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ACCEPTANCE OF HONORARY
AWARDS - BRITISH
MAR. 44 - SEPT. 44

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Ref Jals 53 + 58

Col Farron spoke to Col Friend James ref to British officers. NO decoration may be accepted from a country with which we are at war & the state of co-belligerency has not brought forth any amendment to this ruling.

// Col Farron will write AFHQ on point of honorary awards.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

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30 Sep 1944

REF : 176/59/GA.

SUBJECT : Recommendations for Italian Decorations.

TO : Lazio Region.

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With reference to your letter R/5395 dated 23 Sep 44,
the matter is under consideration and we will write you further as
soon as possible.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION

THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS

7/5/50

Rome, 12 September 1944

18 SEP Recd

Dear Captain,

It is a great pleasure for me to send for your approval the deliberation by which the municipality of Paola means to confer honorary citizenship to Major Donald C. Little who was Commander of the A.M.G. Allied Forces in the district of Paola during the time I was Prefect of Cosenza.

I remain,

Yours truly,

/s/

Captain Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

R o m e

Trans. E.C.

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TRANSLATION

PROVINCE OF COSENZA
MUNICIPALITY OF
PAOLA

TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

ACC
ROME

I send to your Excellency the enclosed deliberation about the honorary citizenship of the town of Paola for Major Donald C. Little, who was during September-October 1943, Chief Commander A.M.G. of the Allied forces in the district of Paola. This citizenship is an homage to his outstanding moral and intellectual gifts, and a token of gratitude for the intelligent and humanitarian work he did for the benefit of the population in very hard times.

I hope that your Excellency will give the necessary authorization.

Yours sincerely,

The Commissioner of the Prefect

/s/ Alberto Granata

Paola, 20 August 1944

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*Il Ministro
dei Lavori Pubblici*

7/11/44

Roma, 12 Settembre 1944

Stg. Capitano,

HO APO, APO 394
214 Italy Gen.
Rec. di 15 Sept 1945
DNR

mi riesce particolarmente gradito rimet-
terLe, per il Suo alto benestare, la deliberazio-
ne, con la quale il Comune di Paola intende confe-
rire la cittadinanza onoraria al Stg. Maggiore
Donald C. Little, il quale nel periodo in cui so-
no stato Prefetto di Cosenza era Comandante delle
Forze Alleate A.M.G. nel distretto di Paola.

Colgo l'occasione per esprimerLe i segni
della mia simpatia e i miei cordiali saluti

Al M. cui

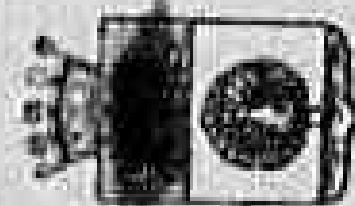
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Al Stg. Capitano STONE

Chief - Commission A C C

R O M A

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PROVINCIA DI COSENZA

COMUNE DI PAOLA

AL CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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ROMA

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Mi rivolgo a Vostra Eccellenza perchè voglia compiacersi di concedere l'autorizzazione di competenza.

Paola, 20 Agosto 1944

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Paola, 20 Agosto 1944

con i migliori ringraziamenti

Il Commissario prefettizio



Alberto Granata

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION IV
APO 394

B/5395

23 September, 1944

SUBJECT: Recommendations for Italian Decorations.

TO : HQ Allied Control Commission
EC and MC Section.

The attached letter from the Prefect of Frosinone, in which Italian decorations are recommended for:
Lt. Colonel Thornhill (A)
Capt. Salway (B)
is forwarded for your consideration.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A. D. BONHAM-CARTER
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer (Provinces)

26/9 Policy covered by Ex. 87. and for
US Government by NATIONALS & circular. No.
action wartime decoration is forwarded. 7 2365

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23 SEP 1944
A.C.C.

26/9 Policy covered by Ex. Memo 81. and for
US Personnel by NATONAS & circular. No 2
action wartime decoration is forwarded. 7 2365

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Fing 1 Sept. 5 1944

TO THE PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MINISTERS

and for notice

To Colonel POLLETTI

Regional Commissioner IV Region Rome

By the attached order of the day dated Aug. 28, 1. m. the Mayors and The Communal Secretaries of the Communes of this province, belonging to the district of the British Captain Arthur Henry Salway, officer of the Allied Military Government, express their wish that said officer should be awarded the "Commenda of the Italian Crown".

Captain Salway, as I myself had the opportunity of recognising, lavished his eager and warm activity in behalf of the inhabitants of the Communes concerned, which are among the most damaged of the whole province; his steady and efficient work resulted in bettering the conditions of life in this zone.

I therefore deem that this request should be favourably considered.

But I must point out to this Hon. Presidency that in case this suggestion were taken into consideration, it would be fair to consider also the activity, quite as eager and efficient, of the Provincial Commissioner of the Allied Military Government Lt. John B. THORNHILL of the American Army, who busied himself with intelligent and painstaking steadiness with the most important problems of the province, with remarkable results.

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THE EFFECT

(G. B. Zanframundo)

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THE PRESIDENT
(G. B. Zanfrundo)

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TO H.E. THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE PROVINCE OF FROSINONE

The undersigned Mayors and Communal Secretaries of Pignataro Interamna, Piedimonte, S. Germano, Villa S. Lucia, S. Apollinare, S. Ambrogio sul Garigliano, S. Andrea, Vallemare, S. Giorgio al Liri, Corone Ausonio, Castelnuovo Parano, seen that the British Captain Salway Arthur Henry, Allied Governor of Atina in Roccasecca has been working these three months with exceptional competence and above all with eager and loving zeal in behalf of this zone, which the war has terribly battered,

seen that the intelligent and delicate activity of said Officer has resulted in bettering the conditions of the inhabitants of the lower Liri valley, so much where technical and administrative problems are concerned, as in regard of food supplies and benefit institutions,

seen that the noble effort of Captain Salway is even more praiseworthy as it is carried on through every kind of difficulties, which are inherent to the difficult circumstances due to war,

seen that it is a duty for the inhabitants to give said Captain a token of their thankfulness kindly request

that Y.E. should point out to the Government, with kind urgency, Captain Salway's merits, recommending him for the granting of the Commenda of the Italian Crown, and kindly beg

Your Excellency to inform the undersigned of the eventual conferment of the order, so as to allow them to present the Governor with the decoration.

Pignataro Interamna Aug 28. 1944

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Ricci Giuseppe - Mayor of S. Giorgio on the Liri

Del Burone Salvatore - Mayor of Coreno Ausonio

Carlo Crescenzi - Mayor of Ausonia

Rossi Agostino - Mayor of Castenuovo Barano

Avv. Raffaele Nardoianni - Secretary of Piedimonte and

Villa S. Lucia

Leone Vincenzo - Secretary of Pignataro and S. Andrea

Di Mambro Mario - Secretary of Vallemulo

Fortuna Gustavo - Secretary of S. Apollinare and of S. Ambrogio

on the Garigliano

P. Prefettura di. Frosinone

Divisione Gab. N. di prot. 4692/26
Fiumi 5 settembre 194

Risposta a nota

OGGETTO: Capitano Salway Arthur Henry- Onorificenze-

ON. PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

- Galiaetto-

Allegati

e per conoscenza:

✓ AL SIGNORE COLONNELLO POLVERI

Commissario Regionale- IV Regione -

R O M A

Con l'accordo ordine del giorno in data 28 agosto u.s. i Sindaci e i segretari comunali dei comuni di questa provincia compresi nella giurisdizione distrettuale del Capitano Britannico signor Salway Arthur Henry, ufficiale del Governo Militare Alleato, fanno voti perchè all'Ufficiale predetto sia concesso la Commenda della Corona d'Italia.

Il Capitano Salway -come ho avuto occasione di constatare personalmente - ha prodigato tutta la sua fervente e appassionata attività a favore delle popolazioni dei comuni di che trattasi, che sono fra i più danneggiati della provincia, e il suo costante interessamento ha dato utili e proficui risultati nel miglioramento delle condizioni di vita della zona. Esprimo perciò parere pienamente favorevole all'accoglimento della proposta.

Mi occorre però far presente a codesta On. Presidenza, che, nel caso di benevola considerazione della proposta, occorrerebbe tener presente l'opera e l'interessamento altrettanto proficui e appassionati svolti in tutta la provincia dal Commissario Provinciale del Governo Militare Alleato, Ten. Col. Amerigo John B. Thornhill, il quale si è sempre premuroso intelligente ed attenta cura di tutti i maggiori e più importanti problemi della provincia con risultati di apprezzabilissima efficacia.

E però ritengo che all'eventuale conferimento di una onorificenza cavalleresca al cap.

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E però ritengo che all'eventuale conferimento di una onorificenza cavalleresca al cap. Salway dovrebbe essere abbinata la concessione di altra di maggior grado al Ten. Colonnello Thornhill.

IL PREFETTO

(G. B. ZANFRANCO)



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Copia

A S.E. IL PREFETTO DELLA PROVINCIA DI PROSINONE

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fanno noto

perchè V.E. voglia segnalare, con cortese urgenza, al Governo le benemerite del Capitano Salwa Arthur Henry, proponendolo per la concessione della commendatura della Corona d'Italia

chiedono

che V.E. voglia comunicare la concessione ai sottoscritti, onde poter essi offrire le insegne cavalleresche al Capitano Governatore.

Pignataro Interamna, li 28 agosto 1944.

Conforti Arturo-Sindaco di Pignataro

Pasquale Pelagalli -Sindaco di Piedimonte S. Germano e Villa S. Lucia

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Conforti Arturo -Commissario S. Apollinare

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Pignataro Intesa, 11 28 agosto 1944.

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Conforti Arturo -Commisario S. Apollinare
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Ricci Giuseppe - Sindaco di S. Giorgio a Liri
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Leone Vincenzo -Segretario di Pignataro e S. Andrea
Di Mastro Mario -Segretario di Vallemare
Fortuna Gustavo -Segretario di S. Apollinare e di S. Ambrogio sul Garigliano

Cot Aug.

Solub Br Ref 32-38 ³²⁻³⁴ _{NH}

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Is there any record in your branch
of permission having been granted to the officers
mentioned in the cutting on ~~38~~ ³⁵ to receive these
awards?

19.9.44.

W. Shipp

Lt. Col Shipp.

No record obtained. The matter has been forwarded to the Board.

R. H. Farrow.

19.9.44.

Capt Warden -

Re draft reply to 33 - referring
to Ex Memo 81 for EC's signature.

I regret - no previous consent
given to cases mentioned.

W. Shipp 2360

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Col Shipp

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1. Ref Jolis 33 the statement in para 2 is supported by a para in Basic news of 30 Aug - "A" below.
2. In Basic news of 2 Sep is a para referring to Col Chapman - "B" below.

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A.M.G. OFFICERS HONORARY CITIZENS OF NAPLES

NAPLES, August 29 — Professor Gustavo Ingresso, Mayor of Naples, yesterday conferred honorary citizenship on five AMG officers who have held important positions in the military government of Naples, it was stated here.

The five officers were Colonel John Chapman, formerly Regional Commissioner for Region 3, ACC; Colonel Walter John Legg, Food Supply Commissioner, ACC; Major George Morrison Duckman, of the same office; Colonel W. H. Crichton, former Regional Commissioner of Public Health; and Major Franklin Luckman, Naples Chief of Police.

During the ceremony which followed, Mayor Ingresso thanked the officers on behalf of the population of Naples for the part they have played in the rebirth of the city.

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"A"

ITALIAN DECORATION AWARDED

ROME, September 1 — Col. John Chapman, formerly ACC Commissioner for Region III, which included Naples and the region of Campania, was today awarded the Italian decoration of Commendatore, Order of the Crown of Italy.

The decoration was presented by Mayor Filippo Doria of Rome in appreciation for Colonel Chapman's work in Region III.

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"B"

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C. A. Boardman

Permed 6/20/60

I understand you deal with matters
such as these.

D. H. Fannon

H. G. Galt

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21 September 44. ¹⁷

TO : Col SHIPP.

1. Attached is a draft as requested. ¹⁶
2. I would point out however that Lt. Col. White having been assigned now to Piemonte Region, in accordance with letter dated 19 September 44, (folio 40) para 2 he can now accept the Honary Citizenship of AVELLINO.

EH.
E.S. MORDEN,
Captain.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

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DRAFT

TO: Lt. Col. A.H. WHITE
Executive Officer
PIEMONTE Region.

In reply to your letter 8 September 44, forwarded by Regional Commissioner Southern Region, you are aware, I know, that considerable thought has been given to the acceptance by officers of the Commission of honours offered by Italian Civic bodies and others. However the policy laid down in my letter of 8 March 44, has not been changed and as regards the acceptance of honours by those mentioned in your letter previous consent was not obtained neither would it have been granted.

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: R.C. Piemonte Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

15 SEP Recd

R/2023

8 September 1944

SUBJECT: Lt. Col. Alex H. White - Conferment of
Honorary Citizenship of Avellino.

THRU : Regional Commissioner
Hq, Southern Region, A.C.C.

TO : Executive Commissioner
Hq, A.C.C.

1. I would refer to my letter R/2095 3 August and
covering letter R/3241 of 9 August from the Acting Regional
Commissioner, Colonel Chapman in the above connection.

2. In view of the fact that Colonel Chapman, Colonel
Crichton (B), Colonel Legg (B), Major Duncan (B) and Major
Luckman were allowed to receive the Honorary Citizenship
of Naples on the 28th of August 1944, I would inquire why, in
my case, the acceptance of the Honorary Citizenship of
Avellino is being denied to me?

Alex H. White

ALEX H. WHITE
Lt. Col.
Executive Officer

AHW/jjf

R/1022 1st Ind.
HQ, SOUTHERN REGION, ACC, APO 394, U.S. Army, 9 September 44.

CET/bb

TO: Executive Commissioner,
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission.

1. Forwarded.

27/9 Approved under the
provision of Ex-Memo 81 ✓
at (40)

C. E. Temperley
C. E. TEMPERLEY,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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Ref: 176/³²~~25~~/CA.

17 August 44.

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Neapolitan citizenship.
To: Regional Commissioner, Region III.
From: Executive Commissioner.

With reference to my directive 176/3/CA of 8 March, I wish to draw your attention to the enclosed copy of a letter which has been passed to me for action by the Acting Chief Commissioner.

Brigadier-General Gray is, of course, outside our jurisdiction, but with regard to the other names I must reiterate the instructions conveyed in my letter of 7 August, that NO honours to be conferred by the Italian authorities may be accepted by Allied Officers in the A.C.C.

MS
Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAPLES.

The Mayor.

Naples, 12 August 1944.

Next Wednesday, on the 16th of this month, will take place in this Town Hall a ceremony for the conferring of the Neapolitan citizenship to four illustrious Officers of the Allied Military Command, i.e., to Brigadier-General Carl R. GRAY, to Col. L.R. BATTENBY, to Lt.-Col. H. MEAD ROGERS and to Major Harry H. HERTHENSON.

We hope that you will be present.

The Mayor.

Admiral Stone,
ACC HQ.,
Provincia Building.

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16 Aug 12

MINISTERO DELLE CORPORAZIONI

Memorandum per Brig. Lush -

The acting Chief Commissioner
would like to have you inform
all concerned that your
176/3/CA of 8 March is still
in effect.

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U. Ministro

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TRANSLATION

MUNICIPALITY OF NAPLES

The Mayor

HQ ACC, APO 324
6412nd y Gen.
Rec'd 12 Aug 1945
By PRR

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Reg 3 neapolitan
We hope that you will be present.

(A)

THE MAYOR

(A)

(B) *Region III*

→ ADMIRAL STONE
ACC HQ
PROVINCIA BUILDING

*of the above, all are ACC
officers except Gen Gray.*

See ① - 8 March 1944

Trans. E.O.

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COMUNE DI NAPOLI

IL SINDACO

Napoli 12 Agosto 1944

Mercoledì prossimo Io corr. alle ore 17, in questa Sede Municipale avrà luogo la cerimonia del conferimento della cittadinanza napoletana a quattro illustri ufficiali del Comando Militare Alleato e cioè al brigadiere Generale CARL. R. GRAY, al Col. L.R. BATTENSBY, al Ten. Col. H. MEAD ROGERS ed al Maggiore HARRI H. HERSHENSON.

Sarà gradito l'intervento della S.V.

IL SINDACO

ALL : AMMIRAGLIO STONE
A.C.C. HQ.
Provincia BUILDING

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To: Brigadier
176/3/CA
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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army

R/3241

9 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Lt. Col. Alex H. White - Conferment
of Honorary Citizenship of Avellino.

HQ ACC, APO 394
536 Sec'y Gen.
Rec'd 11 Aug 0910
By *SKC*

TO : Chief Commissioner, Hq A.C.C.

1. The letter of Lt. Col. Alex H. White, R/2095, dated 3 August, 1944, attached hereto, is forwarded with the recommendation that it be forwarded to the British Army Council which has the authority to determine whether or not a British officer may accept honors, awards and decorations.

1 2. It is requested that the subject of the Executive Commissioner's letter Ref/176/3/CA dated 8 March 1944, be reopened and reconsidered. From the American side, there is an Act of Congress and Army Regulations which control the acceptance of awards. I understand that an Act of Parliament also controls on the British side.



John W. Chapman
JOHN W. CHAPMAN,
Colonel, JAGD,
Actg Regional Commissioner.

JWC/bb

The hon. citizenship was conferred
without approval from H.Q. 98cc no
benefit in reopening the question & con
not agree.
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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

R/2095

3 August 1944

SUBJECT: Lt. Col. Alex H. White - Conferment of
Honorary Citizenship of Avellino.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Region III

Reference HQ, ACC (R.C. & M.G. Section) letter
Ref/176/13/CA, dated 20 July 1944.

1. In view of the fact that the above mentioned, which is entirely of a personal nature, is now being dealt with through you, I wish to submit the following through you for such action as you may consider fit.

2. Whereas the Executive Commissioner's Directive Ref/176/3/CA is dated 8 March 1944, it would appear that on the 29th May the following officers of the American Army, and certain members of No. 3 Region, had conferred upon them, publicly and officially, the Honorary Citizenship of the City of Naples:-

- (a) Brigadier General Ralph M. Immel, formerly Commanding Officer, P.B.S., Metropolitan Area.
- (b) Brigadier General E.E. Hume, SCAO, AMG 5 Army.
- (c) Colonel Charles Poletti, Formerly Regional Commissioner of Region III.
- (d) Lt. Col. J. L. Kincaid, formerly Provincial Commissioner Naples Province.
- (e) Lt. Col. Lester J. Hensley, Regional T.C.U., Region III.
- (f) Lt. Col. Guy I Warren, formerly Regional Economics and Supplies, Region III.
- (g) Lt. Col. J. A. Warner, formerly Provincial Police Officer, Province of Naples.

3. Again (the "RISORGIMENTO" of Sunday 25 June 1944)

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publishes the fact that on the previous day a similar honor was conferred upon, and accepted by, the following British Officers:

- (a) Brigadier James Gerard Bruxner-Randall
- (b) Brigadier George Cumming Gray

4. In accordance with the instructions received in the letter referred to above I informed the Avellino Authorities, it was regretted that it would be impossible for me to accept the honor which it was proposed to confer upon me. The said authorities intimated, in view of the fact that others had been permitted to receive such Honorary Citizenship in the case of Naples, that the non-approval in my case, in so far as Avellino is concerned, appears to be an invidious discrimination. It is now requested that the matter may be submitted to the highest authority for consideration.

Alex H. White

ALEX H. WHITE
Lt. Col.
Executive Officer

ANH/jjf

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
APO 394

Ref/176/13/CA.

20 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Lt.Col. Alex H. White - Conferment of Honorary
Citizenship of Avellino.

TO : R.C. Region III (for Executive Officer).

1. I refer to your R/2072 of 14 July 1944.
2. I am directed to inform you that to accept an Honorary Citizenship is considered to be in contravention of the spirit, though not the letter, of Executive Commissioner's directive 176/3/CA of 8 March 1944.
3. I much regret therefore that Lt.Col. White will have to decline the honour which the Giunta in Council have proposed conferring on him.

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NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER, REGION 3, 15 July 1944.

TO: Executive Commissioner, Hq., A.C.C.

1. Approved.

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JOHN W. CHAPMAN,
Colonel, JAGD,
Actg Regional Commissionerper file
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Examine

In my opinion the Contravention
the spirit, though not the letter, of
your directive at 3.

LH 19/7

See 6

I agree. Reply ready & dispatch

HW 20/7

HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

R/2072

14 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lt. Col. Alex H. White Conferment of Honorary
Citizenship of Avellino

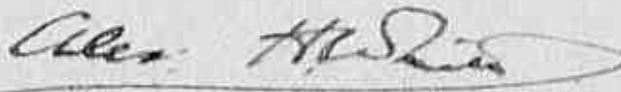
THRU : Acting Regional Commissioner, Region III

TO : Executive Commissioner _____
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

1. As will be seen from the attached copy and translation of a letter addressed to me by the Sindaco of Avellino, the "Giunta" in council proposed conferring on me the honor of the Honorary Citizenship of Avellino.

2. I have intimated to those concerned that whilst I feel honored and gratified, I am unable to accept the proposed Honorary Citizenship without the prior consent of higher authority.

3. Application to accept the honor is now made.



ALEX H. WHITE
Lt. Col.
Executive Officer

AHW/jjf

TRANSLATION

Avellino 12 July 1944

TO: Lt. Col. Alexander H. White.
A.C.C. Naples.

I beg to inform you that, on my proposal, the Council of this town would confer on you the honorary Citizenship of Avellino, on account of the work remarkably meritorious that you developed on behalf of this town and the whole province, during your stay here as a Provincial Commissioner.

Before proceeding to such conferment, which is deeply wished by all those who had the opportunity of appreciating the high competence and care developed by you in carrying out your profitable task, I should like to have your approbation.

I am sure that you will not deprive me and my colleagues of the pleasure of interpreting the unanimous feelings of the Citizenship.

Awaiting your esteemed reply,

I remain your obedient servant.

The Mayor

Vincenzo Tondo.

Avellino 12 Luglio 1944.

Milmo Signor
Alexander H. White Lt. Col.
A.C.C.
Napoli

Mi e' gradito comunicarle che su mia proposta questa Giunta Comunale avrebbe in animo di conferirle la Cittadinanza onoraria di Avellino per l'opera altamente meritoria da lei svolta a pro di questa citta' e dell'intera Provincia durante la Sua permanenza qui' quale Commissario Provinciale.

Prima di procedere a tale conferimento vivamente auspicato da tutti coloro che hanno avuto modo di apprezzare l'alta competenza e la passione da Lei messa nell'espletamento della Sua proficua opera in tale qualita', desidero avere la Sua preventiva approvazione, sicuro che non vorra' privare me e i miei colleghi della Giunta del piacere d'interpretare l'unanime sentimento della Cittadinanza.

In tale lusinga mi e' gradito confermarle i miei insinuati sentimenti di affettuosa amicizia e di deferente ossequio.

IL Sindaco
Vincenzo Tondo.

C O N F I D E N T I A L

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/176/3/CA

8 March 1944

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Honorary Awards from Italians.

TO : Distribution Below.

1. It has come to the notice of the Chief Commissioner that Italian authorities have been offering honorary academic degrees and honorary ranks to Allied Officers in the A.C.C.

2. Allied Officers will discourage such offers. Acceptance of them is forbidden just as is acceptance of gifts or other tokens from Italians. The reason must be obvious to all.

3. For the same reason the formation of mixed Allied-Italian Social clubs is forbidden.

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M. S. Lush
M. S. LUSH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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