capt Battaglia | Region V | 4/7 Jun 44 | Typhus Control |
| Lt Menzelli | Region II | 30 May/8 Jun | Malaria Control |
| Major Anderson | Region II | 8 Jun - not ret'd | " " |
| " | 5th Army | 1/4 Jun 44 | " " |
| Col Kusnell | 5th Army | 2/4 Jun 44 | " " |
| Capt Wilhelm | Region I | 10 Jun - not ret'd. | Medical Supply. |
| <u>PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| NIL RETURN. | | | |

Malaria Control

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|--|--------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Major L.J. Grossman | Lecce | 9 Jun - not ret'd. | Inspection - Region 7. |
| <u>EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Capt D.G. Tilroe | Region V | 24 Apr - not ret'd. | Education. |
| <u>PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Brig. Parkinson | 5th & 8th Armies | 1/7 Jun 44 | General Survey. |
| Capt Savage | | | |
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Col Williams | 5th Army | 5/6 Jun 44 | General Survey. |
| Major Rushmore | Region II | 2/6 Jun 44 | Tet. Diseases. |
| " | " II | 8 Jun - not ret'd | " |
| Major Lewis | Region III | 5/6 Jun 44 | VL Control. |
| " | " II | 10 Jun - not ret'd. | " |
| Major Cherry | 5th Army | 2/8 Jun 44 | Comm. Diseases. |
| " | 5th " | 9 Jun - not ret'd. | " |
| Capt Battaglia | Region V | 4/7 Jun 44 | Typhus Control |
| Lt Manzelli | Region II | 30 May/8 Jun | Malaria <i>2302</i> |
| Major Anderson | Region II | 8 Jun - not ret'd | " |
| " | 5th Army | 1/4 Jun 44 | " |
| Col Russell | 5th Army | 2/4 Jun 44 | " |
| Capt Wilhelm | Region I | 10 Jun - not ret'd. | Medical Supply. |
| <u>PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| <u>INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Capt C.G.R. Williams | Frosinone Province | 9 Jun - not ret'd | Conduct Italian officials and contact SCAO. |
| <u>M.A. & A SUB-COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Major E.T. De Wald | Benevento | 3 Jun - ret'd same day - | Inspection. |
| | Cava | 6 " " " " | Conference with Abbot re abbey of Cava & Monte-Cassino. |
| | Montecassino | 10 " " " " | Examination of Abbey. |

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| <u>RANK & NAME</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATES</u> | <u>DUTY</u> |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| <u>MEA & A SUB-COMMISSION (Continued)</u> | | | |
| Major J.B. Ward Perkins | Benevento | 3 Jun - retd same day | Inspection of Mons. |
| | Capua & environs | 5 " " " " | " " " " |
| 2/Lt F. Hartt | Rome | 2/9 Jun 44 | Serving with FA, MAAP, on advance party of Inspection. |

SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE IN FIELD DURING THE FOURTEEN DAYS ENDING 10 JUN 44.

| <u>REGION :-</u> | <u>I</u> | <u>II</u> | <u>III</u> | <u>IV</u> | <u>V</u> | <u>VI</u> | <u>VII</u> | <u>VIII</u> | <u>5 ARMY</u> | <u>8 ARMY</u> | <u>TOTALS.</u> |
|------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Adm Sec | | | | 2/4 | | | | | | | 2/4 |
| Legal | - | 1/14 | - | - | 1/2 | - | - | - | - | - | 2/16 |
| Education | - | - | - | - | 1/7 | - | - | - | - | - | 1/7 |
| Property Control | | R.I 2/10- | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2/10 |
| Public Health | 1/1 | 6/30 | 1/2 | - | 2/7 | - | - | - | 7/33 | 3/9 | 20/82 |
| Public Safety | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Interior | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/2 | - | 1/2 |
| MEA & A | - | - | 4/4 | - | - | - | - | - | 1/8 | 1/1 | 6/13 |
| <u>TOTALS</u> | <u>3/11</u> | <u>7/44</u> | <u>5/6</u> | <u>2/4</u> | <u>1/16</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>9/43</u> | <u>4/10</u> | <u>34/134</u> |

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13 June 44

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At 1545 hours today Colonel Howman called and left the following message:

I am at Vasto. Will go to San Vito to see Colonel Selby. Will spend the night at Chieti.

Tomorrow will return to Isernia in time for the meeting. May return to HQ ACC from Isernia tomorrow night. May go to Campobasso and return from there to HQ ACC the following morning.

Expect to see Group Captain Benson at Isernia. Colonel Whitley has gone to see him today.

The Acting CAO at Termoli reports no complaints from Colonel Selby about delay. Reports relations are the best.

Major Henderson, who was CAO at Termoli, went to Chieti on Sunday in response to urgent request of Colonel Selby.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.C. SECTION
APO 324

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Ref/366/113/GA

10 June 1944

SUBJECT: Visits to Region II by Revenue Officers.

TO : R.O. Region II

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1. I refer to your letter A/30/45 of 27 May 44 and enclosures thereto.

2. Attached is copy of report by Joint Director Finance Sub-Commission to Executive Commissioner. I am to express the hope of the Executive Commissioner that the misunderstanding has now been removed.

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IRVING B. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

13058/B

8 June 1944

SUBJECT: Visits to Region II by Revenue Officer.
TO : Executive Commissioner.

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1. With reference to the attached letter from Region II, A/30/63, dated 17 May, Major Price was instructed to visit Region II primarily for the purpose of inspecting the Tobacco Monopoly installations in Bari and Lecce, as he is concerned with such matters at these Headquarters. He took with him Capt. Tyler, a new arrival in this theatre, in order to give the latter an opportunity of seeing conditions in the field before being permanently assigned. They were also to obtain, if time permitted, other general information on the reconstitution of the Tax Commissions and the general condition of revenue offices.
2. They called and saw Lt-Col. Tubb, the R.F.O. (Col. Zellars being away) and discussed their tour with him both before they set out and again on their return. I understand that on the later occasion the R.F.O. was pleased to have their reports and expressed the hope they would visit the area again. No orders or instructions were issued by these officers during their tour.
3. Revenue officers have now been stationed in four Regions and it is intended the few tours made from HQ will be made principally to Regions without such officers.
4. Instructions have been issued to confirm that all visiting officers properly contact the Regional Finance Officers and discuss their proposed tours with them before setting out and similarly report to them on their return. Instructions have also been issued to ensure that all letters on Finance matters should be marked for the attention of the R.F.O.

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A.G. Grabbe Smith

Colonel,
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

P.A. to Exec. Commr.

For E.C. to see.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION II
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Ref : A / 30 / 45

27 May 1944.

Subject: Visits to Region II by Revenue Officers.

To : Executive Commissioner, Eqts., A.C.C., Main.

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3. We need assistance from the Finance Section, A.C.C. Headquarters. However, it is absolutely necessary for that Section to work directly in full accord with the Finance Section here or else confusion will result.

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No such visits as those described by R.F.O. Region 2 should take place without reference to the R.C. for R.F.O. Please ensure that this breach of established etiquette does not recur. A short written explanation, please, for the Ex. Comm. ^{ABP} 3/61

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OFFICE OF REGIONAL FINANCE OFFICER

A. C. C. HEADQUARTERS

REGION 2

C. M. F.

Subject: Visits to Region No II by
Revenue Officers from
ACC Headquarters.

REGIONAL COMMISSIONER,
REGION No II.

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2. In Region No I similar visits were made and correspondence on revenue matters were addressed to the Regional Commissioner "for attention of the Regional Chief Revenue Officer" (e.g. C.R. 23/41 of 20.4.44) which permitted expressions on financial procedure to be given without reference to me. Ordinarily, I would have approached this subject in another way but as there appears to be a desire to by-pass the Regional Finance Officer on revenue matters, I feel that some clarification is desirable.

3. As I understand the position, I am directly advisory to you and responsible to the Finance Sub-Commission for all financial matters coming within the jurisdiction of this region and includes all such subjects as Italian Government finances including revenue, expenditure and budgets and all other matters affecting banking, insurance, postal finance and general financial problems of a character which are likely to influence the shaping of the future economic development of the region I represent based on national policy formulated between the Finance Sub-Commission and the Italian Government.

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OFFICE OF REGIONAL FINANCE OFFICER
A. C. C. HEADQUARTERS
REGION 2
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27 May 1944.

effect of influencing Italian officials in a course of action which is contrary to my plans.

My Revenue Officer, who has just joined the Region, is at present concentrating on revenue problems in Matera province. At the same time he is collecting and examining the available data for the other provinces, with a view to detecting probable weaknesses. It is my intention that in due course he and I should visit those provinces, discuss their problems and endeavour to advise the officials with a view to reducing expenditure and increasing income.

5. It is unfortunate from my point of view that the latest visit has taken in some of the provinces of Apulia which, being new and delicate ground, I should have liked to have visited first: since, I had already planned to give this area my special attention. As these officers had little time to spare before they left on their tour I was only able to give them a broad outline of my lines of procedure.

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A. G. TUBE,
Lieut. Colonel.
R.F.O., Region No II.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

45-1010

4 June 44.

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SUBJECT : Visits to Field.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

Attached is (i) a Return showing officers of this Section who have been engaged on Field Trips during the 7 days ending 3 June 44 and (ii) a Summary of visits paid to the field in the 14 days ending 3 June 44.

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R.R. CLIPPS,
Colonel,
for VP Adm Sec.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF FIELD RIPS MADE DURING WEEK ENDING 12.00 HRS 3 JUNE 44.

| <u>RANK & NAME</u> | <u>PLACES VISITED</u> | <u>DATES</u> | <u>DUTY.</u> |
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| <u>ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION</u> NIL RETURN. | | | |
| <u>LEGAL SUB COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Col G.G. Bennaford | Baia | 23 May not yet ret'd. | "S" Force. |
| Major M.J. Grossman | Bari | 21 May/3 June | Allied Military Court. |
| <u>EDUCATION SUB COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Capt D.G. Tilroe | Region V | 24 Apr not yet ret'd. | Education |
| <u>PROPERTY CONTROL SUB COMMISSION</u> | | | |
| Lt Col C. Carroll) Major E. King) | Sicily | 22 May/2 June | Tour of Inspection |
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| Lt Col A. Leadley | Naples | 30 May not yet ret'd. do. | do. Reg. III |
| <u>PUBLIC HEALTH SUB COMMISSION.</u> | | | |
| Brig Perkinson) Capt Savage) | 5th Army | 1 June not yet ret'd. | General Survey. |
| Major Rushmore | Region V | 26 Apr/1 June | Vet. Diseases |
| | Region II | 2 June - not ret'd. | " " |
| Col Driffin) Capt Wilhelm) | Region VI | 25/31 May | Medical Supply. |
| Major Cherry | 5th Army | 2 June - not ret'd. | Communicable Dis. |
| Lt Col Williams | 8th Army | 29 May/2 June | General Survey. |
| Col Russell | 5th Army | 1 June - not ret'd. | Malaria Control. |
| Lt Manzelli | Region II | 30 May - not ret'd. | " " |
| Major Anderson | 5th Army | 1 June - not ret'd. | " " |
| <u>PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION</u> NIL RETURN. | | | |
| <u>INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION.</u> NIL RETURN. | | | |
| <u>SEA & A SUB COMMISSION.</u> | | | |
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| Capt D.G. Tilloe | Region V | 24 Apl not yet ret'd. | Education |
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| Capt E. Croft Murray | Ceserte | 30 May (1 day) | Supervision requis. of Royal Palace. |
| Capt A.S. Pennoyer | Foggia | 30 May/2 June. | Liaison with PR, 12AF |
| 2/Lt F. Hartt | Caserta Caserta & beyond | 29 May (1 day) 2 June - not ret'd. | " " MAAF. Serving with PR, MAAF, on adv party to CAS. |

SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE IN FIELD DURING THE 14 DAYS ENDING 3 JUNE 1951

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| REGION :- | I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | 5 ARMY | 8 ARMY | HQ AAI | TOTALS. |
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| Adm Sec | 1/4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/4 |
| Legal | - | 1/13 | - | - | - | - | - | 1/11 | - | - | 2/24 |
| Education | - | - | - | - | 1/7 | - | - | - | - | - | 1/7 |
| Property Control | 2/24 | - | 1/5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3/29 |
| Public Health | - | 2/7 | - | - | 1/4 | 2/6 | - | 5/14 | 1/5 | - | 11/36 |
| Public Safety | - | 1/6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/1 | 2/7 |
| Interior | - | 1/5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1/5 |
| MEA & A | - | - | 2/2 | 1/2 | 4/4 | - | - | - | 1/1 | - | 8/9 |
| TOTALS | 3/28 | 5/31 | 3/7 | 1/2 | 6/15 | 2/6 | - | 6/25 | 2/6 | 1/1 | 29/121 |

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Lt. Col. A.C. Bowman/eah

DIARY: TRIP TO SICILY

In company with Lt. Col. Mitchell and Major J.W. Cunliffe, left Capodichino Airport on 7:30 AM plane Tuesday, May 23. After stops at Foggia and Bari, arrived at Palermo and had lunch at the ACC Regional Headquarters Mess.

From 2 to 4 PM called upon and consulted with Col. A.N. Stubblebine, Jr., Commanding Officer, Lt. Col. Donley, Chief of Staff; Lt. Col. Corbett, Judge Advocate; Major Haley, ACC-IBS Liaison Officer and other officers of Island Base Section.

Notes on Conference with IBS Officers.

1. ACC-IBS relations are satisfactory with only occasional minor irritations. (Cited by Colonel Stubblebine as principal current disagreement was request of ACC Mess for additional rations for civilian employees -- not a very vital problem).
2. IBS considers itself exempt from all responsibility to AAI, citing as authority NATOUSA Administrative Memorandum #2, 29 February 1944 and #66, 13 October 1943 (later amended but no citation available).
3. IBS is looking forward to complete dissolution and is prepared to turn over all required records to the Italian Government (Genio Militari) when so ordered by AFHQ.

At 4 o'clock kept appointment with Lt. Col. A.N. Hancock, Regional Commissioner, Region I, and discussed miscellaneous problems principally relating to personnel, with him. Accepted invitation of Colonel Hancock to dinner with him and his Provincial Commissioners.

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Wednesday, May 24.

Attended all-day conference of Provincial Commissioners, participating to the extent necessitated by questions. (Meeting interrupted for attendance at Italian Memorial exercises in honor of Italy's entry into World War I.)

Summary of Observations from Provincial Commissioners' Conf.

1. All officers of the Region are very much concerned

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Seen 9/6/44 by Lt. S. Jones

about the established Granai del Popolo price for wheat, which they feel is too low and will make collection difficult.

2. Officers (particularly British) feel need for better coordination of work of elements of ACC; that the position of the Regional Control and Military Government Section as coordinate with that of the other sections is anomalous and unsatisfactory; that the establishment should provide for one man or one component to perform the functions which would be performed by a Chief of Staff in the American Army.

3. The Provincial Commissioners of Region I are an exceptionally able, business-like and fine-looking group of officers.

Heavens!

4. Personnel of Region I having in many cases been serving in the Region since the beginning of the invasion, regard themselves as pioneers, and are somewhat hypersensitive to criticisms and suggestions from less experienced officers in higher echelons.

5. The freezing of schooners off the coast of Sicily and their unavailability for coastwise traffic places a terrific and seemingly unnecessary strain on the other transportation facilities of the island. A Sicily sub-pool for schooners would assist very greatly in the improvement of the Sicilian economy.

6. The current wheat crop will be very good, and present hoarded supplies are believed to be considerable. (Strictly personal opinion is that if there is as much wheat as stated, supply and demand may operate so as to bring out these hoarded grain supplies and cause the Black Market in grain to collapse of its own weight, in spite of difficulty with established granai del popolo price.)

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Thursday, May 25.

Lt. Col. Bowman and Major Cunliffe proceeded by automobile to Agrigento via Marineo, Corleone, Prizzi, Bivona, and Dalfadall. Lunched at Agrigento with Provincial Staff, American Claims Officers, Red Cross personnel, etc. Proceeded to Licata and Gela, where motor trouble necessitated stopping at an American airfield for installation of new distributor points. After repair, proceeded to Vittoria en route to Siracusa, which

was the intended destination for that evening. Further motor trouble at Vittoria necessitated stopping overnight at another American airfield, and missing Siracusa entirely.

Friday, May 26.

Proceeded by airplane to Catania, leaving command car to be repaired and to follow. Arrived at Catania at approximately 9 AM. Attended meeting of Catania Province Staff. Inspected city and returned to Catania Province' Mess for luncheon with officers of Provincial Staff, and Major General Heidemann (E), commanding District 1.

Conclusions from discussion with General Heidemann.

1. Relations between District 1 on the one side and ACC, Region I and Catania Province on the other, are good. Channels of communication are well established. Under these conditions the full-time liaison officer between ACC and District 1 and Catania (Major J. Hauser, British) can be dispensed with.

2. The continued existence of Region I itself may be of short duration, there being very little military activity and few remaining installations on the island at the present time.

After lunch proceeded to Messina with a short stop at Taormina. Dined at Messina Province Mess and stayed overnight with Lt. Col. Christian N. Ramsey at his quarters. Held extended discussions with Colonel Ramsey concerning current problems in Messina Province.

Saturday, May 27.

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Inspected city of Messina. (More reconstruction and repair activity was noted here than in any town previously observed in Italy or Sicily. Practically all citizens seem to be personally engaged in the physical rebuilding and cleaning-up of the town. In the roofless cathedral, for example, more than a score of women were observed working at the business of sorting thousands of minute mosaic tiles from the mass of rubble, preparatory to restoration.) Proceeded to Palermo by north coast route via Santa Agata, Cefalu, Termini. Dined with Regional Commissioner and Executive Officer.

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Sunday, May 23.

Returned directly to Naples by air in company with the Regional Commissioner and Regional Executive Officer.

General Observations on Trip.

1. Subject to a degree of inflation, conditions approximating those of pre-war normality prevail in Sicily except in the more combat-battered cities.
2. Visual evidence of prosperous agriculture and a good grain crop was apparent throughout the portions of the island visited.
3. ACC officers are working intelligently, industriously, and with the confidence and knowledge born of long experience and familiarity with local problems.

INFORMATION

A good report on (9/6)

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