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HEADQUARTERS NONE
9 SEP 1944
A. C. C. NONE

FOR ALBRIGHT.

HAVE ORDERED THAT CAO BE STATIONED AT FALCONARA AS TOWN MAJOR
THERE IS MUCH OVERWORKED WITH CIVIL AFFAIRS DUTIES. SINCE OFFICERS
ARE BEING TAKEN AWAY. COULD YOU PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL OFFICER FOR
THIS DUTY IMMEDIATELY? SIGNED FRENCH.

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AND REGION V

ESTABLISHMENTS BRANCH - ALBRIGHT

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ROSENBERG ESTABLISHMENTS BRANCH

IMPOSSIBLE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICERS FOR REGION FIVE PD PAREN
TO ABLE MIKE GEORGE REGION FIVE FROM HQ ACC SIGNED STONE PAREN THESE OFFICERS
URGENTLY NEEDED FOR NORTHERN REGIONS

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cc: 1(B)
8-1 (A)

L. S. MONTANT JR.,
1st Lt., AGD,
Adjutant.

To: AMC Region V

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Impossible provide any
additional Civil Affairs officers
for Region V. These officers
urgently needed for northern Regions.

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"TENTATIVE CEILINGS"

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	CAOs	P. H.	P. E.	PROPERTY CONTROL	LEGAL	EDUCATION	M & F.A.	AGRICULTURE	INDUSTRY	COMMERCE	LABOR	FOOD	PUBLIC WORKS	TRANSP.
REGION V	22	9	3	-	2	-	-	3	-	-	1	3	4	3

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Appendix "C"

"TENTATIVE CEILINGS"

EDUCATION	M & T. A.	AGRICULTURE	INDUSTRY	COMMERCE	LABOR	FOOD	PUBLIC WORKS	TRANSP.	FINANCE	TELECOMS	POSTS	TOTAL	
-	-	3	-	-	1	3	4	3	6	-	-	56	

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

ESTABLISHMENT
OFFICE
3D FLOOR, RM 40

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24 August 1944

SUBJECT: Exchange of Vehicles.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Region V.

1. The Italian Refugee Branch of this headquarters has the following American vehicles operating in the Eighth Army Area:

- 2 - Trucks, 1/4-Ton, 4x4
- 5 - Trucks, 3/4-Ton, Weapons Carrier, 4x4.

2. Due to the non-existence of American Ordnance Companies in the Eighth Army Area which has recently resulted in the loss of several American vehicles, it is desired that the vehicles listed in paragraph 1 above be replaced with the following British vehicles:

- 2 - Jeeps
- 5 - 15-cwt. Trucks

3. Colonel John J. Albright, Establishment Officer, has directed that Region V make the exchange of these vehicles as there are no British vehicles available at this headquarters.

4. The Italian Refugee Branch has been instructed to contact your headquarters to arrange the exchange. Copy of letter from the Italian Refugee Branch to AMG, 8th Army, is attached for your information.

5. It is requested that the exchange of vehicles be accomplished at the earliest practicable date in a manner agreeable to both parties and that the necessary transfer papers be accomplished and copies forwarded to this headquarters.

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WALTER F. SCOGGINS
Lt. Colonel, G-4
G-4

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ITALIAN REFUGEE BRANCH
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

24 August 1944

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SUBJECT: American Motor Vehicles.

TO : S.R.E.O. AMG 8th Army (Lt. Col. G. Elwes).

1. Attached is a copy of a letter received by us from American G-4 HQ. ACC. instructing that the American vehicles at present with you be exchanged for British vehicles at present working in Region V.

2. As all the vehicles involved are working, it is suggested that the most practical way to affect this exchange is for you to contact Region V in order to arrange to exchange the vehicles with the least inconvenience to both parties. I am sure you will agree that this exchange is most desirable.

3. Please inform this HQ. of what action you take.

/s/ L. R. HULLS
/t/ L. R. HULLS,
Colonel.,
Director.

Copy to:

G-4 American (Lt. Col. W. P. SOOCHING).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
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19 August 1944

SUBJECT: American Motor Vehicles.

TO : Director, Italian Refugee Branch.

ATTENTION: Captain Alper.

1. The records of this office indicate that the following American vehicles assigned to the Italian Refugee Branch and are operating in Eighth Army Areas:

1/4 ton 4x4 G&R (Jeep)	WD No. 201139239
1/4 ton 4x4 " "	20115224
3/4 ton 4x4 Weapons Carrier	284013
3/4 ton 4x4 " "	253234
3/4 ton 4x4 " "	262614
3/4 ton 4x4 " "	263573
3/4 ton 4x4 " "	261703
3/4 ton 4x4 " "	282823

2. As you are probably aware that approximately seven (7) other American vehicles assigned to the Italian Refugee Branch have been turned in to REME workshops, condemned and cannibalized by REME. This procedure has resulted in the complete loss of the vehicles for the U. S. Army.

3. Inasmuch as no U. S. Ordnance Units are located in Eighth Army Area, it is desired that eight (8) vehicles listed in paragraph 1 be exchanged for British Vehicles, and it is proposed to have the exchange made by Region V at Aquila in a progressive manner if necessary.

4. It is requested that this office be advised at the earliest possible date when the exchange could begin to be made.

5. It is further requested that personnel operating American Vehicles be instructed that under no circumstances are American Vehicles to be turned in to REME for condemnation or cannibalization.

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/s/ WALTER P. SCOGGINS
Lt. Colonel, GMC
Gm4

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HEADQUARTERS
A.M.G. REGION V
C. M. F.

8 August 1944

GENERAL ORDER)

Number 37)

1. Effective 15 August 1944, the provinces of Region V are consolidated in respect to Provincial headquarters and officers are assigned thereto as shown in the attached appendices:

Campobasso	Appendix A
Aquila	Appendix B
Chieti, Pescara and Teramo	Appendix C
Ascoli-Piceno and Macerata	Appendix D
Ancona and Pesaro-Urbino	Appendix E

2. Officers assigned in these appendices to new stations will proceed on special orders as issued, reporting upon arrival to the Provincial Commissioner for duty.

3. All War Department or requisitioned vehicles now under control of Provincial headquarters will remain at or be returned to consolidated Provincial headquarters as indicated in Paragraph 1. Returns will be effected by 1800 hours 15 August 1944.

4. When the above moves have been completed, Provincial Commissioners will so organize their provinces that the officers who are being retained for Phase III will be appointed at once to the positions which they will fill during Phase III. Thus, when the Phase II reinforcements are ordered away, there should be very little disorganization, the normal work of the provinces being carried on as usual.

By order of Colonel MARSHALL:

ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,
WOJG, USA,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,
WOJG, USA,
Adjutant.

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APPENDIX A

CALPOBASSO PROVINCE

PHASE III OFFICERS

Major Earl A. Heessler	(A)	PC ✓
Capt Stanley D. Decker	(A)	
Major J. G. Jackson	(B)	
Capt E. J. Russi	(B)	
Capt Donald A. Rogers	(A)	
Lt E. F. Cocks	(B)	Foggia
Capt George Forster	(A)	Finance
- - - -		Supply

PERSONNEL FOR PHASE II ONLY.
(EXCESS FOR PHASE III)

Major H. B. Reilly	(A)	PC
Major F. J. Burns	(A)	gnd
Capt T. A. Gatchell	(A)	Supply - HQACC
Lt L. E. Clark	(A)	Truck Pool - Foggia

PHASE I PERSONNEL ALERTED FOR REGION IX

Major H. P. Kudera	(A)	sum
Capt J. J. O'Neill	(A)	gnd

APPENDIX B

AQUILA PROVINCE

PHASE III OFFICERS

Major Joseph D. Scholtz	(A)	PC
- Major H. Mighall	(B)	PS
Capt Anthony Ciliberti	(A)	PO
Capt M. E. Marshall	(B)	PO
- Capt Frederick C. Stiles	(A)	PS
- Capt B. P. Royston	(B)	Public Health
(Also Chieti-Pescara-Teramo)		
- Lt T. G. Holladay	(A)	Supply
(Also Chieti-Pescara-Teramo)		
(Serviced from Reg HQ)		Finance

PERSONNEL FOR PHASE II ONLY
(EXCESS FOR PHASE III)

- Capt L. R. Aghton	(B)	PS
- Lt A. H. Ferrari	(A)	PO
Capt Ferdinand G. Bader	(A)	Legal
- Lt Kenneth A. Ash	(A)	Truck Pool

PHASE I PERSONNEL ALERTED FOR REGION IX

Capt J. J. Keegan	(A)	
Major W. J. MacCallum	(Gdn)	gnd

APPENDIX O

CHIETI, PESCARA AND TERAMO PROVINCES

PHASE III OFFICERS

Lt Col	J. W. Holmes	(B)	PO
- Capt	T. P. Cotton	(B)	- PS
- Capt	J. H. Dodridge	(B)	- PS
Lt	Edmond N. Amyot	(A)	- PO
Lt	E. Bellamy	(B)	- PO
- Capt	B. P. Royston (Also Aquila)	(B)	Public Health
Lt	T. G. Holladay (Also Aquila)	(A)	Supply
- Capt	C. H. Angell	(B)	Finance

PERSONNEL FOR PHASE II ONLY
(EXCESS FOR PHASE III)

- Capt	J. F. Seguin	(Cdn)	- out
- Capt	F. R. Bowd	(B)	- PS
Lt	John G. Davis	(A)	- PO
Lt	Armand De Gaetano	(A)	- CAO
- Major	G. M. Welsford	(B)	Legal
- Capt	M. J. MacLennan	(B)	Supply
- Capt	E. A. G. S. Bailey	(B)	Supply
- Lt Col	L. G. Dalziel	(B)	Public Health
- Lt	Ralph O. Bissey	(A)	Truck Pool

PHASE I PERSONNEL ALERTED FOR REGION IX

Capt	J. V. Elliott	(A)	and
Lt	Gerald Diamant	(A)	and

APPENDIX D

ASCOLI-PICENO AND MACERATA PROVINCES

PHASE III OFFICERS

	Lt Col E. C. V. Rutter	(B)	PC
-	MAJ G.G. JACKSON	(B)	PS
-	Capt Stanley D. Decker	(A)	PO
	Capt R. Leach	(B)	PO
-	Capt A. G. Hills	(B)	PS
-	Lt H. R. Hanbury	(B)	PS
(C)	Capt G. O. S. B. Brooke	(B)	Public Health (Also Ancona and Pesaro-Urbino)
	Capt A. R. Ledbury	(B)	Supply (Also Ancona and Pesaro-Urbino)
(C)	Major E. Tyson	(B)	Finance

PERSONNEL FOR PHASE II ONLY
(EXCESS FOR PHASE III)

✓	Capt P. J. Fiorella	(A)	PO
-	Capt T. Marsh	(B)	-PS
-	Capt G. H. O. Liddle	(B)	-PS
-	Capt S. S. W. Chambers	(B)	-PS
✓	Lt M. E. Aronoff	(A)	PO
✓	Lt C. S. Anderson	(A)	-PO
-	Lt Louis B. Bernard	(A)	Supply
(C)	Lt H. A. Grant	(A)	Legal

PHASE I PERSONNEL ALERTED FOR REGION IX

Capt	L. P. Coling	(B)	gone
Lt	Glen L. Fordon	(A)	gone

APPENDIX E

ANCONA AND PESARO-URBINO PROVINCES

PHASE III OFFICERS

Major H. H. Nichols (B) PC

Major G. W. Manifold (B)

Major J. A. Maunder (B)

Lt Albert L. Bernard (A)

Lt E. P. Polter (B)

Capt C. O. S. B. Brooke (B) Public Health
(Also Ascoli-Piceno and Macerata)

Capt A. R. Ledbury (B) Supply
(Also Ascoli-Piceno and Macerata)

Capt L. F. Aldis (B) Finance

PERSONNEL FOR PHASE II ONLY
(EXCESS FOR PHASE III)

Major Ray W. Wilson (A) PC

Capt F. A. B. Borak (A)

Capt Burch R. Johnson (A)

Capt W. Greenhough (B)

Lt George M. Marinkov (A)

Major Max F. Roesti (A) Finance

Capt W. C. J. Hall (B) "

Major W. R. Cohen (A) Legal

Major F. Backhouse (B) "

Lt R. C. Lees (Cen) Supply

Capt A. W. Hunt (B) "

PHASE I OFFICER ALERTED FOR REGION IX

Capt H. S. Pollard (A) *gone*

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ESTABLISHMENTS BRANCH
APO 394

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6 August 1944

Col. R. P. Marshall,
Regional Commissioner,
Region V.

Dear Bob:

I have your letter with reference to your experience with Col. Chapman and the car. I have, also, seen Col. Chapman when he visited Headquarters recently. The facts are as follows: The car returned to Region III was not Col. Poletti's old car, but was the car formerly used by Col. Kraege which has been considered the Regional Commissioner's car. I am sure you do not want it. It broke down on the way to Rome; was repaired here so that it was able to make the trip from Rome to Naples in thirteen hours.

I have heard reports of your PCs meeting - from Col. Farren but much more from Col. O'Dwyer. Col. O'Dwyer gave a very dramatic rendition of the situation which arose with reference to the mules. So far as I know, the Economic Section has still not decided to which Sub-Commission the mules belong. I may be wrong and they may have already given you a decision.

I have just returned from Naples at a conference there with reference to our big consolidation. It was a very good meeting and we are going ahead with the plan but expect that the reduction in number of officers in those areas will meet considerable difficulty. A part of the plan will be to operate the two Provinces which formerly belonged to your Region from one Headquarters down in the flat country. We contemplate taking Capt. Rogers and Major Manifold from the Province under your control. The disposition of the remainder of officers now assigned there will be a subject of conversation when I make this contemplated visit to Aquila.

I hope to get up to see you in the near future.

Sincerely

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT,
Colonel, Infantry.

HEADQUARTERS
A.M.G. REGION V,
C.M.F.

Ref: 5083.

3 Aug 44.

TO : Colonel JOHN J. ALBRIGHT,
Establishment Officer,
HQ ACC.

Dear Jack,

When I saw Chapman recently he astounded me by saying that he would not transfer from Region III to Region V the car which had been returned to Region III for that purpose.

He admitted freely that he had agreed with me that if this so called Poletti car was returned, it ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~permanently~~ ^{be} turned over, and advances as a reason for his failure to carry out his agreement the excuse that he has been under pressure to release a car used by a Major Fletcher. He further admits that the Fletcher car is still with Region III and that it has been agreed that it shall remain there.

I could not see the force of his argument, but I declined to be drawn into any controversy feeling that the enforcement of the agreement was a matter for higher authority. I report these facts for your information and such action as you may care to take.

We have just concluded our Provincial Commissioners' Meeting which, I believe, was most fruitful. I am only sorry that you could not find it possible to attend, but I realize that the pressure of your other duties makes it difficult for you to leave your HQ. In spite of demands upon your time you must find opportunity to visit Region V HQ while this is in Aquila. I think you would enjoy seeing our show, and I know I should appreciate your company.

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With all good wishes,

Sincerely

Bob.

Ref R54501/20

PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE
HEADQUARTERS - AIG REGION V
1 and 2 August 1944

Present - Colonel Robert P. Marshall, Regional Commissioner, Region V
Colonel William R. O'Dwyer, vice president, Economic Section, ACC
Colonel R. H. Farren, executive officer, RC & MG Section, ACC
Lt Col C. H. A. French, deputy regional commissioner, Region V
Lt Col H. K. Parsons, provincial commissioner, Campobasso
Lt Col J. W. Holmes, provincial commissioner, Chieti-Pescara-Teramo
Lt Col E. C. V. Rutter, provincial commissioner, Ascoli-Piceno
Major Joseph D. Scholtz, provincial commissioner,quila
Major Earl A. Heassler, provincial commissioner, Macerata
Major H. H. Nichols, provincial commissioner, Ancona
Major Ray W. Wilson, provincial commissioner, Pesaro-Urbino
Major E. A. C. Talbot, Civil Affairs Branch, ACC
Major Jerome K. Chrbach, Economic Section, ACC
Lt Col C. Marshall, Public Health and Welfare Section, Region V
Lt Col H. Middlewood, Agriculture Section, Region V
Lt Col S. Pickering, Public Safety Section, Region V
Lt Col M. T. Beard, Finance Section, Region V
Lt Col C. A. Latimer, Regional Engineer, Region V
Major G. E. Monk, Economics and Supply Section, Region V
Major T. R. Fisher, Labor Section, Region V
Major A. C. Newell, Property Control Section, Region V
Major Milton Harris, Civil Transportation Division, Region V
Major G. W. Cumming, Communications Division, Region V
Major C. J. Birt, Welfare and Education Divisions, Region V
Major P. E. Reynolds, Legal Section, Region V
Captain F. H. J. Lasse, Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Section, Reg V
Captain H. C. McDaniel, Civil Supply Accountant, Region V
Mr J. C. Condict, American Red Cross representative, Region V

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PART ONE

Lt Col Parsons, Campobasso - The changeover from A/C to ACC has been so recent that officers in this province have not yet become accustomed to the new phase. Lacking specific instructions as to the method of operating in the new conditions, few changes in policy have been made and procedure remains just about as it has been since the appointment of the new prefect. "Advice" now given by ACC officers is accepted in the same way as orders were received previously. The new setup immeasurably eases the officers' work by taking away the pass difficulty.

Col Marshall advised the other provinces to make preparations so that their experience in the turnover would be similar to Campobasso's and so that the transfer would necessitate no real change in operation. The secret, he said, was imposing as much of the work as possible on the Italians from the beginning.

Other features of Campobasso operation: Population uncertain and wary as to the nature of the change. Stoppage of POL supplies at Farnoli has paralyzed both threshing and fishing there. The refugee problem has eased considerably. The post officers were completely opened on July 17 but mail is piling up because of a lack of censors, promised by the Italian army. A bus schedule now in operation is proving very useful, though the tire problem causes apprehension. Tax collections are coming in well. There is an excess of half a million lire in purchases of buoni postali fruttiferi above the payments made on those securities. All schools, elementary and secondary, are expected to open about 1 September, although there is a shortage of text-books.

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Lt Col Holmes, Chieti-Pescara-Teramo - Chieti is probably the most difficult problem of the whole east coast because it was the scene of the battle of the Sangro. For 6 1/2 to 7 months, while the provincial capital was in the hands of the Germans, we had a large number of Regional and Army CAOs in the province and the Italians became accustomed to asking AMG advice before even going to the lavatory. Now the AMG staff has been reduced so far that it is necessary to demand that the Italians do all or most of the work. Furthermore, 16 communes have been completely blown to bits. Finally, Chieti was a highly Fascist province from the beginning, witness the fact that it was chosen as the scene of the Mantecoti trial. 549

Chief supply problems are POL and olive oil. Stock-piles of food at Vasto and Ortona, which were built up by AMG 8th Army this spring, are now pretty well exhausted. The return of the population to shattered communes is causing supply and sanitary problems. Refugee problems are less difficult than earlier, although the sending of people for repatriation without warning is causing difficulty. The banks have a large amount of liquid cash and treasury bond offerings go like lightning. Some L. 2,700,000 has been paid to 500 or 600 people for assistance given allied soldiers behind enemy lines. All schools are to reopen in September. A tobacco factory which previously employed 1500 people is almost ready to be reopened. Many utilities have been put back in operation.

Pescara city is still completely unsafe. CAOs are administering the whole province from a single headquarters, since only two CAOs are assigned. Meetings with mayors have been very satisfactory and the provincial Italian staff is functioning much better than in Chieti, although it still needs to be "gingered up." Italian soldiers sent to clear mines away lack transport and equipment. There should be an excellent wheat crop if mines and a supply of POL permit a complete harvest.

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Maj Scholtz, Aquila - The present provincial commissioner took over the province only on 28 July. He found conditions good. The province is large, mountainous and only two-thirds self-sufficient in grain. Only the Sangro area shows bad war damage, but the removal of bridges has complicated the problems considerably. Only 49 cases have been tried by AMG courts in the province and no strong efforts to enforce curfew regulations have been made, because few allied troops are present. Capistrano is the only commune now lacking water, and temporary arrangements are being made on other utilities. The province raises the seed potatoes for almost all Italy and a crop of 40,000 tons is expected. The wheat crop may depend upon the amount of transport and POL available. Failure to get in the whole crop will result in a need for importing more flour, since one third of the province's needs must be imported in any case.

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Lt Col Rutter, Ascoli-Piceno - The provincial commissioner asked whether travel within the province may be permitted without passes. Col Marshall suggested that such action may be within the authority of the PC, after consultation with the Region and with army units in the area. Col Marshall also believed it was within the PC's power to control exports from the province and to require approval of the provincial supply officer before exports can be made.

San Benedetto port is now reported by the navy to be free of mines and available for the landing or exporting of goods. About 100 fishing boats are operated out of San Benedetto and Port S. Giorgio and eight larger boats are ready to start fishing. Moving of a turbine will, within a month, double the capacity of the province's electrical power plant and permit it to make permanent concessions of power to neighboring provinces which are without generating plants.

The provincial commissioner expressed the opinion that suppression of the Committee of National Liberation might be desirable and showed doubt that the former partisans had been really disarmed. Col Marshall and Lt Col French said it is the policy of AGO to encourage the committee and to co-operate with it, but that a different course might be pursued if found necessary. In the face of the labor surplus feared by the PC, Major Talbot said that army recruiting stations are to be set up in the forward areas.

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The city of Ancona is 35 per cent destroyed and there are no lights, water, gas or public transportation. The PC requests 30 three-ton trucks to bring supplies into the city. The railway, completely destroyed, is being rebuilt toward the north. Port tonnage is already 6000 tons daily. Most labor has to be imported daily and there is some discontent over wages, which are lower than were being paid by the Germans.

The SIA soap factory at the north end of the city has enough raw materials to produce about 40 quintals of its product. The medical store is half destroyed, but the remaining portion could be quickly restored to operation. There is a large civilian hospital of 600 beds, of which 300 are usable despite damage to the premises; only 134 are occupied and 100 reserved for the army. Fishing has been restored on a small scale; a 90,000 ton grain harvest is expected.

Major Wilson, Pesaro-Urbino - No provincial report. Territory in enemy hands.

PART TWO

Major Reynolds, Legal - A new directive issued by the Regional Legal Officer outlines the duties of provincial legal officers. It gives precedence to criminal cases over civil proceedings, suggests courts meet in circuits to overcome transport problems, lays down a general policy of having as many cases as possible tried by Italian courts (though special permission must be obtained for trial of proclamation violations in the civilian courts), and states that provincial orders are not to deal with long-term or overall policy and must be submitted to the RLO for approval as to form.

Lt Col Pickering, Public Safety - Little security seems to be afforded by passes at present, as they are being issued on every conceivable kind of excuse and no possibility of trading civilian movement by their use is provided. GIB AAI is likewise unsatisfied with the policy and a tightening up is considered absolutely necessary. Inter-provincial pass correspondence will not be required to clear through this headquarters, though it will be necessary that inter-regional requests do so.

Lt Col Middlewood, Agriculture - No changes are to be made by PCs in the provisions of agricultural directive No. 1, as these will only rebound upon the provinces when turned back to the Italians. There is no way for wheat to go into the black market if it moves only upon proper tickets, with which all ALG officials and carabinieri should be familiar.

The wheat crop, even in the mountain provinces, is now 90 per cent cut. The agricultural officer disagrees that crops will be wasted for lack of POL. He believes that it will be possible to do large portions of the threshing by non-mechanical means and that the remaining wheat can be kept in stacks for several months if necessary before threshing. A regional surplus of 225,000 tons of wheat is expected to be available for export.

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Farmers in the high areas are being held to ransom of as much as one-third of the price of the grain by owners of the mules which are necessary to bring the grain down. Drastic action is urged along this line (Col Warren expressed some doubt as to the authority upon which it might be taken.) Farm labor is also believed to be underpaid at 65 lire a ~~day~~ ^{week}. The historic formula is that the price paid for one quintal of grain would pay one laborer's wages for one week.

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The need for copper sulphate for grain processing had not been foreseen before the harvest, but "stinking smut" is now being found in the soft wheat of the mountain provinces. The copper sulphate should be applied to the seed before it is sown this fall; failure to do so can result in a loss of as much as 50 per cent of the crop. The amount needed is from 30 to 60 tons per province, but the need is urgent and was reported to AGC a fortnight ago.

Major Monk, Economics and Supply - The worst of the supply problem is now over, although personnel is going to be even more restricted than previously. Supplies will continue to be shorter than the natives desire and the Food Sub-Commission has indicated there will be no olive oil at all available until after the olive harvest. About 100 tons of salt are to be shipped to Ortona, for use of all provinces. PCL is under strict control. A speedy answer is urged from all PSOs to Brigadier Lush's request as to the proportion of the population of the provinces who hold bread ration cards. None should hold them who have been permitted to retain grain from the harvest, and pressure (even the cutting off of supplies) should be brought to bear on the communes to reduce the number of cards outstanding.

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Lt Col Beard, Finance - Report was short, emphasizing need for strict compliance in the provinces with ACC financial directives.

Lt Col Marshall, Public Health and Welfare (Part of report given by Major Birt) - Health in all the provinces is very good. The only problem is typhoid, Italy's immemorial scourge. Scabies is very prevalent. There is no typhus. About 50,000 school-children in Foggia and Campobasso Provinces have been inoculated against diphtheria and vaccinated. Medical supplies are expected shortly to meet all requisitions. Most important phase of this work is to see that the Italian medicoprovinciale is properly functioning.

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On the refugee problem, Region V is "in the middle," between Italian Refugee Branch and No. 2 District, both of which are turning refugees over to the Region without adequate warning or without a consistent policy. Provinces are being ordered to prepare to billet 10 per cent of the population, in addition to the 5000 who will be sent to Ascoli and Terno provinces.

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Major Cumming, Communications - Full postal service, already operating in Campobasso, will be restored on 14 Aug. in Chieti, Pescara, Teramo and Aquila, coincident with the doubling of Italian postal rates. Telephonic communication is available from Regional headquarters to Rome and Ancona, and a courier service is operating to all provinces.

Capt Larose, Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives - PCs are warned to be familiar with the list of protected monuments, as troops in the rear areas are even more likely than front-line troops to damage important treasures. The priority of this department is low now, except for its propaganda value, but will increase in importance as the armistice nears.

Major Newell - Property Control - Unless the situation is altered or unless more allied property is found, the Regional Property Controller can take care of all problems in this field, relieving PCs of any responsibility.

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PART THREE

Colonel Marshall - Regional Commissioner - Success or failure of Region V will be measured by the amount of work we obtain from Italian officials. The Italian government must do all the work, and the transfer from AUG to ACC should mean nothing more than a date and a signature.

On account of the extension of territory and the lack of manpower, provision is being made for staffing areas yet to be recaptured from the manpower now in the liberated areas. In some cases in this region two or three provinces will be combined, with the maximum provincial force in each of the combined provinces only five officers, with half-time or full-time specialists in addition. The headquarters staff will be equally slim, but will be able to give emergency help to the provinces. Half the Region's strength is expected to be gone by Aug. 15. As personnel decreases, the need for transport will increase. The approved formula is 1.2 vehicles for each officer and approved Italian official, if this much transport can be found in the area covered by the region. Up to this level, transport will not be drafted away from the Region for superceding needs elsewhere.

Col O'Dwyer - There is no question that the backbone of our whole ACC problem is transportation. I have gone into that problem pretty thoroughly and I am stymied because of the obvious operational needs of the moment. We all have to admit that our primary purpose is to win the war. We cannot, therefore, press the point in the face of this imperative need. AUG has promised to send men into the lines to find trucks which have a month or two of life left in them, instead of permitting these vehicles to be cannibalized. I make no promise, but we may get some vehicles in this way. Also there is assurance that if there is any collapse of the line in Italy, all available trucks will be turned over to ACC. Of course, in that case, all will be needed - and more.

(To Col O'Dwyer's inquiry as to whether the Region considers it necessary to repatriate refugees to supply labor for the grain harvest, Major Fisher said there is a general surplus of farm labor as far north as Macerata, at least)

Lt Col French remarked that the provincial reports had shown no important political movements in the territory. Lt Col Holmes said the political activity could best be called an undercurrent.

Check Reg V

HEADQUARTERS
AMG REGION V
C.M.F.

27 July 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

Number 36)

1. Pesaro-Urbino Team, Region V, is hereby activated, effective this date, with the following personnel assigned thereto:

PC	Major	R. W. Wilson.....	(A)
Senior PPO	Capt.	F.A.B. Borak	(A)
Finance	Maj.	W.C.J. Hall	(B)
PPOs	Lt.	E.P. Bolter	(B)
	Lt.	A.L. Bernard	(A)

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2. The team will be formed at Regional headquarters and supplied under the supervision of the Provincial Commissioner.

3. The personnel assigned above will report to the PC per special orders to be issued.

By order of Colonel MARSHALL:

ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,
WOJG, USA,
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

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CITE: NONE

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HQ REGION FIVE CLOSES CAMPOBASSO 240600. OPENS SAME DATE AND TIME AQUILA TOWN.
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HEADQUARTERS
A.M.G. REGION V
C. M. F.

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22 June 1944

Ref.: R5/508/B

SUBJECT: Report on Over-strength of Aquila Team.

TO : The Chief of the Establishment Branch,
Regional Control and Military Government Section,
Allied Control Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

In accord with your telephonic direction this date for a report on Aquila Province having a strength of 20 officers and 1 medical officer and by whose direction additional officers beyond authorized allowance were sent to Aquila Province.

1. Following my visit to Naples on June 9-10, I requested from the Establishment Officer additional officers and was advised by Col. Albright that he had authorized five additional officers that date (10 June) for Region V. On Sunday 11 June these officers were ready to leave. I arranged for their transport to Aquila's temporary headquarters at Sessano, four to be posted to the province team and one (Major Maunder) to proceed to duty in another province. These officers arrived at Sessano in four weapons carriers, which had been assigned for new provinces and which I had arranged for-- one of which was allocated to Aquila Province and one each for Teramo, Pescara and Chieti. Since 28 April, Aquila had had its proper complement of 11 officers and one medical officer. An additional four were sent on imperative call of AMG 8 Army 9 June (Copy attached). This brought the strength of the team on 11 June to 15 officers, 14 for the province, 1 medical officer and Capt. Russi, loaned. At midnight on 12 June I received a telephone call from Brigadier Lush, who inquired of the number on the Aquila team. I advised him that they had 14 present, plus two (one on loan and one medical) and that the five officers who had been furnished me from Naples were there and that I intended to recall one and had taken another, Major Maunder, for another team. He then directed that I would send straightaway to Aquila in the morning four additional officers and return the two others of the five which I had planned to take away. I replied, "Very well, Sir! I shall have to take them from Campobasso Province, which is now reduced to its authorized limit." He replied, "Have them sent in the morning." Accordingly I sent immediately a telephone message and a truck to Larino, Isernia and Venafro, after conferring with Lt. Col. Parsons, the Provincial Commissioner, who stated that four officers from these districts would completely close out his control in this important territory. I advised him that my orders were to send four additional men at once and that Campobasso was the only place where CAO officers could be obtained on such urgent call. By morning, the officers were on their way from Larino, Venafro and Isernia, and since this change had completely upset my teams for Teramo and Ascoli, I radioed for decision as to authorized strength for Aquila (Copy enclosed)

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2. In accord with the demand for the new teams of Macerata and Ancona, I am withdrawing the officers who really were intended for the new teams. This reduction will leave Aquila with its proper quota of 12 officers, and its transport will be reduced to its proportion.

F. L. WHITLEY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Regional Commissioner.

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ACC MAIN FOR ROGER CHARLIE AND MILE GEORGE DEOTION

(W) For Information (INFO)

ACC MAIN ESTABLISHMENT BRANCH

Message Instructions

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ONE SIX ONE

IMPORTANT FOR FIRE PD REPORT DECISION AS TO MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OFFICERS REGION FIVE SHALL FURNISH AUILA PROVINCE PD IN ADDITION TO FIVE SENT FROM NAPLES. AM PENDING FOUR ADDITIONAL JUNE TODAY FROM COMPOUNDO FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S ORDERS PD WITH THIS NEW ALLOWANCE AUILA HAS TWENTY FIVE STAFF FOUR FOR ELEVEN POLICE OFFICERS PD PRIOR ALLOWANCE WAS TWELVE SIGNED WITLEY

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ESTABLISHMENTS BRANCH
APO 394

EstO/Jul-18

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18 July 1944

Col. R. P. Marshall,
Regional Commissioner,
Region V.

My dear Bob:

Thanks for your letter of the 13th of June with reference to personnel ear-marked for Region IX. So far as I can tell from your suggestions, the officers that you suggested are a fair cross-section with not too many duds. Subsequent to your request that they be moved immediately orders have been issued for all or at least the majority already.

With reference to Lt. Col. Laboon, there is a long story connected with his move which I will continue when I next see you. If you desire to put an official report with reference to his leaving the Region before reporting to Regional Headquarters, it will be acted on when received. I am not too sure that he did not have some justification although I have not heard his story.

I have just been given a copy of your letter to the Executive Commissioner, dated 12 June and find that it has several establishment matters in it. Since it has taken several days to get to me I suggest that copies of letters to the Executive Commission or his Deputy be sent also to me. I cannot promise quick action in the case but at least I can start action a little sooner.

From your letter to the Brigadier I see that you have been very much on the job since your arrival in the Region, and the matter sounds to me as though you have obtained a very quick appreciation of the situation in the Region. I know the Brigadier feels the same way because he mentioned that fact to me.

I have not seen his reply to you but will probably be informed of the contents within a few days. 538

With reference to your passenger vehicles problem, Region V is charged at the present time with 28 jeeps, 2 command cars, 1 staff,

and 10 PUs; a total of 21 WO and 18 - 15 OWT, which can be used for the transport of personnel - it is not at all a bad setup of transportation for the number of officers who will remain in Region V even considering that a portion of the above vehicles will transfer with the Province or Provinces which you are going to lose. As a matter of fact, it is a better situation than the majority of the other Regions. I do not have the records of requisitioned vehicles in Region V but I do know that it is small. The only requisitioned vehicle for which I have a personal knowledge is the one used by Col. Temperley. Despite the fact that I think you are at fair circumstances for transport, I will attempt to get a few requisitioned vehicles in shape for you at a little later date. We are in process here of having all requisitioned vehicles turned in to our garage for reassignment. Most of these, of course, will have to be reassigned to the agencies which turned them in. We are, also, in process of setting up a unit to collect parts and tires for civilian type vehicles and have a maintenance pool ready to go to work to put unusable vehicles into usable shape. As they begin to operate we should be able to get you a fair number of vehicles.

With reference to personnel to be moved from your Region, we are under pressure at the moment to speed up the first part of that personnel for the other Regions. Your letter making available a number of officers was of considerable assistance, however, we need to get complete new Regions lined up and Col. Farren will be over to see you as soon as you answer his cable stating that it is all right for him to come. Please make it as early as possible as I know you will.

Things here are in their usual state. With the less number created situations arise. Since my arrival here I have been considerably busier than I was in Naples which I thought was rather busy. I have had little if any time for sight-seeing and hope to have some time in the future. I expect to get over to Region IV tomorrow to check into the officers of that Region that you especially requested. I am sorry that I have been unable to do it before.

Good wishes for a successful tour as Regional Commissioner and hope that you will keep up the fine work as it appears you have started out the job. I know you will and hope to tell you that personally before too long.

Sincerely,

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P.S. There will probably be a Regional Commissioner's meeting between the 7th and 15th of August. I will expect you to stay with me during the meeting whenever it is.

①. C. E. Keene *Aug 2 -* *Estab. Branch*
 ②. E. O. K. See *HEADQUARTERS*
 A.M.C. REGION V
 O. E. F.

RS/508/3 *Artini*

12 July 1944

Dear *final para M/14/7*

When I reached Campobasso on 9 July, I found that Col. Whitley had left for Naples and that Lt. Col. French was in Pescara. In the interest of time-saving, I proceeded immediately upon a general reconnaissance and to gain prompt contact with Col. French. As a result, several points were developed which require immediate action. I submit these and other questions below.

It appears obvious that Campobasso is no longer suited for Regional Headquarters. Transfer to Pescara was contemplated. Geographically, Pescara is suitable but in no other respect. Demolitions, sabotage and looting have effectively destroyed the useful functioning of this city. Lack of public utilities, sanitation and hygiene present grave hazards. It is even possible that the medical authorities may declare the city out of bounds.

The remaining choices are limited by location, army restrictions, troop installations, etc. Temporarily at least, Aquila seems to meet the necessities of the case. It will adequately care for Regional headquarters, its utilities are sufficient for present military and essential civilian requirements, prompt restoration of all communications is in prospect through the co-ordinated efforts of Army and Region and the road net is favorable. In the absence of your instructions to the contrary, Regional headquarters (Main) will remove to Aquila at any early date. Advance headquarters (Mobile) will be established promptly and will move as dictated by developments of the tactical situation and requirements of Army. It is probable that ultimately main headquarters will be established at a more northerly point with a small rear echelon at Aquila. Col. French will be in general charge of Headquarters Main and I will spend as much time forward as my duties permit until such time as the whole of Region V is occupied. Pursuant to the precedent of Region IV, approved by the Chief Commissioner, Col. French will be redesignated as Deputy Regional Commissioner instead of Executive Officer unless you direct to the contrary.

I take the liberty of inviting your attention to the desirability of removing Campobasso Province from Region V simultaneously with the transfer of that territory to ACC and

recommend such action. Such a procedure has very many advantages, particularly in case of control and administration. The only possible objection, in my opinion, that can be raised is the question of crossing Compartment lines, but I do not consider this at all serious as Compartments, in the Italian scheme, have no administrative or executive functions. Experience in Foggia Province as a part of Region V although one of the provinces of the Compartment of Puglia clearly supports this view. You might care to include this province in the area to be placed under Col. Temperley's command until such time as you determine its eventual allocation. Its Provincial headquarters and all appropriate Region V personnel would, of course, be included in such a transfer.

Col. Temperley is expected tomorrow and I anticipate a quick and satisfactory arrangement as to personnel and equipment to be allocated permanently to Foggia Province. I shall also undertake to include Campobasso in our arrangements, so that this area may also be transferred whenever you so direct.

I plan to rearrange assignments within the Region to provide for ultimate reduction to Phase III requirements, reinforcing for the present with those officers who will later be withdrawn. Details will be submitted to your Establishments Officer within a few days' time.

The problem of passenger vehicles is pressing and upon the withdrawal of even a few officers will become urgent. As the number of officers declines, the ratio and, up to a certain point, the actual number of vehicles must increase if the remaining establishment is to continue the functions of the original group. No passenger vehicles are to be found in this area for requisition or hire. Judging from visible evidence, Rome area appears to hold a very considerable number of civilian cars in good condition. Would it be possible, through Headquarters AGC, to requisition cars there and distribute them to Regions in accordance with needs? Region V can immediately use at least twelve passenger vehicles, with capacities of four to seven each, to provide essential mobility for Regional and Provincial officers.

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Brigadier Maurice S. Bush
Executive Commissioner
Allied Control Commission
APC 394

Robert Marshall

RPM/ach

HQ Reg. V

13 July 1944

Dear Jack:-

I have been busier than a bird dog since I hit the Region - both in the field & at HQ. This is a hasty & urgent preliminary line & I will follow it in more appropriate form as soon as possible.

In re-arranging Regional assignments to meet requirements of reduced personnel & consolidation of Provincial HQs. certain key offrs are essential. Some of these appear on the list you gave me showing prospective assignments to Region IX/XII. To meet urgent necessities I ask that the following offrs. remain with Reg. V:

Maj. C. J. Maunder (B)

Maj. W. L. Henderson (A)

Maj. J. D. Scholtz (A)

Maj. A. C. Newell (A)

Maj. P. J. Burns (A)

Capt. R. C. Robinson (A)

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To replace the above I suggest

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The offrs listed below:

Lt. Col. W. G. Smith (B.)

Lt. Col. F. C. Yeo (B)

Maj. L. W. McIntyre (A)

Maj. R. Haynes (B)

Maj. W. H. Onseley (B)

Capt. C. Painter (A.)

You will note that these substitutions are equal in number & at least equal in rank. Col. French, Exec. O., tells me that they are in a parity in experience & capacity.

As soon as possible I shall complete our new basic TO for Phase III & the re-inforcements that will remain available until you call them up. I will forward or bring the data to 533 you when ready. Meanwhile, please protect me on the above changes. It will materially ease my present problem if offrs. shown above (Smith to Painter) can be relieved at once.

Laboon left Pescara yesterday in direct contravention of specific

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verbal orders from me to remain
thru' today to orient Yeo & then to
report to Reg. H.Q. before proceeding.
I may make a formal report later
but meanwhile I do not want him
back & he should be credited to
Reg V as our contribution to Reg IX/XII*
More anon. Best of luck
& all good wishes.

Sincerely,

Bob.

1st Ind.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, APO 394. 12 July 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regt., ACC, APO 394.

1. Forwarded recommending approval.

2. Request that Col. Whitley be transferred from the strength of ACC if and when this leave is granted. Col. Whitley was retired and continued on active duty on 15 June 1944. Due to the necessity for reducing the American officer strength of ACC to an allotment of 635 officers, it has been necessary to request that Col. Whitley be released from active duty with ACC.

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT,
Colonel, Infantry,
Establishment Officer.

Incl: Basic ltr - signed F. L. Whitley - 8 July 44.

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A.M.G. REGION V
C. M. F.

8 July 1944

Ref.

SUBJECT: Request for Leave to Absence under Exceptional
Circumstances

TO : The Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission
APO 394, U. S. Army

1. It is requested that I be granted a three months' leave of absence with permission to visit the United States for the purpose of settling the estate of my deceased brother.
2. I have been advised by the estate's attorney that my presence is imperative prior to the expiration of one year following the date of the death of my brother, Dr. A. C. Whitley of St. Louis, Mo.
3. I have had no leave for seven (7) years, except a few days at long intervals.
4. I have served overseas two and one-half years in three theaters: I was tactical commander of the United States task force to Venezuela and served as such until that force completed its mission in the spring of 1943. In August 1943, I was assigned to Military Government overseas and have served with AF as V Region commander since my arrival in North Africa in September 1943 and in Italy from January 18 to the present date.

F. L. WHITLEY,
Colonel, G. S. C.



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3 July 1944

GENERAL ORDER)

Number 34)

1. Pursuant to authority, AMG Polcorps, Cable V 98, dated 25 June 1944, Teramo Province is released to AMG-AMS control under the jurisdiction of Region V.

2. Effective from 1800 hours 30 June 1944, Region V assumes administrative control.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,
WOJG, USA,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Angelo A. Pascarella
ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,
WOJG, USA,
Adjutant.

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GENERAL ORDER:

Number 31)

1. Pursuant to authority, S. P. 200, 15 June 1944, the Province of Chieti, that part of Aquila Province now under the jurisdiction of A.M.G., and Pescara city and immediately adjacent territory is released to A.M.G. control under the jurisdiction of Region V.

2. Effective this date, Region V assumes administrative control.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. HEASLER,
Captain, C. M. I.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Earl A. Heasler

EARL A. HEASLER,
Captain, C. M. I.,
Adjutant.

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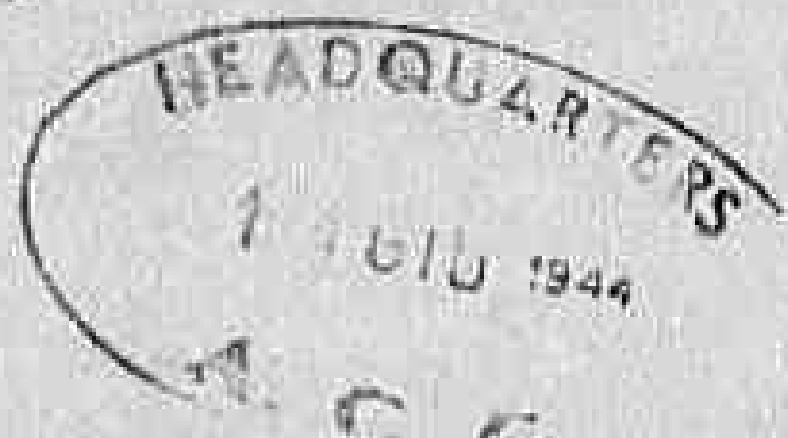
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C. M. F.

10 June 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

Number 111)



3. So much of Par 9 SO 110, this Hqs, dtd 9 June 44 as pertains to the asgmt of Maj J. MAUNDER and Capt E. J. RUSSI and as reads "asgd to Aquila Prov" is amended to read "asgd to Campobasso Prov for TH. W. w/o delay Campobasso, RUA to the PC for duty.

Govt MT is authorized.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. REASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

EARL A. REASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.

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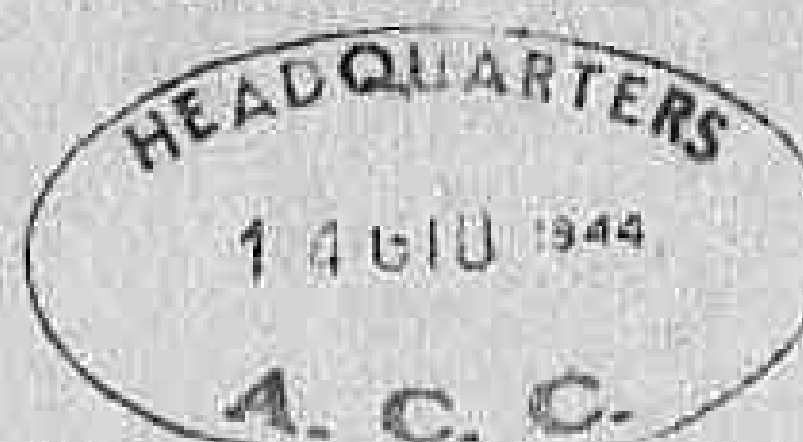
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Number 118)



13. The fol named ORs are held fr night and by
Foggia Prov and send this Hqs, w/o delay to Campobasso, RUA
to British Admin O for dy:

Dvr T. Alberti
Dvr A. M. Cooper

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T/203681

Govt MT is authorized.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. HEASLER,
Captain, U. S. A. F.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Earl A. Heasler

EARL A. HEASLER,
Captain, U. S. A. F.,
Adjutant.

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- 1 - PC, Foggia
- 1 - RMTD
- 1 - Ea Dvr

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SPECIAL ORDERS)
Number 113)

14. The fol named O are held in tempo by
Foggia Prov and WP w/o delay to San Severo, RUA to PC,
Teramo Prov, for cy:

Maj	J. D. SCHOLTZ
Maj	H. MICHALL
Capt	J. V. ELLIOTT
Capt	A. R. LEDBURY
Capt	R. LEACH
Capt	F. R. BOWD
1st Lt	J. C. BIGHAM

Govt MF is authorized.

BY order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. P.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Earl A. Heassler

EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. P.,
Adjutant.

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C. M. F.

10 June 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

Number 111)

7. 2nd Lt. Glen Borden (A), is held fr asgmt
and dy Campobasso Prov and asgd to Aquila Prov, WP w/o delay
to Sessano, RUA to the PC for dy.

Govt MT is authorized.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. P.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Earl A. Heassler
EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. P.,
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- 1 - Lt Borden

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SPECIAL ORDERS)

Number 113)

14. Maj A. C. Newell, 051882 (A), is asgd to Campobasso Prov as Provincial Officer, Isernia, in addition to his other duties as Regional Property Control Officer, will report to PC Campobasso for dy and WF to Isernia o/a 17 June 44.

Govt WF is authorized.

15. Lt T. M. D. Hatt, 159261 (B) is rel'd fr asgmt Econ & Supp Sect, this Hqs, asgd Campobasso Prov for tempy dy as assistant Italian refugee work, will report o/a 13 June 44 to PC for dy. On completion this tempy dy will return to proper station. No transportation necessary.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. BRASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Earl A. Brassler
EARL A. BRASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
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- 1 - Lt Hatt
- 1 - Econ & Supp Sect

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C. M. F.

8 June 1944

GENERAL ORDER)

Number 28)

1. So much of Par 2 General Order 27, dated 7 June 1944 as reads "Major Earl A. Heassler" is amended to read "Captain Earl A. Heassler."

2. So much of the following General Orders:

General Order #25, dated 26 May 1944

General Order #27, dated 7 June 1944

as are signed "Major" are amended to read "Captain." (Signed in error.)

by order of Colonel WHITLEY:

EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Earl A. Heassler

EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.



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SPECIAL ORDERS)

Number 105)

2. So much of the following Special Orders:

Par 1, SC #95, dated 25 May 44
Par 1-6 incl., SC #96, dated 26 May 44
Par 1-8 incl., SC #97, dated 27 May 44
Par 1-4 incl., SC #98, dated 28 May 44
Par 1-7 incl., SC #99, dated 29 May 44
Par 1-4 incl., SC #100, dated 30 May 44
Par 1-8 incl., SC #106, dated 5 June 44
Par 1-9 incl., SC #107, dated 6 June 44
Par 1-9 incl., SC #108, dated 7 June 44

as are signed "Major" are amended to read "Captain." (Signed in error.)

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:

KARL A. REASLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Karl A. Reasler

KARL A. REASLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
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REPORT OF REGIONAL COMMISSIONER - REGION V

Reference 497/44/CA
No. 5For Month of June 1944
5 July 1944TO: The Executive -- Regional Control and Military Government
Section, Allied Control Commission, APO 394

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This report is divided into two parts:

- I - Brief, main report
- II - Appendices A, B, C, etc, brief reports on the provinces.

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1. GENERAL SITUATION - The destruction in forward areas other than roads is small except at Avezzano.

- a. Entry of Regional teams into provinces
- b. Plans for release of needed officers
- c. Italian army troop units in new provinces.

a. Entry of Regional teams into provinces. During the month of June Region V, which for five months had lavished its attention on Frosinone Province, its two footer provinces of Campobasso and Chieti shielded from Regional control by AMG 5th Army by a "heli as tangere" policy, suddenly found five squawking infant provinces dumped in her lap with what seemed the rather laconic delivery of, "Under, they are yours! We are off to Rome!"

By the 22nd of June, Chieti, Pescara, Teramo and Ascoli-Piceno provinces had been occupied by Regional teams. On the 1st of July, Macerata was invested by its team, which had waited for several days at Fermo for the signal to enter. The Ancona team is now at Fermo to await the enemy's evacuation of its capital and will move in promptly. The Pesaro team is now being alerted and will be moved to its assembly area in Ancona province on call.

b. Plan for release of needed officers. This Region is of the opinion that forward Regions do not need groups of AMG officers in their front to cushion their initial contact with the new provinces. Regions, it appears, should be permitted to take over directly by their province teams new AMG territory as soon as the combat troops call for AMG or are ready to release control to AMG. Where such a policy instituted by AMG, some 150 badly needed officers would become available at once for more useful ACC or AMG services with provinces and prevent denial of control of their provinces by Regions such as obtained in Campobasso and Chieti for the long period of eight months. Regions are prepared and competent to take over this, their proper function, directly from combat troops, and it is so recommended.

c. Italian army troop units in new provinces. These began moving into the principal cities of the new provinces shortly after Region V took over. The entry has upset local conditions, causing unnecessary movement and blocking essential traffic on the roads by

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b. Plan for release of needed officers. This Region is of the opinion that forward regions do not need groups of AMO officers in their front to cushion their initial contact with the new provinces. Regions, it appears, should be permitted to take over directly by their province teams new AMO territory as soon as the combat troops call for AMO or are ready to release control to AMO. Here such a policy instituted by ACC, some 150 badly needed officers would become available at once for more useful ACC or AMO services with provinces and prevent denial of control of their provinces by regions such as obtained in Campobasso and Chieti for the long period of eight months. Regions are prepared and competent to take over this, their proper function, directly from combat troops, and it is so recommended.

c. Italian army troop units in new provinces. These began moving into the principal cities of the new provinces shortly after Region V took over. The entry has upset local conditions, causing unnecessary movement and blocking essential traffic on the roads by such vehicle movement and by jay-riding with female elements of the towns. Also the presence of Italian troops has increased housing problems and in one capital they appropriated civilian officials' transportation to their own use.

E. POLITICAL.

- General situation.
- National Committee of Liberation.
- Partisans.

a. General conditions. The Region's territory is quiet politically. Many Fascist officials of the new provinces fled with the enemy and new officials are being placed temporarily in the vacated posts.

c. National Committee of Liberation. In the new provinces, the Comitato Nazionale di Liberazione formed by representatives of the Communists, the Socialists, the Democrats, the Actionists and the Liberals took active political control upon the departure of the Germans and issued proclamations and set up a temporary civil

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government until the old officials arrived, when they retired. Leading fascists who were found were jailed and new officials were named in their places.

c. Partisans. These elements are active in the new areas. The people are orderly and are returning to normal civilian occupations. While it has not been shown that the partisans exerted any combat pressure against the enemy, their influence upon the morale of the people was of value.

2. ECONOMIC RESOURCES AND MOVEMENT

The supply plan set up by 8th Army and for the large eastern province of Aquila was interrupted due to breaks in oil communication arteries from their southern stockpiles, to provincial distribution points. Therefore areas of Aquila were without sufficient food for a few days. The other new provinces were provided from the railroad at Ortona and the dump at Lanoiano. Present operating plans are now feeding all people requiring food and no further difficulties are anticipated for the two remaining provinces to be turned over shortly upon departure of the Germans.

4. INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE.

- a. The Harvest.
- b. The granary of Aquila province.

a. The Harvest everywhere promises well, even in the much fought-over areas between Pescara and Ortona, where I saw peasants re-entering deserted and destroyed farmhouses and villages and tending to the fields and reaping the grain, grasses and other fruits of the soil. There was no evidence anywhere of wanton destruction of growing grain. Harvesting will require more machines than are available; but, more important is an urgent need for naphtha, petrol, benzine and lubricants for the harvest machines that are available in the provinces. This has been taken up with ACC by wire.

b. The granary of Aquila provinces. The Avezzano basin, a great, saucer-like depression in the mountainous regions of west central Aquila is one of the richest and most picturesque farming sections of Italy. This depression is 11 miles flat and set by an average of seven miles north and south and contains 80,000 acres of excellent farm land, nearly all in wheat. The area has growing grain almost ready for harvesting. It is estimated that 80,000 quintals or 8000 tons will be produced this year; the ordinary yield is two or two and one-half quintals per acre in this region. Harvest machinery

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4. INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE.

- a. The Harvest.
- b. The granary of Aquila province.

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b. The Granary of Aquila Province. The Aversano basin, a great, saucer-like depression in the mountainous regions of east central Aquila is one of the richest and most picturesque farming sections of Italy. This depression is 11 miles East and West by an average of seven miles north and south and contains 32,000 acres of excellent farm land, nearly all in wheat. The area has growing grain almost ready for harvesting. It is estimated that 80,000 quintals or 80,000 tons will be produced this year; the ordinary yield is two or two and one-half quintals per acre in this region. Harvest machinery and fuel oil are needed to bring in a bumper crop. The army bombards constructing an artillery range in the south central portion of this basin. Instructions have been issued to gather grain before the army moves in.

Binder wire continues to be a crying need in all provinces, both the old ones and the new ones in the North.

- 5. LABOR
- a. New Provinces.
- b. Foggia Province.

a. In the new provinces, labor is being employed to the fullest extent and the principal handicaps has been lack of tools - shovels, picks and carts or burrows - for workers now engaged in rehabilitating destroyed or damaged towns.

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o. In Bosnia, there is an excess of labor. The surplus is due to the excessive number of soldiers sent to that province for the harvest. This matter is covered in more detail under Appendix A - Italy. Regional staff officers for labor and agriculture had recommended a number of 10,000 soldiers. However, increased action by the province obtained some 15,000 additional.

6. PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

- a. Utilities
- b. Roads

a. Utilities. The services of this section are in demand in all new provinces. All water, sewer, light and power units have been destroyed or badly damaged and one of the greatest problems of the Region at present is repairing or replacing these essential items of public services. Mills have been destroyed or are without power to drive them.

b. Roads. All main roads and several secondary routes have been interrupted by blown bridges or vital breaks at critical points in their course. The transverse route from western Italy into Region V's new territory have been interrupted both at the western entrances and at those to the south.

(1) The main transmountain highway, No. 5, from Rome to Avezzano, Aquila Province, is badly damaged by precision bombing by the Allied air forces at critical points along its course with numerous close misses which dug enormous craters in the nearby fields. This bombing also accounted for air to land direct hits of large bombs on the beautiful Cathedral of Avezzano and its surrounding village. Some local villages it must have been mistaken for a monastery. No. 5 between Rome and Avezzano is interrupted by heavy bomb craters in the regions of Umbria, Marche and Emilia-Romagna. This road is not passable for heavy road transport. Repairs will be undertaken by Region V.

(2) South roads into Aquila Province have been interrupted by blown bridges, by Army's removal of bridges and by mined sections. Details are cited in Appendix B, Aquila Province.

(3) The main coastal road of the Adriatic section, No. 16, is the main artery of supply for Army forces on the Adriatic and for the nine eastern provinces of Region V. This road parallels the rail line from Rossio City and traverses every province of the Region on its eastern littoral except Aquila. This route has been interrupted at every strong crossing in five of the six new provinces which Region

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(4) The transregional highway No. 3 to Popoli and No. 17 to Aquila, from Pescara on the sea to Aquila City and Avezzano has been repaired and is in excellent condition despite the damage by bomb craters. I rate it a high-speed road, one of the best in Italy.

(5) Interior roads from north to south within the provinces have been interrupted by bombing and blown bridges, but possible detours exist and travel is possible in military vehicles of power, not overloaded.

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7. CIVIL TRANSPORTATION.

- a. Road transport.
- b. Schooner transport needed.

a. During the month of June, Region V received 108 one and one-half ton U.S. trucks and 100 trailers and eight 10-ton Diesel trucks. These allocations were divided as follows: Puglia Province received one half of the number and the remainder were apportioned, 15 to Bari, 10 to Pescara, 10 to Ancona, 4 to Teramo and 10 to the truckhead company at Pescara. With full usage, there should meet the present needs of these provinces. New provisions yet to be provided with vehicles will require approximately 40 more, as follows: Teramo 5, Ancona 10, Pescara 10, Marche 10, Pesaro 10. These may be drawn from stocks, provided the harvest does not require all of them. Maintenance is improving as a result of the region's taking over its own repairs. The greatest shortage now in individual cars or tools for the vehicles. Tires are badly worn and replacements will soon be required.

b. Schooner transport needed. Sea traffic on the Adriatic will materially help Region V meet its supply problems and lessen the heavy demand on rails and trucks to and from Ortona, the railhead. Arrangements are in progress for opening the following ports: San Benedetto, for traffic to the north - this harbor has been dragged of mines and will not be required by the Navy - and Pescara for the central area. The latter harbor is now blocked by a sunken dredge which should be pulled out into deeper water or salvaged by raising it. Either method would open the channel entrance. The Region also has under plan the matter of raising some 37 small power schooners and fishing vessels in addition to some 15 other unken sailing schooners, the bulk of which can be repaired for sea service. Region V can employ two full-time power schooners of 150 to 200 tons and three smaller ones to meet its supply needs at this stage of operations. All staples from southern Italy - salt, fertilizer, flour, oil, gas, petrol and lubricants - can readily be transported by schooner.

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a. Black Market activities are receiving less attention by police due to the reduction in police officers. Totally inadequate sentences by military courts for soldiers and officers convicted of long-time operations tends to create in soldiers a lack of appreciation of the gravity of these offenses. Vehicles from Rome Province have been apprehended in Region V, making purchases of food and other items without authority of AGO.

b. Theft of military vehicles continues to be one of our most difficult problems to combat, since in nearly every case the thief is a soldier who either wrecks the vehicle when he has completed his journey or abandons it along the roadside, where it is at once cannibalized by the first military unit reaching it. Police should be instructed periodically to halt all military vehicles and check travel orders, driver's licenses and authority of use of the military vehicles. When this policy is inaugurated, soldiers will be reluctant to steal vehicles for joy-riding.

c. Italian police are improving in the manner of performance of their duties directly in proportion to the interest, inspection and sanction to duty held by the Allied military police - officers and men. For general police and guard duty, they are superior to the Italian army troops

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d. Crime among civilians is below normal. Trip crime continues at a high level. There have been incidents reported of partisans engaging in crime; one British officer has been reported killed and another robbed of personal possessions and his arms.

e. Civil Defense system instituted in Puglia Province will be extended to other provinces by setting up a force of wardens, rescue squads and N.A.P.'s.

f. Italian courts. This subject is covered in a special report of the legal section.

g. PUBLIC HEALTH

- a. General conditions
- b. Hospital admissions system.

a. General. Health throughout the Region is generally good. Special matters are covered in Appendices A to F on each Province. One case of small-pox has been reported in Campobasso Province and measures have been taken by the Region to prevent spread of the contagion.

b. A modification in the present system of admission to Italian hospitals is urged. In nearly all civilian hospitals in the new territory, the prevailing system allows the operating surgeon 65% of the cost of the hospitalization. This is an evil practice which should be curtailed at once. Cases are reported of patients who can pay and who have minor stomach troubles being placed under operation for appendicitis in order that the surgeon may collect his 65% fee.

10. EDUCATION

(See appendices for activity in each province)

11. REFUGEES AND PRISONERS OF WAR

- a. Refugees
- b. Prisoners of War
- c. Visitors

a. Refugees. The number of refugees passing through the various centers has been far less than anticipated. Consequently a number of the collecting points should be closed. At Foggia the main camp handled approximately 6000 during the month. Maj. White has been sent to Fermo with a view to recommending a location for new forward collecting points. Campobasso stations will be reduced; the number now passing through is about four a day. In the forward areas the Region will set up at least one station for each province, especially at the

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b. Prisoners of War. Large numbers of prisoners of war are filtering south into regional territory from enemy lines. No adequate preparations have been made for these, who seek out A.C.A.O.'s for food and lodging. I have authorized Provincial Commissioners to draw up to 1000 rations to meet demands on them for feeding prisoners of war. Transportation to vesting points also becomes a problem for the provinces.

c. Visitors in forward areas. Numbers of military visitors on eight-weeking trips and "old-home week" journeys are causing C.A.O.'s in advanced areas considerable anxiety. The visitors are principally soldiers in military caps with pointers from unit commanders for week-end visits to alleged friends in nearby areas but find themselves

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adrift in remote areas at scores or hundreds of kilometers distant for the point authorized. They arrive without gas and food and have to be serviced by C.I.O.'s from the region's very meagre gas supply and fed from rations that the C.I.O.'s can ill afford to give. Troop organization commanders should be asked to co-operate in and problems of civil administration by not giving passes for overnight stays or long journeys into unauthorized territory.

12. COMMUNICATIONS.

- a. Wire
- b. Postal

a. Wire communications are generally inadequate except for barest military necessities. Additional lines and "out lines" can be constructed only after a long period has been spent in the territory. At present communications can be had from Maples to Carapobasco to Varto to Peseera and Chieti in the region. From these points communication is by motorcycle messenger or supply transport.

b. Postal service for official civilian mail and bank service has been in operation in Peseera province for some time; this service has now been extended to Carapobasco and will be set up shortly in Chieti. The region now has a postal officer on temporary duty working on this plan.

13. FINANCE.

(See special report of Finance Section)

14. PROPERTY CONTROL

The Property Control officer has been sent to Advance Headquarters of the Region at Peseera to look into property control matters for the new territory.

15. ADVANCE SCHEDULE of Region V Headquarters will open at Peseera City, Prefecture Building, at 12 noon 5 July 1944. See Communications.

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APPENDIX A - Report on Province of Foggia

Politically, the status is quiet, there are no disturbances or unrest.

Weather continues good for harvesting, which is progressing at a satisfactory rate.

Supplying - Forty thousand sacks of 150,000 have arrived; more are needed.

Personnel - Additional officers for help in harvest promised by AGC failed to materialize.

Labor - There is an excess of from 8000 to 9000 civilian laborers now in Foggia Province, due to the excess number of soldiers sent to the province. Soldiers have arrived in more than sufficient numbers; many farmers are satisfied but some farmers resent the orders of the Provincial Commissioner to employ soldiers. In any event, soldier labor has prevented excessive demands of labor which might hamstring the farmer during the harvest. The region had originally recommended that 10,000 soldiers be brought in; this estimate was based on the best available advice. But the Provincial Commissioner by special arrangement with AGC had this raised to 25,000. Had the Regional staff been consulted on this matter, a better solution could have been obtained. Cancellation of the leave of the excess number of soldiers will be taken up at once.

Transport - The truck company at Foggia now has 100 vehicles. While this number is less than one-half of the number requested, by working the transport on a 24-hour basis and using grain ships for export, the harvest can be collected. The farmers feel that AGC transportation costs are excessive, especially the charge for return of empties, and are reluctant to call for this transport. The cost of threshing grain is about 50 lire a quintale, while transport costs per quintale are reported to amount to 40 lire. Adjustment of the charges by reduction of the rate or having the consorzio bear a portion of the cost as an amassing charge is under consideration and is so recommended to higher authority.

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APPENDIX B - Report on Campobasso Province

Political - No requests have yet been received for political meetings or for formation of political organizations. This province has been static for eight months under army control and has been only this month released to the Region. A Giunta comunale will be formed promptly in each of the important towns.

Food Supply - The supply has been satisfactory. However, failure of the railroad - due to Army demands - to deliver any supplies to Termoli railroad during the first 15 days of the month cut deeply into reserves. Olive oil has made its appearance, the first since last year. The wine supply is inadequate for civilian needs and the large military consumption.

Industry - Fishing has been put into operation and daily deliveries of fish are made to Campobasso town. One schooner and crew were lost during the month as a result of an explosion when a fuel tank was inspected with a lighted candle.

Police - The recent appointment of a new questore has made marked improvement in the public safety services of the province.

Appendix B - Campobasso Province (continued)

Health is good. Malaria is under control. There was one case of smallpox during the month at Roccamandolfi; proper measures were taken.

Education - Schools have been opened in half of the communes. The remaining communes will have schools as soon as P. S. G. completes its survey. The summer vacation continues the long period of absence from school of children in the forward provinces.

Refugees - These continue to trickle through Venafro, Isernia and Campobasso, which cleared about 600 during June. Additional stations will be set up forward, at Perno, Teramo and Iacoli, and the nearer ones closed or reduced.

Property Control - Only minor holdings are located in Campobasso Province; they present no problems of consequence.

APPENDIX C - Report on Province of Chieti

Political - This province, like that of Campobasso, has been static for eight months under ANO's Army control. Giunta comunali are in the process of being formed.

Food supply - Satisfactory.

Economic Supply - Gas, oil and petrol and lubricants are urgently needed for harvesting.

Health - Good.

Industry - Harvesting is continuing at a good rate. The bulk of the work is being done by hand and the yield is estimated as adequate to needs, provided threshing can be done at an early date.

Public Utilities - Light and power are out and efforts will be made at once to put some power into the province.

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Police - No problems are presented at present.

Prisoners of War and Refugees - Large numbers of prisoners of war are coming through the enemy lines. Inadequate preparation has been made for these, who are thrown on the AMG of the provinces to care for and to transport.

APPENDIX D - Report on Province of Aquila

General - After the Aquila team entered its provinces, the army moved out its bridges on the main roads, so that the province was cut off from its main supply dumps at Venafro, Isernia and Sora. At Sora, the AMG dump was not approachable when the bridge at that point was removed.

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Appendix D - Aquila Province (continued)

Political - The present acting Prefect is unsatisfactory and a request has been made to have one furnished from the pool at Salerno.

Roads - No arterial highway was available for entry into the province from the south, where supply dumps were located. The Castel di Sangro-Sulmona road is impassable as bridges are out and road is mined throughout. Mule pack trains have been organized by the provincial AMO to carry in essential supplies for the area south of Sulmona. The Avea-Avezzano road is impassable; essential bridges were removed by the army. Construction of by-passes is going on and will be completed by the first week of July. The east-west road, Sulmona-Avezzano, is interrupted by blown-out bridges.

Supply problems are now being handled by the Region from the Pescara truckhead, with supplies transported direct to Sulmona and Aquila and to Avezzano by way of Aquila. Railroad supplies arrive at Ortona and are moved forward to truckhead points.

Health - Good.

Public Safety - No problems.

APPENDIX E - Report on Province of Pescara

General - The province team took over promptly upon departure of the enemy. Pescara city is badly shot up. Cellars were flooded by the enemy, then the water was cut off. Streets and roads were impassable with debris. There was no light nor power. Only a few refugees remained in the town. The roads and the beach were mined. Since arrival of the AMG teams, streets have been opened, bomb holes are being filled, cellars drained and the city cleaned. Inhabitants are returning at the rate of 100 to 500 daily.

Food supply - This represents no problem. As all persons arriving in town know that they have no authority to be there, they have their food and take care of themselves.

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Health - There are two typhoid cases in the hospital. The principal type of cases handled are injuries from bombs or mines and accidents.

Sanitation Needs - One thousand shovels, 400 picks and 400 wheelbarrows to clean the city. All basements of buildings are flooded and the stagnant water presents a problem for control of mosquito breeding.

Power - All cut off. A 110-kw generator has been found and will be set up for AMG and civil government use.

Warehousing - A good storage building for from 2000 to 3000 tons of grain has been found.

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APPENDIX F - Report on Province of Teramo

General - This province was occupied by the province team on 18 June, prior to the entry of spearhead officers and two days prior to the army's arrival. The enemy had evacuated the town on 15 June and the provincial officers fled with the enemy. The Committee of National Liberation had taken over and put their president, Giovanni Lorenzini, in as acting prefect. He was appointed temporarily and directed to submit a list of recommendations for provincial officers.

Public Safety - The partisans have been active in this province and are being disarmed and sent to their homes. Herds of partisans in the hills have collected some 4000 head of cattle which the enemy had driven north as he retreated. These are being sold to farmers and the money appropriated by the partisan group. The CC. RR. will be sent out to stop this practice and return the cattle to their rightful owners.

Harvest is coming on very well. There is an urgent need for paptha, patrol, benzine and lubricants.

Food - There is enough flour, pasta and grain to feed the people until the new harvest is in. There are no fats or oil in the province. A proper quota of these should be sent in when allocated.

Public Utilities - Mills are generally operated by electricity, so strong efforts are being made to get power operating. Repairs are being made to water mains. These should be completed by the end of the first week of July.

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1 July 1944

Brigadier M. S. Lush,
Executive Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394, U. S. ARMY
(Regional Control and Military Government Section)

My dear Brigadier,

So sorry to have missed seeing you on my visit
of 22 June.

I have just returned from an eight-day trip of inspection (June 23 to 30) in the forward provinces. Everything goes well. Aquila was without food for several days and a group of the people of Aquila City told me on 24 June they had had nothing to eat for four days. I immediately went to Chieti and Pescara, gathered all available trucks and sent five loaded ones that very night to Aquila. Nine additional truckloads went the next morning from Lanciano, for which place I left prior to the arrival of the trucks there. The arterial roads of Aquila to the south to 8th Army stockpiles were all interrupted, the principal one to Sora by removal by the army of the bridges over the Liri and way points north. This caused the plan of AMG 8th Army for feeding Aquila to fail. The CAO Sulmona arranged for pack trains to carry supplies from Castel di Sangro north along a mule trail, as the main road to Sulmona had been mined. At Avezzano, I found plenty of grain but no mills to grind it. I sent Major Foden of the Public Works and Utilities Division at once to get the power in operation and arranged to send flour, salt and soap to Avezzano the next day.

The harvest in this area will be large and should furnish a goodly export for Rome. However, both rail and road routes from Avezzano are impassible. The road will be taken under repair by Regional engineers, who are now on their way to obtain labor for the main breaks between Tivoli and Avezzano--at Arsoli, Carsoli and Tagliacozzo. I crossed this road with great difficulty, but it is not suitable for transports.

The Teramo and Ascoli teams are in their capitals and are doing a good job. The Teramo team arrived prior to the so-called spearheads and two days before the arrival of the troops. Pescara is being set in order at a suprisingly fast rate under the able direction of the Provincial Commissioner, Lt Col Laboon. He

should not be removed to make him executive officer of Region VI. His work as a Provincial Commissioner is far more important to ACC than that of an executive of a static region. What we need most in this game are officers who will work and make their teams work.

The forward provinces are now inundated with visitors, who dig deep into the small supplies of food and gas that the Region was able to get up to these out-of-the-way points.

Health is generally good. There has been some diarrhea among our AMG officers.

I visited Col Selby at Pedaso, Polish Corps, and had a conference with Gen. Symensky also. I arranged with Col Selby at Ancoli for the Macerata team to go to Fermo on June 30 and the Ancona team to go to the same place on July 1. The enemy still hold both places, and indications are that he will hold until an organized attack is put through, an estimated ten days.

I looked into the possibilities of Francavilla as a railhead. It is not possible. It will be eight months before the line can be moved up from Ortona. You have already been sent my supply plan, which is working from Ortona.

Cordially yours,

F. L. WHITLEY,
Colonel, ~~A. S. C.~~ *ret d*
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & H.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/436/17/CA

20 June 1944

SUBJECT: Mine Clearing Companies etc.

TO : R.C. Region V.

1. Reference is made to your OA/41 of 11 June 44 para 4.
2. It is understood that there has now been placed at your disposal two mine lifting companies (Italian) and that they are to be used for clearing mines in the area AQUILA, AVEZZANO and FUPOLI.
3. The question of providing mule transport units is under investigation.

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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
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19 June 1944

Brigadier M. S. Lush,
Executive Commissioner
Regional Control and Military Government Section
Allied Control Commission
APO 394, U. S. Army

My dear Brigadier:

1. I have arranged with Col. Adams for the needed additional transport for Chieti Province, which I have directed be moved there by the Regional Civil Transport Officer. I find that I can get along with a less number of vehicles than 8th Army AMO used in this work. I find their estimates a bit high at times. However, with the close margin on which we work with transport, I find I can generally handle any problem if 8th Army will advise us of their proposed action a few days in advance.

2. I have just returned from an inspection in Foggia and find the harvest work coming on very well. Many small farms I visited are bringing in their crops by hand--hand-cutting, threshing, cleaning and sacking, a day's work netting 8 to 20 quintal sacks.

✓ I mentioned to the Provincial Commissioner the matter of your sending 10 to 12 officers on loan for the harvest. He wants them and will put them to work immediately. Please send them direct to Lucera.

3. I investigated the report of the absconding of a large number of soldiers sent for harvest work. The report was untrue and less than 15 per cent have left their work for various reasons: some farmers do not want them; some of the men whose time had expired left on grounds that they were no longer on military duty and the retention to service was an imposition. It appears that the reports have been circulated by communistic labor leaders who resented the intrusion of soldier labor, as they were using the shortage of labor to demand unwarranted increases in wages for farm labor and even advised soldiers to demand extravagances. The difficulties are calming down and no serious problem is anticipated. About 3000 soldiers are on the farms and others are arriving from day to day.

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Soldiers do not have tools. I have accordingly requested the Agriculture Sub-Commission to help Reggio get 2000 large sickles (falci) on loan from areas having a surplus or reserve or where harvesting has been completed in areas of Sicily. Whatever the minor difficulties, the harvest will be collected.

✓ 4. I have formed all remaining teams from every available man in the region and am sending you a list of the set-up. Aquila will be reduced from 22 to its authorized quota of 11 and the CAGs and CAPOs sent there in excess will be returned to their proper provinces. So I trust that should complaint reach you from Aquila that reduction be not made and that such a request be not approved.

✓ I am sending Lt Col Laboon to Pescara today to replace Sturgis on request of Selby. Laboon is active and will deliver. Ferraro Team is at San Vito and will move into its territory on call. Accoli is forming here and will be ready to move into its assembly area on call.

I am leaving for Chieti and Pescara on Tuesday and will handle any local problems on the ground, including the selection of a Region V headquarters at Chieti City. I will send you a report on my return. I am despatching the executive officer to Aquila for ironing out any minor problems there.

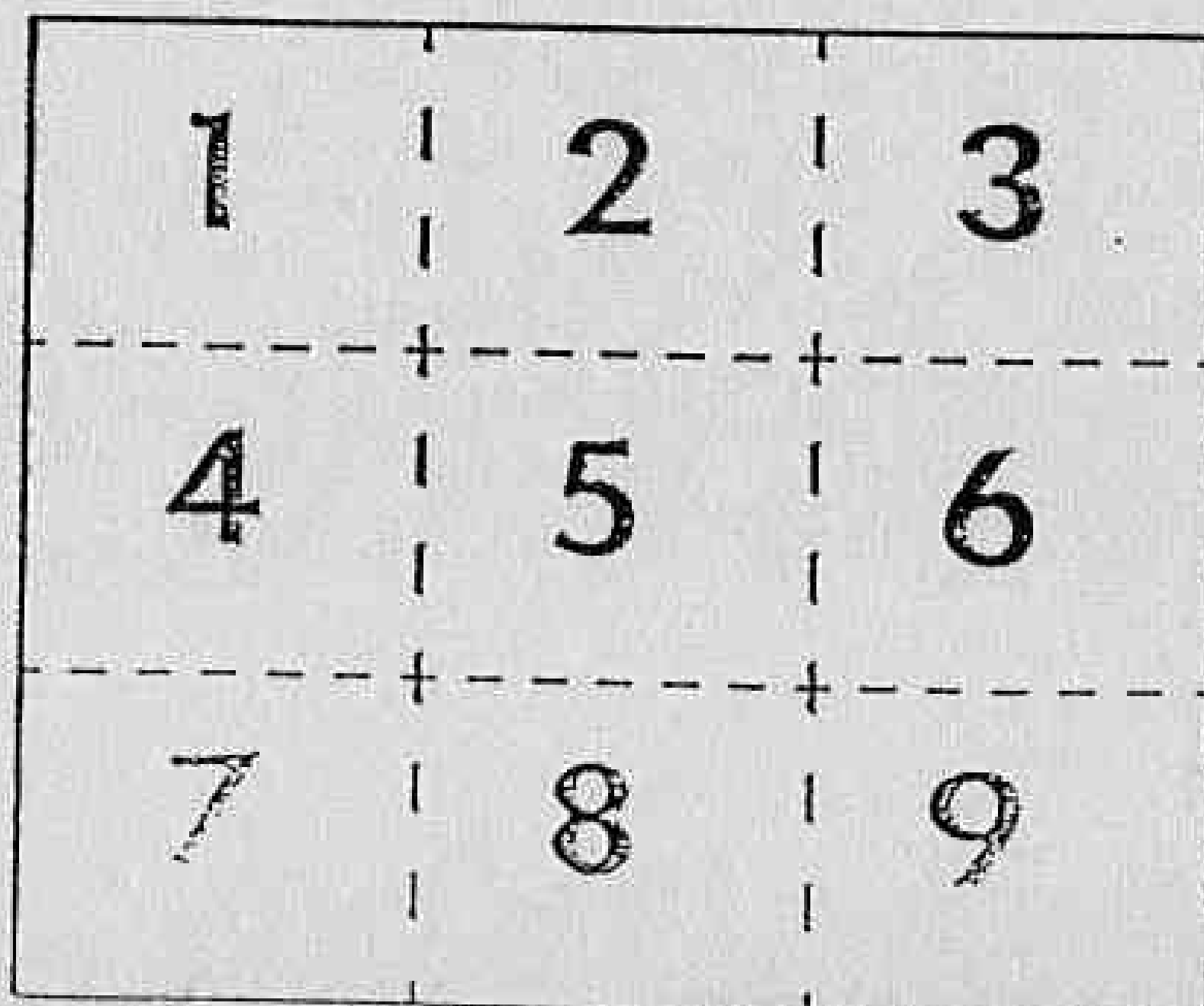
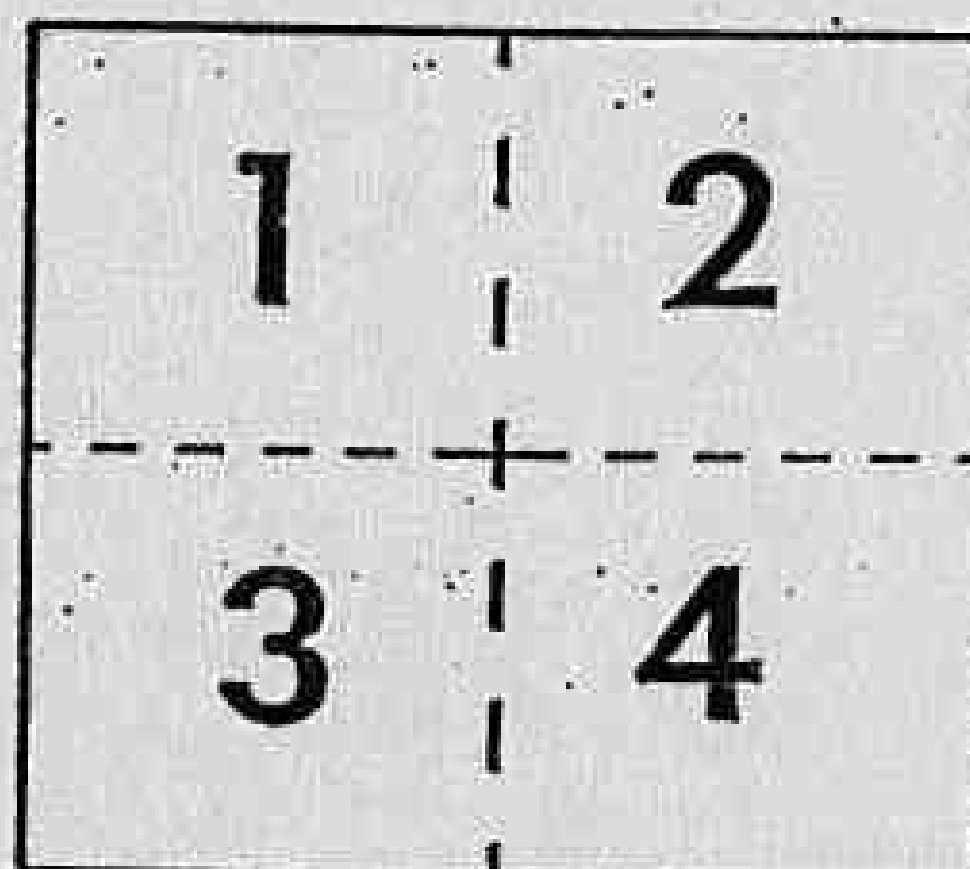
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Legal	Maj W. H. Levit Capt W. T. Boone	Maj J.A. Boyd-Carpenter	Capt F. C. Bader	Maj G.
Finance	Maj E. Tyson	Maj W.C.J. Hall	Capt T.C. Evans	Maj D.
Supply	Capt J.D. Sinclair Capt L.H. Bailey	Capt T.A. Gatchall Capt A.W. Hunt	Capt B. Walsh	Capt
P. H. & W.	-----	-----	Capt B.P. Royaton	Maj G.
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Capt T. P. Cotton

Maj G. M. Welsford

Lt Col D. M. Ralston
Capt M. T. Courdjis
Capt F. Turner

Maj C. J. Birt
(for Teramo)
Lt R. D. Bissey

Maj F. J. Burns
Maj L. W. McIntyre
Maj W. L. Henderson
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Capt J. F. Seguin
Lt G. Diamant
Lt T. G. Davis

PESCARA

Lt Col T. E. Laboon

Maj G. W. Manifold

Maj W. R. Cohen

Capt G. Forster

Lt T. G. Holladay

Lt Col E. G. Dalziel

Capt D. A. Rogers
Capt C. Painter
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Maj J. D. Schalte

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Capt J. V. Elliott
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Capt A. R. Leebury

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ASCOLI-PESARO

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Maj H. M. Flore

Capt S. D. Decker
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Maj J. R. Buchanan

Maj A. M. Wright

Capt C. O. S. B. Brock

Maj J. Maundor
(TD, Aquila)
Capt H. T. Russi
(TD, Aquila)

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Maj R. M. Fiore

Capt E. D. Decker
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Maj R. Backhouse

Maj A. M. Wright

Capt C.C.S.M. Brooke

Maj J. Meuxler
(TD, Aquila)Capt H. T. Davis
(TD, Aquila)MACERATACapt R. A. Heasler
(TD, Foggia)Capt P. T. Fiorella
(TD, Aquila)Capt L. P. Coling
(TD, Aquila)Lt G. L. Borden
(TD, Aquila)Lt H. R. Aronoff
(TD, Foggia)ANCONALt Col R. W. Whinney
(TD, Foggia)Maj R. H. Nichols
(TD, Foggia)Maj T. C. MacKenzie
(TD, Pescara)Capt H. S. Pollard
(TD, Aquila)Capt Henri A. De Masi
(TD, Campobasso)Lt R. G. Hamon
(TD, Foggia)PESARO-URBINOMaj R. W. Wilson
(TD, Foggia)Capt F. A. B. Borak
(TD, Campobasso)Maj W. L. Henderson
(TD, Chieti)Capt A. Ciliberti
(TD, Aquila)~~Lt A. L. Bernard~~
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BRADSHAW
A.M.S. REGION V
C. M. F.

14 June 1946

Ref. : 45/500/1

SUBJECT: Personnel of Region V

TO : The Executive Commissioner, Regional Control and Military Government Section, HQC, APO 884.

My dear Brigadier:

1. In view of the precipitate retreat of the enemy and the hurried entry of army AMG, followed by Regional teams with calls for increased numbers of officers for Aquila Province, I report the following status of personnel of the Region by provinces, the largest being Aquila. That province has 21 officers, as follows:

1 - SCAC
1 - Legal
1 - Medical
1 - Finance
1 - Supply
11 - CAGS
3 - CAPOS
11 - TOTAL

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As this subject is in excess of the authorized allowance for the Aquila team, which increase caused a shortage in the days allocated for Teramo, Pescara and Ascoli provinces, I shall need an additional commitment of 20 GAGS at the earliest date to complete our teams. Old provinces have been reduced to the following totals and new provinces with provincial team either operating in new territory or surrounded in forward areas awaiting army call to take over are as follows:

Number of Region V Officers:

	Old	New	Not formed (SCACs only)
Pescara Prov	16	Aquila - 21	Macerata - 1
Comopasso Prov	11	Pescara - 11	Ancona - 1
Chieti Prov	13	Teramo - 2 + 1 att. Pescara - 1	

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1 - 5000
1 - Legal
1 - Medical
1 - Planning
1 - Supply
11 - each
5 - SAROW
21 - TOTAL

As this number is in excess of the authorized allowance for the Aquila Team, which increase caused a shortage in the CAGE allocated for teams, Pescara and Agostini provinces, I shall now an additional commitment of 20 CAGEs at the earliest date to complete our team. Old provinces have been reduced to the minimum totals and new provinces with provincial team either operating in new territory or assembled in reinforcements awaiting army call to take over are as follows:

Number of Division Y Officers

		New	
Old		Not formed (CAGEs only)	
Reggio Prov	- 10	Aquila - 11	Macerata - 1
Compostello Prov	- 12	Pescara - 11	Macoma - 1
Chieti Prov	- 12	Torino - 8 + 1 att.	Pescara - 1
In 3 provinces, total 30		Ancoli - 11	0
		41 - 1 att.	

Macoma		- 30 + 7 att.	
Old provinces		- 31 + 2 att.	
New		- 5	
Informed Teams (CAGEs)		- 66 + 9 att.	
Total		66	
Regional Headquarters		1	
Special Staff		1	
Present strength		166 + 9 att.	equals 100 total

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2. Confirming my message of June 13:

Chieti Province headquarters are being set up in Chieti City.
Pescara team has proceeded to Pescara City and will open
 headquarters at that place.

Teramo team is forming at Aversa.

Ascoli-Piceno team is completed and is forming at Campobasso.

3. Region V continues to handle supplies for the Procinone and
 Aquila stock-pile, 8th Army, from the railhead at Vairano to Venafro
 and Isernia and will require one-half of Aquila's allotment of
 trucks, viz. 50, beginning on the 30th of June. I shall take this
 matter up with the Transportation section myself.

4. The general situation in Region V is very satisfactory throughout
 except for the need for more vehicles for provincial teams and tires
 for the vehicles. Foggia is getting on nicely with the harvest and
 regardless of the number of soldiers, Foggia will get in its harvest.
 A shortage of police will tend to set in on the advent of grain
 collected by Il Granajo del Popolo. Campobasso harvest will also be
 good and Chieti will be satisfactory but smaller.

Cordially yours,

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F. L. Whitley

F. L. WHITLEY,
 Colonel, G. S. C.,
 Regional Commissioner.

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Colonel, U. S. G.,
Regional Commissioner.

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A.M.G. PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS
CAMPOBASSO

13 June 1944.

REF. CB/36/SC

SUBJECT: Officer Location Statement

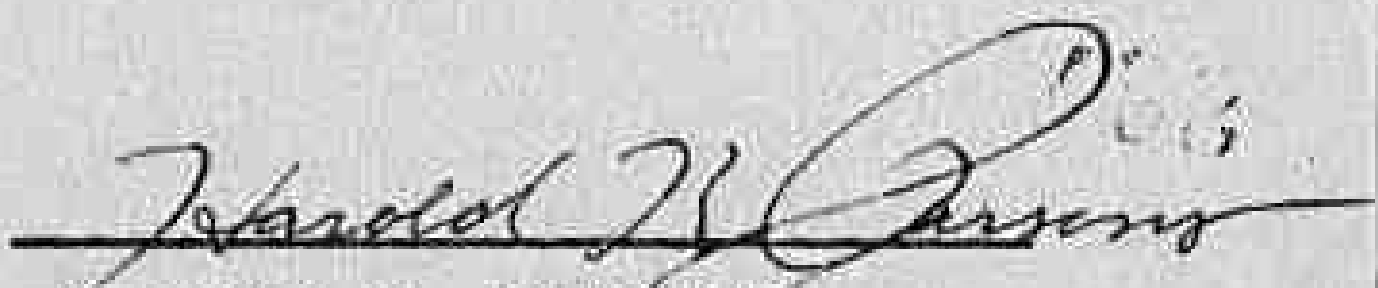
TO : Regional Commissioner - Region 5, AMG.

1. Attached is Officer Location Statement
as of 13 June 44.

2. Attention is invited to the fact that
there are no Provincial Officers in Larino, Agnone,
Isernia and Venafro Areas.

3. Administratively this presents a critical
situation, as it is understood the pre-existing policy
of appointing basic PPO's alternatively as PO's with full
powers is no longer permitted.

4. For the present no Trials for AMG offenses
can be held or administrative actions taken in the areas
above listed.


HAROLD K. PARSONS
LT. COL.
Provincial Commissioner.

13 June - 1944.

OFFICER LOCATION

Campobasso Province

HEADQUARTERS

1.	P.C.	LT. COL.	PARSONS.
	ADMN. OFFICER	CAPT.	BORAK.
2.	P.P.S.O.	MAJ.	REILLY.
		LIEUT.	MARINKOV.
3.	P.S.O.	CAPT.	GATCHELL.
4.	REFUGEES	MAJ.	DEWING.
5.	P.F.O.	CAPT.	HALL.

A R E A S

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TERMOLI - (20 Communes)	P.O.	CAPT.	ROBINSON.
	P.P.O.	LIEUT.	COCKS.
LARINO - (17 Communes)	P.O.	None.	
	P.P.O.	None.	(To be administered from Termoli).
CAMPOBASSO- (47 Communes)	P.O.	MAJ.	KUCTRA.
	P.P.O.	CAPT.	MATHIS.
ISERNIA - (24 Communes)	P.O.	None.	
	P.P.O. NONE	LIEUT.	LIDDLE. <i>En 50114</i>
AGNONE. - (13 Communes)	P.O.	None.	
	P.P.O. NONE	LIEUT.	ANDERSON. <i>En 50114</i>
VENAFRO - (13 Communes)	P.O.	None.	
	P.P.O.	LIEUT.	LANDESMAN.

AREAS

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	P.P.O.	LIEUT.	COCKS.
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ATTACHED

MONUMENTS & FINE ARTS
SCHOOLS
CENSORSHIP
P.L.O.
SUPPLY

MAJ. NEWTON.
CAPT. TILROE.
LIEUT. PETRUCCI.
MAJ. BOYD-CARPENTER.
CAPT. HUNT.

DETACHED

TO FOGGIA PROVINCE

LIEUT. BOLTER. *On 50114*

SECRET
HEADQUARTERS
A.M.G. REGION V
C. M. F.

Estab. Br -
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5-4161

12 June 1944

Ref. : R5/601/2/4

SUBJECT: Movement, Teramo Team.

TO : Provincial Commissioner, Teramo Team (San Severo)

1. Col Selby, 5th Corps, has requested you move as soon as possible to Atesa.

2. The following transportation has been assigned your unit and will report at your headquarters in San Severo 13 June 1944:

- 1 - PU
- 1 - 15-cwt
- 1 - weapons carrier

3. In addition there is one three-ton truck, not assigned, which is furnished only to effect your move to Atesa. This vehicle will then return to Headquarters MT pool.

4. Col Temperley has been ordered to furnish two jeeps and drivers; these are for your permanent assignment.

5. Request you furnish this headquarters as soon as possible the numbers of the vehicles and the names of the personnel.

6. Orders are also being issued for the transfer of Sgt. England to you. This is in addition to Pte. Reid.

By order of Colonel WHITLEY:



Earl A. Heassler
EARL A. HEASSLER,
Captain, C. M. F.,
Adjutant.

1 Incl. to Par 6, SO #113, Estab Br —
Copy to RC & MG Sect;
Copy to AMG & Army

SECRET

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18th March 1944.

Executive Commissioner.

1. Lt. Col. McCaffrey telephoned from Matera and said that he had been down to Taranto himself. He attended a meeting in the Prefect's office at which were present the Prefect, an Italian Admiral and representatives of the dock workers. At first the dock labourers stated they did not want to deal with the Prefect but Col. McCaffrey explained that he was there only in an advisory capacity and that all arrangements must be undertaken by the Prefect. He stated that the food situation was difficult, that facilities for the importing of food were dependent on shipping and that there was a shortage of food not only in Egypt and North Africa but the world over, and that the food ration could not be increased. However, the Prefect was prepared to make what arrangements he could for increasing the supply of fish. He himself would see what he could do to help when he returned to his HQ to enable the workers to have some extra tea. The dockers were apparently satisfied and Col McCaffrey presumed that they have now returned to work. On his return to Matera he contacted his Supply Officer and is making arrangements to give them a month's issue of tea.

2. He also stated that on your last visit you had hoped to replace Capt. Hawkins who is on the ETO list by Col. Fothergill. He would be grateful if a relief for Capt. Hawkins, either Col. Fothergill or another officer, could be sent down as soon as possible to take over from Capt. Hawkin.

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/s/ A. J. STEWART,
/t/ A. J. Stewart,
Captain.

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Appendix A
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT - FOGGIA PROVINCE.
Region I

ORDERS FOR BOVINO POST.

Ref: TFP/1160.

17 Feb 44.

INFORMATION :-

1. The NAPLES - FOGGIA road is reported to be continually used by the following unauthorised traffic :-

- (a) Persons entering the Province without a Special Pass.
- (b) Cars without permits to circulate.
- (c) Persons & vehicles carrying contraband goods.
- (d) Persons & vehicles in illegal possession of Allied property.
- (e) Allied military vehicles being improperly used.

2. The BOVINO - TROIA - ASCOLI area is reported to include many producers who have not assessed their products in accordance with law or who sell their products illegally.

3. It has been agreed to mount a temporary post at BOVINO composed as follows :-

- (1) Major MONTAGUE, C.A.O., in Command,
- (2) Lieut. GREENHILL, C.A.P.O.
- (3) " BURROWS, C.A.O.
- (4) " MARCK, C.A.O., (Legal).
- (5) Two US Military Police to be supplied by AFAC. 494
- (6) Such British Military Police as can be made available by Br.Gn.Comdr.
- (7) Eight CC.RM. under a Maresciallo.
- (8) Two Guardia di Finanza, under a Maresciallo.
- (9) Two 3-Ton truck from ANG, Prov. Pool, and Dvr.
- (10) One m/c from AEG, Prov. Pool and Dvr.
- (11) One Jeep from AFAC for Military Police.

INTENTION :-

4. The BOVINO post will (a) block the NAPLES road to unauthorised traffic, (b) bring to justice any unauthorised persons apprehended, and (c) investigate producers in the BOVINO-TROIA-ASCOLI area and bring to justice any found contravening Italian law or military proclamations.

METHOD :-

5. The post will be mounted at or near BOVINO station by 12.00 hrs. 21 Feb, 1944.

- posed as follows :-
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 - (7) Eight CC.RR. under a Maresciallo.
 - (8) Two Guardia di Pinnazie, under a Maresciallo.
 - (9) Two 5-Ton truck from AMG, Prov. Pool, and Dvr.
 - (10) One m/c from AMG, Prov. Pool and Dvr.
 - (11) One Jeep from AFAC for Military Police.

INTENTION :-

4. The BOVINO Post will (a) block the MARLE road to unauthorized traffic, (b) bring to justice any unauthorized persons apprehended, and (c) investigate producers in the BOVINO-TROIA-ASCOLI area and bring to justice any found contravening Italian law or Military proclamations.

METHOD :-

5. The post will be mounted at or near BOVINO Station by 12.00 hrs. 21 Feb, 1944.
6. Not less than one M.P., one CC.RR and one Guardia Pinnazie will be on duty at all times, - the number will be increased as necessary in rush hours.
7. All Contraband seized will be put into an Ammasso or CC.RR Station and proper receipt obtained.
8. A proper receipt (including details of condition and spares), will be given for any civilian vehicles impounded.
9. Lieut. Manck will set up a Summary Court in a suitable nearby location to deal promptly with minor offenders.

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10. The aim of the investigation of producers will be to run to ground large scale hoarders of products or suppliers of the Black Market and not to harass merely technical transgressors of the Unrushing Laws.
11. A daily log will be kept of work done, and a copy will be forwarded to this HQ as and when opportunity offers.
12. Adm. Officer will provide rations for all personnel.
13. The Post will dismount on orders from this HQ. The intention is that it should operate for at least a week.

CIT/EGEM.

DISTRIBUTION :-

Major Montague,
HC No. 1 District.
EC 151 Sub-Area.
A.A.F.M.C.
Br.Gn. Comdr.
Comdr, CC.RR.
Comdr, Guardia Finanza.
CAO, FOGGIA District.
AIG, Region 5.
Public Safety Div.
Adm. Officer.
H.P. The Prefect.
File.

Ch. J. J. J.
Lt. Colonel,
S.C.A.O. FOGGIA PROVINCE.

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CMT/EGEM. E.C.I.O. POGGIA PROVINCE. 453

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E.O.

From the information passed to me
I must order a court of inquiry as to why
the car mentioned in Para 4 was left
unattended on the side of the road - with the
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Kr (28/2)

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"La parola d'ordine è una sola, categorica e
impegnativa per tutti: vincere! E vinceremo!"
Mussolini

(For Civil Affair Branch,
Regional Control and MG Section, ACC, AFO 394.

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From: Region 5, AMG.

Subject: Weekly Report - RCMO.

Ref: R5/602/1.

Date: 22 February 1944.

Period: Feb. 15 - 22 inclusive.

1. Feb. 13: RCMO returned to Matera from Naples' conferences.
Feb. 15: Reg. 5, assumed operations cable authority--ACC, dated 11 Feb 44.
Feb. 16: Advance party moved to Campobasso to establish forward echelon of Hq. Region 5.
Feb. 19: Forward Echelon established at Campobasso.

2. COMMUNICATIONS.

Direct telephone communications open, call--Campobasso, Region 5.
MC. messenger by army courier.

3. FACILITIES.

Exist for Region 5 at Campobasso for 35 officers and approximately 45 EM/OR.
These latter include 31 drivers of vehicles and motorcycles.

4. TRANSPORTATION.

A garage has been set up in Campobasso City for first echelon maintenance of Region 5 vehicles.

Transportation Vehicle Losses: 1 Humber 8-pass. sedan used by Lt. Col. Feesey on visit to Naples. Cause of loss--completely sabotaged by natives in vicinity of Potenza, 10 miles East thereof, following minor accident on road during snow storm.

Other loss, 1 15cwt in transport service vicinity of Matera due to accident on road, collision with large rocks.

5. COMMENT.

All Chiefs of Special Staff Sections have been sent out to new provinces during period, to make survey on the ground of provinces Region 5 concerning their specialty. Snow in mountain area of Campobasso closed road to traffic of heavy vehicles without chains. Jeeps can get through.

6. CHART OF ADMINISTRATION.

Herewith, showing operations of H.Q. administration Region 5.

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Respectfully submitted,

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From: Region 5, AMG.

Subject: Weekly Report - RGAO.

Ref: RS/602/1.

Date: 22 February 1944.

Period: Feb. 15 - 22 inclusive.

1. Feb. 13: RGAO returned to Matera from Naples' conferences.
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TO : Headquarters, A.C.C.
FROM : Allied Control Commission, Region 6.
SUBJECT : Monthly Report.
REFERENCE : COM/1/64/Reg 6.
DATE : 18 Feb, 44.

1. POLITICAL.

The political situation is satisfactory. The two most important developments of the past month have been the appointment of a High Commissioner for Sardinia and the holding of a meeting of the Concentrazione Anti-Fascista on 13 February 1944.

Generale Di Squadra Aerea, Pietro PIVA, himself a Sardinian, arrived in the Island on Friday 11 Feb. to take up the Office of Alto Commissario. He has now completed a preliminary tour of the Island, has established his headquarters in Cagliari and is gathering the necessary staff. We are in daily and cordial contact with his office.

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It will be realised that such a hand to mouth existence is not satisfactory. As soon as adequate supplies are in hand and the responsibility for feeding the Italian Army is removed, we hope to raise the basic food ration from 150 to 200 grams.

There is still a serious shortage of olive oil and sugar.

3. INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

As from 14 Feb, the former Civil Supply Division was separated into (1) FOOD (2) INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE. This new Division, concerned with export trade, has been busy, and a number of shipments of island produce are now in hand to both the mainland and U.S.

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The Mining Division continues to be engaged in the export of coal and has not undertaken the export of Pig Lead and Cadmium.

A comprehensive conference of Allied and Italian Authorities concerned was held on 16 Feb under Chairmanship of the Regional Commissioner to decide upon measures to be taken in connection with the re-opening of Commercial Traffic between Sardinia and Sicily and the Mainland.

4. CRIME

The situation is satisfactory. The definite acceleration in the movement of Italian Military Units to Corsica and the Continent, as well as of Soldiers for discharge to Sicily, has had a good effect on local morale.

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9. GENERAL COMMENTS

(1) Rehabilitation of the City of Cagliari continued to make good progress. One local tramway line has been opened.

(2) Detailed arrangements for the opening of Foreign Postal Services are held up pending the arrival of Lieut Allen, advised in your telegram of 15 Feb.

JMD/tbg.

F. K. DUNLOP.
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