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AFHQ PETROLEUM SECTION

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:- FILET 280

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SUBJECT:- Recognition for Assistance rendered
to the Allied Cause.

Hq. A.C.C., R.C. & M.C. Section,
AFO 394.

Reference your 393/39/CA of 6 Sep 44.

1. CRASC 14 P.I. who controls the installation at Ancona is being asked to carry out the suggestion in para 4 of your letter.
2. It is requested that this case be passed on to the Italian authorities as mentioned in para 3 of your above quoted letter.

H. R. Carruthers
H. R. CARRUTHERS
Lt Colonel
Petroleum Section

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*One Shipp for info. I do not consider
this the proper time to pass this
information to the Italian authorities
as they are carrying out an investigation
as indicated in para 4 the matter can
be considered closed. 3078
15/9*

*He has not read the letter, but we should make a note
to pass it on at the proper time say in 2 months
time. 15/9*

*BU in follow up
15/9*

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

Ref 393/39/GA

6th September, 1944

SUBJECT: Recognition for Assistance rendered
to the Allied Cause

TO : Petroleum Section, A.P.H.Q.,
Main HQ A.A.I.

1. I refer to your letter No. 188/971 of the 10th of August and to subsequent conversation between Col. Eyles and Major Reakes on the subject. The matter has been carefully considered and while it is appreciated that these men have given good service to the Allied Cause, it must be remembered that there are many cases like this throughout the country to which no recognition has yet been given.

2. Up to the present the only public recognition so far made has been to partisans, who have been given certificates for services rendered and to those who have helped P.O.W. who receive a sanitary reward. It is not considered that these men are in either of these categories.

3. If public recognition were to be made of a case such as this, it would create a precedent which it is desired to avoid at the present moment. Recognition could be given, it is thought, more suitably at the proper time on a national basis and conveyed to individuals through the Italian authorities.

4. There would be no objection, however, for an officer of the Petroleum Section to call at the installation at PALCONARA and thank them publicly on behalf of the Allies.

M. S. IISH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Acting Chief Commissioner

Chairman : LT. GEN. SIR JOHN BROWN, K.C.B.

Secretary : LT. COL. SIR JOHN REDDIE, C.B.

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Deputy Executive Commissioner
H.Q. Allied Control Commission
R.C. & M.G. Section.,
A.P.O. 394, C.M.F.

31 AUG Recd
28th August 1944

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of August 23rd., reference 393/33/CA and for the attached copy of a letter from the Finance sub-Commission. I am not sure that the Bodies, for which I am responsible, come within the provisions of article 190 of the Manual of Military Law and I am making enquiries about this.

Please accept my thanks for the help you have given us in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

W. E. Waterworth

Chairman



*Good done
H. J. J. 31/8*

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Subject:- Recognition for Assistance Rendered
to the Allied Cause. 37

To:- R.C. & M.G. Section,
HQ. A.C.C.

27 AUG 44.

From:- A.C.C. Liaison,
Main HQ. A.A.I.

28 AUG Recd

Ref. ACCL/312.

6.6.187.

1. I have conferred with Col. H.B.Eyles, OBE, the head of the A.F.H.Q. Petroleum Section at this HQ, who states it is his considered opinion that the commendation should be given by an Italian Official.
2. He suggests, therefore, that a directive should be given to the prefect for FALCONARA, requesting him to assemble the men and express his appreciation of the services they have rendered to the Allied cause by safeguarding this plant.

near Ancona?

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Phred James

Major,
A.C.C. Liaison Officer.

asked Maj. J. J. to let us
have blank original
all. Jk 398

see 39
12 October 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & H.G. SECTION
APO 594

25th August 1944

Ref 595/36/CA

SUBJECT: Recognition for Assistance Rendered
to the Allied Cause

TO : Major Friend James

1. We attach letter and list received from A.F. HQ Petroleum Section, A.A.I. in which they are asking that some public recognition be given to the men listed for the assistance which they gave to the Allies. These men through their own efforts removed to a safe place vital parts of the oil installation at FAIGNARA and are employed (with one exception) by the Allies in this plant.

2. We have considered the matter and feel that a possible solution would be for an officer of the Petroleum Section calling at the plant, getting these men together and publicly thanking them on behalf of the Allies for the services they have rendered.

3. There must be many thousands of cases like this up and down the country and we feel that these cases should be dealt with locally and not on a regional basis.

4. Please approach the Petroleum Section and Ask them to consider the proposed method of commendation.

JH
NORMAN E. FISHER
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

Noted
29/8
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COLONEL FISKE.RECOGNITION FOR ASSISTANCE RENDERED TO THE ALLIES

1. FOLIO 30 is a letter from Petroleum Section (10 Aug) listing the names of 25 Italians who through their own efforts were responsible for removing to a safe place vital parts of the oil installation at Falconara. The men with one exception are now employed by the Allies in the plant at Falconara.
2. Pet Section, AAI desire that some public recognition be given them for their assistance even if it took the form of public recommendation.
3. The only thing I can think of doing is giving them a certificate on the lines of that given to Patriots but I fear this might be a dangerous precedent and would tend to reduce the value of such certificates. Public commendation is I feel out the question as there must be literally thousands who should be treated in this matter. The solution might be for an Officer of Pet Section calling the ^{men} together and, behalf of the Allies thanking the particular persons for their services.

25 Aug 44.

Try this time 7. James.

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J. S. Reakes - Maj.

J. S. REAKES, MAJOR. 3073

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R-E-S-T-R-I-C-T-E-DROM ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO #794, US ARMYIEC/gfb
21 August 1944

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22 AUG Recd

Subject: Workmen's Compensation in Italian Territory.

To : See Distribution.

1. In the event of a civilian employed locally by the Allied Forces in Italy, Sicily and Sardinia, sustaining death, injury or illness arising out of and in the course of such employment, the O. C. employing Unit will:

- a. Cease paying his salary or wages as from the date he stops work.
- b. Give him, or his dependants, a certificate of injury in the forms set out.
- c. Advise him, or his dependants, to apply to the local Office of the Istituto per l'Assicurazione Contro gli Infortuni sul Lavoro, for such medical attention and or compensation as he or his dependants are entitled to receive. The address of the local office of the Istituto and of the doctors employed by them can be ascertained from the Mayor (Podesta). In Rome injured persons should, if possible be sent to Ospedaleiro dell'Istituto Nazionale Infortuni - No. 9 via Monte della Gioie - where not practicable send to any civilian hospital.

2. No compensation or medical attention (other than first-aid treatment) should be given, as the above Istituto is organized to deal with them. It has an office in all towns of sufficient importance and will arrange to have the injured person collected by ambulance on being so requested.

3. The certificate of injury referred to in par. 1 above ³⁶¹² be in the following form. It will be made out in quadruplicate and signed by the C.O. of the employing unit. The first copy, on which neither his rank nor his unit will be shown, will be given to the injured person or his dependants, to be handed to the Istituto.

The second copy, on which the rank, unit and its location will be added will be sent to the Claims Commission, CMF, for British Units and U.S. Claims Service, Region 6, APO 794 for US Units.

The third copy, similarly completed, will be sent to D.A.D. Labor (Civil) at Area or Formation HQ for British Units, and to Labor Supply Office, Rome Region, RAC APO 794, for US Forces. The

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The fourth copy will be kept for unit records.

By command of Brigadier General BAKER:

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E.V. OFFER (P)

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MA. COMPT

ADJ.

J.E. Cheek

I. E. CHEEK

Capt AGD

Adjutant General

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• 1 - Incl:

Certificate of Injury

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CERTIFICATO D'INFORTUNIO
CERTIFICATE OF INJURY1. I certify that Signor
Io certifico che il Signorof
da
(address)
(indirizzo)born on
nato il(date)
(date)the son of
figlio di(father's name)
(nome del padre)and of
e dimother's name
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è morto/ferito alle orehours on
il giorno(date)
(date)at
a(exact location of the accident)
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qualità di(exact nature of employment)
(esatto categoria e mestiere)2. The accident occurred in the following circumstances:
L'infortunio è avvenuto nelle seguenti circostanze:

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(Give short particulars and state whether the accident was attributable to any willful or negligent act of the employee).
(Fare dettagliate e brevi descrizioni circa l'infortunio precisando se è stato causato per negligenza dell'operario).3. His daily earnings for each of the fifteen days immediately prior to the accident were as follows:
Paga giornaliera per gli ultimi quindici giorni precedenti l'infortunio:

Day Giorno	Date Data	Gross Earnings (including overtime) Totale paga (compreso straordinario)	Day Giorno	Date Data	Gross Earnings (including overtime) Totale paga (compreso straordinario)
1			11		
2			12		
3			13		
4			14		
5			15		

Signature of the O. C. Unit
Firma del Comandante l'Unità
Name in block letters

of _____ born on _____
da _____ nato il _____
(address) (date)
(indirizzo) (data)

the son of _____ and of _____
figlio di _____ e di _____
(father's name) (mother's name)
(nome del padre) (nome della madre)

was killed/incapacitated at _____ hours on _____
è morto/ferito alle ore _____ il giorno _____
(date) (data)

at _____
a _____
(exact location of the accident)
(esatto località dell'infortunio)

as _____
qualità di _____
(exact nature of employment)
(esatta categoria e mestiere)

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Signature of the O. C. Unit
Firma del Comandante l'Unità

Name in block letters
Nome in stampatello

Date
Data

Personal Number
N. di matricola

4. The Officers of the Institute have been instructed that should they require any further information they should communicate with the CIM Joint Claims Commission. R. A. A. C. should do likewise in case of any difficulty.
Gli Ufficiali dell'Istituto sono e conoscenza che se hanno bisogno di ulteriori informazioni o assistenze devono comunicare con Joint Claims Commission. Le Unità R. A. A. C. devono fare lo stesso in difficoltà.

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

Phone: 335
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RCE/395/33/OA.

23 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Injuries to Employees - Insurance.

TO : Council of Voluntary War Work,
North Africa Committee,
No. 2 Group, CVWW, CMF.

1. Reference your letters of 26 July and 9 August 1944, there is forwarded to you for information copy letter received from Finance Sub-Commission dated 16 August 1944. This letter answers the query raised by you in so far as we can help with the information given to us. You will be able to say whether you fulfill the qualifications required under Art. 190 of the Manual of Military Law.

2. If you still consider you should seek insurance cover for third party risks we suggest you take the matter up with such an Insurance Company as :

Assicuratrice Italiana,
92 Piazza S. Silvestro, ROME.

It is unlikely that they will insure against theft but you might raise this with them.

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NORMAN E. FIEKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to: Finance Sub-Commission.
(Your 13187/7 of 16 Aug 44 refers).

HQ A.C.C. ECONOMIC SECTION

21 Aug.
(Date)

From	To
☒ ECONOMIC SECTION	
AGRICULTURE	
COMMERCE	
FINANCE	
FOOD	
INDUSTRY	
LABOUR	
PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES	
REQUISITION DIVISION	
TRANSPORTATION	
SECRETARY GENERAL	
EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER	
<i>Mr. Allen</i> BRANCH	☒
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION	

For: Signature	
Remarks/Recommendation	
Information	
Approval/Disapproval	
Appropriate Action	☒
Investigation & Report	
Noting and Return	
Noting and Retention	
Dispatch	

Remarks:

Herewith info provided
by Finance in
response to your
39 3/25/CA 28 July 44

G. M. SHARPE, COL. R. A.

S. O. I. C. A. (Economic Division)

HEADQUARTERS ³⁹³
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394
Tel 553 & 417

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FILE : 13187/F

16 August 1944

SUBJECT : Injuries to Employees - Insurance
TO : Economic Section ✓

21 AUG Recd

1. With reference to your 393/25/CA dated 28 July.
2. In order to further advise C.V.W.W. on the status of civilian employees employed by them, we have thought it advisable to ascertain the views of the Legal Sub-Commission on the relationship of this organisation to the Armed Forces.
3. If it can be held that the C.V.W.W. comes within the terms of MML. Amendment 12, Ch. XIV paras 189, 190 and 191 relating to Voluntary Aid Societies, then it would appear that they are entitled to the same treatment as other Italian Civilians employed by Allied Forces.
4. The views of the Legal Sub-Commission are as follows:-
 - "Whether the voluntary organisations referred to in your 13187/F of 3 August 44 come or not within the terms of MML. amendment 12 paras 189 and following remains a question of fact and not of law.
 - " If the Societies have been duly recognized and authorized under the provisions of Art. 190 of MML and of the Red Cross Convention of Geneva then their personnel become subject to military law and no doubt Italian civilians employed by these organizations would be assimilated to those employed by Allied Forces and their insurance covered through the same channels".
5. It now remains a question as to whether the various bodies in membership with the C.V.W.W. fulfil the qualifications referred to above and the C.V.W.W. can no doubt confirm this aspect of the matter.

A.P. Grasseby

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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Chairman: LT. GEN. SIR JOHN BROWN, K.C.B. Secretary: LT. COL. SIR JOHN REDDIE, C.B.

COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY WAR WORK
(C.V.W.W.)

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The Deputy Executive Commissioner,
Headquarters A.C.C.,
R.C. & M.G. Section,
A.P.O. 394.

No. 2 Group C.V.W.W.,
C.M.F.

12 AUG Recd
9th August 1944

Dear Sir,

You were recently good enough to advise us in the matter of the Insurance of Italian employees against injury and I shall be glad if you can help us in another matter. We are anxious to clear and cover the responsibility of the Bodies concerned in the matter of motor vehicles. All vehicles sent from England are insured against theft and accident, but we are anxious to cover ourselves also in the case of vehicles bought from the War Department in this theatre. There is also the advisability, if not the necessity, of covering ourselves against third party risks and I shall be glad to know if there is any Italian Insurance Company whom you would recommend and who would carry such a cover for us.

Yours faithfully,

W. E. Waterworth *Chairman*

Chairman

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11 AUG 1944
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AFHQ PETROLEUM SECTION
MAIN HQ. A.A.I.
C.M.F.

PET 9/1
10 August 1944

SUBJECT: Recognition for Assistance Rendered to the Allied Cause.

11 AUG Recd

TO : HQ. A.C.C. Executive Commissioner.

1. It is desired to bring to your notice the fact that the Italian civilians listed on the attached sheet have been of material assistance to the Allied cause. Under the general direction of Engineer Perotti, Signor Poncini with the aid of other Italians listed, removed the vital parts of the oil installation at Falconara and hid them away. When the Allies captured the installation, information as to the whereabouts of this material was promptly disclosed and every assistance has been given to the Allies in rehabilitating the plant. With the exception of Engineer Perotti, the men listed on the attached are now employed by the Allies on the plant at Falconara.

2. This matter has been referred already to HQ. A.M.G. 8th Army, who advised they have no authority to make any awards or recognition for this type of assistance. It is requested that some public recognition of the assistance rendered to the Allies would be advantageous, if this merely took the form of public commendation.

3. Will you please arrange.

Encl: 1



M.H. Dumbly, Jr.
H. B. EYLES
Colonel
Petroleum Section

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NAME	GRADE OF OCCUPATION.	ADDRESS.	PET FIRM EMPLOYED BY.
DONATI RODRIGO	MANAGER	VIA HENGVETTO 44 CHIARAVALLE	S.I.A.P.
CAMILLUCCI QUIRINO	FOREMAN FITTER	COMUNE MONTE SAN VITO METRANO	STANDARD
POLENTA FRANCESCO	LAB	VIA NAZIONALE 669A FALCONARA	NAFTA SHELL
LUCARANI ENRICO	DRIVER MECH.	CHIARAVALLE FRAZ POIOLE	S.I.A.P.
BELLI AUGUSTO	LAB	CASTELFERRETTI VIA PONTE S. BASTIANO	NAFTA SHELL
GOSPARONI GUIDO	DRIVER	MONTEMARCIANO FRAZ BOLZZETTO 4	S.I.A.P.
FALCIONI GOLLIANO	CHECKER	VIA ACQUEDOTTO 100 CAMERATO	S.I.A.P.
JOSEPH FIORENTINO	INTERPRETER	AGUGLIANO MARCONI 10	-
GAMBINI RINALDO	MASON	VIA MACHE CASTELFERRETTI	A.P.I.
NARCISI NICOLH	LAB	VIA PLAVE 2 CAMERATA PICENO	A.P.I.
FIORETTI SERAFINO	LAB	VIA ACQUEBOTTO 105 CAMERATO PICENO	A.P.I.
RIN ALDINI GUIDOBALDO	DRIVER	VIA S. GARIBALDI FALCONARA ALTO	A.P.I.
PACCAPELLI DORNO	MASON	VIA COLONNE CASTELFERRETTI	A.P.I.
SECCHI AURELIO	CLERK	- do -	A.P.I.
PONCINI GIOVANNI	PLANT MANAGER	CASTELO EMILIO	A.P.I.
BONTEMPI BRUNO	DRIVER	CAMERATA PICENO	A.P.I.
GOBBI MARIO	JUNIOR CLERK	MONTEMARCIANO VIA PIOILE	A.P.I.
ASCHETTIANO VINCENZO	LAB	CASTELFERRETTI VIA COLOUNE	ALFA (NAPLES)
MORONI ARIO	DRIVER	CAMERATA PICENO DOPE LAVORO	FIAT (PESCARA)
SERRANI DINO	BOILERMAN	FALCONARA VIA PIERBATTISTA	A.P.I.
FIORI ENRICO	LAB	MARINA DI MONTEMARCIANO	B.A.C.U.
SANTONI GUGLIELMO	LAB	MONTE TOGNETTI FALCONARA	A.P.I.
BRUGIATE ROMOLO	LAB	CHIARAVALLE VIA DOMONDO DANISE	A.P.I.
MENOTTI DINO	FITTER	MONTEMARCIANO VIA ROMEO	A.P.I.
INGESNERA PEROTTI		VIA RESINA ELENA 36 ROMA	

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SECRET

To: HQ, AGC. (R.C. & R.G. Section)

From: HQ, Region 5, AMG.

Subject: Help extended to British Troops

9 AUG Recd

Ref: R5/507/3

Date: 5 Aug 44

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Ref your 393/21/CA dated 20 July and further to this HQ
R5/507/ dated 26 June 44.

Herewith copy of report received from P.C. Aquila,
together with copy of original letter from Brig Boucher, CBE, DSO.
FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER.

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[Signature]

C. H. A. FRENCH,
Lt. Col.,
Executive Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
4 AUG 1944
A.C.C.

*Request be forwarded
to Finance*

31/8/44

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
DISTRICT OF SULMONA
PROVINCE OF AQUILA.

COPY. 27

SECRET.

TO : HQ AMG Region 5, Aquila.

THROUGH : Provincial Commissioner, Province of Aquila.

Help extended to British Troops:

1. With ref to your letter R5/507/3 and copy of letter received from Brigadier BOUCHER respecting help extended to him whilst a prisoner of war at large in this area.
2. Discreet enquiries have been made, and it has been ascertained that the whole village were equally helpful, but additional risks were taken by the men named, who were assisted by SYLVESTRI Pasquale, a Iso of Cavata. This village is actually a street under the control of Sulmone.
3. Three persons were the main leaders of the German troops in their efforts to catch the escaped prisoners, but they have now left the area, apparently having gone with the German troops at the time of the retreat. The names of these persons are: - (1) DANTUONO Guerrino; (2) GRILLI Giovanni and (3) Capt RICCIOLETTI, the latter being a member of the Italian armed forces, either Militia or regular army. he was last known to be in Chieti, and such information as is necessary has been passed to the local R.S.S. for necessary action.
4. The 2 former named are well known to be ardent Fascists and are both included in the 8th Army "Black List". It is therefore anticipated that they will be suitably dealt with when caught.
5. Such help as is possible under the conditions prevailing in this area at the present time, has been extended to the persons concerned. It is stated by all that their action was a humanitarian one, owing to the exceptional weather prevailing at the time, rather than for personal gain.

Submitted for information and directed.

(sgd) H. HANBURY,
Lieut.,
C.A.O. Sulmona.

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To: The Chief Administrator,
A.W.C.O.T., Rome

From: Brig C.H. Boucher, CBE, DSO,
HQ, 17 Inf Inf Bde.

Date: 15 - 6 - 44

I have just heard that Sulmona has been liberated so write to inform you of the help received in that area last year by a party of British troops under my command. We escaped from the Sulmona Generals Camp, Villa Orsini, on the collapse of Italy, and were sheltered and fed in the most generous manner in the village Frazione di Cavate, 3 miles south of Sulmona, by Eugenio Di Censo, Via Cavate 113, Sulmona, Province of Aquila, Abruzzi. The whole village committed, under the leadership of this man, to feed our, for them, large party - 2 Brigadiers and 3 C.Ps, and to form a defensive ring round our shelter to warn us of the approach of German troops or local Fascists - the latter were by far the greater danger and it is my earnest hope that they will be suitably dealt with. They are well known locally. On our departure in our final attempt to break through at the end of October 1943, these men, Eugenio, Palmundo, Rossomano and Ascriso - all Di Censi - gave us invaluable assistance over the first stage of our escape and helped us with food and money. One of them, Liberato Di Censo, a lad of 17, came with us throughout and when we got through, joined the Italian Army. I hear his address is Primo Camponi, Agrupamento No 7, 12th Bn, recently at TRICCASE, P Lecce.

I hope to visit these old friends when the situation permits and meanwhile I write to ask for:-

- (1) An assurance that they will be suitably rewarded.
- (2) An assurance the local Fascists will be hanged.
- (3) Details of both, when completed.

Anything you can do will be very much appreciated by

(signed) C.H. Boucher, Brig.

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

Ref 393/25/CA

28th July 1944

SUBJECT: Injuries to Employees - Insurance
TO : Economic Section
(For Finance Sub-Commission)

1. Reference your 13057/P of 20th July 1944, there is attached a letter from C.V.W.W. dated 26 July 1944. Will you please look into the matter further and let them have the further assurance they ask for.

NORMAN E. FISHER
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

Chairman: L.T. GEN. SIR JOHN BROWN, K.C.B. Secretary: L.T. COL. SIR JOHN REDDER, C.B.

COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY WAR WORK
(C.V.W.W.)

NORTH AFRICA COMMITTEE

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Chairman: W. F. WATERWORTH

No. 2 Group C.V.W.W.,
C.M.F.

Deputy Executive Commissioner,
H.Q., A.C.G.,
R.C. & M.G. Section,
A.P.O., 394

27 JUL Recd

26th July 1944

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of July 22nd reference 393/23/CA on the subject of injuries to employees. As none of the Italian employees of the Bodies in membership with the C.V.W.W. are engaged in extra hazardous occupations it would appear that our legal responsibility in the case of accident is non-existent. I should be glad, however, to have some further assurance upon this point. The Bodies in membership with the C.V.W.W. are stated on the heading of this letter. All Italian employees are engaged on domestic duties connected with canteens and hostels or are employed as warehousemen and motor drivers.

Yours faithfully,

W. F. Waterworth

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Gen. G. Thomas Chairman
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27 JUL 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R. C. & M. C. SECTION
APO 394

Pl. M. 470635

Ref/393/23/CA

22 July 1944

SUBJECT: Injuries to Employees - Insurance.

TO : No. 2 Council of Voluntary War Work, North Africa and Central
Mediterranean CEF.

Reference this HQ. letter 355/19/CA of 6 July 44.

1. In accordance with Italian law, insurance against accidents is only provided in respect of extra-hazardous scheduled occupations. The cost is borne entirely by the employer.

2. In the case of non-hazardous occupations sickness insurance is covered by agreement for industrial as well as non-industrial disability, on a contributory basis.

3. If this information we have given you is not sufficient for your purpose please give fuller information as to,

- a. the bodies in membership with C. V. W. W.
- b. the nature of the work upon which the Italian civilians are employed.


HERMAN E. FIERKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to:

Finance Sub-Comm. (Your 13037/P of 20 July 44 refers.) 3060

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

13037/F

20 July 1944

SUBJECT: Injuries to Employees - Insurance.

TO : RC & MG Section. ✓ *20*

1. With reference to your 393/20/CA dated 6 July.
2. To enable us to advise in this matter we would like some additional information
 - (a) as to the bodies in membership with C.V.W.W.
 - (b) the nature of the work upon which the Italian civilians are employed.
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A. J. Grassby Smith

Colonel,
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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File 22/7
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/393/21/CA

20 July 1944

SUBJECT: Help Extended to British Troops.

TO : R.C. Region V

Reference your RS/507/ dated 26 June and addressed to R.C.
Aquila no report has yet been received here. Please expedite.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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

6 July 1944

RAF/393/19/CA

SUBJECT: Injuries to Employees - Insurance.

TO : No. 2 Council of Voluntary War Work,
North Africa & Central Mediterranean, CEF.

With reference to your letter of 30 June 44, there is forwarded to you copy of reply received from Legal Sub-Commission which will be of some guidance. Further enquiries will be made and you will be informed at a later date. Meantime it is suggested that you contact the American Red Cross and get their views.

N.E. Fisher
NORMAN E. FISHER
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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B. REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Sub-Commission
APO 394

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REFERENCE : AGC/4005/L. 4 July 44.
SUBJECT : Enquiries to employees - Insurance.
TO : R.C. & M.G. Section. 17.

1. Reference to your 393/17/CA dated 3 July 44.
2. I am not familiar with the organization mentioned or its component members, which makes it difficult to answer the first question of responsibility. In any event it may well be that at least the person locally in charge of the direction of the organization would be subject to suit even if the organization itself were not.
3. There would seem to be two types of insurance that may be taken out (a) workmen's compensation insurance to cover injuries to employees and (b) insurance against injuries to third person or property of third persons. I am not familiar with insurance in Italy. Either Finance Sub-Commission or Industry & Commerce Sub-Commission would know something about Italian insurance.
4. As a practical matter, assuming the members of C.V.W.W. are organizations similar to the American Red Cross, I suggest the same enquiry be made at the American Red Cross where undoubtedly the whole field has been explored and appropriate means adopted.

Richard H. Wilmer
RICHARD H. WILMER,
Colonel, C.A.C.
Acting Chief Legal Officer.

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

Ref/393/17/GA

3 July 1944

SUBJECT: ~~Inquiries~~ Inquiries to employees - Insurance.

TO : Admin. Section (Per Legal Sub-Comm.)

There is attached hereto copy letter dated 30 June 44 from Council of Voluntary War Work, North Africa and Central Mediterranean. May we have your comments on the points raised in the letter.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY WAR WORK
North Africa & Central Mediterranean

No. 2 Group C.V.W.W.
O.M.F.

Chief Staff Officer,
A.C.C.,
O.M.F.

30th June 1944

Dear Sir,

The Bodies in membership with the C.V.W.W. are employing a considerable number of Italian civilians and are anxious to know the extent of their responsibility in the case of an accident. If the employing body is responsible in such cases it will be advisable for them to cover themselves by insurance, and I shall be obliged if you will advise me (a) what measure of responsibility rests upon our organisations and (b) if it is possible to cover ourselves by insurance in Italy for any responsibility which may be ours.

Yours faithfully,

W. Walcott

Chairman

WEW/GKK



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see 17. 3053

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~~SECRET~~
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TO: Provincial Commissioner, Acquila.

FROM: HQ. Region 5. AMG.

SUBJECT: Help Extended to British Troops.

REF: K5/507/

DATE: 26 June 44.

28 JUN 1944

1. The attached copy of letter from Brigadier C.H. Boucher, OBE, DSO, forwarded to this HQ from Region IV, is for your information and report to this Headquarters as soon as possible.
2. Please instruct your Police Officer to visit the village of FRAZIONE DI CAVATE and obtain all available information as to the identities of the Fascists in order that they may be brought to book at an early date.
3. Names and addresses of the civilians who were directly responsible for the sheltering and assisting of these British Troops should be obtained and included in your report.
4. The strictest secrecy will be observed in any investigations undertaken. Only one officer should be allowed to conduct the enquiry and he should be fully experienced in this class of work.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

C. H. A. French
 C.H.A. FRENCH.
 Lieut. Colonel.
 Executive Officer.

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Copy to:-

HQ. ACC (PC and MG Section)

(Report called for in para. 1 will be forwarded to you as soon as received)

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FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

[Signature]

C.H.A. FRENCH.
Lieut. Colonel.
Executive Officer.

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Copy to:-

HQ. ACC (EC and MG Section)

(Report called for in para. 1 will be forwarded to you as soon as received)

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COPY.

MEMORANDUM

From Brig. C.R. Boucher, CBE, DSO. To: Chief Administrator
ASOT Rome.

15.6.44

I have just heard that SULMONA has been liberated, so I write to inform you of the help received in that area last year by a party of British troops under my command. We escaped from the Sulmona Camp, Villa Orsini on the collapse of Italy and were sheltered and fed in the most generous manner in the village Fraxione di Cavate, 3 miles south of Sulmona, byt Eugenio Di Censo, Via Cavate No. 113, Sulmona, Provincia di Aquila, Abruzzi. The whole village combined, under the leadership of this man, to feed our, for them, huge party - 2 Brigadiers and 3 ORs, and to form a defensive ring round our shelter to warn us of the approach of German troops or local Fascists - the latter were by far the greater danger and it is my earnest hope that they will be suitably dealt with. They are well known locally. On our departure in our final attempt to break through at the end of Oct 43, these men, Eugenio, Raimondo, Rossolino, and Ascenso - all Di Censi - gave us invaluable assistance over the first stage of our escape and helped us with food and money. One of them, Liberato Di Censo, a lad of 17, came with us throughout, and when we got through joined the Italian Army. I hear his address is Primo Comoni, Aggruppamento No. 7, 12 Bn, recently at Tricase P., Lecce.

I hope to visit these old friends when the situation permits and meanwhile I write to ask for

- (1) An assurance that they will be suitably rewarded.
- (2) An assurance that the local Fascists will be hanged.
- (3) Details of both, when completed.

Anything you can do will be very much appreciated by

(Sgd) C.R. BOUCHER, BRIG.

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Check with Finance Sub-Commission
Major Simmons on Set up
of machines for payment -

Capt Narden

Can you pl check with
Finance and approve with
Col Bowman.

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to Col Bowman
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To Civil Affairs
Br. ^{JPA}
CABR,

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1/7/44 None
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.C. SECTION
APO 324

Ref/458/2/GA

16 June 1944

SUBJECT: Compensation for Italian Military
Personnel.

TO : R.O. Region VII.

1. I refer to your letter RVII/R/104/177
of 7 June 1944.

2. At present nothing can be done on the
lines you suggest but Establishments Branch are
working on the proposals and will try to achieve
a satisfactory result.

ROBERT E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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to Staff Meeting
30.6.44
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 HEADQUARTERS REGION VII

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

File Ref: RVII/R/104/177

9 JUN Recd

Date: 7th June, 1944.

SUBJECT: Compensation for Italian Military Personnel.

TO: Executive Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

1. This Region, being in a rear area, must depend upon Italian personnel for drivers, auto-mechanics, and certain labor and supervision connected with civil supply.
2. Because of low wages authorized and the scarcity of qualified Italians suitably trained it has been found that Italian military personnel constitute our best source of supply for this kind of labour.
3. In order to give soldiers and officers a proper incentive to do this work, which is much more strenuous than their daily duties, and to make it worth their while to look after Allied interests, it is necessary to compensate this military personnel to a certain extent. It is not necessary that they receive the full civilian rate, in fact, it would be a mistake to pay them that much. On the other hand it is to the benefit of the Allies to pay these soldiers sufficient to raise their scale of pay by 20 Lire a day and to pay officers a proportionate increase, say not to exceed 100 Lire per day.
4. The Italian Army is willing to release personnel for this duty and has no objection to their soldiers being paid in addition to their Army pay. Some soldiers in CATANZARO are now working for civilian firms and being paid. The Army Sub-Commission (Col. PIDSLEY) has no objection. To give Italian military personnel a slight increase in pay will be much more economical than paying civilians. As an aside, the reduced amount of money put out for the same service will be an anti-inflation measure.
5. It is therefore recommended that this Region be authorized, with the approval of the Italian military authorities, obtained through the local representatives of the Army Sub-Commission, to hire Italian military personnel to perform work for which Allied personnel is not available, and to compensate them at the rate to not exceed 20 lire per day for soldiers and 100 lire per day for officers.

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HEADQUARTERS
 9 JUN 1944
 A. C. C.

Robert G. KiraWood
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 Colonel, FA, US Army
 Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
8 JUL 1944
A. C. C.

Robert G. Kirkwood
ROBT. G. KIRKWOOD,
Colonel, FA, US Army
Regional Commissioner.

see 4310

Establishment No.

Under you please advise.

to Office White
Major G. H.

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*Nothing can be done at present.
We will keep working on it.*

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Ref: 393/12/CA.

24th May 1944.

SUBJECT: Compensation of Italian Civilians.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

1. There have been several cases of Italian civilians who have lost their lives whilst aiding the Allied Armies in the field and who have performed acts of bravery or risked their lives to aid military personnel or operations of the Allied Forces.

2. It has been suggested that the following monetary awards be made as a recognition for the particular service rendered:-

- (a) To be paid to the next-of-kin of deceased personnel a lump sum payment of 25,000 lire. *+ cit.*
- (b) A cash reward of 5,000 lire for the performance of an outstanding act of heroism. *+ citation*

3. The Finance Sub-Commission has been consulted and states that if general authority is received from you for such payments, the necessary financial transactions can be accomplished.

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M.S.G.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Chief Commissioner directs that in each case a citation signed by him should accompany the award.
M. 15/4

Ref: 393/11/CA.20th May 1944.

Subject: Compensation of Italian Civilians.

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NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel, Deputy
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION II

May 14 1944

Ref. :- 2201/52/A

Subject:- Compensation to an Italian Civilian

To :- The Executive Commissioner A.C.C. NAPLES ✓
Copy to P.C. POTENZA

1. Further to this H.Q. letter of even number of 28.3.44, it is now reported by the P.C. POTENZA that the deceased man's family is in great financial distress. On a monthly salary of 3562 Lira, his son has to maintain his elderly mother, a child aged 5 and four unmarried sisters, only one of whom has employment.

The family has no other means of support.

2. It would be greatly appreciated if early authority may be given for an ex gratia payment in this case.

Moreover, should it appear that no funds on authority exist for ex gratia payments, may it respectfully be urged that representations be made to the highest possible authority necessary to secure their provision?

It is submitted that such cases must necessarily from time to time occur, and should they go unremedied, the worst possible effect will be caused to Allied prestige.



J. T. Bellars
J. T. BELLARS, Col. Inf.
R. C.
Region II

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SUBJECT: Compensation of Italian Civilians.

TO : Lt.Col.Bowman, Chief Liaison Officer.

1. Reference correspondence on this file. Col. Fiske suggested that you might be able to take up this case in the same way as you did previous ones.
2. An outright payment of something like five thousand lire seems to be a poor compensation for a family.

G.W.I. Shipp

20.April.44

G.W.I.SHIPP,
Lt.Col.

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~~Attn: J. SHIPP~~

2. Pl. See 85. In view of the ⁵ I suggest
we would like Finance to extend
the "mechanism" referred to in
35 to include the Carrero

Discuss
in Borman Case.

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Col Fiske To read ^{7 593} 35, 209 18 Col ~~XXXXXX~~

1. Who is Col Marshall's Successor?

2. If this is the best that can be done, I
agree but it seems a poor compensation for
a case of this kind. You might care to discuss
with Finance?

1. Warden It seems appropriate to
2. and put in separate file with
Copy of Folio 9 on 173/CAI. Then
this file in Col ~~XXXXXX~~ box

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

5 April 1944

13048/F

SUBJECT: Compensation of Italian Civilians.

TO : Deputy Executive Commissioner. 5

1. Reference Ref/166/20/CA of 2 April and enclosures relating to compensation of the widow of Giuseppe Carriero. 3

2. Letter from HQ Claims Commission, CMF, No. CH/41/O/25 of 22 March points out that the widow has no legal claim against the Allied Forces, and that any payment made her would have to be in the nature of a gratuity.

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3. This Sub-Commission is, of course, not in a position to pass upon the merits of claims for reward such as are involved in this case and no means at present exist for payment. We have, however, suggested (Reference 13044/F of 17 March, addressed to Executive Commissioner) the establishment of a mechanism whereby rewards could be paid in cases in which Italian civilians perform acts of bravery or risk while aiding Allied Armies in the field. Such a mechanism might be expanded to cover the Carriero case if it were desired to do so. 11

E. H. Tully
Colonel,
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
FIN. SEC. SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

17 March 1944.

13044/F

SUBJECT: Rewards to Italian civilians for bravery in aiding
Allied Personnel.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

With reference to the correspondence on File 173/CA, I am of the opinion that recognition should be given in the form of a reward both (a) to the families of Italian civilians who lose their lives while aiding the Allied Armies in the field; and (b) to Italian civilians who perform acts of bravery or risk their lives to aid the personnel or operations of the Allied forces.

As regards (a) I suggest that we should make a lump sum payment of 25,000 lire as compensation. This figure is based on, and is rather higher than, the scale laid down for fatal accidents to Italian farm workers.

As regards (b) I suggest that a cash reward of 5,000 lire should be made.

As we have no directive from the CCS authorizing such out-payments I should be grateful to receive general authority from the Chief Commissioner or from you signing on his behalf.

A.F. GRAPPEY-SMITH,
Colonel,
Joint Chief Finance Officer.

AFCS/rad.

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

Ref /166/20/CA.

2 April 1944

SUBJECT: Compensation of Italian Civilians.

TO : Finance Sub-Commission.

1. Forwarded herewith is letter No. 2201/52/A of 28 March, also letter for Hq. Claims Commission, CMC, No. CH/41/C/25 of 22 March; letter from HLO Region II, No. 2201/52 A of 15 March, and undated petitions and translation thereof made by Zara Albina Palmieri Vedova Carriero.

2. It would appear, from the record evidence submitted, that (1) Giuseppe Carriero was in the employ of AOC; (2) that during the course of said employment he rode in a jeep; (3) that thru no fault of his own the jeep became stalled in a desolate place and under severe weather conditions and (4) by reason of the last contributing factor, he suffered exposure and died.

3. Under the analysis made in par. 2 above, it would appear, the widow's petition is well founded.

4. Will you please advise how proper compensation may be paid the widow of Giuseppe Carriero?

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. REGION II

Ref: 2201/52/A

28 March 44

SUBJECT: Compensation to an Italian Civilian.

TO : The Executive Commissioner ACC. Naples.
Copy to P.O. Potenza

1. The attached correspondence embodying a petition for compensation for the death of an Italian civilian, is felt to merit every consideration.
2. Quite apart from the compassionate grounds on which it is based, it is submitted that Allied prestige will be most seriously prejudiced, if the widow of a civilian who lost his life while furthering their interests, is allowed to remain destitute.
3. It is most urgently requested, that such an exceptional case may receive the earliest possible attention, and that an ex gratis payment of compensation be made to the widow.

/s/
/t/

G. H. McCaffrey
G. H. McCAFFREY
Lt. Col.
R. C. Region II

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SUBJECT: Fatal Injury

Ref: CH/41/c/25.

From: H.Q. Claims Commission,
C.M.F.

To: Allied Control Commission,
Region 2,
C.M.F.

1. Reference your 2201/52/A of 15th Inst. addressed to D.A.D. Claims Taranto.
2. The correspondence sent therewith is returned, as there is no possible way in which this Commission can deal with the petition.
2. Even if the deceased man had been a paid workman to assist in the requisitioning of mules, that type of employment would not entitle him to any compensation under the Workmens' Compensation Law of Italy. The only other form of claim which might lie against the Allied Forces is on the grounds of negligence, and the circumstances of the accident do not show any negligence.
4. While it is agreed that the case may be one for compassionate payment on policy grounds, it would appear that unless some instructions exist in your organization to handle such matters, the widow can only be advised as to the position.

/s/ M. Quiston
Lt. Col.
A.D. Claims

Field
22 Mar 44

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

Ref: 2201/52 A

15 March 44.

SUBJECT: Compensation to Italian Civilian.

TO : D.A.D. Galina Taranto.

1. The attached petition for compensation is forwarded with request for early investigation and any assistance you may be able to give.
2. The Provincial Commissioner Potenza states that although there was no positive contract for employment of the deceased, and although, the British officer did not "insist" on his services, the facts are substantially just as stated, and he most strongly recommends all assistance that can be given.

/s/ D.E.S. Cousins,
/t/ D.E.S. COUSINGS,
Lt. Col.
R.L.O. Region II

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TO THE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

I, the undersigned, Zara Albina Palmieri, vedova Carriero, living at Potenza, state as follows:

In the first days of the current month my husband, Avv. Giuseppe Carriero, was asked by the supply officer at A.M.G. Potenza, to requisition some mules necessary to the Allied Army. He explained that owing to the cold weather and to his old age, would be difficult to him but as the supply officer insisted in having him (my husband being in past time an Italian Captain appointed to a Requisition Commission), he could only obey and accept this office.

On the 4th of January 1944, he started requisitioning with a small car (camionetta Jeep) driven by an Indian soldier, kept at his disposal by A.M.G., and went to the Communes of Arigliano - Rusti - Bella - Baragiano.

On the 5th Jan. at 13:30 hrs he left Rusti by the same car, but on his way back to Potenza, near the locality Montechio, the car was blocked by snow storm or by a sudden of the engine. As it was extremely cold in that open country, more than 1000 meters in height, and the Indian driver to whom he could not speak, was unwilling to leave his car, we may think that my unlucky husband resolved to go and look for shelter. Presently the snow storm and the nervous breakdown caused by the unexpected accident made him loose his way and he proceeded farther into the country struggling hard with deep snow. His strength failed him, he probably got chilled and died miserably. It is stated that after about two days, his dead body was found at 600 or 700 meters from the place where the car was stopped. It appears that the Indian driver was suffering from a frost bitten arm or leg.

The tragic death of my husband left without assistance his beloved family, consisting of his wife and four unmarried daughters. A son of his is employed in Naples and another son, who is actually fighting the Germans with the Allied Army, has got his own family.

As it cannot be denied that my husband died during the execution of an order given by the Allied Military authorities and owing to the same requisition office, a kindly claim on behalf of my daughters and myself for an indemnity or a life annuity (pension).

I must add too that my husband, who was never inscribed in the Fascist Party and did never yield to intimidations of the same, was seriously hindered in his profession as a lawyer and could not attain the position to which he was entitled by his intelligence.

Therefore he died in poverty and left no money to his children.

With kindest regards

/s/

Zara Albina Palmieri Vedova Carriero.

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