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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
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MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 1944

PART I - GENERAL

1. The month of August was mainly devoted to bringing the Region up to strength in personnel and to organizing the Special Divisions and Provincial Teams.

2. Planning was largely completed and the Region is ready to take over the administration of its territory as soon as EMILIA is occupied and the Armies are ready to relinquish control.

3. Owing to the tactical situation it was decided to establish an advanced Hq at SENIGALLIA, Italy on the 30th of August.

Provincial Teams

4. The formation and deployment of Provincial Teams proceeded smoothly. All eight are now working in the field under command of A.G. Fifth and Eighth Armies and are being used to supplement Army personnel.

5. Location of these teams at 31 August 1944 was as below. Refs are to ITALY ROADMAP 1:200000.

| Province | Location of Hq | Map Sheet | Ref.   |
|----------|----------------|-----------|--------|
| Ferrara  | Macerata       | 16        | S 5612 |
| Forli    | Senigallia     | 16        | S 3759 |
| Ravenna  | Fabriano       | 16        | S 1217 |
| Bologna  | Perugia        | 13        | V 6993 |
| Modena   | Sicpa          | 13        | Q 8418 |
| Reggio   | Florence       | 13        | Q 7969 |
| Parma    | San Gimignano  | 13        | Q 6136 |
| Piacenza | San Casciano   | 13        | Q 7356 |

Personnel

6. During the month 57 Officers and 77 EM/ORs reported for duty, bringing the strength on 31 August 44 to 103 Officers and 146 EM/ORs, including 44 ORs earmarked for Region XI.

7. In addition to the above a Platoon of the Italian Army consisting of 1 Officer and 28 men was attached for general duty.

Special Divisions

8. The following special divisions were still unrepresented as of 31 August 44:

Labour  
Communications  
Commerce

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#### Employment of Specialists

11. During the month specialist officers were placed at the disposal of AMG, Fifth Army as shown below:

Lt. Col E. J. Bye

Regional Public Safety Officer (In connection with Patriots)

Maj. L. C. Dewing  
Capt W. E. Pratt  
Capt E. H. Turner

Public Health (Welfare)  
Education  
Public Health

Equipment

12. Motor Transport: The transport authorized by A.M. ACO has been supplied except for one 15 GWT. The transport allotted is not adequate and efforts were made to secure an increase in the allocation.

Difficulty was experienced in giving the vehicles proper maintenance because of the continued use required of them.

PART II(a) Political Reactions and Popular Opinion.

Nothing to report.

(b) Local Government - Provincial.

All eight provincial teams were set up and ordered into the field under AMG 5th and 8th Armies.

(c) Economic Resources: Supply, with special reference to the food situation.

Nothing to report.

(d) Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.  
Estimated quantities of the following essential requirements were blocked in Rome for use in Region IX.

- (1) Carbon Disulphide for grain fumigation.
- (2) Copper Sulphate for treatment of wheat seed.
- (3) Fertilizer (Ammonium nitrate 35%)

Meetings were held in Rome with the Hemp Control Board and the Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari to discuss the priority of Hemp for fertilizer over food crops, blocking, export, and storage of Hemp seed for export in Italy, the varieties required and the prices to be paid.

(e) Labour

Nothing to report.

(f) Public Works and Utilities.

Normal planning activities.

(g) Public Safety.

Arrangements were completed to transport 500 Carabinieri from the Pool at Rome to advance centers at Siena and Perugia. They have been allocated equally to both AMG Fifth and Eighth Armies.

(h) Public Health.

Arrangements were completed to secure and transport to Sanigalia, Italy, approximately half the civilian medical supplies needed upon entering the Region.

(i) Education

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(i) Education

Normal planning activities.

(j) Refugees.

Nothing to report.

(k) Communications.

Nothing to report.

(l) Property Control

Nothing to report.

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for ALFRED C. BOWMAN, Lt Col,  
Regional Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS  
REGION IX  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Ref/RIX/45/HQ

8 August 1944

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report.

TO : R.C. & M.G. Section, HQ, A.C.C.

Herewith Report of Region IX activities for the month of July, 1944.



*Alfred C. Bowman*  
ALFRED C. BOWMAN, Lt Col,  
Regional Commissioner.

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Provincial Commissioners  
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HEADQUARTERS  
REGION IX  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

REPORT ON REGION IX FOR MONTH OF JULY 1944

PART I - GENERAL

1. The re-activation of Region IX began with the appointment of Lt. Col. ALFRED C. BOWMAN as Regional Commissioner (HQ ACC Gen Order #26, dated 26 June 44).
2. The territory to be administered by this Region has NOT yet been reached by the Armies and this report deals solely with the preparations which have been made to move forward when the time comes.

Location of HQ

3. The first task was to find a headquarters which had good road communications with Rome and was located conveniently for sending Provincial Teams forward as required.
4. It was found that the majority of towns which satisfied these considerations were either considerably damaged or already full of troops. After extensive reconnaissance over a wide area it was decided to establish Main Headquarters at Orvieto and to maintain a small Rear Headquarters in Rome to keep in close touch with HQ A.C.C.

5. At that time HQ Region VIII was at Orvieto, and in addition to extending hospitality, gave valuable help to Region IX Advance Party.

6. A temporary Headquarters was set up 13 July 44, and on 18 July Headquarters was established in the CASERMA AERONAUTICA.

Personnel

7. The first officer assigned to the Region, other than the Regional Commissioner, reported for duty 23 June 44. Close liaison was maintained with G-2 Branch, A.C.C., and officers and men began to arrive as quickly as the other Regions could release them.

8. Strength at 31 July 44 is as follows:

| <u>Officers</u>     |    | <u>EM/OKs</u> |    |
|---------------------|----|---------------|----|
| Administrative      | 3  | Clerks        | 16 |
| Specialists         | 19 | Drivers       | 21 |
| Provincial Officers | 12 | Others        | 34 |
| Total               | 46 | Total         | 71 |

Total all ranks 117

1. The re-activation of Region IX began with the appointment of Lt. Col. ALFRED C. BOWMAN as Regional Commissioner (HQ ACC Gen Order #16, dated 26 June 44).
2. The territory to be administered by this Region has NOT yet been reached by the armies and this report deals solely with the preparations which have been made to move forward when the time comes.

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#### Personnel

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| Provincial Officers | 19     | Others  |
| Total               | 46     | Total   |
|                     |        | 117     |
|                     |        | 5318    |

#### Special Divisions

9. The specialist officers shown above include representatives of the following Special Divisions:

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Public Health      | 1  |
| Public Safety      | 5  |
| Finance            | 4  |
| Property Control   | 1  |
| Economics & Supply | 4  |
| Public Works       | 1  |
| Industry           | 1  |
| Agriculture        | 1  |
|                    | 19 |

10. The following Special Divisions were unrepresented on 31 July:

|                |                       |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Legal          | Labour                |
| Education      | Monuments & Fine Arts |
| Transportation |                       |

Equipment

11. Stores. Stores likely to be required, with the exception of a few items NOT immediately available, were all procured by 24 July.

12. Motor Transport. A provisional Table of Equipment/War Establishment was drawn up by G-4 providing for a total of 59 vehicles excluding 2 Water Carts, 10 Motorcycles and 10 Trailers. This is considerably less, proportionately, than numbers found necessary by other Regions in the past, and while this Region will make every effort to economize in the use of transport, application will undoubtedly be made for additional vehicles.

13. The majority of the transport authorized has been supplied. A detailed statement is given at Appendix "A".

Provincial Teams

14. (i) 1 Aug 44 Provincial Teams for the Provinces of FORLI and BOLOGNA were formed complete with personnel, vehicles and stores, while a third team was in process of forming for a Province as yet undesignated. Details are shown at Appendices "B", and "C".

PART II

(a) Political Reactions and Popular Opinion  
Nothing to report.

(b) Local Government - Provincial  
Provincial teams for FORLI and BOLOGNA were set up. A third team is forming. See Appendices "B" and "C".

(c) Economics & Supply  
The necessary provincial pro-formas have been prepared. An estimate has been rendered to Coal Division, A.C.C. as to quantities of coal required in the Region next winter.

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(d) Agriculture  
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(e) Labour  
Nothing to report.

(f) Public Works & Utilities  
Normal planning activities.

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(g) Public Safety

Stocks of forms for use by Provinces have been allocated, and copies of directives made ready for distribution to Provinces.

(h) Public Health

Nothing to report.

(i) Education

Nothing to report.

(j) Refugees

Nothing to report.

(k) Communications

Nothing to report.

(l) Property Control

Nothing to report.

(m) Finance

Normal planning activities.

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ALFRED C. BOWMAN, Lt Col,  
Regional Commissioner.

- (j) Refugees  
Nothing to report.
- (k) Communications  
Nothing to report.
- (l) Property Control  
Nothing to report.
- (m) Finance  
Normal planning activities.

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*W. C. Bowman*  
ALFRED C. BOWMAN, Lt Col.,  
Regional Commissioner.

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## Region IX, Monthly Report, July-Appendix "A"

COMBINED VEHICLE STATE

| Type              | <u>Allotment</u> | <u>Issued</u> | <u>Balance Due</u> |
|-------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Staff Car         | 1                | 1             | 0                  |
| Command Car       | 2                | 1             | 1                  |
| Jeep              | 27               | 16            | 11                 |
| P.U.              | 10               | 5             | 5                  |
| 3/4 W/Carrier     | 4                | 5 *           | 0                  |
| 15 cwt            | 10               | 5             | 5                  |
| 2 1/2 Ton         | 2                | 2             | 0                  |
| 3 Ton             | 3                | 3             | 0                  |
|                   | <u>59</u>        | <u>38 *</u>   | <u>22</u>          |
| Water Cart        | 2                | 2             | 0                  |
| M/Cycle           | 12               | 7             | 5                  |
|                   | <u>73</u>        | <u>47</u>     | <u>27</u>          |
| Trailers, 1/2 Ton | 6                | 6             | 0                  |
| Trailers, 1 Ton   | 4                | 4             | 0                  |

\* Includes one Weapons Carrier issued additional to allotment.

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|                   |           |            |           |
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| Trailers, 1 Ton   | 4         | 4          | 0         |

\* Includes one Weapons Carrier issued additional to allotment.

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## Tentative Provincial Assignments

|                                  | BOLOGNA PROVINCE                                                                                                      | FORLI PROVINCE                                                                                                       | "X" PROVINCE                                                     |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Proposed Temporary HQ            | PERUGIA                                                                                                               | MACERATA                                                                                                             | SIENA                                                            |
| Provincial Commissioner          | Lt Col F.E. THOMAS (A)                                                                                                | Lt Col E.G. PETTER (B)                                                                                               | Lt Col R.W. ...                                                  |
| Provincial Officers              | Maj H.V. FIORE (A)<br>Maj T.E.T. BURBURY (B)<br>Capt A. CARTER (A)<br>Capt J.Y. ELLIOT (A)<br>1/Lieut G.W. BARNES (A) | Maj R.L. LOLLAR (A)<br>Maj R. HAYNES (B)<br>Capt C. PAINTER (A)<br>Capt R.R. CARRIGAN (A)<br>1/Lieut A. GENDRETT (A) | Maj L.W. McIL<br>Maj E.G. COUS<br>Capt T.J. TAY<br>Capt A. ROBER |
| Public Safety or Police Officers | Capt L.A.M. BIDDINGS (B)<br>1/Lieut J.C. BIGHAM (A)                                                                   | Maj E.L. OSBURY (A)<br>Capt W.L. WILLIS (B)                                                                          | Maj T.G. MACK                                                    |
| Supply Officer                   | 1/Lieut N. GRUPPUSO (A)                                                                                               | Maj A.M. WRIGHT                                                                                                      |                                                                  |
| Legal Officer                    |                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                      |                                                                  |
| Finance Officer                  | 1/Lieut M. RAVARINO (A)                                                                                               | Maj D. McW. RALSTON (B)                                                                                              | 1/Lieut D.W. H                                                   |

## REGION IX

Region IX, Monthly Report, July 1944 Appendix "B"

## Tentative Provincial Assignments

1 August 1944

|  | BOLOGNA PROVINCE                                                                                                      | FORLI PROVINCE                                                                                                       | "X" PROVINCE                                                                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | PERUGIA                                                                                                               | MACERATA                                                                                                             | SIENA                                                                                          |
|  | Lt Col F.E. THOMAS (A)                                                                                                | Lt Col E.G. PETTER (B)                                                                                               | Lt Col R.W. WHINERY (B)                                                                        |
|  | Maj H.V. FIORE (A)<br>Maj T.E.T. BUNBURY (B)<br>Capt A. CARTER (A)<br>Capt J.Y. ELLIOT (A)<br>1/Lieut G.W. BARNES (A) | Maj R.L. LOLLAR (A)<br>Maj R. HAYNES (B)<br>Capt C. PAINTER (A)<br>Capt R.R. CARRIGAN (A)<br>1/Lieut A. GENIETTE (A) | Maj L.W. McINTYRE (A)<br>Maj E.G. COUSINS (B)<br>Capt T.J. TAYLOR (A)<br>Capt A. ROBERTSON (A) |
|  | Capt L.A.M. EDDINGS (B)<br>1/Lieut J.C. BIGGAM (A)                                                                    | Maj E.L. CHANNY (A)<br>Capt W.L. WILLIS (B)                                                                          | Maj T.G. MACKENZIE (B)                                                                         |
|  | 1/Lieut F. GRUFFUSO (A)                                                                                               | Maj A.M. WRIGHT                                                                                                      |                                                                                                |
|  |                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                |
|  | 1/Lieut M. RAVARINO (A)                                                                                               | Maj D. McW. RALSTON (B)                                                                                              | 1/Lieut D.W. HAWKINS (A)                                                                       |

## Region IX, Monthly Report, July - Appendix "C"

EM/OR and vehicles assigned to the FORLI PROVINCE 31 July 1944

|                         | DUTY            | VEHICLE                  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Sgt Herman A. Marchi    | (A) Interpreter |                          |
| Pfc Matthew J. Bellucci | (A) Driver      | Jeep 20335176            |
| Pvt Salvatore Errante   | (A) "           | W/Carrier 2115456        |
| L/Cpl T.R. Barranti     | (B) Clerk       |                          |
| Pte R. White            | (B) Driver      | Jeep 201149228           |
| Pte R. Jones            | (B) "           | Jeep 20211022            |
| Gdem A.R. Blackadder    | (B) "           | P.U. (Hillman) M-4776956 |
|                         |                 | M/Cycle (U.S.A. 623380)  |
|                         |                 | 1/2-Ton Trailer 0162306  |

EM/OR and vehicles assigned to the BOLOGNA PROVINCE 2 August 1944

|                       | DUTY       | VEHICLE                   |
|-----------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Pfc Charles L. Angelo | (A) Clerk  |                           |
| Pvt Fulvio D'Alessio  | (A) Driver | Jeep 2038690              |
| Fus L. Colebourne     | (B) Driver | 3 Ton Chev-               |
| Dvr G. Gill           | (B) "      | rolet L-126660            |
|                       |            | Jeep 20211762             |
| Pvt Mario Grespanti   | (A) Driver | Jeep 20220166             |
| Pte W. Walsh          | (B) "      | P.U. (Standard) M-5243721 |
| Dvr S.M. Black        | (B) "      | P.U. (Hillman) M-4775686  |
| Pte D.A. Newport      | (B) "      | P.U. (Hillman) M-5100059  |
| Pte S. Walker         | (B) "      |                           |
| Pte C.W. Compton      | (B) Driver | 15 cwt Bedford Z-4764605  |
| Pte H. Hogarth        |            | M/Cycle (U.S.A. 623365)   |
|                       |            | 1/2-Ton Trailer 0475094   |

## ALLOTMENT OF VEHICLES TO PROVINCES

| Type of vehicle  | Bologna  | Forli    | "X" Province |
|------------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| Light            | 7        | 4        | 3            |
| Medium           | 1        | 1        | 1            |
| Heavy            | 1        | -        | -            |
|                  | <u>9</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>4</u>     |
| M/Cycles         | 1        | 1        | 1            |
| Trailer, 1/2 Ton | 1        | 1        | 1            |

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