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REQUISITIONED PROPERTY -  
OPERATING EXPENSES  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
OFFICE OF G-4 (B)

Tel: 489061  
Ext: 596

G-4/104/2

12 September 1945

SUBJECT:- Purchased Property.

TO :- Director, Finance Sub-Commission.

1. The following items of Purchased Property cannot be accounted for by Venezia Region and therefore, in accordance with your letter (2045/7 of 14 June 1945, they have been struck off the records of this Branch.

3 Batteries 190 amp.	3,600 lire each.
1 Funnel	25 " "
1 Pair tin snips	100 " "
1 Stencil set manborn	170 " "
1 " " letters	320 " "
3 Staves wood burning	1,000 " "
6 Buckets galvanised	125 " "
105 Padlocks with keys	825 " "
1 Mirror	900 " "
1 Safe	3,000 " "
12 Wooden cases for typewriters	250 " "

*[Handwritten signature]*

D.H. HANLON  
Lieut. Col.  
G-4 (B)

Copies to:- A/V.P. Establishment Section.  
Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region - (Your letter RXII/CAP/515 of 7 September 1945 refers).

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Col FISKE

18 April 1945

SUBJECT: Perugia Club - Mess Accounts.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,  
Col Charles Poletti, RO, Lombardia Region,  
Headquarters, 2675th Regiment.

1. I have to report that all ascertained outstanding claims against  
AMG, Perugia Province, have been settled, as hereinafter shown.

2. I enclose herewith receipts and releases in connection with the  
settlement of the following claims (taken from the report of 15 February):

a. Ditta COCCIMINI (Blankets etc) (See Exhibit Ia, b (red))	104,800	Lire
b. Carlo GARUBA (Towelling) (See Exhibit II)	12,825	Lire
c. Mariano PEDETTI (Blankets, sheets etc) (See Exhibit III)	24,000	Lire
d. Consorzio Agrario (Wool)	2,764.85	Lire
e. Consorzio Agrario (Transportation for wool) (See Exhibit IVa, b)	200	Lire
f. LA CASALENGA (Crockery) (See Exhibit Va, b)	19,765	Lire
g. TEBNOTRONICA (Cutlery) (See Exhibit VIa, b, c, d, e)	4,794	Lire
h. Fr. NEGATTI (Kitchen ware etc) (See Exhibit VIIa, b)	9,609.60	Lire
i. Fratelli PEDETTI (Linen etc) (See Exhibit VIII)	24,125	Lire
j. VALNFFINI (Duchini)(Cutlery) (See Exhibit IXa, b, c)	1,000	Lire
k. GUGLIARRELLI (Clock) (See Exhibit X)	4,000	Lire

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| l. 'ELETTRONICA (Office requisites)<br>(See Exhibit VIa, b, c, d, e) | 4,640  | Lire |
| m. DUCHINI (Crocery)<br>(See Exhibit IXa, b, c)                      | 10,000 | Lire |

Items a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, were paid in full in cash. Item j was included in DUCHINI's claim which was settled by payment of 4,900 lire in cash. (See Exhibit IXa, b, c). Item k was settled by return of the clock. Item l, which appeared to be a doubtful claim, not having been presented for several months after the alleged delivery of the goods, was settled by payment of 1,206 lire. Item i is erroneously shown in the report of February 15 as a claim of Mariano PEDRETTI. Items (b) and (c) of Paragraph 1 of the Smith-Simpson report of course do not constitute real claims, but in any event do not now exist (See Exhibits XIII, XXIV, XIV).

3. Also articles have been returned and general releases obtained in connection with loans mentioned in Paragraph 12 of said report, as follows:

- BRUFANI Hotel (See Exhibit XIa, b)
- GASPERINI (Exhibit XIIa, b)
- PREFFIURA (Exhibit XIII)
- DISERTO MILITARE (Exhibit XIV)

4. In handling this matter I adopted the following procedure:

- a. I spent the first few days after receipt of the file in familiarizing myself with the questions involved and in trying to get Capt. Leno and Lt. Johnstone to assist as offered in Col. Poletti's letter of March 26, but finding it apparently impossible to contact Lt. Johnstone after March 31, I proceeded with Capt. Leno to Perugia, on April 4.
- b. I first arranged to have an officer appointed by the Deputy Regional Commissioner of the Region to assemble and keep custody of the property involved (See Exhibit XIVb).
- c. I then had an appraisal committee appointed, consisting of one member nominated by me, one nominated by the Prefect, and one nominated jointly by the Executive for the Region and by the Provincial Commissioner.

My nominee (Dr. Botelli) was the part owner and manager of the BRUFANI Hotel in Perugia, and the other members of the Committee were local people specially qualified to pass on such matters.

This Committee inventoried and appraised all the articles representing the various accounts, item by item. It was found that some of the articles were new (i.e. had never been used) and had enhanced in value, some had been transformed and enhanced in value, and some had been partially consumed and depreciated. The Committee commenced its work on the 6th and concluded on the 10th of April.

On the whole the Committee found the goods covered by accounts in the amount of 207,883.45 lire had a value of 207,679 lire as of January 15 and of 197,389 lire as of April 10, 1945 (See Exhibit XV).

d. The larger creditors (GOCCHIERI, PEDETTI), upon being approached, indicated that they preferred to take back their goods (Exhibit XVI), but subsequently filed statements saying that they would either accept cash or the return of the goods at the Prefect's option (Exhibits XVII, XVIII, XIX). The Prefect and other officials of the Prefettura had indicated that they would like to have the blankets, sheets, and table and bed linen for the purpose of refurnishing the Prefettura, but not the crockery or cutlery, which was then believed to be unsuitable.

e. It was then proposed that the Prefect take over the blankets, sheets, etc. covered by the accounts of GOCCHIERI, PEDETTI (Mariano), CANUBA, Consorcio, and of Fratelli PEDETTI (of S. Valentino) in the aggregate amount of 168,714.85 lire, said articles having a present appraised value of 175,000 lire; and pay the amount of said accounts out of the funds in hand for that purpose; and that the Provincial mess take over the articles covered by the other accounts amounting to 35,374.60 lire, such articles having a present appraisal value of 20,059 lire (less the cloak) and pay for same out of the cash in hand, there having been cash in hand as of January 31 of 71,684 lire (See Exhibit XX).

f. This proposal was submitted to and approved by a group of officers consisting of the Deputy Regional Commissioner, the Provincial Commissioner and others (See Exhibit XXI) and also at a Provincial officers' mess meeting (See Exhibit XXII).

g. The proposal was carried out by all parties concerned, the Prefect paying the bills of 168,714.85 lire and receiving the goods for the use of the Prefettura (See Exhibit XXIII), and the Provincial mess paying the other accounts (35,374.60 lire) and taking clear title to the goods.

h. The Regional mess secretary paid DUCHINI the sum of 4,900 lire in settlement of his claims (See Exhibit IXa); this payment having been voluntarily made by the Regional mess in view of the Provincial mess allowing the Regional mess the use of its crockery, cutlery, etc.

i. Subsequently a full settlement was had in regard to alleged loans (See Exhibits XI, XII, XIII, XIV).

5. After the settlement of all the accounts, the Perugia Province AMO mess fund, representing my administration, has been left with surplus assets of approximately 56,369 lire, being the sum of the balance of cash 36,310 lire (71,684 cash as of January 31, less bills paid 35,374.60) plus the present value of the goods 20,059 lire (See Exhibits XXIVa, b and XXIVa, b). It is recognized that the above figure is not exact, but it is believed to be substantially correct. The present finance officer apparently has refused to

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make a balance sheet showing the exact figure (See Exhibit XXIVb), as I had requested (and as I believe the Provincial Commissioner had ordered, though I have never seen the PC's order), but his statement does show a cash balance in hand as of January 31 of 71,684 lire, and hence the problem is largely one of calculation.

6. By way of conclusion, I have to observe:

a. I consider the report of Lt. Colonels Smith and Simpson (and to some extent, certain of the subsequent comments and memoranda thereabout) careless and misleading in all its major aspects, and particularly:

- (1) In failing to show that the club-mess was in reality controlled by a Committee, for whose continuance in office during the period in question they themselves (Smith and Simpson) were directly and primarily responsible.
- (2) In failing to give me, or the other officers against whom it is chiefly directed, any notice of the investigation. Notice of such investigations is expressly required by U.S. Army Regulations (AR 420-5) and, as I was informed, also by British regulations.
- (3) In failing to ascertain, or in the absence of information, to assume - in accordance with the universal Anglo-American principle of a presumption of innocence (of U. S. Courts Martial Manual, Section 112) - that I had no knowledge of the transactions complained of. This information could have been ascertained from me or from any of the people directly charged with handling such matters.
- (4) In failing to note that there was a cash on hand fund of 71,684 lire in the mess fund as of January 31, 1945. This fund was of course under all equitable principles directly and primarily chargeable with payment of all debts of the club-mess.
- (5) In estimating or guessing (See Paragraphs 13. (vii), and 14 of report), apparently without consulting anybody specially qualified to pass on the question, that the goods involved in the purchases would not be worth 50% of the cost, i.e. would not be worth 100,000 lire, and implicitly that there would be a deficit of approximately 100,000 lire.

b. I believe that if any genuine and intelligent effort had been made to settle the accounts at the time the matter was brought up before the mess meetings in January and February, the whole matter could have been easily and creditably settled without trying to throw the responsibility on me, and without taking the time and attention of the many officers who have now been required to review this file. In my judgment the way the matter has been handled has resulted in a waste of officers' time and of public funds.

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6. It is recommended that in future no such investigations or reports be authorized, permitted, or received, without notice to the officers whose conduct is involved.

7. I recognize that the purchases were initially unwarranted and that I had an interest in the situation as presented to this headquarters, and hence I have taken pleasure in working out a creditable and satisfactory settlement. At the same time I consider that the situation as presented was in a sense a manufactured (and magnified) one, that it was presented to, and received by this headquarters in an unfair and derogatory light, and that a substantial injustice has been done to me in connection therewith.

I assume that in view of this report and my letter of April 1, you will agree with this conclusion, and I will appreciate being advised by you of what action you propose to take to rectify the injustice done me.

I would welcome a full and proper enquiry into this matter and particularly into its relation to Lt. Col. Bonham-Carter's telephone call of December 30 to District No. 1 Headquarters, allegedly based on "rumors", and to the order of January 2 summarily relieving me from duty in Perugia.

*Irvin Furman Belsler*  
IRVIN FURMAN BELSER  
Colonel, F.A.  
U. S. A.

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DESCRIPTION LIST OF EXHIBITS, WITH LETTER FROM COL I.F. BELSER  
TO HQ AC, DTD 18 APRIL 1945, Subj: Perugia Club - Mess Accounts.

- I(a) Cocchieri Bill, dtd 15-11-44, 104,800 Lire, marked Paid.  
(b) Receipt for materials, signed "Sandra".
- II Caruba Bill, dtd 11 Nov 44, 12825 Lire, marked Paid.
- III(a) Mariano Pedetti Bill, marked Paid.  
(b) Receipt, Nov 15, 44, signed "Sandra".
- IV(a) Consorzio Agrario Bill, 30-12-44, 278485 Lire, marked Paid.  
(b) " " " " 4-1-45, 200 Lire, marked Paid.
- V(a) Certified Copy, Voucher, AMG Perugia to "La Casalunga",  
13 Apr 45, 19765 Lire.  
(b) Certified Copy of bill La Casalunga to AMG, 19765 Lire,  
marked Paid.
- VI(a) Certified Copy, Voucher, AMG Perugia to La Termotecnica,  
13 Apr 45, 6000 Lire.  
(b) Certified Copy, Bill with endorsements to ACC, 4640 Lire,  
marked paid.  
(c) Certified copy, slip (translation) of above bill with note.  
(d) " " " (receipt) with bill for 4794 Lire.  
(e) " " " bill, La Termotecnica to AMG Perugia  
23-11-44, for 4794 Lire, marked paid.
- VII(a) Certified copy, Voucher, AMG Perugia to Fratelli Mecatti,  
13 Apr 45, 960960 Lire.  
(b) Certified copy, bill, Fratelli Mecatti, 960960 Lire, marked  
satisfied.
- VIII Bill, Ditta Fratelli Pedetti to AMG Perugia, 14 Nov 44,  
24125 Lire.
- IX(a) List with receipt by Duchini, dtd 13 Apr 45, 4900 Lire.  
(b) Bill for 1000 Lire, with certificate by Duchini.  
(c) Receipt and General Release (English & Italian) by Duchini,  
dtd 14 Apr 45.
- X Certified Copy, Bill, Olga Giugliarelli, for clock 4000  
Lire, dtd 23-2-45, marked "Discharged".
- XI(a) Return receipt & release, Albergo Brufani, dtd 14 Apr 45.  
(b) Copy of original receipt for materials loaned showing  
restitution 14-4-45 (dtd 19-9-44)
- XII(a) Receipt & Release, (Italian) by Gasparini, dtd 2586-4-45.  
(b) " " " (English) " " " 13-4-45.
- XIII Release to AMG Perugia, signed Il Prefetto Reggente  
(Luigi Peano) dtd 14 Apr 45.

- XIV(a) Duplicate Release for materials returned by Consignorio Del Materiale dtd 14-4-45.
- (b) Copy of Memo from Col Belsor to Lt Col Scholtz, 6 Apr 45.
- XV Original Inventory & Appraisal of Materials, signed 10 Apr 45.
- XVI Declaration of Preference (Italian), signed Cocchieri and Pedetti, 10 Apr 45.
- XVII Declaration by Cocchieri to accept goods or cash 104800 Lire, dtd 11 Apr 45.
- XVIII Declaration of Mariano Pedetti to accept goods or cash 84000 Lire, dtd 11 Apr 45.
- XIX Declaration by Pedetti (Pratelli) to accept goods or cash 24125 Lire, dtd 11 Apr 45.
- XX Copy, Memo of Proposed Procedure, dtd 12 Apr 45.
- XXI Certified Copy, Minutes of Meeting, dtd 12 Apr 45.
- XXII Certified Copy, Minutes AMG Perugia Province Officers Mess Meeting, dtd 12 Apr 45 (2 sheets).
- XXIII Original Receipt (Italian) for Materials valued 175000 Lire, cost 168714.65 Lire, signed (Il Prefetto Reggente - Peano), dtd 13 Apr 45.
- XXIV(a) Statement, HQ AMG Perugia Officers Mess, 31 Jan to 7 Apr 45.
- (b) Original letter from Capt Stuart with above statement.
- XXV(a) Original letter Capt Dickinson & Lt Fallis dtd 27 Feb 45.
- (b) Original Balance Sheet of AMG Perugia Bar & Mess Account at 2 Feb 45, signed by Capt Lane with audit note by Capt Dickinson & Lt Fallis
- XXVI Letter, Report on Liabilities Situation AMG Perugia Mess, commenced on 15 Feb 45.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED COMMISSION  
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION  
ACCOUNTING SUB-SECTION  
APO 394

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Tel: Dial 489161, Ext. 255

Ref: 13828/F/A/4

30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned hotels.

TO : P.C. Bari,  
(through Regional Finance Officer,  
Southern Region).

1. <sup>the</sup> It is noted from your December accounts that the expenses of Adria Hotel, Bari are still being paid from AMG/AC funds.
2. Your attention is therefore called to Establishment Memorandum No 23, dated 28 September 1944 and especially to para 3. Even in forward areas, the expenses of Requisitioned Hotels are not being paid by the Comando Genio Militare, and you are requested to take steps to implement the provisions of this Establishment Memorandum.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE

*For Tippany Capt RA*

For Chief Accountant,  
Finance Sub-Commission.

Copy to Establishment Section.  
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Tel: Dial 489161, Ext. 259

Ref: 13828/F/A/4

30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned hotels.

TO : P.C. Bari,  
(through Regional Finance Officer,  
Southern Region).

1. <sup>the</sup> It is noted from your December accounts that the expenses of <sup>A</sup>Acria Hotel, Bari are still being paid from AMG/AG funds.
2. Your attention is therefore called to Establishment Memorandum No 23, dated 28 September 1944 and especially to para 3. Even in forward areas, the expenses of Requisitioned Hotels are now being paid by the Comando Genio Militare, and you are requested to take steps to implement the provisions of this Establishment Memorandum.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE

*For Tippany Capt RA.*

For Chief Accountant,  
Finance Sub-Commission.

Copy to Establishment Section,  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

6 December 1944

Subject: Requisitioned Hotels

To : Hq., Toscan Region

1. Attached is copy of inclosure listed in our 93/20/EST, which, through an error on the part of this office, was not forwarded.
2. It is regretted that this inconvenience has been caused you.
3. Your HVIII/96/4/ of 2 December refers.

*by*  
 NORMAN E. FISKE,  
 Colonel  
 Deputy Chief of Staff

1 Incl: 13048/P, 25 November.

*for file see 118/EST  
by*

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HEADQUARTERS  
TOSCANA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

RVIII/96/4/

2 Dec 44

SUBJECT : Requisitioned Hotels.

TO : HQ., AC (Establishment Section).

1. Reference your 93/20/EST dated 26 Nov 44.
2. The letter referred to as attached was in fact a copy of this HQ RVIII/96/4/4 dated 17 Nov 44.
3. It is thought that the document referred to by you is Finance Sub-Commission 13076/F dated 17 Nov 44, the schedule to which they refer however states that "These rates are applicable only to private houses and not to hotels."
4. Your further remarks are awaited please.

For the Regional Commissioner:

*J. Howard Salter*  
 J. HOWARD SALTER,  
 Major, R.A.,  
 Adjutant.

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Tel 570977

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 392  
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

93/20/est

26 November 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Hotels

TO : R.C. Toscana Region.

1. Reference your HVIII/96/4/4 of 7 November.
2. Attention is invited to attached copy of letter from Finance Sub-Commission.

HUBERT E. FISKE,  
Colonel  
Deputy Chief of Staff

1 Incl: 13048/7, 23 Nov.

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HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, APO 394, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Establishment Section.

TO: Regional Commissioner, Southern Region.

1. Attention is invited to Appendix "B", AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 47, 16 November 1944, as amended by AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 48, 20 November 1944.
2. Neither of these directives contemplate the payment to the manager of a mess of a monthly salary as high as £9,000, and no authority can be given therefor by this headquarters.
3. Permission to employ a civilian manager for the mess in question need not be granted by this headquarters. It may be done in the discretion of the mess committee.

By command of Commodore STONE:

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*CMP*

NORMAN E. FISKE,  
Colonel,  
Deputy Chief of Staff

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2. Neither of the directives contemplate the payment to the manager of a mess of a monthly salary as high as £9,000, and no authority can be given therefor by this headquarters.
3. Permission to employ a civilian manager for the mess in question need not be granted by this headquarters. It may be done in the discretion of the mess committee.

By Command of Commodore STONE:

NORMAN E. FISKE,  
Colonel,  
Deputy Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION  
ECONOMICS & SUPPLY SECTION  
APO 394

RSA. 501/67

18 November 1944

SUBJECT: Mess Personnel

TO : Executive Officer Southern Region AC

1. At the present time the AC Mess Naples does not have a full time mess officer. We are operating as a transient mess regularly feeding from 90 - 100 officers.

2. The new mess Zi Teresa is located at the requisitioned Zi Teresa restaurant and is staffed by experienced Zi Teresa personnel.

3. In view of the fact we do not have a full time mess officer and since the mess staff is Zi Teresa personnel we ask permission to employ a Mess Manager to be paid at the executive rate of 9000 lire per month on the payroll of the Headquarters Co.C.

For the Mess Committee:

/s/ George D. Larson  
/t/ GEORGE D. LARSON  
Captain, A.U.S.  
Recorder

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INFORMAL ROUTING

HEADQUARTERS  
~~8678TH REGIMENT~~  
 ALLIED GENERAL COMMISSION  
 (OVERSEAS)  
 APO 384

Date 11/25/44

File:

SUBJECT:

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No	From	To	Date	
1	Ex. off US	Hq Comd't AC		As per phone conversation would you have this checked with Accounting Section to see if it is in proper order? @.M.P.
2	Hq Comdt	Ex Off (US)	25/11	I do not understand the necessity for such an appointment as suggested by Southern Region in view of the fact that they state that it is a properly requisitioned restaurant. Presumably, the same regulations apply in Southern Region as apply here, i.e., the Commission specifies quantity and quality of service and the Comando Genio Militare should pay. On that basis the appointment should be one for the civilian management of the restaurant. If, however, the restaurant is not properly requisitioned, then Administrative Order No. 1 of this Headquarters should be applied in this case. This order only allows cooks and waiters to be paid by AFA funds at the scale which is laid down from time to time. On the other hand, if this suggested manager is to take place of the Mess Officer, then it would appear to be an entirely new departure and should have policy laid down. In my opinion the rate of 9,000 lire a month seems excessive.

*R. H. Robertson*  
 R. H. ROBERTSON Lt. Col.  
 Hq. Commandant.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED COMMISSION  
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION  
APO 394

File 5

Tel: Dial 489161, Ext. 259

Ref: 13048/F

25 November 1944

SUBJECT: Salary Payments - Requisitioned hotels.

TO : Establishments Section,  
H.Q. Allied Commission.

1. Upon receipt of your letter 94/EST, dated 20 November, the matter was taken up with Claims and Hirings (Brit), in Rome, to whom future enquiries on this subject should be addressed by you.

2. It is understood that steps are being taken by the Comando Genio Militare, in Rome to inform their branch in Florence that the latter will be responsible for paying the expenses of the Hotel Universo, Lucca. Toscana Region letter 96/4/4 is returned herewith; no doubt you will advise them of the action taken, and that they should now apply once more to the Comando Genio Militare at Florence.

for B.E.R. Timmons  
Joint Director, *major*  
Finance Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS  
TOSCANA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

RVIII/96/4/4.

17 Nov 44.

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SUBJECT : Requisitioned Hotels  
TO : HQ, Allied Commission.

1. Reference Establishment Memorandum No.23 of 28 Sep 44.
2. Arrangements for the accommodation of HQ Region 8 in LUCCA included the housing and messing of officers in the Hotel UNIVERSO.
3. Para 3 of the above-quoted Memorandum lays down that the Comando Genio Militare will make advances to the hotel management to enable them to provide continuity of service.
4. There is no Comando Genio Militare in LUCCA. I have had this verified by the Italian Police. The nearest Comando appears to be in FLORENCE. He has no jurisdiction in LUCCA.
5. I should be grateful if you could ascertain the name and address of the Comando Genio Militare within whose power it is to advance funds to the hotel management, who are without sufficient financial resources to pay the staff. Payment for the month will be made on 30 Nov, when I propose, in the absence of final arrangements, to pay the staff in accordance with para 12.

For the Regional Commissioner:

*G.T. Johnson*

G.T. JOHNSON,  
Colonel,  
Executive Officer

Copies to:-  
R.F.O.  
Mess President.

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APO 394  
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

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94/EST

20 November 1944

Subject: Salary Payments -- Requisitioned Hotels

To : Finance Sub-Commission

1. Attention is invited to para 5 of Toscana Region letter EVIII/96/4/4 of 17 November, herewith.

2. Might this office be informed, please, of the channel through which the payments should be effected.

1st Lt., Agi 7574  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
OFFICE OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF  
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

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94/Est

8 November 1944

Subject: Civilian Staff Pay - Requisitioned Hotels

To : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region.

1. Ref's once your R/4128 of 23 October.
2. Attached hereto is copy of memorandum from Finance Sub-Commission, which sets forth the position quite fully.

L. T. Montant Jr.,  
For HERMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel  
Deputy Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

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Ref : 13128/F

2 November 1944

SUBJECT: Civilian Staff Pay - Requisitioned Hotels.

TO : Deputy Chief of Staff,  
Establishments Branch. ✓

1. Reference your attached note.
2. "Claims & Hirings" in Rome confirm that there is no reason why the Comando Genio Militare in Naples should not start paying.
3. However nothing can happen until Southern Region take steps to obtain the Statements from hotels, as per para 11 of Estab. Memo No. 23, and submit them, through the nearest Claims & Hirings (Brit.) office to the Comando Genio Militare. In their attached letter they do not say whether they have done this.
4. In this connection, they should also be referred to para 14 of the Estab. Memo. Information has only reached this HQ regarding the "Excelsior" and the "Toledo", which are no longer in AC hands. The implication is that there are other AC requisitioned hotels, in Southern Region, in respect of which no action has been taken by them, under para 14.
5. To enable the hotel managements to recoup their own expenses, prior to 31 July, Southern Region will have to get the Statements from them which were called for in HQ AAI letter 2072/2/Q2 dated 12 August, 3 copies of which were sent to Naples on 22 August, by the Chief Accountant.

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