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

3 May 1944

SUBJECT: Wine Prices.

TO: Sanitary Officer, Metropolitan Area, P.B.S.
Through P.B.S. Liaison Officer, Hq. A.C.C.

1. Relative to our conversation of yesterday's date, the following terms were agreed upon for the sale of wines in authorized bars of the Naples Area:

a) The firms Giorgio Borrelli & Fila (Portici) and Giovanni Capasso (S. Giovanni-Berria) will furnish the wine shops with first quality common wine.

b) The Firm Fratelli Gallinari will furnish the wine-shops with fine quality Marsala, Vermuth, and other special wines from Sicily.

c) The firms Borrelli and Capasso will sell common wine of 12-14% alcoholic content at 25 lire per litre, delivered at the wine shop.

d) The Firm Gallinari will furnish Vermuth, Marsale and fine wines from Sicily. The price will depend on the cost of transport and will not exceed 120 and 100 lire per litre, respectively.

2. The following selling prices were established:

- a) COMMON WINE (red or white) 12-14% alcoholic content
per glass of 150-200 grams at 8 lire.
- b) VERMUTH
(red or white) 16-17% alcoholic content
per glass of 50 grams at 10 lire.
- c) MARSALA
16-17% alcoholic content
per glass of 50 grams at 10 lire
- d) AMARICANO
(Vermuth & Bitters)
per glass of 50 grams at 13 lire

The prices for items b), c), d) are tentative and based on the prices

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 Through P.B.S. Liaison Officer, Hq. A.C.C.

1. Relative to our conversation of yesterday's date, the following terms were agreed upon for the sale of wines in authorized bars of the Naples Area:

a) The Firms Giorgio Borrelli & Fila (Portici) and Giovenne di Capuano (S. Giovanni-Barra) will furnish the wine shops with first quality common wine.

b) The Firm Fratelli Gallinari will furnish the wine-shops with fine quality Marsala, Vernuth, and other special wines from Sicily.

c) The Firms Borrelli and Capuano will sell common wine of 12-14 % alcoholic content at 25 lire per litre, delivered at the wine shop.

d) The Firm Gallinari will furnish Vernuth, Marsala and fine wines from Sicily. The price will depend on the cost of transport and will not exceed 120 and 100 lire per litre, respectively.

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2. The following selling prices were established:

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| a) <u>COMMON WINE</u> (red or white) | 12-14% alcoholic content |
| | per glass of 120-130 grams at 6 lire. |
| b) <u>VERMUTH</u> | (red or white) 16-17% alcoholic content |
| | per glass of 50 grams at 10 lire. |
| c) <u>MARSALA</u> | 16-17% alcoholic content |
| | per glass of 50 grams at 10 lire |
| d) <u>AMERICANO</u> | (Vernuth & Bitters) |
| | per glass of 50 grams at 15 lire |

The prices for items b), c), d) are tentative and based on the present availability of these wines. A lower price is foreseen if the

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Firm Gallinari will be able to import a quantity of these products from Sicily.

J. This office will assist the wine merchants in obtaining the necessary authorizations to transport the wine to Naples. The Firms Borrelli and Capasso have requested authorization to import from Brindisi, 500 qtls. of common wine by rail. The Firm Gallinari has requested authority to import 250 qtls of Vermouth and 250 qtls of Marsals from Trapani (Sicily).

J. E. Schuman
 2nd. Lt. Q.A.C.
 Recon. & Supply Div.
 A.C.C. Region J.

JSA/gb.

1st Ind.
 LIAISON DIV., R.C. & M.E. Sect., Hq, AGO; 4 May 1944.
 TO: Liaison Officer, Metropolitan Area, P.H.S.

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The firms Borrelli and Capasso have requested authorization to import from Brindisi, 500 qtls. of common wine by rail. The firm Gallinieri has requested authority to import 250 qtls of Vermuth and 250 qtls of Marsala from Trapani (Sicily).

John P. ...
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and. Lt. J.A.C.
Econ. & Supply Div.
A.C.C. Region 1.

JEA/gb.

4th Div/220
Liaison Div., R.C. & M.G. Sect., H., ACO; 4 May 1941.
1st Ind.
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TO: Sanitary Officer, Metropolitan Area, P.H.S.

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

2 April 1944.

SUBJECT: PBS Maximum Price List (Gloves)

TO : Hqs, P.R.S. *you handle these items*

The accompanying letter from Barra - Glove Retailer -
is passed to you for action, if considered necessary.

C.P.M.
C. P. MURCHIE, Major
for
Chief, Liaison Division.

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(TO: PURCHASING & CONTRACTING OFFICE)
ATTENTION MAJOR TATE

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

CFM/rms

File 204.18 ES.

30 Mar 44

SUBJECT: PBS Maximum Price List.

TO : Chief of Liaison Division,
Civil Affairs Branch, ACC Main.

1. The attached letter from a firm of glove manufacturers and retailers is concerned with the list of prices to be paid by military personnel as recently put out by PBS.
2. It would be appreciated if the letter might be transmitted to the proper section of PBS for their information and for such action as they might wish to take.

For the Regional Commissioner:

/s/ O.W. Campbell
/t/ O.W. CAMPBELL
Capt., A.U.S.
Adjutant

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Liaison Division, ACC 1st Ind.

CPM/eah
2 April 1944

TO: Hqs, Reg. 3. ACC

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Above-mentioned letter transmitted to Major Tate,
Purchasing and Contracting Office, Metropolitan Area,
P.R.S., this date.

C. P. Murchie
C. P. MURCHIE, Major

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Chief of the Liaison Division.

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FABRICA
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telefono 32-761

Via S. Carlo, 27-28
NAPOLI

Napoli, March 24th 1944.

To the
Allied Military Government
Naples.

Gentlemen,

Referring to the maximum prices just fixed by you for the sale of manufactured articles, while we confirm that your disposition has been immediately executed by us, we beg to ask you what follows, in order to ensure a perfect interpretation of your rules and avoid any possibility of misunderstanding.

It is clear that the best quality gloves are to be sold at the price of \$2.50 and 3.00 each pair, but we wish to point out to you that in the price list issued by you no mention can be found about fancy gloves, which in many instances are very expensive, as they require not only an extra cost for workmanship, but also, and above all, for ornaments. Will you please let us know your opinion in this connection.

We also beg to point out to you that no price has been fixed for the sale of men's wool scarves, which there is a moderate sale of.

The main question is however the one relating to the supply of gloves, inasmuch as the manufacturers, owing to the serious difficulties they find to get raw skins and ingredients to dress and dye them, charge we retailers with extremely high prices, which absolutely cannot be paid, taking also into consideration the percentage of split gloves, amounting from 7 to 10%.

Will you please therefore draw your prompt attention on this matter and thus avoid that the stocks laying in the retail stores may be sold and not replaced, by fixing the prices at which the gloves are to be bought from the manufacturers.

Thanking you on anticipation, we are, gentlemen,

faithfully yours

/s/

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

16 March 1944

SUBJECT: Military Shops; Re: File 223/CA.

TO : Major Drifffield-White.

The Executive Officer, Metropolitan Area, Peninsular Base Section, advised yesterday that that headquarters proposes forthwith to adopt the following measures in this matter:

1. To establish prices for luxury and souvenir goods offered for sale in Naples on the basis of prices two years ago, plus a percentage not yet finally determined which will in theory represent the "normal" increase in prices of basic commodities during the two year period.
2. To inspect such shops frequently to determine whether prices higher than the maximum prices so arrived at are being charged.
3. To signpost "Off Limits to ^{MILITARY} ~~the~~ Personnel" all shops which persist in charging more than the established prices.

This action is apparently the result of suggestions originally emanating from the R.C. & M.G. Section and pursued through the Regional Commissioner, Region III.

The file is returned.

BeB
ALFRED C. BOWMAN
Lieutenant Colonel
Chief, Liaison Division.

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

Ref/223/9/CA.

16 March 1944

SUBJECT : Expenditure on Italian Merchandise by Allied Troops.

TO : H.Q. A.A.I. (Admin. Echelon).

1. Reference your 126/32 of 20 Feb 44 and of 6 Mar 44, and AFHQ's AG 331.3-2 MOS-AGM of 3 Feb 44.

2. Very careful consideration has been given to this problem by representatives from this Headquarters, Peninsular Base Section, and 57 Area, as a result of which the Base Section proposes to adopt forthwith the following measures:

(a) To establish prices for luxury and souvenir goods offered for sale in Naples on the basis of prices two years ago, plus a percentage not yet finally determined which will represent the increase in prices of basic commodities during the two year period. In establishing these prices the Base Section will work in close consultation with Headquarters, Region III, and this Headquarters.

(b) To inspect the shops frequently to determine whether prices higher than the maximum established prices are being charged.

(c) To post notice "Off Limits to Military Personnel" on all shops which persist in charging more than the established prices.

3. The success or otherwise of these measures will be carefully watched with a view to their possible adoption in Rome and other large cities.

4. With regard to the establishing of Central Markets in which approved dealers would operate, and of which the patronage would be limited to personnel of the Allied Forces, it is felt that if the measures outlined in para. 2 above are vigorously handled, the problems will be largely solved. In any case the Base Section is unwilling to make further policing commitments at the present time.

Copy to: MOS AFHQ
57 Area
Region III
Chief Liaison Officer. *Ed. Munson* 22

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry.
Deputy Executive
Commissioner. 6

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: ECONOMIC SECTION

SUBJECT COAL PRICE *AMERICAN RED CROSS
TO Lt.Col Bowman

FILE No. ES/4I

28 Feb 1944

1. Col Adams has signed the Industry & Commerce letter to PBS (for attention Major Smith) which you saw this afternoon.
2. Para 1 states that the price should be \$12 (1200 lire) per metric tone for bituminous run of mine coal.

G. M. Sharp

G. M. SHARP MAJOR R. A.
G. S. O. 2 Economic Section

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

CXL/EDG

Ref. ACC/5072/IC

SUBJECT: Coal Prices

TO : Quartermaster Class 3 Officer, P.B.S.
ATTENTION: Major David J. Smith.

1. Reference is made to your verbal request to Major G.K. Lewis of 26 Feb. '44 for determination of a price of coal for settlement with the American Red Cross and with a contractor for Army Laundry. Taking into consideration currently available information on the landed cost of coal and the policy for coal price determination agreed to in the price conference of 6 Jan. '44, the price required should be \$ 12 per metric ton for bituminous run of mine coal.

2. Settlements at this price should be coordinated with British settlements for like services.

3. On the basis of currently available data, delivered costs of coal range from about \$ 25 to \$30 per metric ton.

4. At the last price conference it was decided to price coal to consumers in Italy at less than landed costs - at a "tolerable" price. At present \$ 12 per metric ton is judged to be a "tolerable" price for the purpose of the settlements in question. This price is the same as that fixed in the memorandum of 2 Jan. '44 of Brigadier Hamlyn, Acting Economic Director.

For Lieutenant-General MACFARLANE:

Distribution:

Chairman, Central Coal Committee,
AFHQ Adv. Adm. Echelon.

/s/ D. S. Adams
/t/ D. S. ADAMS
Colonel, CE
Executive Officer,
Economic Section.

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Memo to Lt.Col Bowman.

Subject: Price of Coal for American Red Cross.

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1. Ref AFHQ cable 54927 22 Feb 44 to PBS stating :-
Price of coal and coke for resale locally is question to be determined by ACC which you should contact. Troopers have been requested to supply particulars of landed cost for ACC accounting.
 2. It is agreed that ACC have the responsibility for deciding the price at which coal should be supplied to civilian users.
Central Economic Committee Meeting minute 10 of 12 Jan 44 fixed this price at 1200 lire per metric ton CIF Italian ports for imported coal other than Sardinian which was to be 550 lire per metric ton CIF Italian ports.
 3. Can it be agreed, however, that coal supplied to the American Red Cross is for civilian purposes? If it can, presumably the price given in para 2 applies.
 4. If, as seems more probable, the coal supplied to the American Red Cross by PBS is not supplied to a civilian user, PBS should issue the coal on the basis of landed cost.
 5. War Department Washington SPLIS .014 19 Oct 43 includes unit prices for coal and percentages to be added to cover transportation and handling charges, so as to approximate to landed cost. They are as follows:-

Coal Bituminous, Egg	\$25.87 per gross ton
-----Screenings	\$24.30 per gross ton
-----Run of Mine	\$24.83 per gross ton.
 6. If the type of coal referred to in para 5 is the type which it is proposed to issue to the American Red Cross the above landed cost prices should be charged and, in spite of the AFHQ cable, I think the charge should be made by PBS and not by ACC.
 7. I should be interested to know the final decision as to who makes the charge and as to what this is.

G.M. Sharp Major

G.M. SHARP MAJOR
GSC 2 ECONOMIC SECTION.

25 Feb 44

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PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER

22 FEBRUARY 1944

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ROUTINE

TO (ACTION)	: CG PBS FOR BPSUP
(INFORMATION)	: SOS NATOUA, CG PBS FOR FARGO
FROM	: SIGNED CINC
DATE TIME SIGNED	: 221253A
DATE TIME REC'D	: 221720A
REFERENCE NR	: 54227
CITE	: FMMS, PBSUP AND FMDS REFERENCE PBS 8559 CITE BPSUP OF 17 FEBRUARY

PRICE OF COAL AND COKE FOR RESALE LOCALLY IS QUESTION TO BE DETERMINED
BY ACC WHICH YOU SHOULD CONTACT. TROOPERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO SUPPLY
PARTICULARS OF LANDED COST FOR ACC ACCOUNTING.

INFO: QM
HQ ACC
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R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

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Ref/22/1/CA

LVD/mrd
6 February 1944

SUBJECT: Public Utility Rates

TO : R.C.A.O., Region III .

1. It is of considerable importance that established public utility rates and service charges be uniform and that they be as fair as possible to all operators and users.

2. Accordingly, no public utility rates (bus fares, gas rates, water rates, electric power rates, taxi fares, miscellaneous service charges, and the like) will be established or promulgated except after consultation with ~~P.M.S. HQ.~~ Naples.

By command of Lieut. General MacFARLANE:

M. S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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Rate Form
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SCHEDULE OF TRAINS
LOW LOAD PERIOD

Vesuvio R.R.

Lt Col HENLEY
Capt WILKIE

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