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SUBJECT: Region XII - Monthly Report, August.

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. Brigadier Dunlop reports Region XII functioning smoothly at CHIANGKAIANO.

2. The only report of activity is the beginning of a course of instruction on August 17th. (apart from planning).

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HEADQUARTERS REGION XII  
Allied Control Commission  
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TO : HQ ACC - (RC & MG Section)

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9th Sept 1944

SUBJECT: Monthly report

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Herewith the Monthly Report on Region XII activities  
for August, 1944.

  
Regional Commissioner

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REPORT ON REGION XII FOR MONTH OF AUGUST

Part. I - General

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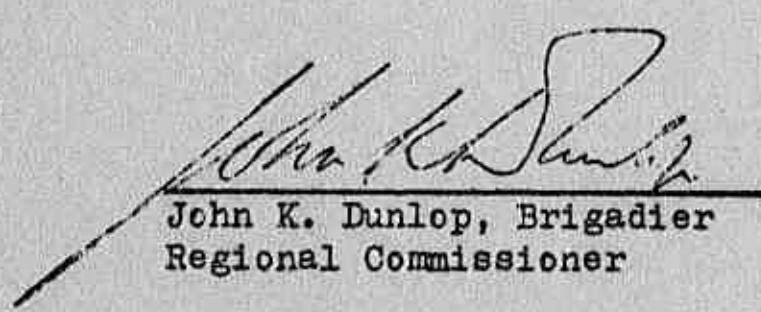
On Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 August, several officers of HQ ACC stayed at Region "Z" HQ, Chianciano, on their way to or from the Executive Commissioner's conference at Siena. Very valuable informal conferences were held during these visits.

On Thursday, August 17, a short course of instruction on the work of ACC was commenced for the benefit of ten R.A. Officers recently posted to ACC. Mr. Harold Caccia and Colonel McCarthy of HQ ACC gave the opening lecture on August 17 and Captain Temple of the Interior Sub Commission spoke on Italian Administration on Saturday, 19 August.

The Regional Commissioner and Colonel Gevers attended the Chief Commissioner's conference in Rome from Monday August 21 to Thursday August 24. Information was then received that Region "Z" would become Region XII, and that Region X and XI would be activated. On Friday, 25 August, the first key plan for the deployment of Region XII was written. This was sent forward to the Executive Commissioner on Saturday, August 27.

On Wednesday, August 30, the Regional Commissioner visited HQ AMG 8th Army at Chiaravalle, and on August 31, HQ AMG 5th Army at Tavernelle. The same evening Colonel Fiske visited Chianciano.

As a result of all these discussion, it was possible to draw up plans for the deployment of Region XII. These were explained at a Regional Commissioner's conference on September 1.

  
John K. Dunlop, Brigadier  
Regional Commissioner

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REPORT ON REGION XII FOR MONTH OF AUGUST

PART II

Economics & Supply

The major activity of the month was the study of supply problems of Region XII and planning their solutions.

A file of supply information was prepared for each province of the Region. This is being given to Provincial Commissioners as they arrive.

Members of the staff obtained useful field experience under direction of Senior Supply Officer, 8th Army AMG.

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Lt. L.D. Leah (Allied Censor Officer) joined <sup>5323</sup> on 17 August, and Captain E.B. Feldman (Public Works) joined on 9 August, 1944.

Organisation of the attached Italian Soldiers was investigated and placed on a regular footing, resulting in the formation of a Workshop Squad and the finding of a number of drivers.

A number of A.T. items were salvaged abandoned vehicles in order to keep the Regional Transport in repair.

A generator set was requisitioned and installed and electric current was turned on to the hotels on 17 August.

The Workshop Squad were employed on manufacture of direction signs and work of a 'domestic' character.

No. 1 Truck Detachment was employed on haulage work for local C.A.O. on reconstruction of damages caused by war during such time as was not occupied by movement of personnel caused by conflicting posting orders.

Data have been collected on the Region and Folders are being prepared for Provincial Commissioners gathering together relevant instructions and returns required.

### Public Safety

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In addition, a small amount, of follow-up work in Region VIII was practicable. No vehicle having yet been allotted to the Division special requests for transportation in order to inspect monuments etc. in Region VIII already covered by MFAA Officer that Region or with Army were not felt to be justified. When cars were going to places containing listed

monuments, opportunity was however taken to visit them where possible. Reports were submitted in certain such cases.

### Finance

During the month of August the Finance Division was formed in Chienciano. One officer was available for permanent assignment. Most of the equipment and forms sufficient for two months work in the field was moved from Rome to Chienciano. Orders were given for the printing of certain forms which are expected to arrive early in September.

The procedure to be adopted for payment of employees, damages etc. of Hotels occupied as Officers and Liaison messes and billets was arranged with both Claims & Hirings and the Finance Sub-Commission.

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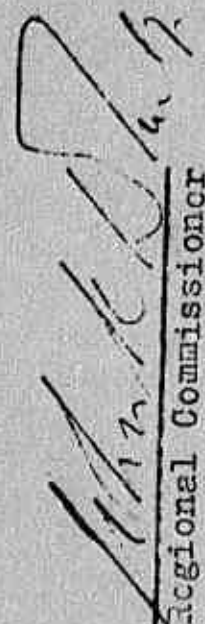
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