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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 428/6/CA.

30th July 1944.

SUBJECT: Responsibilities of Admin Section.

31 JUL Recd

TO : Acting Head Admin Section.

1. Reference your letter No. 3/5/43 of 6th July 1944. I have already agreed in general terms that the subjects which you mention should be dealt with by your Section.

2. As regards policy, I know we both agree that Vice Presidents are responsible for the initiation of policy: the Chief Commissioner on the advice of his Vice Presidents decides policy, and R.C. & M.C. Section is responsible for the execution of policy in the Regions.

3. With regard to the publication of Proclamations and General Orders, I am doubtful about this and suggest that further consideration be given to continuing with the present procedure as laid down in 278/35/CA of 1st March 1944, which appears on pages 3 and 4 of Part III of "Instructions for the Guidance of Officers of the Commission". Under this directive the originating Sub-Commission goes to its Vice President before anyone else and then to Legal Sub-Commission for drafting (vide para 2(a), (b) and (c)). The printing and distribution is done by my Section, as I think it should be.

4. I feel sure that much good should come of your suggestions and I think that the next Regional Commissioners' Meeting, by which time you and I will be in a better position to see how procedure works out in practice, will provide an excellent opportunity of consulting Regional Commissioners on the whole matter.

MSL/AG.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Vice President, Economic Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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23 Jul 44

SUBJECT : Responsibilities of Administrative Section.
TO : Executive Commissioner.

Please may I now receive your revised answer to my letter of even
number dated 6 Jul 44.

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G. R. Upjohn
G. R. UPJOHN, Colonel,
A/Head, Admin Section.

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EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

I should like Para 4 to read:
" I feel that much good should come of your suggestion and I think that the next
Regional Commission Meeting, etc"
Otherwise I think the letter is all right.

*I think "attempting to be too precise" is slightly
provocative & I think we make our point
without it.*

E. 25/7.

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7 JUL 1944
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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6 Jul 44

SUBJECT : Responsibilities of Administrative Section.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

- 1 Following our discussions yesterday, this is to confirm the proposal put forward by me that Admin Section will in future be responsible for all policy, action and co-ordination in connection with the following subjects, over which there has in the past been unnecessary duplication in our respective offices.
 - (a) LEGAL: Appointments of General Courts and Panels.
 - (b) ALL ADMIN SUB-COMMS: Appointments and dismissal of Italian officials concerned in their respective spheres.
 - (c) PUBLIC SAFETY: Prisons, clearance and maintenance.
 - (d) PUBLIC SAFETY & PUBLIC HEALTH: VD control.
 - (e) ADMIN SECTION:
 - (i) Defascistisation including elimination of Fascist organisations.
 - (ii) OVRA elimination.
 - (iii) Epuration.
 - (iv) Policy on publication of Proclamations and General Orders and when in Rome, printing and distribution.
- 2 Any policy decisions taken will at all times be made in close co-operation with RC & MG Section; and the normal channels of communications for orders and Executive Memoranda will be observed i.e. through your Section.
- 3 The centralising of these matters in the Section should be of benefit to Regions as the whole subject will be dealt with in one office and should lead to a more expeditious handling of correspondence. This is subject of course to all communications relative to the matters set out in para 1 above being forwarded immediately to this Section.

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-7 JUL 1944
A. C. C.

G. R. Upjohn 4230
G. R. UPJOHN, Colonel,
Acting Head, Admin Section.

Copy to: Acting Chief Commissioner,
VP Economic Section.

Family
member
Regio
57 July

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*To: Brigadier's Lush,
A.C.C.*

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Cecilia Lush to see
pl. 19/5
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Administrative Section,
Rear Headquarters,

Allied Control Commission

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16 May 1944

18 MAY 1944

A. C. C.

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- (1) The appointment of an experienced staff to deal with prison problems at the Ministry.
 - (2) The appointment of Inspectors to visit prisons.
 - (3) The repair of damaged prisons.
 - (4) The institution of prison camps.
 - (5) The release on bail of prisoners awaiting trial on minor charges.
- Arrangements have been made to obtain through Public Utilities Sub-Commission priority for labour and materials needed in rebuilding prisons.

d Civilian Movement in Unoccupied Territory.

The Minister of Interior has issued instructions to all Prefetti to publish orders prohibiting the movement of civilians between Sicily, Sardinia and the mainland of Italy unless in possession of a pass issued by AGC.

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3 Public Safetye Motor Vehicle Permits.

At a meeting with AFHQ, the Minister of Communications asked what steps could be taken to ensure that a person with a residence in more than one Province did not obtain more than one circulation permit. It was agreed that whenever a permit is issued which does not bear the identification letters of the Province in which the permit is issued, the license or registration book should be endorsed to that effect. Instructions will be circulated in due course.

f Fire & CB.

The appointment of a new Director General of anti-Fire Services is being considered by the Minister of Interior.

4 Public Health.

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Adminl ative Section,
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10 May 44.

- 1 I am sending you some further notes of developments and more important items of work in the Admin Section during the week ending 7 May 44. It would be helpful if you would let me have a note as to whether you find these D.O's of value to you, if so, I will continue to keep sending them at approximately weekly intervals.

2 Public Safety.

a Public Safety Prefect.

S.E. Solimene has been temporarily appointed to deal with Public Safety matters in the Ministry of Interior until a permanent appointment is made.

b Uniforms for Police.

Requisitions for uniforms and boots to meet the urgent requirements of CC.RR. and GG.FF. have been sent through the Army Sub-Comm to the Italian Army authorities. Agents of Public Security are not entitled to uniforms and equipment from Italian Army sources. The supply of immediate needs is being pursued with the Minister of the Interior.

c Rations for Agents of Public Security.

The Minister of the Interior is considering the adequacy of the rations now being drawn by Agents of PS.

d Finance Guards.

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e Prisons.

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Preliminary discussions have been held with the Chief of the Italian Public Health Service and the Regional Medical Officer (Italian) Region I, with a view to evolving a plan for the complete reorganization of the Italian Health Service and the formation of a separate Ministry of Health.

4 Education.

Had several conferences with the Minister of Education at which the main points are:

- a A more expeditious manner of suspending fascist school officials in nonoccupied Italy will be worked out promptly, with every effort at uniformity.
- b A decision will be reached as to what allowance suspended persons should receive.
- c The long awaited decree establishing Councils of Discipline and Scolastic Councils were, according to the last conference

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with Cuomo, written and in the hands of the Legal division of the Italian Government. The new Minister will try and locate them and expedite their issue.

d He plans to organize a small corps of central inspectors to cover all provinces, and has already begun the job.

e Property of G.I.L. and Dopolavoro is now in the custody of finance officers. The Minister approves the idea that this be turned over to communal sindaco for use by the new youth and adult education and recreation organizations as rapidly as these are formed.

f The Minister plans to set up three superior advisory councils (elementary, media and university) to advise him on laws and decrees, adjudge concorsi, advice on disciplinary matters, hear appeals, etc. AMG Regions are welcome to use these councils when Regional Education Officers desire their advice.

g He will abolish the Royal Academy of Italy so that it may be re-organized on non-fascist lines.

h He will issue a decree abolishing Fascist decree against foreign professors in Italy.

6 Legal.

a Gen. Traina, Procuratore Generale Militare will visit Palermo and Catanzaro shortly to see the working of the Military Tribunal.

b Comm. Villa accompanied by Major Thackrah will visit Reggio Calabria at the beginning of next week to settle jurisdiction over the Reggio Courts.

c The Epuration decree will be finally considered by the Council of Ministers this Thursday.

d The General Order on defascistisation should be ready for signature by the Executive Commissioner at the beginning of next week.

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