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Headquarters A.A.I.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

15 July 1944

SUBJECT: Observations re. Command and Administration of General Giovanni Magli

TO : Commanding General, Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main Headquarters (MAIA), APO 394, U.S. Army

1. The retirement of General Magli from command of the Italian forces in Sardinia provokes the following statement from the undersigned with reference to the relations which have existed between the former and this office during the past eight months.

2. Since November 1943, first as representative of G-3, A.F.H.Q., with the Italian Forces in Sardinia and later in a similar capacity for MAIA, I had numerous official contacts with General Magli, both in the nature of private conferences and of group meetings where one or more members of his general or special staffs were in attendance. Details concerning the demobilization, reorganization, reassignment or shipment of personnel have been discussed on many occasions. Results of inspections and observations were reported to General Magli in detail with suggestions for change of current practice. Frequently, directives of A.F.H.Q. or A.A.I. have been transmitted to him by the undersigned, the execution of which was extremely distasteful to the proud commander of an army.

It is important to note that in not one instance was disposition of General Magli toward the accomplishment of changes, movements, transfer of equipment, personnel, or animals from his command to that of the Allies, many of which unquestionably were accompanied by personal disappointment to one or more of his commanders, other than cheerfully and vigorously cooperative.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ARMY SUB COMMISSION
A.P.O. 509 US ARMY

SUBJECT: Observations re General Giovanni Magli

TO : Commanding General Allied Garrison of Sardinia

1. The "Security" report of Captain Richard Fielders having been read, the interest of the Allied Command with respect to the control of the Italian Forces in Sardinia provokes the submission of a statement by the undersigned. Any opinion I have of the subject is based upon actual first hand observation and knowledge gained during a period of more than seven months direct official relationship, uncolored by rumours or hearsay and not based upon the necessity of accumulating substance for periodic reports.

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C.G., Allied Garrison, SARDINIA.

H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

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24 Jun 44.

1. Attached is copy of a report compiled by Capt. R. FIELDENS, A.C.C. Security Officer in SARDINIA, and forwarded by him to the Director of the Security Branch, H.Q. A.C.C., with a copy to C.I.C. Detachment, SARDINIA. Capt. FIELDENS has had considerable experience and training in police and security work, and it is thought that his information may be regarded as reliable.

2. It appears from this report, and particularly from those paragraphs which have been side-lined, that General MAGLI is unsuitable to hold the appointment of Commander of the Italian Forces in SARDINIA, and that in this capacity, he presents a potential danger to Allied security.

3. It is realised that too great attention should NOT be paid to his actions during the days immediately following the Armistice, but considerable anxiety is felt with regard to his attempts to obtain fuller information on Allied activities, and to the favour and protection which he continues to afford to high Fascist officers in key positions under his Command.

4. Moreover, the MARTINI conspiracy appeared to indicate that we would hardly be justified in counting upon General MAGLI's integrity and pro-Allied sentiments. It will be recalled that amongst the documents in the MARTINI case was found a draft letter from General MARTINI to General MAGLI, inviting the latter to join the Fascist Republican conspiracy against the Allies. Although this letter was not sent, the fact that it was written indicates that those involved in the plot considered General MAGLI's support and participation to be a distinct possibility.

5. It is the opinion of the head of the Italian counter-intelligence organisation, which co-operates closely with the Allies, that General MAGLI is unsuitable from the security point of view to hold his present responsible appointment; he considers that the latter's fascist background and connections are pronounced, and that we cannot count upon his full allegiance to the Allied cause.

6. In view of the special situation in SARDINIA, where Italian troops far outnumber Allied troops, you will no doubt agree that it is of the greatest importance that the Commander of the Italian Forces should be one whose integrity, intentions and pro-Allied sympathy are beyond doubt. We feel, therfore, that General MAGLI should be removed on security grounds from his present appointment, and that he should be retired and replaced as soon as possible by a General in whom we can place greater confidence.

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8. The Security Branch, H.Q. A.C.C. is taking up the question of the Prefect of SASSARI.

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Lieut-General.
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Copy to:- Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
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REGION 6. A.C.C. 13th June 1944.

Subject:- Military Security Situation in Sardinia.

To:- Colonel A.E. Young, Director, Security Branch, A.C.C. Ref No.....

Sir,

1. As the result of my own observations and from conversations with many Sardinians, both civilian and military, I am quite satisfied that the situation is better than it was during the autumn of 1943, but it is most certainly not yet satisfactory.

2. In the autumn of 1943 there were about 260,000 Italian troops in Sardinia, underfed and mostly only getting one good meal a day. Most of them looked really hungry. (Other ranks, not the Officers). Now I am told that the total is about 160,000 troops and is still being reduced by more transfers of units to the mainland. Further, the Italian troops now get a much larger ration, thanks to American food, and they no longer look starved.

3. At the time of the Armistice there were a number of Blackshirt Fascist Militia Legions in the North of the island, said to number about 30,000 men. About 200 of the Militia and over 1,000 of the Nembo Paratroop Division went with the Germans. Other Militia troops tried to join the Germans, but were prevented from doing so. These Fascist Militia Legions, which have now for the most part been absorbed into the Italian Army, were full of the most ardent Fascists.

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5. The Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Army in Sardinia is General MAGLI an ex-Fascist who served on the staff of the Fascist General CAVALLERO. General MAGLI is hated and distrusted by the people here.

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7. I do not know if these allegations are true, but many anti-Fascists in Northern Sardinia will at once repeat them to you if General MAGLI's name is mentioned. During the autumn of 1943, I personally interviewed a score of Italian Army Officers, from Colonels to Lieuts, and perhaps a dozen other ranks, all of whom fought in Corsica. They all tell much the same story, but I was never able to find evidence to show that any of these allegations actually happened as the result of a direct order from General MAGLI. I have never read any report about the fighting in Corsica.

8. A number of Italian Officers who were friendly towards the Allies and who co-operated whole-heartedly with us have now been transferred and ordered to the mainland. Examples: General Casula, Lt.Col. Carboni, Major Aielli and Major Todde.

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9. At the beginning of December 1943, orders came from the Badoglio Government for about 500 Carabinieri in Sardinia to be retired. General MAGLI allowed this order to be put into effect, in spite of the fact that there was more crime in Sardinia than ever before. The trouble that a quarter of a million half-starved soldiers were giving can easily be imagined. The Carabinieri are the best organised and the most loyal body in Sardinia. At the time the loyalty of sections of the Italian Army, especially the Militia, was doubted, and a few days later the General Martini plot came to light. The order to retire these 500 Carabinieri was then stopped by the Allies.

10. About the same time, late November or early December1943, Colonel RAVENNA, Commander of the Carabinieri in Sardinia, and of course responsible to General MAGLI, sent a circular letter to Carabinieri Officers ordering them to report upon the nature of enquiries made by Allied Officers and all Allied activities. General MAGLI denied all knowledge of this and blamed Col. RAVENNA.

11. I have always thought that General MAGLI did not tell the truth over this matter and events this week seem to justify my belief. General MAGLI visited Sassari and amongst these officers he saw was Lt.Col. MASCIA, Italian Army Intelligence in Sassari. At 1100 hrs on 7 June 1944, Lt. Modiano called to see Lt.Col. Mascia at the Colonel's request. Lt.Modiano is one of the Italian Officer attached to the Allied Control Commission in Sassari. Lt.Col. Mascia told the Lieut. that he required more information about A.C.C. activities in his reports and that everything Allied Officers did must be reported. Lt.Modiano immediately on his return to his office reported the matter to Major DOLLAR, A.C.C. Provincial Commissioner, who in turn reported to his Brigadier.

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15. This version was given to us by a high ranking Italian Officer who was present. Similar versions were given to us by a number of other informants.

16. Towards the end of May a similar speech, perhaps a little more anti-Ally, is alleged to have been made by Colonel CARMINA MARADEI to about 100 Officers and men of the 553rd Italian A.A. Regiment of Artillery. The speech was made near Alghero. (Sassari Province). However, in this case the information has not yet been verified and we only have the version of one Italian private who was present at the time.

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17. To my knowledge there have only been four attempts to leave Sardinia and join the enemy. Only one may have been successful when an Italian M.A.S. boat disappeared and may have reached the enemy. In the other three cases, which were unsuccessful and arrests made. Officers were involved in each one, especially in the case of General MARTINI, (Fascist Militia) when only three of the sixteen persons arrested were civilians. Most of the Officers arrested were Fascist Militia.

18. The Fascist Army Officers hope and believe that the Germans will reinforce the Italian front and recapture Italy, Sicily and Sardinia, (1) if the second front is defeated, and/or (2) if Germany makes a separate peace with Russia.

19. We are told by two members of the Sassari anti-Fascist Committee that Colonel PICCINELLI addressed some Italian Officers at Muliv, near Sassari, after the liberation of Rome, when he is alleged to have said, "the day xxxx the Allies took Rome was a day of mourning, but Fascism will come back".

20. All the coast of Sardinia is guarded by Italian troops and they share the defence of the airfields and one Naval Base at La Maddalena.

21. The security at Cagliari, which is the only port, and/or airfield, where civilians can leave for Italy and Sicily, is quite good. Italians can only leave by permit and can only enter Sardinia through Cagliari by permit. There is an American Naval Port Security Officer and C.I.C. personnel is attached to the American Air Corps at Cagliari.

22. The only other civilian traffic to and from Sardinia is with Corsica, which is also done by permit through S. Teresa Gallura, La Maddalena and possible Olbia. (Sometimes called Terranova). S. Teresa Gallura and Olbia are entirely in Italian hands and control, but the Royal Navy has taken over the island base of La Maddalena.

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26. The Prefect, like General MAGLI, has done little to get rid of the Fascists from office. On the contrary he seems to be doing all he can to protect his Fascist friends.

27. Recently eight Fascists were arrested. There names were submitted by the Sassari Anti-Fascist Committee to the Italian High Commissioner, General PIEMA, with a recommendation for internment. The General agreed and ordered their arrest. After a few days all eight men had to appear before a Committee consisting of the Prefect, Procurator del Re, the Lt.Col. in charge of Carabinieri and the Questore. All eight men were released, but are now subject to curfew and a few other petty restrictions. The Lt.Col. of Carabinieri is a General MAGLI nominee, having been sent to replace Major Adelli, who was so friendly and co-operative with the Allies. The Questore had not been in Sassari a week at the time, having only just been appointed. He is over 70 years of age and of course responsible to the Prefect.

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28. The Sassari Anti-Fascist Committee have protested to the Allies over the release of these eight men, and there is very considerable dissatisfaction amongst the people, who thought that at last something was going to be done.

29. Members of the Sassari Anti-Fascist Committee who we have interviewed say that the Prefect co-operates with them over little things, but not over big things.

30. Major Dollar, the A.C.C. Provincial Commissioner for Sassari, has already reportedto his Brigadier suggesting the Prefect be removed. His views on the subject are similar to those of my C.I.C. colleagues and myself. The Prefect of Cagliari has already been removed and I am told by Lt.Col. Price, the Provincial Commissioner for Cagliari, that the new man appears to be a big improvement.

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Sgd/ Richard FIELDEN, Captain,
Security Branch, A.C.C. 4472

Copy to:- C.I.C. Detachment, Sardinia, for their information.

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SUBJECT: Col MACIOTTI Francesco

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMLA)
LECCE (LECCE)
Y/203/1
July 44

2 Enclosures (for CSI(b)).

Copy to: Ministry of War (Your 3392/c undated refers)
HQ ACC U.S.A. MI Section

1. We are informed by the War Ministry that Col MACIOTTI Francesco arrested as an ex-aquerriata by Allied Authorities is now living at the LEON D'ORO Hotel in BARI. He is being looked after by the Bari Military District and is held at the disposal of Allied Military Authority.

2. The Ministry of War have requested that this officer be sent to his home at Milazzo (Sicily) on indefinite leave adding that the procedure of defascistization initiated by them against him will not be held up by his traveller.

3. May a decision on the above requests please be given.

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Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

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n. 3392/c di prot. P.M.107, li giugno 1944.

OGGETTO: Colonnello MAGISTRI Francesco.

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All'ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ.(MMIA)
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LEQUILE

e, per conoscenza:
Alla DIREZ. GENERALE PERS. UFFICIALI = S E D E =

Il Colonnello richiamato dal congedo

M A G I S T R I Francesco

trovasi presentemente a Bari, alloggiato presso lo albergo "LEON D'ORO".

L'Ufficiale è amministrato dal Distretto Militare di Bari ed è tenuto a disposizione delle Autorità Militari Alleate.

Pregasi far conoscere se il Magistri, che richiede a Milazzo (Sicilia) può essere ricollocato in congedo, ciò che non impedirebbe lo svolgimento della già iniziata procedura di defascistizzazione a suo carico.

IL COLONNELLO ADDETTO 4470
(M. Ravaglì)

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SUBJECT: Documents

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H. . (SCI)
[illegible] (LEVUE)
I/103/1
20 June 44

Military of War

The attached documents are forwarded to you for information and necessary action.

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[signature]
Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Captured Documents

SECRET

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MSCA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/105/1
30 June 44

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AAI
War Ministry
CSSR
Public Safety Sub Commission ACC

1. The attached copies of documents captured by 5 Army contain information on the Italian Republican Army and reveal the names of [redacted] Italian officers who have collaborated with the enemy.

2. It is requested that addressees take action as necessary on the information revealed in these documents.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGH.

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COMANDO TRASEITO ITALIANO
Dal 582 Reggimento Fanteria
2 Battaglione Comp Comando

Noi sotto notati Militari informiamo codesto Comando Alleato.
Che gli ufficiali di questo reparto.
Capitano Ravello, Capitano Barbieri, Tenente Cesarro, Tenente Casburbia, Tenente Bernardi, Tenente Bacchi, S Tenente Arcori, S Tenente Saccalaro.
I sopra eccitati da tempo che abbiamo riscontrato che sono disfattisti dandone prova di propaganda contro voi Alleati.
Dicendo che voi Englesi siete invasori dal nostro Continente, portando la schiavitu nella nostra Italian. Noi soldati lavoratori alle vostre difendense ci maltrattano con modi più brutali. Il Tenente Cesarre anche Capitano della Milizia Volontaria si assen'a tutti giorni dall'accampamento con cannocchiale esperando i vari movimenti inemico.

Il Capitano Ravello ecche Maggiore della Milizia Volontaria fa capire che i suoi sentimenti e l'onore del Fascismo. Si non si dimentichera mai e pronunciandosi con parole e offesi col dire Iddio maledisca gl'Inglesi.

Il desidero dei nostri ufficiali sarebbe quello che i Germanici vincessero la guerra, fu steminare la Razza Inglesi. Preghiamo considerare quanto scritto il nostro desidero fa migliori schiarimenti volesa interogare personalmente.

Fufede ci firmiamo
Caporale De Rigo Giuseppe
Soldato Giuseppe Bellaggia

29 Maggio 44

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COMANDO DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE DI TERNI

N. 166 di prot. Terni, li 31 Maggio 1944 XXII

OGGETTO: Reclusioni del richiamo alle armi.

Rif: fogli n. 6191 e 6194 del 25/5/44.

Al 53 COMANDO MILITARE PROVINCIALE
Ufficio Ord e Mobilitazione
Roma da Comune 839

In ordine ai fogli in reiferimento, si rende noto:

I documenti di esonero sono stati presentati al Comando Militare Germanico in Perugia personalmente dai sottoscritto il giorno 26/5/44 e subito ritirati.
Si assicura inoltre che si è qui costituita ed è pronta a funzionare, una commissione esonori così composta:
dal Maggiore Baccelloni Edoardo che ha già presi accordi con il Comando Mil Germanico-Ufficio Esoneri;
dal S.Tenente Ceccarelli per il locale Comando Tedesco;
dal S.Tenente Maida Giuseppe per la Prefettura di Terni.

IL COMANDANTE DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE
(Magg. Baccelloni Edoardo)

COMANDO DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE DI TERNI

N. 160 di prot. Terni, li 29 Maggio 1944 - XXII

ALLA PREFETTURA REPUBBLICANA DI TERNI

AL COMANDO MILITARE GERMANICO SANGEMINI
(Ufficiale Collegamento)

per conoscenza e con preghiera di provvedere in merito.

IL COMANDANTE DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE
(Magg. Baccelloni Edoardo)

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dal S.Tenente Cecconelli per il Locale Comando Tedesco;

dal S.Tenente Maldn Giuseppe per la Prefettura di Terni.

IL COMANDANTE DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE
(Magg Bacciglioni Edoardo)

COMANDO DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE DI TERNI

N. 140 di prot Terni, li 29 Maggio 1944 - XXII

ALLA PREFETTURA REPUBBLICANA DI TERNI

AL COMANDO MILITARE GERMANICO SANSEPOLCRO
(Ufficiale Collegamento)

per conoscenza e con preghiera di provvedere in merito.

IL COMANDANTE DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE
(Magg Bacciglioni Edoardo)

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COPIA - TELEGRAMMA DALLO STATO MAGGIORE ESERCITO - Ufficio Mobilitazione

N. 07/6218/MOB DATA 12 CORRENTE ALT SUDETTO COMANDI MILITARI REGIONALI TUTTI PT PER CONOSCENZA MINISTERO FORZE ARMATE GABINETTO, COMMISSIONE CENTRALE ESONERI PRESSO SEGRETARIATO GENERALE ESERCITO PUNTO RIFERI MENTO FOGLIO II CORRENTE 3637 BARRA 1 SUNI ALT ET AI COMMISSIONE CENTRALE ESONERI PRESSO SEGRETARIATO GENERALE ESERCITO ALT SEGUITO TELE 07/6067 DEL 10

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GENERALE BISCHI

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207 COMANDO MILITARE REGIONALE
Ufficio Ord. e Mobilit.

N. 3856/M di prot. P.C.839,15/5/1944 XXII

.....Indirizzi consoci.....

?.....a seguito attergato N. 3855.M del 13 corr., con preghiera di premiare contatto con la locale Prefettura per la designazione dei rappresentanti civili e con i locali Comandi Tedeschi.

Assicurare che le commissioni di cui trattasi sono pronte a funzionare.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
F. to Magg. Luccarini

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53 COMANDO MILITARE PROVINCIALE
Ufficio Ordinam. e Mobilit.

N. 6194/OM di prot. P.C. 839, 25/5/1944/XXII

AL MAGGIORE BACCELLONI Edoardo - Ufficiale di Collegamento per gli Esoneri presso il Comando Germanico.

SEDE

.....per l'esecuzione assicurando che la Commissione è pronta a funzionare perchè questo Comando possa a sua volta dare assicurazione al Comando Militare Regionale.

IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
(Umberto Bellone)

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.....indirizzi cennati.....

?..... a seguito allegato N. 2855.M del 13 corr., con preghiera di prendere contatto con la locale Prefettura per la designazione dei rappresentanti civili e con i locali Comandi Tedeschi.

Assicurare che le commissioni di cui trattasi sono pronte a funzionare.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
F. to Magg. Luccarini

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53 COMANDO MILITARE PROVINCIALE
Ufficio Ordinam. e Mobilit.

N. 6194/ON di prot. P.G. 839, 25/5/1944/XXII

AL MAGGIORE BACCELLONI Edoardo - Ufficiale di Collegamento per gli Ascari presso il Comando Carrarmato.

SEDE

.....per l'accenuione assicurando che la Commissione e pronta a funzionare perhoc questo Comando possa a sua volta dare assicurazione al Comando Militare Regionale.

IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
(Umberto Bellone)

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COMANDO DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE DI TORINO

N. 139 di prot.

Torino, li 29 Marzo 1944 - XXII

AL COMANDO MILITARE GERMANICO
(Ufficiale Collegamento)
TORINO

.....per conoscenza e per quanto ne consegue.

IL COMANDANTE DEL PRESIDIO MILITARE
(Magg. Paccagnini Edoardo)

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7 COMANDO MILITARE REGIONALE
Ufficio Cdf e Labbi.

N. 3891/M di prot
OGGETTO: Norme per l'Esonero.

P.C. 807, 15/5/1944/XXII

.....individui esonerati.....

A seguito foglio N. 3336/M del 4 corrente, si trasmette l'unita circolare dello S.M.R. N. 07/3500 indata 20 aprile, con preghiera di prendere accordi, attraverso gli ufficiali di collegamento, con i Comandi Militari Germanici - Sezione Lavoro - circa le date di presentazione ed il ritiro dei vari documenti di esonero, dandone notizia a questo Comando.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
F. to Magg. Lanzerini

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53 COMANDO MILITARE PROVINCIALE
Ufficio Cdf. e Labbili.

N. 6191/3M di prot.

P.C. 839, 25/5/1944/XXII

AL MAGGIORE BACCELLONI Edoardo - Ufficiale
di Collegamento per gli Esonari presso
Il Comando Germanico

TERNI

.....per l'esecuzione, informando circa la data di presentazione ed il ritiro dei vari documenti di esonero perche questo Comando possa a sua volta informare il Comando Regionale.

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IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
(Umberto Balloco)

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STATO MAGGIORE ESERCITO
Ufficio Reclutamento e Mobilitazione

P.C. 865.29/4/1944/XXII

N. 07/5900 di prot
OGGETTO: Norme per l'esonero di lavoratori impiegati presso aziende controllate dall'autorità Germanica.

/.....intirimi cenni.....

Le disposizioni di cui alla circolare N. 07/5000 di questo S.M. in data 14 corrente, pari oggetto, sono estese con effetto immediato a tutte le categorie di lavoratori impiegati presso aziende interessanti l'autorità Germanica, appartenenti alle classi dal 1900 al 1919, già richiamati alle armi o che potranno essere successivamente per qualsiasi esigenza.

Le norme concordate con la parte Germanica, in data 29 febbraio u.s., di cui all'accordo allegato alla circolare 07/5000 suddetta, saranno applicate integralmente per quanto riguarda le modalità fissate per la richiesta e la convalidità degli esoneri.

Per fissare le date di presentazione e ritiro dei vari documenti e di tutti gli atti conseguenti alla concessione degli esoneri, i Comandi Militari Regionali prenderanno diretti accordi con i Comandi Militari Germanici - Sezione Lavoro - competenti nel territorio, in modo che le operazioni necessarie si svolgano gradatamente entro periodi di tempo non successivi a quelli previsti per le classi 1900-1926 dal citato accordo 29 febbraio scorso.

Della data fissata sarà data tempestiva comunicazione attraverso la stampa locale, avvertendo nel contempo questo S.M.E.

IL CAPO DI S.M. DELL'ESERCITO
f/to Mischi

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P.C.C.
L'UFFICIALE SUPERIORE ADDETTO
(Tem Col Mocchi Raul)

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SUBJECT:- Captured Decs.

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Army Sub Commission, ACC
(M M I A)
Rear H Q EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/103/43

28 Jun 44.

Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)

The attached documents, though dated Sep 43, contain information that may be of interest.

M. Feldman

Major,
Liaison Officer.

Forwarded to W.M.
30/6

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SUBJECT: Italian Troops in VASTO

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
30 June 44

AAI (for GSI)

Ref your 1402/12/GSI(b) of 27 June.

1. Attached is a copy of our letter addressed to the Italian General Staff reporting Breaches of Security by Italian troops in Vasto. (2 Dist letter 2022/79/GSI of 20 June refers).

2. Gen Oxilia, Italian Deputy Chief of Staff, in a letter to the CIL reporting both the breaches of security and the wire-cutting incidents states - "These facts, and especially the lack of security mindedness, reflect adversely on Italian Units collaborating with the Allies and could bring serious harm to the carrying out of operations.

You will please make every effort to ensure that incidents of this nature do not occur again."

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Security Discipline COPY

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
23 June 44

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SMEA

Copy to: 2 Pln (Your 2022/79 GSI of 20 June refers)

1. A serious view is taken by this HQ of reports from VASTO regarding grave breaches of security committed by Italian military to units of the CIL. These reports reveal that information has been disclosed to civilians regarding the movement and employment of the two Italian Divisions in the CIL and the future employment and destinations of British units relieved in the line.

2. Furthermore three cases of wire cutting were reported on 5 June. In each case the wire had been cut at a point where it ran through the camp of the Batteria Motorizzata d'Artiglieria di Campo. 400 yards of this wire had been used for the construction of tents. Captain CIMMENTI - CO of this unit - was told that he would be held responsible for any further breaks in the line running through his grounds. On the 9 June some 30 yards of cable had been removed, once more in the camp grounds.

3. It is requested that you issue orders to the commanders concerned with a copy to this HQ, to the effect that they will tighten up Security in all units under command and ensure that all ranks are conversant with the regulations governing Security Discipline.

L BROWNING

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. 3378/e di prot. P.M.107, li 29 giugno 1944.

OGGETTO: Console M.V.S.N. G.B. ALLORI.-

Alla COMMISSIONE SCIOGLIMENTO MILIZIA
PRESSO COMANDO IX C. D'A. BARI
e, per conosc.:
Alla SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO LEQUILE

Si sarà grati a codesta Commissione se vorrà trasmettere ogni qualsiasi notizia riguardante il Console della M.V.S.N. G.B. Allori e particolarmente:

- suo stato di servizio
- sua data di nascita
- sue condizioni fisiche
- sua attività politico- militare svolta, ecc.

Le notizie sono richieste d'urgenza dalle Autorità Militari Alleate.

IL COLONNELLO ADDETTO
(M. Ravagli)

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See Fo 227

See, put in Security file + link up with HQ Cont

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SUBJECT:- Italian coops in VASTO HQ. ALLIED AIR FORCES IN ITALY

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AAI/1402/12/CSI(b)

27 Jun 44

M.M.I.A.

Ref. 2 District letter 2022/79/CSI dated 20 Jun 44.

It is requested that both matters reported on in the above be taken up strongly with the Italian military authorities and that this HQ be informed of the corrective measures taken by the latter in both cases.

for Brigadier,
D.C.S.(I).

JWF

Copy to:- CSI, 2 District

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SUBJECT: Correspondence

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Army Unit Commander A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
Location (BROCK)
I/103/1
28 June 44

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Please forward attached letter to Colonel Powerscal U.S. VII Indian Army Corps.

Col.

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A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Italian Soldiers who collaborate with the Fascist Republicans

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (ALCOR)
I/103/1
28 June 44

Lt Col Campbell Army Sub Comm A.C.C.
Rear HQ ACC

Reference your ACC/18 of 25 June.

Attached please find two copies of our SD 1005 of 22 June which lays down the policy regarding the screening of Italian forces picked up in the Advance of the Allied Armies.

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Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGI.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

P/GR

N. 6819 /Op. prot. P.M. 151 li 27 giugno 1944

Allegati Risposta al foglio N. 1/103/1 del

OGGETTO: Disciplina di sicurezza.

AL CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE P.M. 155

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA DELEGAZIONE "A" S.M.R.E. P.M. 185

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO LE QUILE

- Sottocommissione per l'Esercito -

(rifer.f.n.1/103/1 del 23 giugno)

I - La Commissione Alleata di Controllo ha comunicato che, in quest'ultimo periodo, militari appartenenti a codesto Corpo Italiano di Liberazione hanno varie volte violato il segreto militare rivelando a civili informazioni concernenti il movimento e l'impiego di reparti italiani e di reparti inglesi sostituiti sulla linea del fronte.

II - Inoltre ha riferito che in data 5 giugno per tre volte ed in data 9 giugno per una volta, malgrado ripetuti avvertimenti fatti dai comandi alleati, nella zona occupata dalla batteria motorizzata d'artiglieria del Capitano Chimenti, sono stati asportati ed impiegati per l'impianto di tende complessivamente 400 metri circa di filo telefonico.

III - Detti fatti, in special modo la mancanza di riservatezza, mettono in cattiva luce i reparti italiani che collaborano con gli alleati e possono essere di grave danno per la condotta delle operazioni, svelando al nemico preziose notizie.

Pregasi prendere tutti i provvedimenti del caso per evitare che inconvenienti del genere abbiano a ripetersi.-

P. C. C.
p. IL TEN.COLONNELLO in s.S.M. a.p.s.
- Capo Ufficio Operazioni -
Piero Cumbò

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
- G.B. Oxilia -

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To: G.O.C. via 2 i/c

For information

2 i/c

GH

No concentration camps and no radium. Usual telegram. To all concerned. States that such men must be placed in canal prisons. Time sent and sent copy to Campbell who thinks it up end of war. Did not send him copy, which answers his letter. Do not send telegram to him, answer his letter by starting our telegram number pounds (1)

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION
REAR H.Q. ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

ASC/16

SUBJECT: Italian soldiers who collaborated with the Fascist Republicans.

TO : Army Sub-Commission,
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LAQUILE (LECCE).

25 June 1944

1. I enclose translation of a letter received from Marshal Messe.

2. I understand from General Infante that the question was discussed when he met General Browning in Naples last Tuesday, and action is being taken by the Carabinieri on para 3.

3. The question of a concentration camp mentioned in the last para of the letter is the only matter for attention and I understand General Browning has noted this point for consideration.

J.A.CAMPBELL,
Lt. Colonel,
Army Sub-Commission.

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. 135, 21 June 44

Comando Supremo

SUBJECT: Italian soldiers who colaborated with the Fascist Republicans.

TO : A.C.C.

It has been reported that in the City of Rome there are free circulating:

Soldiers, who, during the German occupation, served in the Republican Organisation and who gave their oath to the so called Fascist Republic.

Soldiers who served in the Republican Armed Forces, and who, after the advance of the Allied Armies, disguised themselves in civilian clothing instead of following the retreat of the German units.

Both categories are composed of untrustworthy elements, who, as has been reported, are still making in part propaganda against the United Nations, and the liberated Italian Government, and who, furthermore, for their behaviour during the occupation period, should be judged and punished under existing laws.

I recognise it is important and urgent, in the common interest, to provide that these elements be rounded up and sent to a concentration camp established for the purpose, where mixed Italian and Allied Commissions could investigate and take subsequent measures in order to cut down the growth of any subversive action of sabotage against Allied and National Government operations.

If the A.C.C. were to agree on this evident necessity it is necessary that the S.M.R.E. should be authorised in agreement with the Army Sub-Commission of the A.C.C. to constitute the aforesaid concentration camp in the Region near Rome, and to issue to elements detained therein food rations sufficient for feeding them.

Chief of General Staff

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

G/19
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Ref/320/36/CA

24 June 1944

SUBJECT: Security - Screening.

TO : Distribution below.

1. It is notified that the Security Branch has been established in Rome and is now available to deal with enquiries from Sub-Commissions regarding the bonda fides of individuals and of business enterprises in Rome.

2. It is most desirable that before committing themselves to unknown personalities in Rome that Sub-Commissions should take advantage of this service particularly to avoid the criticism which will naturally follow if the Commission encourages those who are politically or otherwise undesirable.

3. All such enquiries should be addressed to the Director Security Branch Advanced Hq. A.C.C.

for Sturgess 27/6

M.G. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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SUBJECT: Lieut. VALDAMBRINI Francesco

CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
26 June 44

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SIR,

Reference our I/103/1 of 23 June 44.

It is confirmed that VALDAMBRINI is a Lieutenant in the Italian Army. No other particulars are available.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCL.

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SUBJECT: Col BAGISTKI Evan CROCE

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

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
25 June 46

Ministry of War

Reference our I/103/1 of 18 June.

1. A reply is still awaited to paragraph 2 of our letter under reference.

2. Please treat as urgent.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ARMY SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

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ARS/G-2

22 June 1944

Subject: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

To : Hq. MMIA

1. The attached file is forwarded for your information and action.

Dealt with at
730

Three mw for reply —

(12)

George D. Arnold Jr.
Maj. FA
Lt. Col.
Army Sub Commission(ACC)

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

14 June 1944

151/46/3A

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

TO : Army Sub-Commission.

1. There is forwarded for your information copies (2) of letters received from No. 2 District.

2. Re Col. Magistri Francesco can you please give us any information concerning this officer about which you were making enquiries at BARI.

HERMAN E. STICK
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: Army Sub-Comm. (Rear) (Your QS 115 of 16 May refers.)

JSH/JR

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SUBJECT : Release of Italian Prisoner of War.

HQ N° 2 Dimtrict CMP.
210/18/ A
16 May 44.

HQ ACC
(RC & MG Sec).

Col Francesco MAGISTRI

Ref your 154/25/CA of 19 Apr 44, attached please find copy of letters concerning the a/m Italian officer.

Major General,
Comd. N° 2 District.-

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SUBJECT: Fm. e.W in Custody.

TO : OC PS Police.

FROM OC 371 P.e. W. Camp, CMP.

Colonel MAGISTRI Francesco has been in my custody since the 20th Sept 1943. He was taken on the 14th September 43.

I have no copy of charge against him, except verbal instructions from 86 Area. It is alleged that he is anti-British.

His conduct whilst with this Camp has been exemplary.

He speaks understandable French.

5 Oct 1943
In transit.

(Signed) ? Major,
OC 371. P.e.W. Camp.

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Comando IX Corpo d'Armata
Stato Maggiore Ufficio Operazioni

F.M. 6/, the 7th October 43.

acknowledge receipt of Colonel of the Bersaglieri Corp Francesco Magistri Commander of the Garrison of Catanzaro which was accompanied to be kept at the disposal of the Segret Police of the British Army.

(Signed) IL COLONNELLO CAPO
DI S.M.
(Nicola Balzani)

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION,
ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS,
REAR H.Q., ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Q8315

21 May, 1944.

SUBJECT: Col. Francesco MAGISTRI.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, L.C. CATANZARO via Army Sub-Commission A.C.C. Main HQ (MAIA) LECCE (LECCE).

1. Reference this office Q8315 dated 29 April, 1944.

2. May a reply please now be given to last para of above quoted letter?

J.A.CAMPBELL,
Major, H.L.I.
O i/c Adv. H.Q.,
Army Sub-Commission.

We have been advised to take no further action unless further request emanates from this office is made by C.S. for. 3/6/44

file (~~Q8315 21/5/44~~).

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RE..A HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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Q3/mms

Q3315

25 April 1944

SUBJECT: Col. Francesco MAGISTRI.

TO : Army Sub-Comm. L.C. CATANZARO via Army Sub-Comm. A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA) LEQUILE (LECCE).

In Jan. Gen. ALIBERTI informed A.C.C. that Col. MAGISTRI of 207 Inf. Depot had been arrested as an ex-squadrista. He asked if this officer could be handed over to the Italian Military authorities.

A.F.H.Q. were informed that A.C.C. recommended the transfer (18 Jan.). On 8 Feb. A.F.H.Q. agreed, sayin that G-2 (C.I.) also concurred. On 10 March as nothing had been received of this matter, G3218 (2 District) were asked if they knew of the officers present location. No report has so far been received.

I should be glad to know if you can say if Col. MAGISTRI is still in Allied custody or not.

Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Comission
Advanced Headquarters

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

Ref/154/24/CA 19 April 44.

SUBJECT: Release of Italian P.W.

TO : Army Sub-Comm. Advanced Hq.

Coronelo Francesco Magestri

Ref. your QS248 of 13 April 1944 enquiries are still being made but so far no information can be obtained as to the above named officer's whereabouts.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

ADV HQ
GALERNO
Front Main 4442

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PEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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Q3/mms

353 13 April 1944

Q3243

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

TO : Regional Control and Military Government Section, Main HQ. A.C.C., Naples. (Magistri)

Reference our Q3115 dated 18 March.

Please state how this matter now stands.

Lt. Col.

(C. V. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

QS/mms

QS116

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16 March 1944

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

TO : Regional Control and Military Government Section, Main HQ. A.C.C., Naples.

Reference attached copy of Ministry of War letter marked (A). A.F.H.Q. have recommended that the officer be released to the Italian Military authorities

See attached copy of A.F.H.Q. letter No. 383.6 marked (B). As it is not known where this officer is incarcerated, it is considered that you may be able to ascertain this and arrange for transfer of custody to the Italian authorities. On the other hand, if thought advisable, this office will arrange for Italian General Staff to take him over if date and place is arranged by Allied Military authorities concerned.

Note:- GSGIB No. 2 District were approached on this matter on the 10th of March but so far have not informed us of his location.

Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission

2 Incl.
Ltr marked (A)
" " (B)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

HP/wdek/jjr

6 February 1944.

MGS: 383.6

SUBJECT: Italian Prisoner of War.

TO : HQ., A.C.C.

Reference your 201 MAGISTRI, Francesco dated 18 Jan. 44.

The recommendation of HQ., A.M.G. that Colonel Magistri be released to the Italian Military authority is concurred. In this G-2 (C.I.) also concur.

for HENRY PARKMAN
Lt. Colonel, GSC.

Copy to: G-2 (C.I.)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 512

Reference: 201 Magistri, Francesco 18 January 1944.

SUBJECT: Italian Prisoner of War (Officer)

TO : Commanding General AFHQ

1. Forwarded herewith for your consideration is the correspondence concerning the request for transfer of Francesco Magistri, 207th Infantry, 31st Coprs HQ. at Catanzaro (Italian Army). Colonel Magistri is now in custody of Allied Authorities.

2. It is the recommendation of this Headquarters that Colonel Magistri be released to the Italian Military Authority, in accordance with the views expressed in the enclosed Memorandum of Brigadier General Maxwell D. Taylor.

/s/ Charles M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel G.S.C.
D.C.C.A.O.

Encl: (2)

1. Letter, Ministry of War
No. 256/c, PM 107 29 December 43/in translation

2. Memorandum HQ, ACC
201 Magistri, Francesco.

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4 JAN 1944

MDT/hjp

In reply refer to:
201 - Magistri, Francesco

4 January 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Alberti, Ministry of War, Brindisi

Your communication of 29 December 1943 regarding the detention of Colonel Francesco Magistri has been referred for action to the appropriate Allied authorities.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

Argentina - 106

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4 JAN 1944

MRT/ajp

In reply refer to:
201 - Magistri, Francesco

4 January 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel Spofford, Deputy Chief Civil Officer
Headquarters AMG, Naples

SUBJECT : Detention of Colonel Francesco Magistri

The attached request regarding the transfer of custody of Colonel Francesco Magistri is transmitted for your consideration. The Allied Control Commission considers that in most cases of this sort it is preferable to allow the Italian Authorities to take action.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

1 Incl:
Ltr, Ministry for War
No. 256/C, F.M. 107 29 Dec 43

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TRADUZIONE

MINISTRY FOR WAR RED/hfj/mip

29 December 1943

Subject: Colonel Francesco Magistri, recalled from the Restricted Reserve Cadre (A.R.R.).

To: The Allied Control Commission, Brindisi.

The Headquarters of the 31st Army Corp has informed us that Colonel Francesco Magistri of the Bersaglieri of the 207th Infantry depot at Catanzaro has been placed in custody by the British - American authorities and is still being detained.

It seems that the arrest was motivated by the fact that the officer in question is an ex - squadrista.

This Ministry would be very grateful to the Commission if it would place Colonel Magistri at the disposal of the Italian military authorities so that they may undertake the burden under the recent Decree of the Ministerial Council of the "defascistization". This Ministry would also be grateful if it were informed of every step taken with regard to this case.

/s/ Aliberti
GENERAL ALIBERTI

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SUBJECT: Security Discip' n "A" CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
23 June 44

SMRZ

Copy to: 2 Dis (Your 2022/79 G&I of 20 June refers)

1. A serious view is taken by this HQ of reports from VATTO regarding grave breaches of security committed by Italian military in units of the CIL. These reports reveal that information has been disclosed to civilians regarding the movement and employment of the two Italian Divisions in the CIL and the future employment and destinations of British units relieved in the line.

2. Furthermore three cases of wire cutting were reported on 5 June. In each case the wire had been cut at a point where it ran through the camp of the Batterria Motorizzata d'Artiglieria di Campo. 400 yards of this wire had been used for the construction of tents. Captain CHIMINTI - CO of this unit - was told that he would be held responsible for any further breaks in the line running through his grounds. On the 9 June some 30 yards of cable had been removed, once more in the camp grounds.

3. It is requested that you issue orders to the commanders concerned with a copy to this HQ, to the effect that they will tighten up Security in all units under command and ensure that all ranks are conversant with the regulations governing Security Discipline.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Lieut VALDAMBRINI I Fantheon

"B" CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
23 June 44

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Copy to: MAIA LO Rear 8 Army (Your MI/103/33 of 15 June refers)

1. Lieut Valdambrini was in charge of a large dump of Air Force material, including clothing, at PONTECORVO. Before the complete occupation of the area by the Germans he was urged to transfer the material to places of concealment. He refused to do so and was later responsible for handing over to the Germans almost the entire stock. Some he had previously sold to civilians not of PONTECORVO, for his personal benefit.

2. It is requested that every effort be made to locate this officer and have him tried by courts-martial and severely punished.

3. Please inform this HQ of action taken by you to apprehend this officer and notify us of any further developments.

A Browning
Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

cal. Reply at 103/2

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SUBJECT: Interzone Is e of Passes

Folio 235

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MOLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
21 June 44

War Ministry
ROME

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Copy to: Public Safety Sub Commission ACC (Your ACC/14018/5/PS of 16 June refers)

1. CIURLO Antonio of Otranto wearing POW clothing was found in the Isernia District making his way to see his family in Acquaviva d'Isernia, near Forli in the forward areas. He was in possession of a permit No 10834 issued on the 23 May in Bari giving authority for the journey and return, in force until the 30 June. He was also in possession of a Foglio di Licenza issued by the Italian military authorities at Soleto, Lecce on 17 May.

2. This man was not permitted to proceed but was returned through POW channels out of the Army area.

3. Your attention is drawn to the fact that Leave passes must not be issued in cases where civilian passes are required until the civilian passes have first been obtained by the commander concerned under arrangement with the local ACC officer.

These regulations were laid down in our I/101/1 of 11 June.

4. It is requested that all unit commanders be instructed to comply with the above regulations.

COL.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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THIS SHEET CAN NOT BE REMOVED

To: 2 i/c

Ref attached

I suggest I draft a letter for your approval asking S.M.R.E. to issue orders to the C.I.L. to tighten up the Security generally in units u/c.

Do you agree pl?

S 22/6

GH Yes

Also what has been done on 231 - and 233?

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see 7b 235-

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2/103/1

Subject: Italian Troops in VASTO

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ 2 District CMP
2022/79 CSI

20 Jun 44

Army Sub Commission, MTIA ACC,
GSI (b) HQ AAI.

In PS reports from VASTO the following two items occur:-

(i) The security of the members of the two Italian divisions who have recently gone to the Adriatic front appears to be non-existent. The following information has been gathered from civilians in VASTO, each of whom said he had heard it from passing Italian soldiers:
   (a) That Italian divisions have gone up, one of parachutists, and one of artillery:
   (b) That they are taking over from the two Indian Divisions there at present:
   (c) That one of the Indian Divisions is going to the CASTELBASSO area for training in mountain warfare, and the other is going to rest prior to going home.

(ii) On 5 Jun. 44 three cases of wire cutting were reported by 47 L.A.A. In each case the line involved was the line from the forward radio location point to the General Operational Room, and its interruption meant serious interference with operations on the whole of this front. Investigations showed that the wire had been cut at a point where it ran through the camp of the 1a Batteria Motorizzata d'Artiglieria di Campo, who had pitched camp at 1000 hrs on 4 June and had started using the wire, some 400 yards of it, to assist in the construction of their tents. The seriousness of the matter was pointed out to their Officer Commanding, Capitano CHIRIENI, who was told by PS that he would be held responsible for any further breaks in the line running through his grounds; on 9 Jun 44 a further report from 47 L.A.A. said that the line had once more been cut and some thirty yards of cable removed, once more in the camp grounds.

Comment, in para (ii) is superfluous. Kindly inform this HQ what action is taken.

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Comment, in para (ii) is superfluous.. Kindly inform this HQ what action is taken.

AB Matter
Maj
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for Major General,
Commanding.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

ACC/14016/5/28

16 June, 1944

SUBJECT : Improper issue of passes.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, Lequile.

1. Attached is a copy of a report submitted by the C.A.C. Isernia respecting Cianmo Antonio.

2. Permit No. 10834 referred to in the report was issued by the Provincial Commissioner, Bari. The question of the improper issue of this pass has been taken up with PPSO., Region II.

3. The Italian Supreme Command has been requested to instruct Commanders that leave passes must not be issued in cases in which civilian passes are required, until the civilian passes have been obtained by the commander concerned under arrangement with the local ACC officer.

4. Attention is drawn to the fact that the subject of the attached report was returned through F.C.P. channels out of the army area.

5. It is requested that this matter be brought to the notice of the appropriate Italian army authorities.

for PAUL G. KIRK
Colonel, Inf.
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Enclosure:
Copy of report as above.

WCE/hgd

Copy:
Italian Liaison Section.
Army Sub-Commission, Rear HQ.

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COPY

A.M.G. ITALIA

25/5/44

SUBJECT : Issue of pass to travel

TO : I.C. 10 Corps
Provincial Commissioner, Bari.

CIURLO ANTONIO Cerfignano, Otranto.

The above named man was found in the Isernia District making his way to see his family in Acquaviva d'Isernia which is close to Forli in the forward areas. He was wearing P.O.W. clothing. He was in possession of the attached permit No. 1003M issued on the 23rd May 44 in Bari giving authority for the journey and return, in force until the 30th June 44. He was seen by the FSS who found no breach of security. He was also in possession of a Foglio di Licenza issued by the Italian military authorities at Soleto, Lecce on the 17/5/44 giving him leave until the 27/5/44. He was not permitted to proceed and was returned through P.O.W. channels out of the Army Area. It is requested that enquiries be made respecting the issue of the pass to enter army area for the reasons given.

(signed) C.W.BROOKE, Capt,
C.A.O. Isernia.

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From:- Lt-Col.W.D.GIBSON,
G.S.I.(b).

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

SECRET and PERSONAL.

AAI/14BG/P/4/GSI(b)

16 Jun 44.

Dear Selby

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Reference your I/103/1 of 9 June, it is noted that Dvr PEACE, E.V. has been returned to Reinforcements, C.M.F.

Would you please return all the correspondence on this case to me personally for disposal.

Yours sincerely
W.D. Gibson.

Captain E.R. SELBY,
Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.,
Main H.Q. M.M.I.A.,
LECCE (LECCE).

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SUBJECT:- VALDARBRINI Panteon. 1/103/1 18/6 231

Army Sub Commission, ACC
(M M I A)
Rear H Q EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/103/33

15 Jun 44.

Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main H Q (M M I A)
L'AQUILE (LECCE)

Copy to :- G S I (b)
Main EIGHTH ARMY.

The attached copy of letter M 346 I (b) of 13 Jun 44 is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

N.A. S

N. Feldman
Major,
Liaison Officer.

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COPY

SECRET

SUBJECT:- VALDAMBRINI Paneteos.

Main H Q EIGHTH ARMY
M 340 1 (D)

13 Jun 44.

MMIA
Rear EIGHTH ARMY.

The following extract from a Security Report is forwarded for infm and any action you consider necessary.

" VALDAMBRINI Paneteos - Lieut. ITALIAN Army."

Now believed to be in Rome.

Was in charge of a very large dump of Air Force material (incl clothing) at PONTECORVO. Before the complete occupation of the area by the Germans, he was urged to transferr the material to places of concealment. He refused to do so and was later responsible for handing over to the Germans almost the entire stock. Some he had previously sold to civilians, not of PONTECORVO, for his personal benefit.

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Sgnd.XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXCapt.
for Lt-Col.
G S

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SUBJECT: Col MAGISTRI Francesco

CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MEIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
18 June 44

Ministry of War

Copy to: MG ACC RC & MG Section (Your 14/46/CA of 14 June refers)

1. In January ACC was informed that Col MAGISTRI Francesco of 207 Inf Depot had been arrested as an ex-squadrista by Allied authorities. The Ministry of War requested that this officer might be handed over to the Italian Military authorities.

On the 8 Feb 44 AFHQ agreed to the transfer of MAGISTRI to the Italian authorities.

2. As no further information is available can you please state:-

(a) Col Magistri's present location.
(b) Whether he is in the custody of Allied or Italian Military authority.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCL.

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SUBJECT: Pte MAZZEI Fr. [illegible]esco

CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
18 June 44

SMIK

1. A reply is still awaited to our I/103/1 of 11 June.

2. Please treat as urgent.

CGL.

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Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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

154/46/CA

14 June 1944

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

TO : Army Sub-Commission.

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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to:
Army Sub-Comm. (Rear) (Your QS 115 of 16 May refers.)

JSR/JR

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COPY

Comando IX Corpo d'Armata
Stato Maggiore Ufficio Operazioni.

P.M. 67, the 7th October 43

127/21

I acknowledge receipt of Colonel of the Bersaglieri Corp Francesco Magistri Commander of the Garrison of Catanzaro which was accompanied to be kept at the disposal of the Segret Police of the British Army.

(Signed) IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
(Nicola Balzani)

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SUBJECT:- G.B.ALLORI

HQ. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

CONFIDENTIAL

AAI/1402/5/GSI(b)

14 Jun 44

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M.M.I.A.

1. Information is requested on the description, age etc. of G.B. ALLORI, who was a former Console of the M.V.S.N. It is believed that the information would be available in the Italian List of M.V.S.N. officers.

Brigadier, B.G.S.(I).

JWF

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SUBJECT. Demobilization

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main HQ. (MMIA)
LECUILE. (LECCE)
AG 11/1

17 June 44.

Ministry of War.

Ref your letter 8433/11 dated 13 June 44.

It is agreed that these officers should be demobilised.

Geo A Shapley Lt Col
for Major General.
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

JB/vtd

Copy to 'G'
refers 16 Offrs collected in Northwood advance.

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Subject:- General BELLOMO

DJAG APHQ

Copy to:- MMIA AOI

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ 2 District CMP
2022/59 GSI(b)
15 Jun 44

On 30 April Gen BELLOMO wrote to GOC 2 District (translation at A). With his letter he forwarded an open letter to Marshal BADOGLIO (original and translation at B) with two documents explaining his conduct since the Armistice.

As the matter is now in your hands they are forwarded for information and onward transmission if you think it desirable.

JMS

for Major General,
Commanding.

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Form C-2130

MESSAGE FORM

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TO ACC RENR INFO AFHQ CITE FHQCT MAIN

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FROM MIDEHQT

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
219		

AS/11872 RESTRICTED ⊙ Your 2895 of 11 jun ⊙ Particulars italics
dtr repatriates ⊙ Sec HQ CONED DIV ⊙ ANI ST AFF AT TI CAV
SIRTY DE OSMA CAPT ENGR BERTOLINI CAPT INF GIANCOLA
Lt Pav TERRANOVA 2/LT ARTY GATINNI ⊙ Remainder ITAL
Seven Marinus ⊙ ANI INF INMARGINI CAPT SERVICE CORPS
MASCARIELLO LT TPT MINUTHE LT ENGR BANCHELLI LT

This message may be sent As Written by any means "Except" ( ) Wireless	This message must be sent in Cipher if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands	Originator's Instructions Degree Priority
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HEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC SAFETY
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION VI.

9 June 1944

SUBJECT: Tracing of Capt Giuseppe PIANA.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, Advanced H.Q., Rear H.Q., A.C.C.

1. With reference to your letter Q8/353 dated 4 June 1944, please be advised that proper enquiries have been made in regards to the present whereabouts of the above person.

2. Thus far, no answer has been received.

3. Upon receipt of the requested information, we shall notify you immediately.

JEH/wld.

J. E. HUGHES, Capt.,
RPSO, A.C.C., Region VI.

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SUBJECT: Lt (Parac/ Inf) PERRONE Giovanni

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FROM: ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (SACA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
14 June 44

TO: 3 Bch (for CMT)

Ref your 3/CMT of 13 May

1. Notification has been received from the Italian General Staff that a certain Lieut (Paraclutist) PERRONE Giovanni di Salvatore of the 1915 class Nuoro Military District is at present in the Military Hospital ITTIRI (SARDINIA).

2. PERRONE was admitted to the above hospital on the 28 April from 13. "NEMBO" Inf Regt.

CCI.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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NO A MANO

SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO ACC L'AQUILA

DA SUPERESERCITO SEGRETERIA ET PERSONALE NUMERO 10040/212 SP DI PROT. ALT RIFERIMENTO FOGLIO I/103/1 DATA 22 APRILE C.A. ALT AT 60° RGT FANTERIA SOT EFFETTIVO TEN PARACADUTISTA PERRONE GIOVANNI NON ARMANDO DI SALVATORE CLASSE 1913 DISTRETTO RAGUSA PROVENIENTE 184° FANTERIA NUCLEO ALT UFFICIALE SOT RICOVERATO OSPEDALE MILITARE "ITTIRI" DAL 28 APRILE U.S. ALT SUPERESERCITO 1930090644

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Subject:- General AZZI

CONFIDENTIAL

T 10511 HQ 2 District CSF
2022/90 CSI
10 Jun 44

Army Sub Commission ACC

Copy to:- Adm Boh HQ 30(M) (SF/621/A/To of 8 Jun refers)

1 The Italian General AZZI is expected to arrive shortly in this theatre under arrangements being made by Force 266.

2 At the request of Force 266 this HQ has agreed to detain the General temporarily to enable the customary Security check to be made on him and the party accompanying him.

3 This information is forwarded as it is considered probable that the Italian authorities will wish to know why the General is held temporarily at the disposition of the Allied Authorities.

Smith
WAW } told via L.Os

13/6 0912

Kenneth Cp
Major General,
Commanding.

JH2

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CIPHER MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN | OUT CIPHER SECRET

No. of Changes GR. | Serial No. | Office Time Stamp 0734 9/11/34

TO ~~ACC Rear~~ MIDEAST ~~Adv~~ AFHQ MAIA

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FROM ACC Rear Army Sub Commission for CAMPOBLE | Originator's Number 2895 | Date 11 | In Reply to Number 219

Signed MacFarland S/10083 dated 9 May and particulars repatriated of

⊙ RESTRICTED ⊙ Ref your signal of 15 ⊙ Please despatch names proposed Italian officers

No Sign

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Signature

Writer

Instructions

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Pte Francesco MAZZEI

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
11 June 44

217 218

SECRET

Copy to: AAI (Your 1456/90/GSI(b) of 7 June refers)

1. It is requested that investigation be made with the IX Reparto Salmerie regarding the truth of a statement made by MAZZEI Francesco that he was serving with this unit until 12 - 13 May 44.

2. Please treat this matter as urgent.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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SUBJECT:- Francesco MAZZEI

HQ. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

I/103/1

11/b

RESTRICTED

AAI/1456/90/CSI(b)

7 Jun 44

Italian Mission ~~Advt~~.

1. It is requested that investigation be made with the IX REPARTO SALMERIA regarding the truth of a statement made by the above soldier that he was serving with this unit until 12-13 May 44.

R.K. Manhope-Dight. Capt.
for Brigadier,
B.C.S.(I).

JWF

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SUBJECT:- 7A959903 INT PEACE A.V.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
L'AQUILA (LCOE)
X/103/1
9 Jun 44

A.A.I. for Col GIBSON

Copy to:- Reinforcements C.M.F.

1. The Interpreter Section of this Headquarters is largely employed in translating letters and documents from the Italian War Ministry and General Staff, many of which are highly secret and confidential. Only Interpreters who are satisfactory from the Security point of view can be employed.

2. As a result of the adverse report on Dvr PEACE submitted by you in your 1480/P/4/CSI(b) of 31 May this man is being returned forthwith to Reinforcements C.M.F. Apart from Security reasons, PEACE is useless as an Interpreter as his knowledge of Italian is quite inadequate for duties in the Section.

ABC

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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A C T I O N S L I P

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

To: G I

Attached letter for approval pl

9/6.

RE Type SW.

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ACTION SLIP

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To: G1

This appears to be a matter for you. Will you pl. deal with it.

J.R.C.

9 June 44

SUBJECT: Postal Service to ROME for ITALIAN Army.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
AQ/16
8 June 44.

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H.Q. AAI.

Reference my I/5209 of 4 June, AQ 1294 of 6 June and your I/663 and CAO 197 of 6 June.

1. A large number of Italian soldiers have relatives in ROME, from whom they have not heard for many months, whereas their relatives have no knowledge of the soldiers present state or whereabouts.

2. The Italian General Staff have represented that the speedy adoption of a scheme of communications between soldiers and their relatives in ROME would do much to raise the morale of the Italian Army, with a consequent decline in desertions, and a greater readiness to work for the Allies.

3. If no scheme is put into operation the Information Bureaux will be overwhelmed with enquiries, and their present work stultified. Moreover, there is no doubt that every effort would be made by legal or illegal means, by relatives in ROME and soldiers outside, to communicate with one another.

4. The Italian General Staff therefore proposes the following scheme, which is intended to reduce censorship to a minimum and provide a simple means of inter-communication, without prejudice to security: -

(a) Each soldier with relatives in ROME would receive ONE Field Service Card (as per attachment).

(b) The soldier would write on the card his own address and signature, and the address of the person to whom he is writing.

(c) A space on the card is left for the reply.

(d) No card would be accepted for return to the soldier unless bearing the signature and address of that soldier.

(e) Normal censorship regulations would apply and the normal postal services would be used.

5. It is further proposed that in the event of the postal services in ROME not being in operation, a Central Distributing Office should be set up in ROME for this purpose under control of Allied Commander of ROME.

6. This scheme has been agreed in principal in your I/663 of 6 June.

I therefore request that approval be given to the attached card. The

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Signed + B

Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

tvs.RJN.

Copy: C.

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REGIO ESERCITO ITALIANO

Cartolina postale in franchigia

MITTENTE

Grado .....

Cognome .....

Nome .....

Reparto .....

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P.M. .....

Al .....

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ROMA

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P.M. .....

STO' BENE - DATEMI NOTIZIE CON LA PRESENTE -
ABBRACCI

(firma .....)

(Spazio riservato per la risposta)

1. Sto {bene / ammalato / all'ospedale} .....

2. {Padre / Madre / Fratelli / Sorelle} .....stanno bene

3. {Moglie / Figli / Figlie} stanno bene

ANNULLARE IL NON APPLICABILE

4. La nostra casa è {in piedi / danneggiata} .....

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Abbracci .....

Firma .....

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
- Ufficio Operazioni -

G. 6/44
E/103/1

N° 6738 di prot.OP. P.M.151, 6 giugno 1944

OGGETTO: Affluenza civili alle spiaggie.-
Civilian entering of beaches.

AL COMANDO FF.AA. CAMPANIA P.M.120
AL COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA P.M. 50
AL COMANDO IX CORPO ARMATA P.M. 67
AL COMANDO XII CORPO ARMATA P.M.126
AL COMANDO XXXI CORPO ARMATA P.M.114

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - Gabinetto P.M.107
AL COMANDO SUPREMO P.M.135
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.MARINA TARANTO
ALLA A.C.C. - Sottocommissione Esercito LECCE

I. - Lo scorso anno in relazione alle necessità della difesa costiera all'inizio della stagione estiva era stata vietata l'apertura degli stabilimenti balneari e comunque l'affluenza dei civili alle spiaggie.

II. - Essendo mutata la situazione sorge tali divieti limitatamente, però, alle ore diurne.

III. - Restano in vigore le restrizioni stabilite dai Comandi Anglo-Americani circa l'impiego delle piccole imbarcazioni.

IV. - I Comandi in indirizzo pertanto, tramite i loro comandi territoriali, provvedano a prendere accordi con i Comandi in Capo di Dipartimento Marittimo, siti nel territorio di loro giurisdizione, onde delimitare le spiaggie consentite ai civili in relazione alle esigenze militari marittime che sussistono tuttora.

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V. - Prego lo S.M.R.M. autorizzare i Comandi Marina ad emanare le norme di dettaglio per l'accesso dei civili alle spiaggie.-

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
f/to: Paolo Berardi

p. c. c.
IL TEN.COLONNELLO in s.S.M.
- Capo Ufficio Operazioni -
(Piero Sampò)

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TO MMIA INFO REPLAY ACC TAIN FOR DEFENHAGER ACC REPEAT FOR CAMPBELL

FROM HQ AAI 204

Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number

1663 CONFIDENTIAL Your I96 of 12 June Agree proposal in principal but consider premature Advise permitted to be of attendance through type on printed card to facilitate censorship Suggest afternoon be prepared and submitted for approval meantime exercise notify later date actions can operate

This message may be sent As Written by any means except [illegible] Wireless

Signature [illegible]

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO DISTWO

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FROM MMIA 206

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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Your ⊙	2022/59 agreed	GSI	04	31	May	

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Signature P R Selby Capt

This Message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands

Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

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T.O.R.

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SUBJECT: 2/Lt FABIANCICH Francesco

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
5 June 44

Ministry of War

Ref your 2432/C of 22 May.

1. The question of this officer's desertion has been taken up by the Yugoslav authorities who have given us their assurance that efforts will be made to trace his whereabouts.

2. It is possible that FABIANCICH is no longer in this country, and therefore a certain time might elapse before he can be apprehended.

3. It is requested that you keep us posted with any further information which may reach you. In the meantime the matter will be persued.

COL.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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MESSAGE FORM

TOO

From AMLA

TH X

To AAI rptd AGO MAIN for OPPENHAUSER
AGO REAR for CAMPBELL

I % () CONFIDENTIAL () For GHI () For reason of morale of Italian Army who have families in NOKS and who are most anxious to hear from them Italian General Staff requests that arrangements be made for letters from families addressed to Italian soldiers to be collected in NOKS and forwarded to Allies for censorship and despatch by Italian Army Postal Service () Italian Army proposed to furnish personnel for collection of mail in NOKS under Allied control and courier service to Allied Censor () One way service only () Would also help to relieve Allies of burden of enquiries () Recommend approval

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May be sent as written except ( ) wireless

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(IMPORTANT)

4400

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
-Uff.Assistenza e Propaganda-

nº 1907 /A.P.
oggetto:corriere Napoli-Roma.-

P.M.151 ,li 5 Giugno 1944

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C. LEQUILE

Con la conquista di Roma da parte degli Alleati moltissimi militari italiani sentiranno il giustificato assillo di conoscere la sorte dei propri familiari.-

Questo S.M.R.E. comprende benissimo l'impossibilità contingente di ottenere l'autorizzazione a concedere permessi o licenze e perciò prega codesta Sottocommissione autorizzare l'andata a Roma di un Ufficiale e sei militari, con un autocarro e cinque motociclette, in modo da stabilire un servizio corriere a beneficio dell'Esercito, servizio che si appoggierebbe al Comando FF.AA. della Campania ove un delegato degli Alleati potrebbe procedere alla censura della corrispondenza nel modo ritenuto migliore dagli Alleati stessi.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
- G.B.Orilia -

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IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
- G.B.Oxilia -

With the capture of Rome by the Allies very many Italian ops will feel justifiable anxiety to know the fate of their families.

The Gen Staff fully understands the impossibility of obtaining authority to issue passes or leave, and therefore requests the Sub-commission one offr and six soldiers to proceed to Rome, with a lorry and five motor cycles, with the object of establishing a courier service for the use of the Army. This service would be centered on FF.AA Campania, where a rep of the Allies could carry out censorship of the correspondence in whatever way the Allies consider best.

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ACTION SLIP

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To: File

This is reply to our Folio 175 (flagged)
Do you agree to my informing Mozhu?
2nd mil. mission do NOT state
whether they have searched the
MONOPOLI Nucleus for Fabrimetch.

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Yes - and if they have
further information to
send it to us.

K

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

SUBJECT: 2nd Lt PANIAGUA, Francesco

HQ 'Z' Military Mission, U.S.A.

Ref: G/9/4

3 June 44

To: Army Sub Commission
A.C.C.
CASERTA (CASTOR)

Copy to: I and D#30
BARI

Reference your 1/103/1 dated 25 May 44 which was sent to this HQ under cover of I&D/1023/102-1 of 31 May 44.

1. The question of this officers desertion to the Jugoslav Partisan Forces has been taken up with GEN VELEBIT, and assurance has been given that efforts will be made to trace him whereabouts.

2. It is possible that this officer is no longer in this country, and therefore a certain time might, perforce, elapse before he can be apprehended.

3. However, in the meantime the matter will be pursued by this Mission.

W.S. Maneuch
Lt-Col
G.S.

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To: G.O.C. via G.I.

Folio 168 (flagged) refers.
2 Div: suggestion seems to be the right one.

GSO 1/6

GOC May I signal agreement please?

GI

Yes

2 Div

by Tuns

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Subject: Gen BELLOMO

HQ 2 District CEF
2C22/59 GSI

31 May 44

Army Sub Commission
ACC Main HQ (MMLA)

Ref I/103/1 dated 22 May 44.

GSI(b)No 2 District initiated the arrest of General BELLOMO on receipt of certain information from War Office London.

The documents submitted by General BELLOMO have been shown to nobody but GSI No 2 District.

On further reflection, it would appear that the correct thing to do would be to submit them to DJAG, AFHQ to whom the findings of the Court of Enquiry were forawrded and in whose hands the matter is at present.

Kindly inform this Hq if you agree to this course of action.

for Major General,
Commanding.

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ARMY FORM C-2126

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 103

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN / OUT	No. of Groups OR.	Office Date Stamp

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TO Navy Sub Commission ACC

FROM USMILITH	Originator's Number I 93	Date 4	In Reply to Number

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Navy (1) (2) orders
on COUTELEN

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1/103 (1) of
advised COUTELEN

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Signature

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Signature W Selby Forde

Originator's Instructions
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SUBJECT: Personal Mail

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
3 June 44

War Ministry

The attached communications are forwarded to you for onward transmission to General PESCATORI.

CGL.

S. Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
03 June 44

SUBJECT: Security

SMFLE

Reference your 5500/OP of 21 May.

1. HQ Allied Armies in Italy and this Headquarters have no objection to the lifting of the ban on civilians visiting the beaches, subject to any local restrictions which may be applied in the Army areas for tactical defence or Security reasons.

2. This authority applies only to access to beaches, and does not extend to the use of small boats, which are subject to separate regulations and restrictions.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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Army S.C. (Lon)

H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

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AAI/1401/10/G&I(b).

31 May 44.

Subject:- Security.

Main H.Q.,
Army Sub-Commission,
A.C.C.

Reference your I/163/1 dated 28 May 44.

There is no objection to the lifting of the ban on civilians visiting the beaches, subject to any local restrictions which may be applied in the Army areas for tactical defence or security reasons.

This authority applies only to access to beaches, and does not extend to the use of small boats, which are subject to separate regulations and restrictions.

W. D. Gibson. Lt Col

for Lieut-General,
Chief of General Staff.

JH.
Copy to:- H.Q., A.C.C.

HEADQUARTERS
1 - JUN 1944
A. C. C.

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(Staff Minute Sheet)
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File No. 21/P/2119/A2.

Date Originated: 28 May 43.

SUBJECT PW - Wall.

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No.	Section of Origin	Pass To	Date	Has attached paper been coordinated with all concerned?
1.	G1(P)A2.	Liaison Section.	28 May.	1. The attached communications addressed to Generals PESCATORI are passed to you for onward transmission via the Italian Military Mission, please. 2. Generals PESCATORI was transferred to ITALY from INDIA on parole, and left Ther on 16 March 44 by air. H.T. Hacpatchan Lt/Col G1/A2. 172 ENCL. H.T. MACPATCHAN, A. Cond., for Major-General, G-1.(P).
	L/M 1477			
2.	Liaison Section	Land Forces Sub. Comm. A.C.C. 16gp.	29-5	1. In order to save time we are forwarding attached correspondence for Gen. Pescatori to you direct. F. Manfrini, Capt.

Forwarded 5/6

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

Army Lecce
I/103/1

TO: FREEDOM, FILPOT, HQ AAI, MAIN 8 ARMY, HQ 5 ARMY, ADV SEC ECH INDIAN AAI, HV ADV REINFORCE-EHPS API, FATIMA

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N13/01

FROM: MIDEAST

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OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

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DATE and Time of RECEIPT: JUNE 01/44

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FROM (A) Originator: DISTONE | Date-Time of Origin: 02-1630 | Office Date Stamp: I 103 03 6 7/8 (354)

For Action.

TO MMIA ~~Ltd~~ GSI Distone

(W) For information (INFO)

Message Instructions | GR

Originator's No. TI 6

From THRUPP ? Secret.

My THRUPP 1 DLO/I dated 29th May forwarded report on GARGANO which states he is collecting for Naval ministry possibly on orders of Admiral COUTEGN rpt COUTEGN ⊙ Please confirm

T P

Signal Sect Navy

Sub Lieut

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Signed.

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For Action.
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DISTONE for THRUPP pass to GSIB

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)
rptd: SMRE

Message Instructions. -179 | GR

Originator's No. I/92 (*) SECRET (*) Reference THRUPP 1DLO/1 of 23 May (*) SMRE states the two officers mentioned are NOT repeat NOT authorised by Italian General Staff to perform any official army duty in SICILY and the activities mentioned are unknown to SMRE and this Hq (*) This Hq will request Distone and your concurrence when any such missions are proposed by Italian General Staff

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Signed. M Selby Capt

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECQUILE (LECCE)
1/103.
24 May 44.

SUBJECT: Ex-console Francesco GARGANO.

H.Q. AAI.

Copy to: Navy Sub Commission, A.C.C.

1. Inviting attention to attached copy of report furnished this office by our LO with 1 District.

2. Prior to receipt of this report this Hq had been asked to check on the activities of this Italian and an officer associated with him in SICILY.

3. We understood that he belonged to the Army and asked the Italian General Staff to explain his mission in SICILY. The Italian General Staff stated that he did not represent the Army and that his activities had not been authorised by the Army. This information was transmitted to 1 District.

4. It now appears that he is a Naval officer.

Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

tvs.CPK.

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SUPREME COMMAND
SUBCENTER C.S. PALERMO.

File No.862.

Palermo, May 12, 1944.

OBJECT: Ex-Console Francesco GARGANO.

To Captain BROD - C.I.C. Office - Palermo.

Francesco Gargano son of Paolo and Gandolfo Caterina, born on May 5, 1897 at S. Flavia(Palermo) and residing at No.1 Via dei Caleri, Rome, ex-fascist(consola), has been noted in Palermo since May 6th, in a uniform of Artillery Navy Colonel.

From the investigation made it appears that GARGANO:

is dependent by the Navy Ministry, General direction arms and naval equipment, and that he has been charged ro recover the Royal Navy Artillery material.

That he has recently been appointed by the above mentioned Ministry head of the commission to buy, on the free market, auto materials in Sicily, Calabria and Puglie.

That he arrived at Palermo from Taranto on May 3, 1944, on an Italian vessel "ARBANIA" on which also travelled the admiral commanding the R.Navy for Sicily and various officers.

The return at Palermo of Console GARGANO, wearing a Navy artillery colonels uniform, has surprised the Italian authorities because of his previous political importance and also because there are many different rumours concerning him.

It is in fact reported that he came in Sicily by order of the R.Government to recruit volunteers for the R.Navy; that he is an intimate friend of the present Communication Minister of the Italian fascist republica and that he could be a fascist spy.

GARGANO is known at Palermo and Sicily as an irreducile fascist, a squadrist belonging to "LA RANDACCIO" of Pistoia, march on Rome, sciarpa Littorio and moschettiere del duce.

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Everybody at Palermo believes that he is a person doing business at any cost and a profiteer. Persons and authorities clearly express their disappointment against the R.Government because GARGANO has not yet been taken away from his post according the Royal Decree dated December 28, 1943.

A cautious watch has been disposed in the regard of the above mentioned person.

THE CAPTAIN OF RR.CC.
(sgd) ALFREDO SALAMONE.

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HEADQUARTERS.
INTERNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS SUB-COMMISSION.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Office of the Director.

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IDP/1023/102-1. 31 May 44.

Subject: 2nd. Lt. FABIANCICH, Francesco.

To : 'Z' Military Mission,
C.M.F.

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The attached letter reference I/103.1 dated 25 May 44 from Army Sub-Commission, ACC., is passed to you for necessary action.

For the Director,

C.F.FOTHERGILL, Lt.COL.,
Deputy Director.

rc.

copy to: Army Sub-Commission, ACC.,
Main HQ (MMIA),
LEQUILE (LECCE).

Noted

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO

UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

N. 6836 /215 SP di prot.

Allegati N.

P. M. 151, li 10 1944

Al LA DELEGAZIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.

L E Q U I L E

Risposta al foglio del

N.

OGGETTO: Ten.colonnello CARUSO.

Riferimento foglio n°I/103/1 in data odierna di codesta Delegazione.

Non risulta a questo S.M. quale attività svolgano in Sicilia il ten.colonnello CARUSO ed il capitano TROIA.

Sono state richieste notizie al comando del XII corpo d'armata.

Riserva di comunicazioni.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
-F.S.Cilia-

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
(Establishment Branch)

24 May 1944

ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 16)

TELEPHONE SECURITY

1. It is absolutely necessary that strict security measures be observed in using the telephone, since practically all telephones are linked with civilian exchanges. The following rules will be observed when using the telephone:

a. Secret matters should never be discussed over the telephone.

b. Confidential matters should be discussed by reference to file numbers and dates in such a manner as to guard the content.

c. Care must be exercised in order to avoid indentifying names of telephone exchanges with locations of headquarters or Army units, i.e., if a person wishes to telephone to an Army headquarters or unit, he should ask for the exchange concerned (Fatima, Broadway), and never mention place names.

2. It is directed that all officers and men be notified of these rules.

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT,
Colonel, Inf.,
Estab. Officer.
For the Executive Commissioner

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 8047/c
36-4-44

Lecce, li 29 MAG 1944 194

OGGETTO Tentativo di comunicazione con il territorio occupato dal nemico.-

Attempt to communicate with enemy occupied territory.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

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Riferimento foglio I/103/1 in data 2 maggio.

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Si assicura, inoltre, che si è disposto perchè il Passeri sia punito disciplinarmente.

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dal tenico.-

Attempt to communicate with
Interzog accepted meeting.

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Continuation to 70130

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col.R.Fiore-Vernazza)

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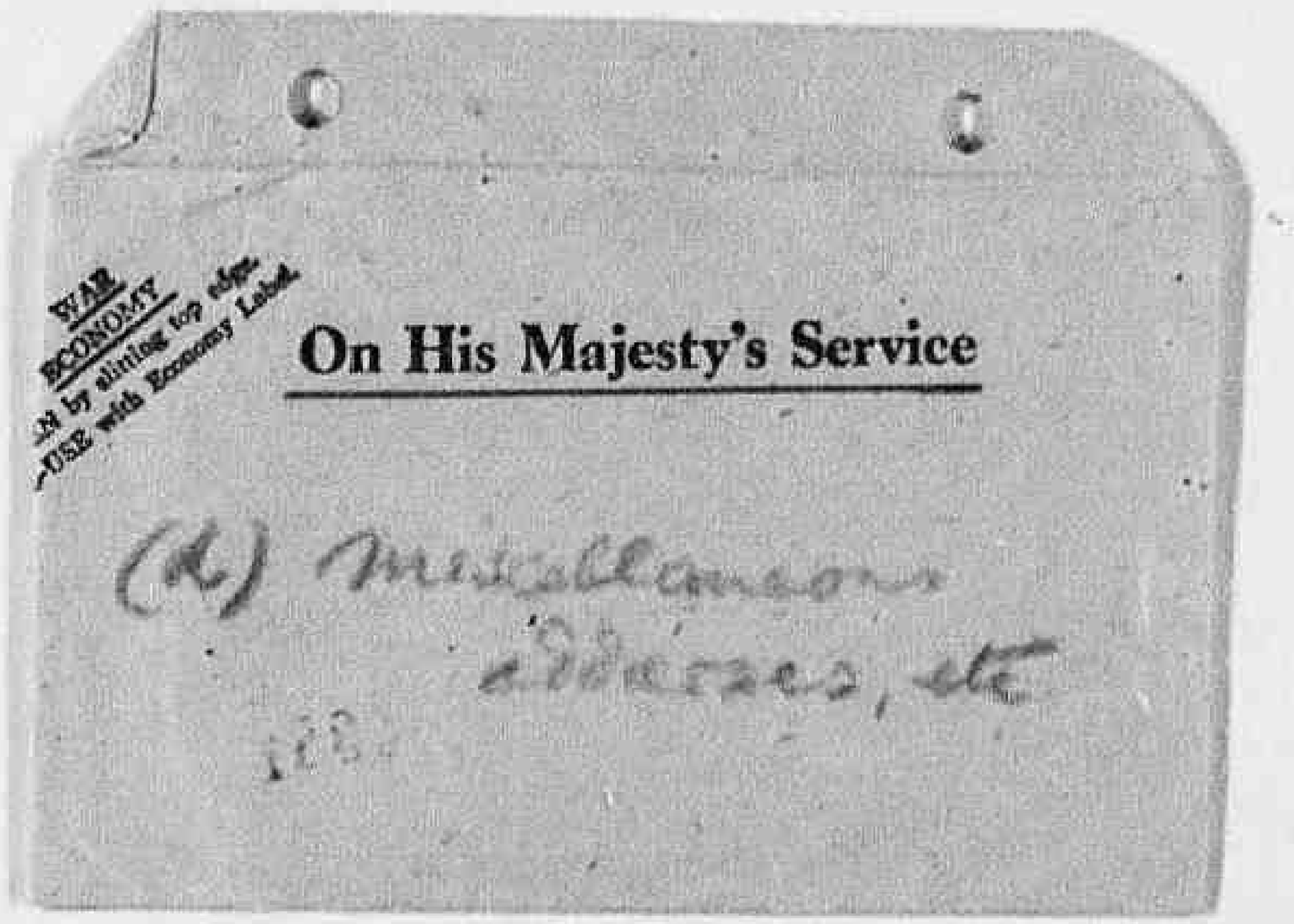

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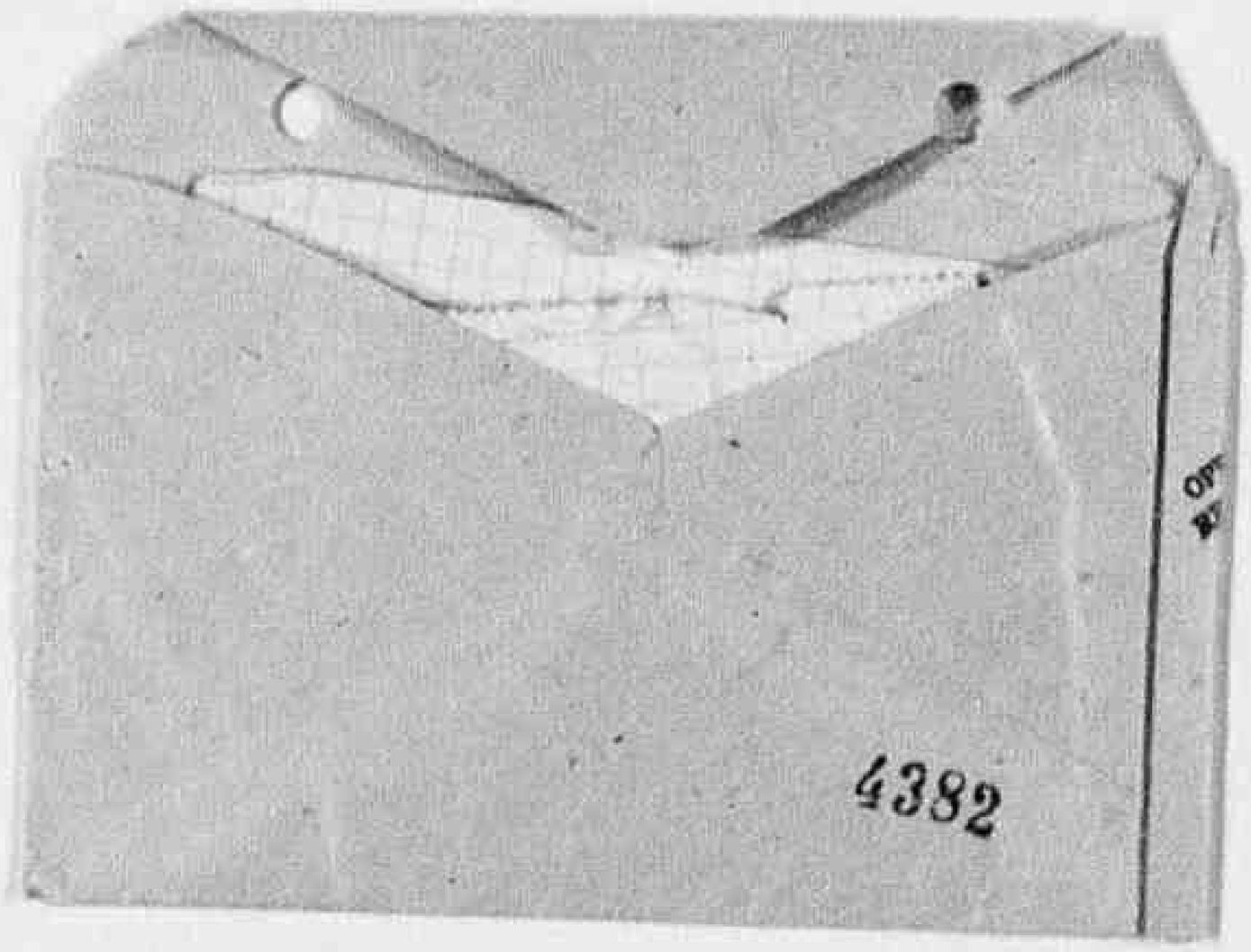

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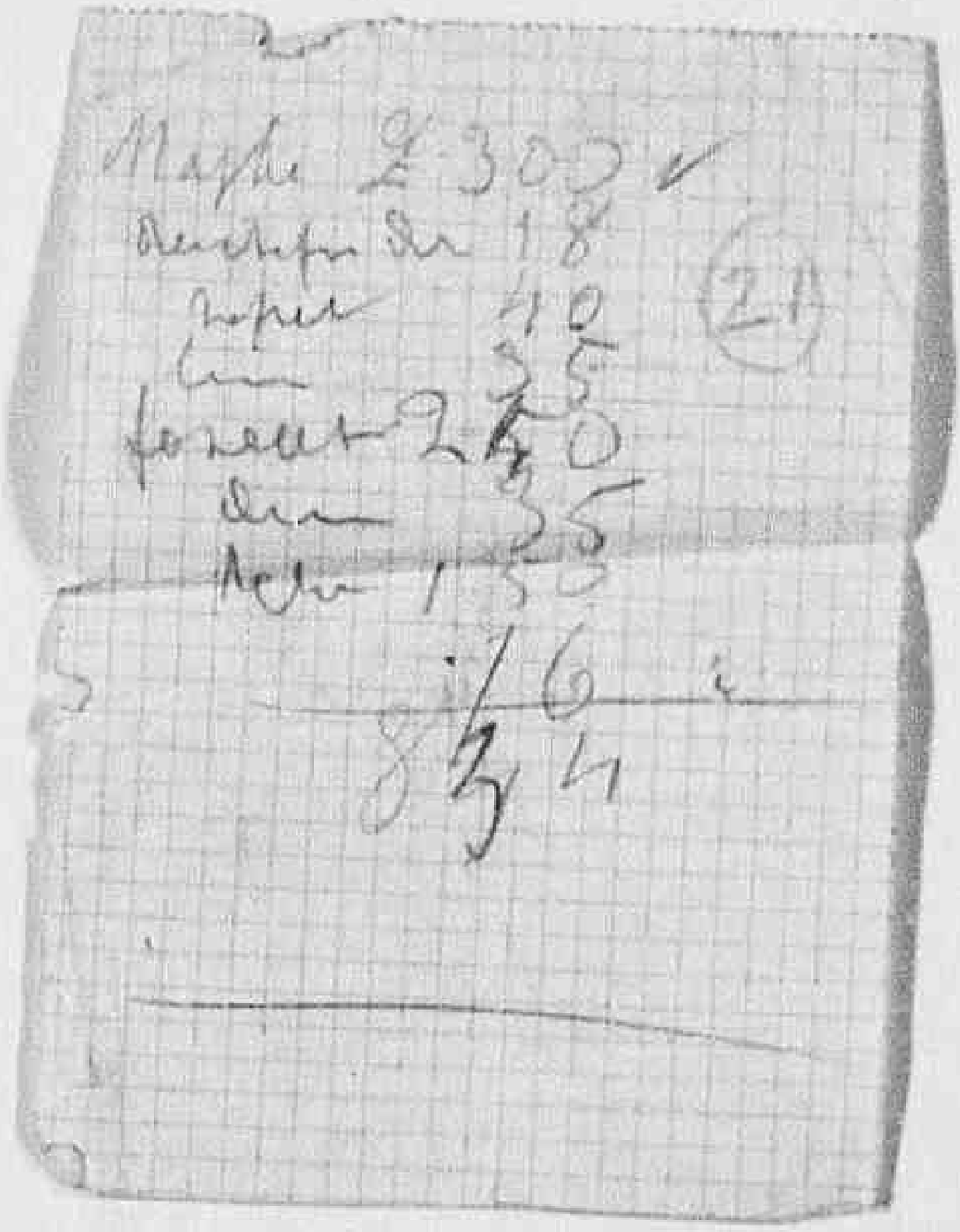

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Via Favoleria 3 -

Suore S. Marta

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Via Tavoleria 3
Suore S. Marta

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Domenico
Via Garibaldi 30
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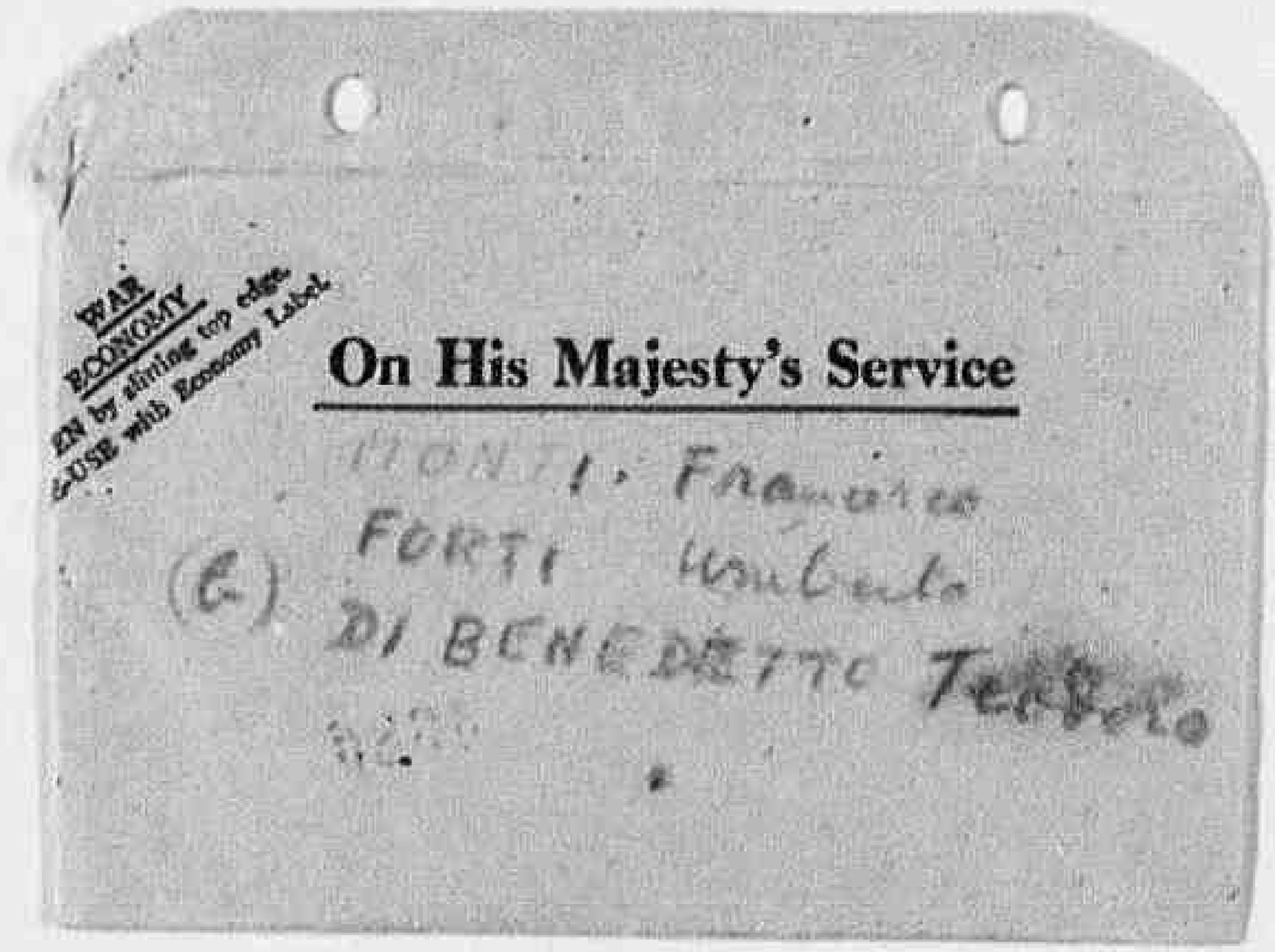

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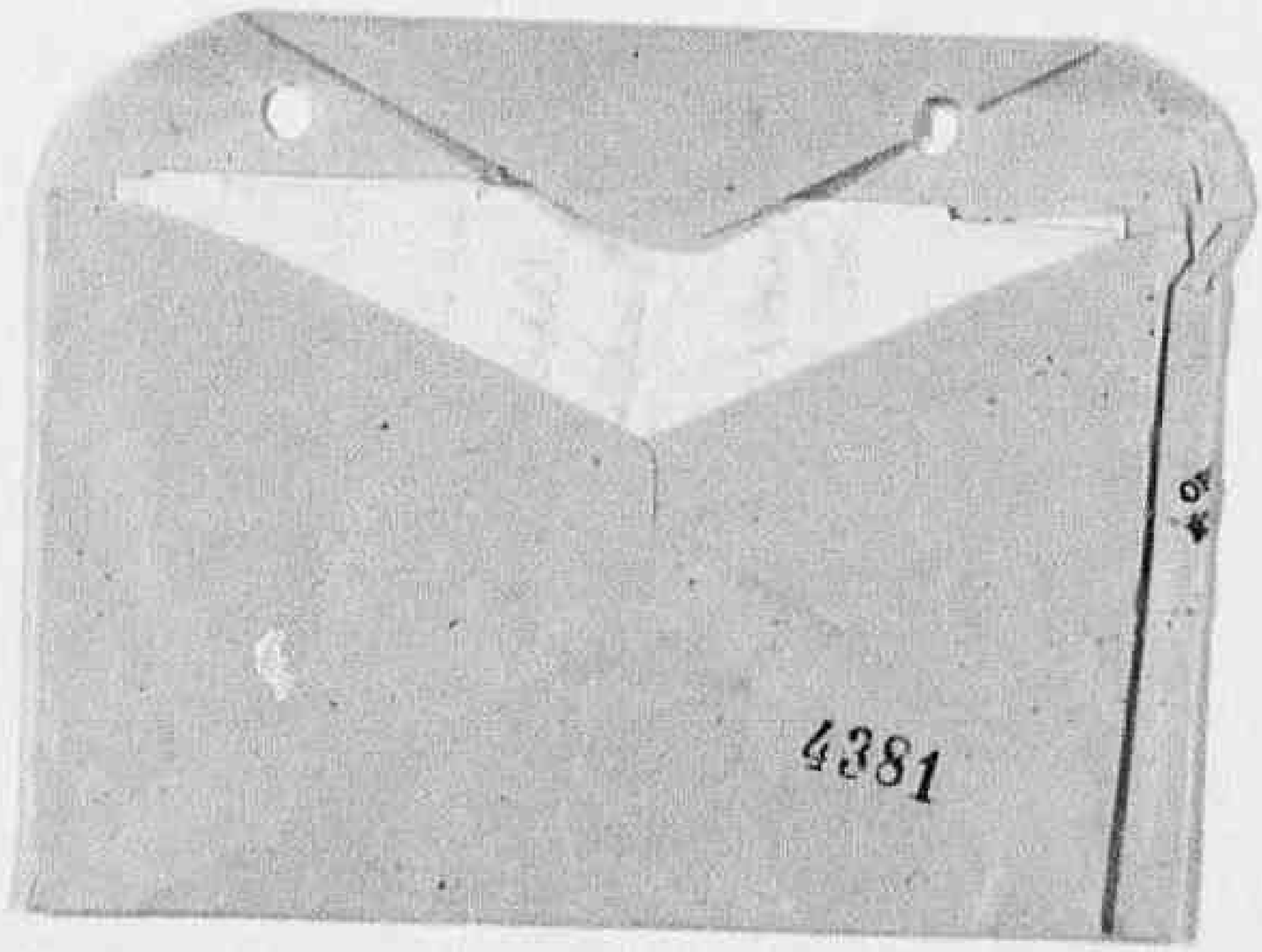

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Barrittoni (6)

Vicino tanto tempo di Governanno
sapeva abbastanza da [illegible] - Siccio
avevano di cattivo da Mangiare e
Tutto - V. allhavevano Tutti Tanto
Tanto [illegible]

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CONFEDERAZIONE FASCISTA DEI LAVORATORI DELL'AGRICOLTURA
DIREZIONE DEI SERVIZI COLLOCAMENTO E MIGRAZIONI

Libretto N. .....

UNIONE PROVINCIALE DI .....

Nulla osta N. .....

Ufficio di collocamento .....

Dato a ..... *il* .....

Avviamento al lavoro a seguito di richiesta numerica / nominativa (1)

Nulla osta *per l'assunzione da parte di* .....

con sede in .....

di N. ..... *lavoratori sottoelencati, che dovranno essere adibiti ad operazioni*

di ..... *da svolgersi in* (2) .....

per il periodo dal ..... ***al*** .....

Sotto N.	N. matric. previdenziale del lavor.	COGNOME E NOME DEL LAVORATORE	Età in anni	Sesso	Qualifica professionale del lavoratore	Contratto di lavoro che deve essere applicato
		Carissimi figli Lucia e Lucille —				
		A mezzo di un mio amico,				
		vi mando il fermaglio. Potete				
		constatare che io sto bene, così				
		anche spero di trovarvi				
		di augurio un buon Natale				
		ed un caro —				

IL COLLOCATORE

(1) Cancellare la dizione che non interessa.
(2) Indicare con precisione la località di lavoro, facendo riferimento, se del caso, al nominativo del podere.

(Firma e timbro) .....

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La cosa è risolta —

Tutto accetto —

Pace con Dio,
Vostro affmo figlio
Teodoro —

S. Pancrazio Maggio
1870 Dalle Prigioni

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Ste Lene - si Suisse Polonia
che ci riuniremo presto —
Vous vite ma amie pour
Voi — Comment va Gusto

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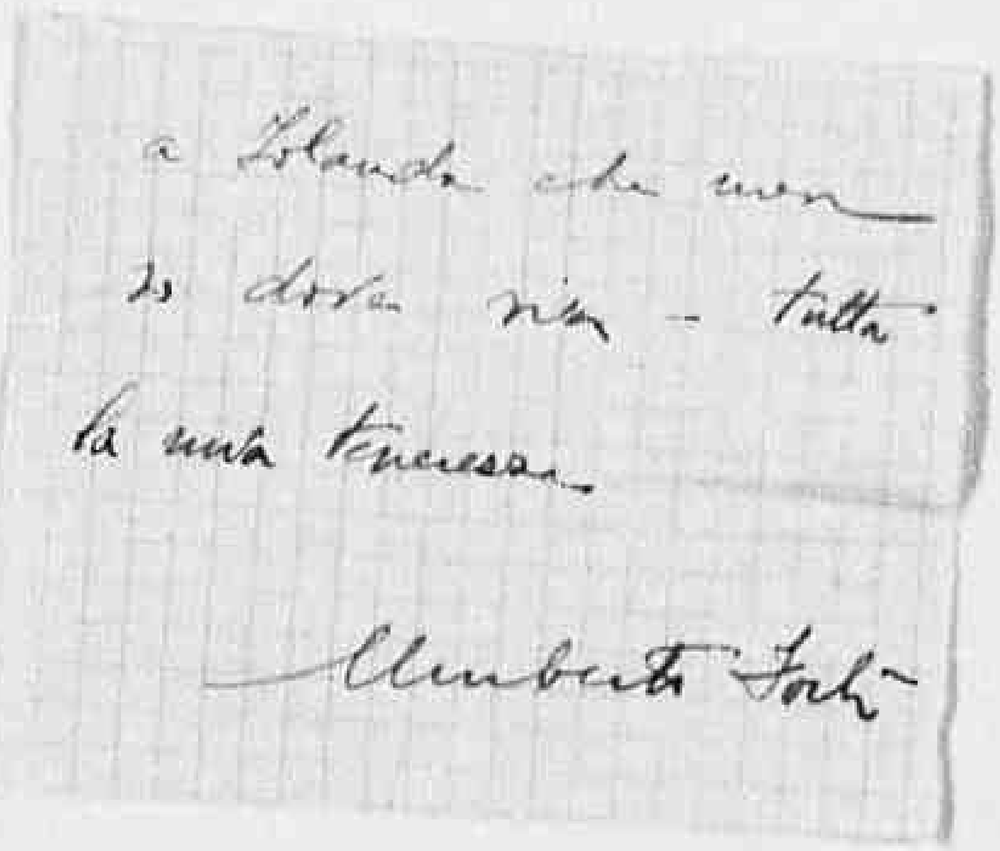

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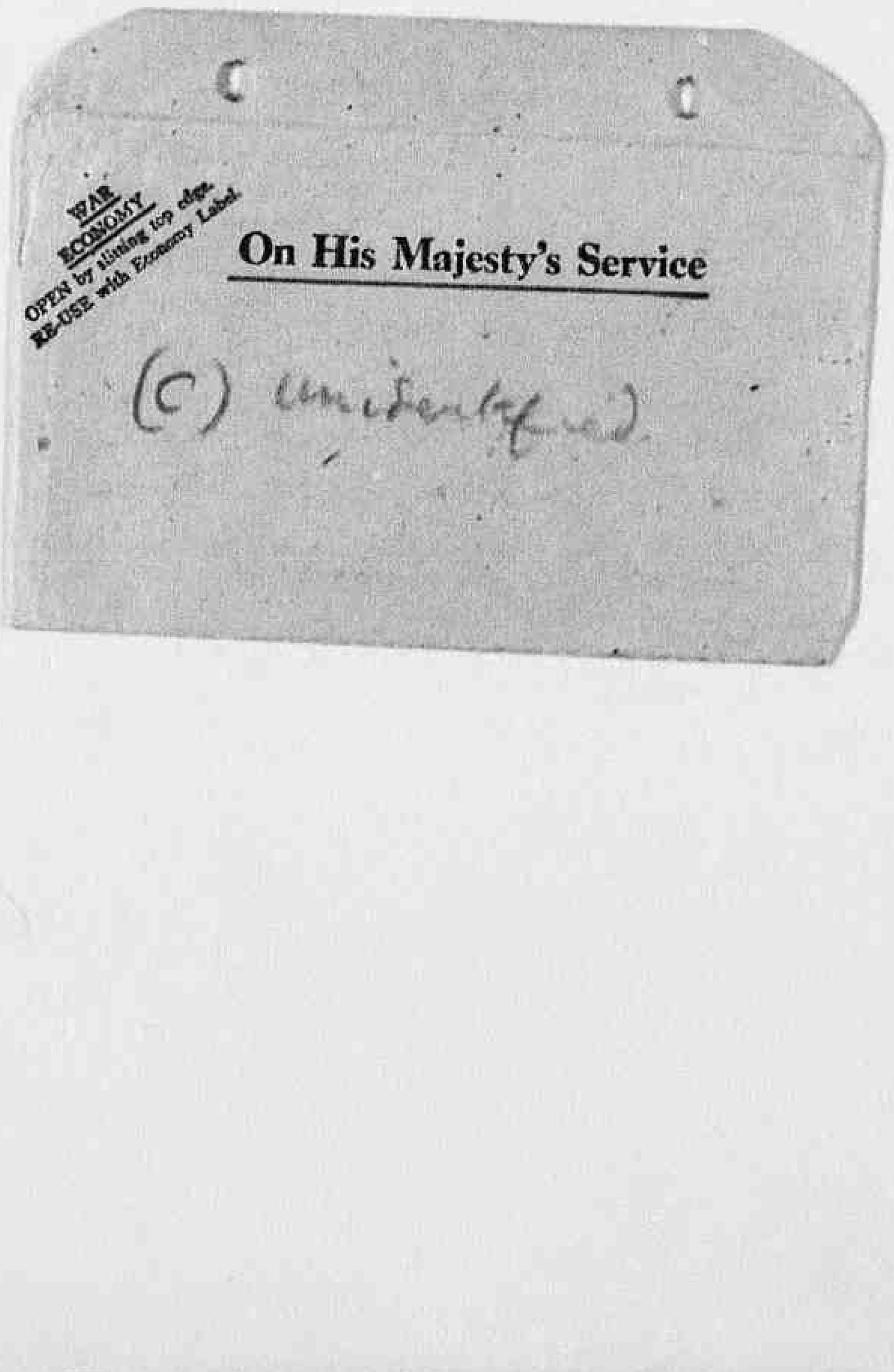

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(15) Calcio ad Adelaide
Nizza e Lauds.

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Silvio saluta affettuosamente Rosa, Gabriella e fratelli.

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Tutto molto bene sotto ogni riguardo.
State sempre - come sto io - di buon animo ed
in salute, nella sicura fede che Iddio - che ci ha
sempre assistiti - ci concederà - di poterci riunire
presto felici! Baci ed abbracci affettuosissimi
a Tutti!

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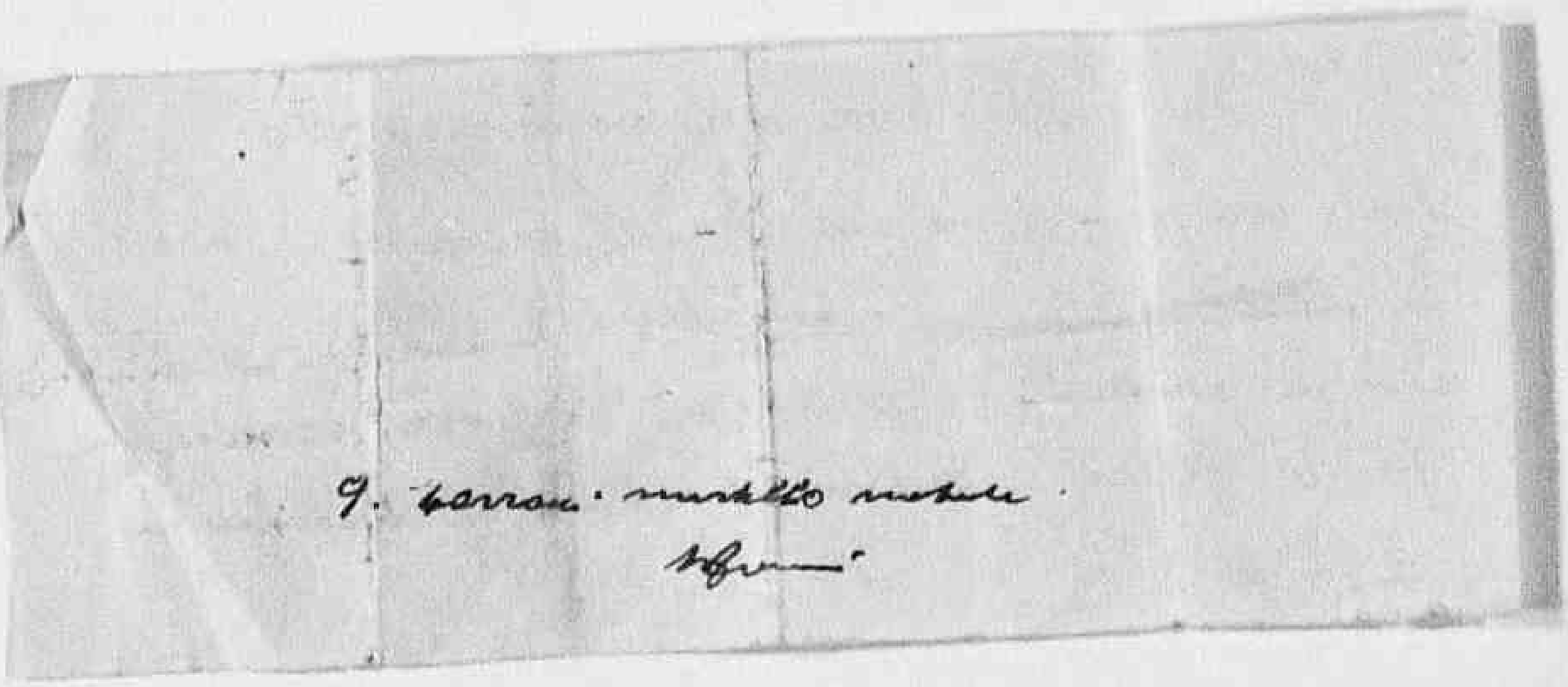

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Firmato il Ottobre su richiesta C.S. (1 op. Lib)
Permanenza in A Sabina prima Roma in fine
Sabina ultima grande preoccupazione per famiglia
alla quale volge pensiero costante
con infinita nostalgia e tenerezza

Pensa notte e tutti : moglie e figli
- preoccupato per particolare vita e famiglie
della famiglia
- notizie fratelli - Berta e Vera zia Ettore
Af. loro tutti vari
- Sabina ritorno : benedizione
Bacia con grande amore moglie figli madre suocera
fratelli sorelle cognata - saluta amici

Unica grande pensiero : famiglia - Patria - Lavoro
Unica grande aspirazione : ritrovarsi -

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via Ferrero
Carlo Varese 1/2
Orbetello
Pongiovanni
— 2/3 —

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Vaudè Capriano 3/3

Attendimi presso prefetto
Tus. Sto bene. Baciami a tutti
Cassiano Gino

(1)

Binina cara, sia pure con ritardo ho ricevuto le tue lettere e sono a tutte le notizie. Tanto io che Corrado siamo rimasti assai soddisfatti per il complesso delle cose,ma siamo stati ultra spiacenti di non poter esser costì per le feste com'era nei nostri voti. Egli non mi è vicino, ma ho sovente sue ottime notizie.È contento e nei passati giorni ha ricevuto parecchi elogi per il suo lavoro.È proprio assai bravo. Ranieri è stato un po di tempo con lui,ma ora è venuto via per andar altrove. Invece gli è andato vicino il ~~fratello~~ marito di Margherita.

Va bene per i doppi vetri e benissimo che tu abbia potuto completare la cura del dentista. Mi rincresce invece la questione dello scaldabagno:temo sempre tu abbia freddo,specie ai piotini! Spero tu abbia potuto sostituire bene Lina che,da quanto ho capito,deve ormai averti lasciato per sposarsi. Anch'io non ho più saputo niente di Raffaele.Invece ho con me il bravo Valentini col quale abbiamo rievocato in questi giorni le drammatiche giornate dell'anno scorso.Sembrano già tanto lontane!E quante cose sono accadute dopo.A volte mi sento tanto invecchiato:anche perchè i vestiti mi diventano stretti.È uno spavento e cerco di reagire perfino con la ginnastica da camera perchè voglio assolutamente che tu ritrovi ancora un Binino potabile.Manda cartoline alla signora Adele Valentini = Via Pietro Zeno 6 = Venezia Lido per dirle che suo figlio Guido sta ottimamente. Nonino mi fa sempre buona compagnia.Si è fidanzato in questi giorni con una cara e brava figliola, buona e fine.L'ho incoraggiato (anche in considerazione di quel pasticcio di Torino che sarebbe certo continuato) e ne ho scritto alla mamma sua che mi già risposto ringraziandomi.

Io continuo come al solito e sto bene.Anche troppo:e ciò aumenta il mio disappunto per non averti con me e mi fa rabbia pensando alle difficoltà che avrete costì.Non penso però di mandarti roba,sia per la quasi impossibilità,sia perchè facilmente si perderebbe come è accaduto per la spedizione che ti feci in Settembre.Sono molto occupato ed è un bene perchè così vi è meno tempo di pensare a tutti i guai di questo periodo così triste per noi.Mio cruccio grande,grandissimo,è di non esserti vicino.Bisogna farsi molta forza e,come giustamente dici tu,aver fede in Dio perchè solo lui può darci la tanto agognata gioia di riunirci. Come sta Francine? Dille che conto veder presto suo marito,come già ho veduto Guido di Laetitia e il consorte di Margherita. A quest'ultima direi che la sua amica è stata raggiunta dal merito.Per me è una risorsa aver conosciuto quella famiglia così cara:sono proprio dei buoni amici che spero tu possa presto conoscere. Son contento delle buone notizie di Carlo,Emilio ed Adriano.Ricordami tanto a loro. Recentemente ho avuto notizie di Musso. Mi dice fra l'altro che nulla ha più saputo di Sandro del quale ha dovuto prender il posto.È inutile ti dica che ho sete di notizie,specie di te.E poi del rimanente:i nostri cari;

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Salutami tanto Beglia e digli che ho avuto presto fatto a fare il suo bel ritratto: l'aria di mare gli fa proprio bene - Ancora un bel bacio

Bibino tuo

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SUBJECT: Lt Col GARGAN

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
M/103/1
30 May 44

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H.E. General BERARDI
Chief of Staff SICE (by hand of Major BAUMANN)

1. I am informed that a Lt Col GARGANO has been touring SICILY for some time reorganising the MILIZIA MARITTIMA to perform Coastal Defense duties.

Col GARGANO also has a representative in MESSINA - a Capt TROIA.

2. As the duties of these two officers are not clear will you please state if GARGANO and TROIA are employed by you and what are the specific duties which have been assigned to them.

3. I await an immediate reply by hand of Major Baumann.

CGL.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

Signal sent 30/5/279
Answer in 194

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TO: 2 i/c

Ref. Col GARGANO (folio 179)
We have no information on this Officer on our files.
I suggest Maj. Bowman is asked to find out from SHAPE what GARGANO and his rep Capt TROIA are doing in Sicily as the MILMART has been dissolved.
Do you agree pse? [signature] 29/3-
I have attached a draft which might be sent to SHAPE if you want this settled on paper

G3 Send personal to Bowman by hand of Bowman for immediate reply. We want not let 1 [illegible]378 get anxious about the Italians

Lee [signature illegible] for this evening 30/3-

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SUBJECT: Enquiry re (nt Paolo Simeoni

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
19 May 44

Adv HQ Army Sub Comm SALERNO

The attached correspondence is forwarded to you as there is no knowledge of this subject either at this HQ or the Ministry of War.

CGL.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Major TOMI Renato

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
29 May 44

War Ministry

Ref your 1957/C of 5 May

1. Major TOMI Renato was found guilty of conspiring with four other men to send messages to Enemy Occupied Territory.

2. He has been interned and is now in No 371 Prisoners of War Camp.

3. The period of his sentence is not known but will be shown on the arrest report which should be with him.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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SUBJECT: Lt PERRONE Armando

_C O N F I D E N T I A L_

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
29 May 44

3 District (for CSI)

Ref your 3/CSI of 18 May.

The Italian General Staff states that there is no trace of Lt PERRONE having joined on attempted to join the REGIO ESERCITO.

CGL.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Security

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
29 May 44

AAI

Copy to: HQ ACC

1. The Italian General Staff have requested authority to lift the ban on civilians visiting the beaches. Before the Armistice access to all beaches was forbidden.

2. May I have your approval please with such reservations as you require.

CGL.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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A C T I O N S L I P

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To: 2 i/c via G1

Ref. attached.
I have asked SHAPE via Rheindahlen to let us know if this circular letter was in fact sent out.

S 29/5 Jm 29/5

G2 - When information is received let me know

K 29/5 - Noted S 29/5

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Subject:- Relations with Italian Troops. CONFIDENTIAL.

HQ 2 District CMF.
2022/77 CSI
26 May 44.

Army Sub Commission
Main HQ MMIA

In the PWB Report on Conditions in Liberated Italy No 19 of May 16th 1944 Part II "Armed Forces" para 21 the following occurs:-

"The Italian General Staff has issued to subordinate commands a circular letter, dated 27.3.44, concerning the attitude Italian troops should assume towards possible provocations by Allied soldiers. The text of the circular reads:-

"There have come to my knowledge frequent instances of aggressive acts on the part of Allied troops, for the most part drunk, against our soldiers, who have been man-handled and occasionally seriously hurt.

Our troops must avoid all occasions that might give rise to incidents of this nature.

Where our soldiers may expect to find themselves the victims of aggression, (after night-fall, vicinity of their quarters or billets to settlements of Allied troops, casual encounters with Allied troops, under the influence of drink), they should proceed with accustomed caution, ready to make use of arms if necessary.

Italian soldiers must not use provocation, but in the event of violence they may react in their own defence with firmness and decision, putting themselves in such a position that they do not get the worse of the encounter.

The above instruction should be brought to the attention of the troops - in the accustomed manner - so that all may know what the attitude of the soldier should be in such circumstances.

(Sd) Chief of the General Staff.
HERARDI."

The latent danger in this circular is the handle it gives to ill-intentioned persons in the Italian army to stir up feeling against the Allies, and secondarily the inadvisability of allowing discontented elements to circulate freely with arms."

This HQ would like to know if this circular was in fact sent out.

MG.

L. Kenyon Major General,
Commanding 2 District.

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Army Sub. Com.

HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 750

371.2 (SOS)

15 May 1944

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SUBJECT: Safeguarding Military Information.

TO : See Distribution.

The following cable, Headquarters RATCOUSA, R-45551, cite NAMAF, 1609CIB, is published for strict compliance by all concerned:

"What follows is directed by AGWAR cable ref number none dated 11th May 44: "Before departure all military and civilian personnel under Army control returning from outside Continental UNITED STATES will be directed that they will not disclose information concerning Army, WD, or their activities within theater through newspapers, magazines, radio, books, lectures, or by any other means to the Public without clearance by WD Bureau of Public Relations or by appropriate public Relations Officers of various Army Installations. That all concerned under your jurisdiction be so informed is desired." Desire you inform all units under your command of the above. Desire OOS SOS and ATC inform all personnel departing from Airports or Ports the UNITED STATES before departure of these instructions."

By command of Major General LARKIN:

/s/ J. V. Sheldon
/s/ J. V. SHELDON,
Major, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adjutant General.

Reproduced, Hq. Peninsular Base Section,
APO 782, 19 May 1944 _____.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. di prot. 2544/c P.M.107 li 27 maggio 1944

OGGETTO: Tenente di Ftr. di Compl. MERLINI G.BATTISTA - classe 1896 - Distretto di Ascoli - Comandante la 14^Cp. del XI°Btg. Presidiario, distaccata a Gioia del Colle (BARI). Lt. MERLINI G BATTISTA accused of spreading malicious propaganda

Alla ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ (MMIA) - L E Q U I L E

Il Comando del IX Corpo d'Armata ha segnalato che l'Ufficiale in oggetto, il giorno 22 aprile u.s., venne chiamato presso il Comando della Polizia Alleata in Gioia del Colle dove fu sottoposto ad interrogatorio e perquisito.

Sembra che l'Ufficiale sia stato accusato di aver svolto propaganda ostile agli Alleati fra i suoi dipendenti e che gli autori dell'accusa siano due soldati della Compagnia comandata dall'Ufficiale.

Si sarà molto grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà cortesemente far conoscere quali elementi di fatto siano stati accertati a carico del Tenente Merlini affinchè questo Ministero possa esaminare la posizione disciplinare dello stesso e prendere, nei suoi riguardi, i provvedimenti del caso.

Se possibile, si gradirebbe, inoltre, che il Merlini fosse messo a disposizione di questo Ministero.-

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GENERALE ALIBERTI

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SUBJECT: Maj. TONI Renato.

I/103/1 24/7/G(I). 25 May 44.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (AMIA)

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1. Ref your I/103/1 dated 22 May '44.

2. This HQ was not in command of this area at the time of the a/m's arrest. The following information is taken from files handed over by the outgoing formation.

3. TONI was under investigation by FSS during Jan'44 and C.A.C. LANCIANO was informed of this. Towards the end of January he was found guilty of conspiring with four other men to send messages to E.O.T. He gave verbal messages for three people at CHIETI, two of whom were on the 8th Army Black List. The knowledge of this attempt to pass the messages was common gossip in the town, and therefore, although he was serving AMG usefully, it was considered necessary to take action against him.

4. The period of his sentence will be shown on the arrest report which should be with him, and as he was arrested category 'B', he should be at 371 POW Camp.

5. Further information could be obtained from FSO. 406 FS Sec (8 Ind Div) who dealt with the case.

W.A.B. Adp

Capt.
G.III.I(b) 5 Corps.

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SUBJECT: Relations with Civil Police

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
27 May 44

Public Safety Sub Commission ACC

Copy to: HQ 2 District (Your 2049 OSI of 24 May refers)

The attached copy of HQ 2 District's letter is forwarded to you for information and any action you think necessary as requested in para 3.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

COL.

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SUBJECT: Relations with Civil Police

HQ 2 District CMF
2049 GSI
24 May 44

Army Sub Commission
MMIA

1. Cases have occurred in 2 District of British soldiers being injured by shots fired by CC.RR in their attempts to stop brawls between soldiers, often drunk, and civilians.

2. No doubt, the intention of the CC.RR is to quell the affray by the use of firearms, but the effect is usually to trun a minor incident into a major distrubance.

3. I would be grateful if you would arrange for orders to be issued to CC.RR that under no circumstances will firearms be produced or used in disturbances in which Allied Troops are involved unless in self-defence.

Major General.
Commanding.

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SUBJECT: Documents - Prisoners of War

CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.M.G.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
27 May 44

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War Ministry

The Pay Books of Capts CATALINO and CARANO are forwarded herewith as requested. Captain TREVISI states that he lost his paybook prior to being transferred to 371 Camp.

CGL.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.M.G.

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SUBJECT: Documents - Prisoners of War.

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HQ No.2 District, CMP.
25/213.A.
14 May, 1944.

M.M.I.A.

1. Reference your message 174, dated 10th May, 1944.

2. The Pay-Books of Capts. Casalino and Carano are forwarded herewith as requested. Capitano Trevini states that he lost his paybook together with his suitcase prior to being transferred to ~~Lido~~ 371 Camp.

for Colonel,
Colonel i/c Adm.

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SUBJECT:- Reorg of MILMART CD btys. CONFIDENTIAL.

Liaison Officer,
Army Sub Commission ACC,
C/o HQ No 1 District
Ref:- 1DLO/1.
23 May 44.

Army Sub Commission, ACC,
Main HQ (MMIA),
LECCUILE (LECCE).

A Lt-Col GARGANO has been touring SICILY for some time reorganizing the MILIZIA MARITTIMA (MILMART) to perform CD duties.

GSI(b) No 1 District are not satifyed with this officer from the security angle. Could you state if it is the policy that the MILMART should be thus employed and also check up on Lt Col GARGANO's terms of reference which appear to be rather vague.

Lt Col GARGANO's rep in MESSINA is a Capt TROIA.

Major,
MMIAO.

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F/SM

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

I/103/1

N. 5689 prot. OP. P.M. 151, li 26 Marzo 1944

Allegati

Risposta al foglio N.

del 178

OGGETTO: affluenza civili alle spiagge.-
Crowding of beaches by civilians

AlLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione per l'Esercito

R o m a

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Riferimento foglio di questo S.I.M.S. 5500/Op. in data 21 marzo.-

A seguito richiesta verbale del Maggiore Baumann, si precisa che lo scopo anzi era vietato l'accesso dei civili a tutte le spiagge. Ciò in relazione al fatto che tutta la costa era battuta dal tiro delle armi automatiche.-

Last year all beaches were out of bounds to civilians, as all the coast was covered by automatic weapon fire.

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
- S.M.Orsini -

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Allegati

del 1/7/0

OGGETTO: affluenza civili alle spiagge.-
Crowding of beaches by civilians.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione per l'Esercito

L e c c e

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IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
- G.B.Oxilia -

Oxilia

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RISERVATA

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO

UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

-SEZIONE GIUDIZIARIA-

N. 1889 /1113 SP di prot.

Allegati N.

P. M. 151, li 25 aprile 1944

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER
L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
L O C A L E

Risposta al foglio del 1/102/1

N. 176

OGGETTO: Procedimento penale contro MARTINI Giovanni.-

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Riferimento foglio n°I/102/1 del 20.4.44.

S.M. il comandante militare della Sardegna, a richiesta di questo S.M., ha comunicato che il processo a carico del console generale MARTI NI Giovanni potrà essere celebrato entro il mese di giugno, salvo imprevisti per necessità pro cedurali.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
-Gen.D'Orilia-

G. d'Orilia

Garrison Comdr. Sardinia
has communicated that
the trial of Gen Martini
should be completed within
the month of June, providing
there is no hitch in procedure.

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SUBJECT: 2nd Lt FABIANCICH, Francesco

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
25 May 44

Displaced Persons Sub Comm ACC

1. The Ministry of War advises this Hq that the above named officer of the 336 Inf Regiment deserted from the Italian Army on 4 May 1944, and is now at the Red Star Partisan Nucleus at MONOPOLI, wearing the uniform of a partisan officer. A picture of the officer is attached.

2. As directed by the Chief Commissioner, this matter is reported to you for necessary action to have this officer returned to the Italian Army at once, as he is already a serving Italian soldier now a deserter.

3. Request that action be taken to have the officer returned to the Italian Military Authorities and this Hq be advised when, where and to whom, the officer has been delivered.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

SUBJECT: Security Discipline of Italian Forces CONFIDENTIAL

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (AMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
25 May 44

H.E. General BERARDI
Chief of Staff SMGE

Copy to: HQ AAI (Your AAI/1402/13/GI (b) of 17 May refers)
Maj CAMPBELL Adv HQ Army Sub Commission
Naval Sub Commission

1. Brigadier DUCHESNE, in his letter I/103/1 of 19 February, drew your attention to certain specific instances of breaches of the regulations on the control of movement in 5 and 8 Army areas by Italian Military personnel and asked for your assurance that all measures necessary for the prevention of further infringements would be taken.

2. I have now received a letter from the Chief of Staff Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy forwarding a report, copy of which is attached, revealing many further instances of wilful breaches of Security Discipline by the Italian Armed Forces.

3. It is clear from the attached report that there is a serious degree of laxity on the part of Commanding officers and Senior officers of units enforcing these security regulations. Moreover cases have occurred in which Italian officers have deliberately issued duty passes to personnel proceeding on leave to enable them to circumvent the regulations.

4. I am to inform you that the Chief of the General Staff takes a very serious view of the incidents reported and points out that it is evident that effective action to prevent them is not being taken.

5. You will please award exemplary punishment to the officers and men concerned and at the same time reissue orders to ensure that the regulations are strictly observed.

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HQ, ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY

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AAI/1404/2/CSI(b)

22 May 44

Main HQ, (M.M.I.A.).
Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

Your I/103/1 dated 18 May 44 is acknowledged with thanks.

We have taken steps to ensure that any similar incidents which may occur in future will be reported to you with greater despatch and, if possible, with further particulars.

W D Gibson Lt Col
Lieut. General,
Chief of General Staff.

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 20)

13 May 1944

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Security
G.S. General Staff

HUNTING PARTIES

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d. When obtaining permission or permits the owner and type of firearm and ammunition will be indicated.

e. Consideration will be given the danger to areas contiguous to hunting locale because of the range of firearms and ammunition used in the hunt.

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TRANSLATION 23/5 Ref. 2432/C.

From: War Min. File Dr I 11a/1 Date May 22, 1944

To: M.M.I.A.

Subject: Desertion of 2nd Lt. Fabianich

Further to our 2210/S dated MAY 13, it has been reported that 2nd Lt FABIANICH of the 336th Inf Regt; who deserted to the enemy on May 11, 1944 is now at MONOPOLI at the Red Star Partisan Headquarters and is wearing the uniform of a partisan officer.

He is a Negro, light hair, height of 1,80 m. and wears myopic glasses. We have attached a photograph of the Officer

We would be very grateful if MMIA would approach the JUGOSLAV Mlg. stating above fact and ask them if having FABIANICH returned to the army

cpl. (C).

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3. Action necessary will be taken at once for implementation of these instructions, coordinating them as necessary with local regulations governing travel and possession of firearms.

By command of General WILSON:

H. V. ROBERTS,
Colonel, A.G., 1st
Adjutant General.

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TRANSLATION 2315

From: War Min. Ref. 24320

To: M.M.I.A. File Dec I 1944 Date May 22, 1944

Subject: Desertion of 2nd Lt Fabianich

Further to our 22105 dated MAY 17, it has been reported that 2nd Lt FABIANCICH of the 336th Inf Regt, who deserted to enemy on May 11, 1944 is now at MONOPOLI at the Red Star Partisan Police and is wearing the uniform of a partisan officer.

He is ~~Unjan figure~~, fair hair, height of 1,80 m. and wears myopic glasses. We have attached a photograph of the Officer.

We would be very grateful if MMIS would approach the JUGOSLAV Mil. stated above and the aim of having FABIANCICH returned to his own unit

Cpl. (C). 6356 (GEN. ALIARDI)

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GABINETTO

Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. 2432/C di prot. Allegati n° 1 P.M.107, li 22 maggio 1944.

OGGETTO: Allontanamento arbitrario Sottotenente FABIANCICH Francesco.

Detention of Ind. Lt. Fabiancich.

Alla ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ (MMIA -

L E Q U I L E

A seguito foglio n°2210/C in data 13 maggio 1944 è stato segnalato che il Sottotenente FABIANCICH Francesco di Francesco e di Tovacich Maria, nato il 29 febbraio 1920 a Castelnuovo d'Istria -Distretto di Pola - appartenente al 336°Reggimento Fanteria, allontanatosi dal proprio Reparto il 4 maggio 1944, si trova presentemente a Monopoli presso il Nucleo Partigiani "Stella Rossa" e veste la divisa di ufficiale partigiano.

Egli è di corporatura snella, capelli biondi, statura m.1,80 e porta occhiali da miope. Si allega la fotografia dell'Ufficiale.

Si sarà molto grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà compiacersi intervenire presso il Comando Jugoslavo sopra citato allo scopo di far restituire il Fabiancich al proprio Reparto.-

GENERALE ALIBERTI

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SUBJECT : Lt (Parachutist) FERRONS, Armando.

3 District
Ext 6
3/GSI
18 May 44

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Army Sub-Commission ACC,
Main HQ (MMLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)

Ref our letter 3/GSI of 14 Apr 44. 105

May this HQ please be informed of the result of the investigations by SMRE (your 1/103/1 of 22 Apr refers).

SMRE asked via Fdy. RTownsend

(T C TOWNSEND) Capt
for Maj Gen
Comd

TCT/HDH

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SUBJECT: Gen BELLOMO

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILES (LECCE)
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22 May 46

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2 District

Ref your 2022/59 of 17 May.

1. The documents fwd are returned herewith.

2. You do not state to whom they have been shown, but I feel that before I take any action in the matter, reference should be made to the authorities who initiated Gen BELLOMO's arrest.

3. Would you please keep me posted of the action taken so that I may inform HQ ACC who are interested in this case.

CGL.

L. BROWNING
Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Mai TONI, Renato

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

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
22 May 44

5 Corps (for CSI b)

1. Notification has been received from the Italian War Ministry that Major TONI Renato, at one time in charge of the Food Office for the Province of Chieti, was arrested at LANCIANO on February 11 by British Police for bribing a person to deliver a letter to his family residing in Chieti.

2. May this HQ please be informed of the details of TONI's case and whether he is likely to be released.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Subject: Gen BELLOMO

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HQ 2 District CMF
2022/59 GSI

17 May 44

ACC Army Sub Commission

Ref our 2022/41 C of 28 Jan 44 and our Most Secret signal I 2318 of 30 Jan 44

A Court of Enquiry was convened by order of GOC No 2 District and held on Monday 3 April 44 at No 1 PW Transit Camp TORRE TRESCA to hear the evidence in this case.

The evidence was subsequently forwarded to AFHQ as set forth in AFHQ Directive ref GI/P/3305/A3 dated 6 Feb 44.

On 30 Apr 44 Gen BELLOMO wrote to GOC No 2 District (translation is appended at "A"). With his letter he forwarded an open letter to Marshal BADOGLIO (translation at "B") with two documents explaining his conduct since the Armistice.

They are forwarded to you for information and onward transmission if you think it desirable.

for G1

Major-General
Commanding 2 District

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ACTION S. F.

This Slip will not be removed.

To: 2 i/c via CII

Ref attached

① I com Sec see no Objections as far as Security is concerned

② Suggest a translation copy of SWRE's request with covering letter is funded to HQ ~~USCC~~ AAF for approval. Copy to AR Acc

Sgt 3/5

GI 23/5

GI
P.L. OK letter

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TRANSLATION

From SMRE 22/5 Ref. 5500/OP

To: M.M.I.A. File G..... Date 21 MAY 1940 XVIII

Subject: Crossing of beaches by civilians
Movement of

With the approach of summer, there arises the question of movement to the beaches by civilians.

Last year, owing to the need of coastal defence, access to certain sections of the coast was forbidden.

As the said need for coastal defence appears to have diminished, and with the aim of meeting the desires of the civilian population this Stato Maggiore is inclined to permit the access to the beaches by civilians.

The units to whom the letter is addressed are requested to give their opinion on this matter and if such is the case the limitations that they believe advisable, in order that the SMRE may include them in orders to be issued on this subject.

S/o of SM
G. B. OVILIA

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G. BOVILLA

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

F/pe.

UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

N. 5500 prot. Op.

P.M.151 li 22 maggio 1944

Allegati

Risposta al foglio N.

del

OGGETTO: affluenza civili alle spiagge.-
Crowding of beaches by civilians.

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.MARINA — TARANTO

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- Sottocommissione per l'Esercito - — LECCE

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Con l'avvicinarsi della stagione estiva, sorge la questione dell'affluenza dei civili alle spiagge.

Lo scorso anno, in relazione alle esigenze della difesa costiera, l'accesso ad alcuni tratti di costa era stato precluso ai civili.

Poichè attualmente tali esigenze sembrerebbero diminuite, allo scopo di venire incontro anche ai desideri della popolazione civile questo S.M. sarebbe propenso a permettere l'accesso dei civili alle spiagge.

Gli Enti in indirizzo, sono pertanto pregati voler comunicare il loro parere in merito e, se del caso, le limitazioni che riterrebbero opportune perchè questo S.M.R.E. possa farle introdurre nelle disposizioni da emanarsi in materia.

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IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
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Subject: ZEI Alberto di Armando.

HQ 2 District CMP
2022/41 CSI

15 May 44

Army Sub Commission ACC,
Main HQ MMIA,
LEQUILLE.

Ref your 1/103/1 dated 10 may 44.

1 A tenente ZEI Alberto di Armando - not a captain, of via KENAI 17 FLORENCE was caught attempting to cross the lines to join the Germans on 17 Feb.1944.

2 It is presumed that this is the man referred to.

3 He has been interred for the duration.

Major General,
Commanding.

EMB

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TRANSLATION

From: War Ministry Ref. 1957/C

To: M.M.I.A. File 9916 Date 15.5.44.

Subject: Arrest of Maj. Toni Renato

Ant. Major Toni Renato, at one time in charge of the Food office for the province of Chieti, was arrested at LANCIANO on Feb. 11th ult. by British Police accused, together with other civilians, of having sent a person, whom he previously paid for that purpose, to Chieti, a few days after said town was occupied by Allied troops, to ~~deliver~~ deliver a letter to his own family residing in Chieti.

So far it has been impossible to obtain any further details and we would therefore be very grateful if you could obtain from Allied Authorities concerned, more recent and detailed news in order ascertain the officer's present position and whether he is likely or not to be released in the near future.

(Sgd) Col. RAVAGLI.

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(Sgd) CH. RAVAGLI.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate
P.M.107

X 1957/C Gab. prot. li 5 maggio 1944.

OGGETTO: Maggiore di Ftr. compl. TONI Renato.

Sub. Maj. TONI RENATO (Chieti)

Alla ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C.
- Main HQ (MMIA) -
LEQUILE

e, per conoscenza:
Alla DIREZIONE GENERALE PERS.UFFICIALI S E D E
(rif.to f°2072/Disc. del 2 corr.)

Il Maggiore di Fanteria di complemento TONI Renato, già Capo dell'Ufficio Alimentazione per la provincia di Chieti, venne tratto in arresto in Lancia no l'11 febbraio u.s., dalla Polizia Inglese, perchè accusato, insieme ad altri civili, di avere inviato a Chieti, previo compenso, alcuni giorni dopo l'occupazione della città da parte delle truppe alleate, una persona per il recapito di una lettera alla propria famiglia residente a Chieti.

Poichè non è stato possibile avere, finora, maggiori particolari, si sarà grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà interessare il Comando Alleato competente per avere più recenti e dettagliate notizie, allo scopo di appurare l'attuale posizione dell'Ufficiale e vedere se vi è la possibilità o meno di una sua prossima liberazione.-

d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO ADDETTO
(M.Ravagli)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS
16 MAY 1944
A. C. C.

MSG Center No	N 18 N 22 N23 N29/16	Date Time Rec'd	MAY 16
Classification	SECRET	Date Time Sent	MAY 15/1700
Precedence	NONE	Reference NR	A1/01899
From	MIDEAST	Cite	NONE
To	(1) FREEDOM (2) FILPOT (3) HQ AAI (4) MAIN 8TH ARMY (5) HQ 5TH ARMY (6) ADV 02E IND AAI (7) HQ ADV HFTS AAI (8) FATIMA		

FOR FHMAB AND 02E BNAF.

FOLLOWING DRAFTS AND DETAILS FOR AAI B KING PREPARED FOR EMBARKATION ON SEA CONVOY XIF 15 EX DELTA. ONE. BRITISH. READ OFFRS AND CR. INFANTRY RIFLE 30 AND 100 MG 1 AND 5 RAC 3 AND 4 RECCE NIL AND 2 RA FIELD 3 AND 174 HAA 12 AND NIL LAA 2 AND 14 TOTAL 17 AND 188. HAA DILUTION 9 AND 777 INCLUDING 750 A OR. RE 3 AND 64 INCLUDING 54 PAL OUR A1/00521 OF 11TH MAY NOT REPEAT NOT TO ALL REFERS. R SIGS 2 AND 5 RASC 7 AND 157 INCLUDING 23 CEYLONESE AND 7 MAURITIAN OR. OUR A1/00521 REFERS. RAOC 21 AND 7 REME 2 AND 4 ACC NIL AND 1 ATS 4 AND 100. OFFICERS 4 CMTC COURSE 29 AND NIL OFFICERS EX 9 MIDEAST JUNIOR STAFF COURSE 21 AND NIL INCLUDING 3 FOR ONWARD ALGIERS. PIONEER CORPS NIL AND 94 A OR MY A1/00 521 REFERS. RAMC 2 AND 3. MISCELLANEOUS INCLUDING PERSONNEL EX COURSES 22 AND 70. TOTAL BRITISH 173 AND 1581. TWO. INDIAN ARMY. READ BRITISH OFFICERS VCOS AND INDIAN OR INCLUDING FOLLOERS. (A) 4 INDIAN DIV. IAC 2 NIL AND 8 IE NIL NIL AND 1 SIGNALS NIL NIL AND 1 INFANTRY 2. 2 AND 843 INDIAN ARMY MC 1 NIL AND 4 IAOC NIL NIL AND 19 RIASC NIL 1 AND 2 MISCELLANEOUS NIL NIL AND 1. TOTAL 5. 3 AND 870. (B) 8 INDIAN DIV. ARTILLERY NIL NIL AND 47. IAC NIL NIL AND 3. IE NIL NIL AND 4 SIGNALS NIL NIL AND 2 INFANTRY I. I AND 304 INDIAN ARMY OC NIL NIL AND 4 RIASC 1 NIL AND 2 MISCELLANEOUS NIL 2 AND NIL TOTAL TOTAL 2.3 AND 396 (C) 10 INDIAN DIV. IE NIL NIL AND 8 INFANTRY 9. 5 AND 329 INDIAN ARMY MC NIL NIL AND 4 INDIAN ARMY OC/IEME NIL 1 AND 20 RIASC NIL NIL AND 5 MISCELLANEOUS NIL NIL AND 2 TOTAL 9 6 AND 368 (D) MISCELLANEOUS. IE NIL 1 AND 50 SIGNALS NIL NIL AND 3 INFANTRY 2. 3. AND 288 INDIAN ARMY MC 22. 6 AND 10 INDIAN ARMY OC/IEME 3.4 AND 100 INCLUDING 12

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HEADQUARTERS
16 MAY 1944
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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

P.M. 151 . 11

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Alla DELEGAZIONE PER
L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
L I Q U I L E

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Rif. al foglio del 15.4.1944
N. I/103/I 8/4 I/10

OGGETTO: Fermo di ufficiali italiani che cercavano di passare in territorio non liberato.-

Arrest of Italian military attempting to cross the line to enemy occupied territory.

Seguito foglio n°9467/41 SP in data 4 c.m..

Questo S.M., in relazione alla notizia fornita dal Comando del IX corpo d'armata in merito ai fatti segnalati da codesta Sottocommissione con il foglio in riferimento, ha ritenuto necessario ordinare ulteriori accertamenti.

Essi sono in corso.

Appena ultimati, verranno comunicati i provvedimenti adottati.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
-G.B.Orlile-

Ref: your I/103/I of 15 Apr

Further investigations are being made following on info: received from IX Corps.

As soon as these are complete we will inform Sub Com of action taken.

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H & Refers

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SUBJECT: Trial of Gen MARTINI

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

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
13 May 44

AAI

Copy to: Col SIMMONS Army Sub Comm ACC SARDINIA

Further to our I/103/1 of 13 May.

1. According to information received from Gen MAGLI - G.O.C. XIII Corps SARDINIA on a visit to this H.Q. on 18 May investigations and preparations for the trial of General MARTINI and those implicated in the Fascist Conspiracy should be completed by about the first week in June.

2. The trial will be held under the auspices of the Military Tribunal - SARDINIA and it is hoped that this will be completed by the middle of June.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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SUBJECT: Italian Armed Forces

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (AMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
15 May 44

No AAI

Reference your AAI/1404/2/CSI(b) of 7 May.

1. Instances reported in your letter of even number dated 13 April were handled as follows:

San MARCO Battalion - this was reported to the Comando Supremo and Deputy Chief Commissioner ACC inasmuch as this unit is a part of the Navy and not the Army.

Parachutists - Reported to SMRE. The whereabouts of the soldier in question are not known.

3 Squadrons Esploratori - Reported to SMRE. This unit now is assigned to 227 Div under command 3 Dist, and has been referred to the Italian Commander in CAMPANIA for handling.

Italian Parachute Troops - This incident was reported to this Hq on 8 Feb and 2 Dist was informed on 19 Feb that the guilty parties had been punished by the Italian Government, and the incident was considered closed as it had no political significance.

2. 2 Dist reported the first three incidents above to this Hq by letter dated 17 Apr which arrived at the same time as your letter of 13 April.

3. Prompt disciplinary action by the Italian authorities is not possible because of the time elapsed between the occurance of the incident and the information being transmitted to them, necessitating a long and diligent search for facts after the witnesses are scattered. Also, the information is usually received without specific facts and names of witnesses. In order to permit the Italians to take prompt action it is deemed that such reports should be transmitted by the quickest possible means and with sufficient facts on which action can be accomplished without a preliminary "fishing" for information on which to base action.

4. This Hq had asked the Italian authorities to report that action had been taken. They keep us advised as to the action being taken, but the exact disciplinary action and punishment awarded has not been required by this Hq. In future cases this will be required so that report can be made to you.

5. This Headquarters considers that the Italian Authorities are doing everything in their power to handle adequately such cases. However they are handicapped by sketchy information and lack of quick communications. The measures taken by Italian authorities are considered satisfactory.

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T. Larkin

for Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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SUBJECT: Fascist Disturbances and Incidents involving It an Armed Forces. CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

In reply to your I/103/1 of 11 May

HQ Armed Forces of Campania were immediately instructed to make urgent investigations regarding the incidents reported in your I/103 of 24 Apr and to ~~with suggestions as~~ as to what action ~~should be~~ taken.

Further particulars are awaited.

13 May 44. G.B. OXILIA

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STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
Ufficio segreteria e personale

N° 191/135/Ris SP di prot. P.M.151, li 13 maggio 1944.-

OGGETTO: incidenti ed agitazioni fasciste implicanti forze armate italiane.-
Incidents and fascist agitation involving Italian Armed Forces.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
LEQUILE

In risposta al foglio n° I/103/1 dell'11 maggio 1944, si comunica che è stato subito interessato il Comando FF.AA. della Campania a disporre urgenti accertamenti in merito ai fatti segnalati da codesta Sottocommissione con foglio n° I/103 del 24 aprile 1944 ed a riferire con proposte di provvedimenti.-

Riserva di notizie.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
-G.B.ORLIA-

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SUBJECT: Discipline

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
13 May 44

HQ ACC

Ref your signal 4843 of 12 May.

Herewith copies of correspondence under reference in our I/103/1 of 9 May.

CGL.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Army Form C.2136

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2672

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FROM: ACC REAR GUINSUTH	Originator's Number 252	Date 1	In Reply to Number 55

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Ref our text Seven five Nine (classify restricted) reference your original number one seven zero reserve one copy pd CONTROLLER RESERVE AUSTRALIA and DEPUTY CHIEF COMMISSIONER protected pd to MTOA from ACC text from CRINSLEIH signed MACFARLANE

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SUBJECT: Trial of Gen MARTINI

CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MILA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
13 May 44

AAI

Copy to: War Ministry

Further to our I/103/1 of 30 Apr to War Ministry, copy to You.

1. The Italian War Ministry have confirmed that Military Headquarters, SARDINIA are arranging for the trial of General MARTINI.

2. Particulars of the type of court and the date and place of trial are still awaited.

Brig Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

COL.

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FONOGRAMMA

A MANO

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I/103, B12/5 152

DA MINISTERO GUERRA - UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO MISSIONI ALLEATE

AT M.M.I.A.

SI COMUNICA PER OPPORTUNA CONOSCENZA CHE EST PERVENUTA NOTIZIA CHE STAMANE AT BORGO PIAVE NORD-EST DI SURDO NEI PRESSI CABINA GONIOMETRICA EST PRECIPITATO PER CAUSE IMPRECISATE UN APPARECCHIO NAZIONALITA' NON ANCORA ACCERTATA ALT D'ORDINE CAPO GABINETTO FIORE VERNAZZA ALT

.....A conferma comunicazione verbale di stamane, fatta al capitano Selby.-

d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO ADDETTO
(M. Ravagli)

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TO FILPOT — For Action

(W) For information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No. Confidential O Your I(b) 460 of 10 May O FORMME ERMAHNO retrieving officers record papers which have been checked by ministry of interior

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SIGNED M Bellamy Capt

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TO ~~Embassy~~ MMIN (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY) 150

FROM ~~Embassy~~ NCC MAIN — Manfalma	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

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For Action

TO ACC REAR for QUINSMITH

(W) for Information (INFO)

Originator's No. I 76 — Message Instructions — CR

Request reply to our I/103 of 24 Apr

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SIGNED: W W Selby Capt

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SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MFIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
11 May 44

Ministry of War

Copy to: 3 District (Your 40/CSI of 6 May refers)

1. May this Headquarters have your assurance that when Italian Prisoners of War are liberated they will be in individual possession of some document establishing their identity and the fact of discharge.

CGL.

J.R. Selby, Capt
for Maj Gen,
Army Sub-Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Fascist Disturbances and Incidents Involving Italian Armed Forces. C O N F I D E N T I A L

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MEIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
11 May 44

SMILE

Will you please submit the report as requested in our I/103 of 24 April.

COL.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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ARMY FORM C-2178 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A) Originator — Date-Time of Origin — Office Date Stamp.

For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — OR —

Originator's No.

123 Ref your 7408/M/G3(t) of 7 May 0 please
refer your G3D Brenda

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SIGNED W Selby
Capt.

SIGNED

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TO For Action: AirSub Commission ACC rptd main ACC DISTWO

(W) For Information (INFO) 12

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No. I 71 confidential @ further to our I 64 of 30 Apr @ DISTWO now have more details regarding lt MONTEHUBBARD Suggest you ask for copy

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ACTION

This slip will NOT be removed

To: File via GII

Ref attached.

① SINRE asked to submit a report on Paracleutist CAMPAIGN and on the 3 Squadrons Exploratori. See To 108.
No report received

② Col Quinnsmith asked to take action on the SAN MARCO incident. See To 109
No report received yet

③ Have asked major Bauman to get a reply to ① this morning.

④ Suggest I send signal to Quinnsmith asking for report on action taken on the SAN MARCO case

JP 11/5

SINRE + Quinnsmith Reminded 11/5 To 110 + 111

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a) Responsibility	
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c) Degree of decentralisation for discipline, trg and adm.	
7. MAN MANAGEMENT	7.
a) Relations of Officers and Men	
b) Interest in Men	
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SUBJECT:- Fascist Disturbances and Incidents Involving Italian Armed Forces

HQ, ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

CONFIDENTIAL

AAI/1404/2/GSI(b)

7 May 44

Army Sub-Commission,
A.C.C.

Ref your 1/103/1 dated 25 Apr 44.

1. Please inform this HQ what disciplinary action was taken by the Italian Military authorities in respect of the specific instances quoted in our letter of even number dated 13 Apr 44.

2. Please state also whether you are satisfied that, in general, the measures taken by the Italian Military authorities in cases of this nature are adequate to act as an effective deterrent.

Lieut. General,
Chief of General Staff.

JWF

Folios 107, 108, 109, 117 & 119 refer

amended ref to 158.

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Army Sub Comission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
10 May 44

SUBJECT: Capt ZEI Alberto

HQ 2 District (for CSI (b))

1/137

Copy to: Ministry of War (Your 1938/c of 2 May refers)
MMIA HQ 2 District

1. The Italian Ministry of War has been informed that Capt ZEI Alberto - age 40, born at LIVORNO, was stopped by Allied Military Authorities on 7 March 1944 while attempting to cross the lines on the Adriatic Sector in order to rejoin his family in German occupied territory.

2. Capt ZEI was interned for a time in 209 PW cage and later sent on to a concentration camp near BARI.

3. Will you please take steps to find out the full details of this officer's case so that the Ministry of War may be informed.

J.R. Selby Capt
for Brig Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCL.

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Army SC-(Lecce)
I(102)

SUBJECT : Release of PW.

CONFIDENTIAL

5 District
Ext 6
40/CSI
6 May 44

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9/5

PW, ACC.
Copy to "A"

Ref PW, AAI letter AAI/3072/2/A(O) dated 27 Apr 44.

1. This HQ has been requested to consider security arrangements for reception of personnel.

2. May this HQ have your assurance that when liberated the PW will be in individual possession of some document establishing identity and the fact of discharge.

T C Townsend

(T C TOWNSEND) Capt
for Lt Col
G-2

TCT/MDH

Will have action

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MESSAGE FORM

Station No. 3211

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TO MMIA

FROM ABI	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

I(B)460 CONFIDENTIAL Ref your message 169 dated 8 Jan
Please give fuller reasons for air passage
Forfare Embarkno for Zanzibar

MDJ Wan asked 14/1

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T.O.R.

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SUBJECT:- Discipline

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MGIA)
LEQUILE (LECCR)
I/103/1
2 May 44

Chief Commissioner A.C.C.

1. Inviting attention to copy of letter HQ 2 Dist 11 April 1944, original of which was sent to A.C.C. Also copy of letter 409 F.S. Section, 5 May. Both of these letters refer to the transfer of an officer of the CC.RR, which it is alleged was brought about by the co-operation of the CC.RR with the Allies.

2. The matter is being brought to your personal attention as seriously affecting the discipline of the Italian Armed Forces, and the prestige of the CC.RR. Obviously, we must do everything possible to protect these Italians who are rendering assistance to the Allies.

3. Request that action be taken through the CC.RR to clarify this matter.

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ABC

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. 6669/I di prot. 35.1.37

Lecce, 8 MAR 1944

OGGETTO: Inchiesta a carico del Maggiore SILVANI Giovanni, in servizio presso l'Ufficio Alleato di Censura di Lecce.

SILVANI GIOVANNI

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

= LORO SEDI =

In risposta al foglio I/103/T in data 3 c.m., si comunica che degli accertamenti nei riguardi del comportamento del Maggiore SILVANI verso gli ufficiali da lui dipendenti, è stato incaricato, oltre che il Comando del Presidio Militare di Lecce, anche il Comando IX Corpo d'Armata, competente per territorio.

I risultati di tali accertamenti non sono ancora noti a questo Ministero.

Ne sarà data comunicazione a codesta Sottocommissione appena possibile.

Results of Court of Enquiry re Maj. SILVANI not yet received at this HQ. Details will be furnished as soon as possible.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col.R.Piore-Vernazza)

Fruttini 4.729

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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4 May 1944

SUBJECT: Matter Forwarded.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Main HQ. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).

Submitted herewith for your consideration is the following document:

Copy letter, HQ 2 District CMF to MSI (b) AAI, dated 21 April, subject: Major DI SALVO Manlio.

Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

GS/mms

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SUBJECT: Major AI CALVO Emilio

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HQ 2 District CAP
2022/41 GSI

4 Apr 44

GSI(b) AAI

Copy to Army Sub Commission, ACC
(your 1/103 of 24 Apr refers)

The attached copy of letter to this HQ from Army Sub Commission ACC is forwarded for action as this HQ has no records on the a/n.

EAB

L. Kenna and Capt
Major General,
Commanding.

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SUBJECT: Major di SALVO Manlio

HQ 2 District CMF
2022/41 GSI

5 May 44

Army Sub Commission ACC.

Reference your I/103 of 24 April.

1 The a/m has been interned for the duration for reasons of security.

2 Enquiries ref his health should be made direct to 371 PW Camp.

EMB

L. Kennard Capel
Major General,
Commanding.

must w told
S 9/5.

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Subject: COLONNA VOLONTARI 1/105/1

HQ 2 District CMF
2022/72 G

5 May 44

Army Sub Commission ACC.

Receipt of Volumes I and II of File 2022/72 G is acknowledged herewith.

EMB

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L. Kennard Cayler
Major General,
Commanding.

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ACTION

This slip will NOT be removed

To: 2 i/c DCA G1

Inform 1. For inform - Folios 124 - 129 refer S 6/5-

Inform 1. From Cpl SIMMONS letter it looks as if he has given us all the information he can.

2. The matter is now in Italian hands, & they confirm that Military H.Q. SARDINIA are arranging for trial. Vide Folio 134A.

Suggest 3. Italians to be kept up to the mark by letters enquiring how the trial is going, when & where it will be held, & by whom - Sardinia Mil. Tribunal??

DK (K) 4. AAI to be kept in picture of what's happening.

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c) Equipment - Attempts at improvisation

d) Results - apparent standard - keenness - interest

e) General

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Allied Force Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub-commission
A.P.O. 500, U. S. Army

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6/5

2 May 1944

SUBJECT: General MARTINI case

TO : Commanding General, Army Sub-commission
Allied Control Commission - LEQUILE (LECCE)

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1. Reference letter I/103/1 dated 28 April 1944, subject as above, no further inquires are being made by this office for the reason that all records of the investigation were taken to the mainland some weeks since. Inclosure "B" to letter, this office, of 14 April 1944, subject: Conspiracy in Sardinia, covers this information.

2. Any further investigation or inquiry should be pursued at S.M.E.E. whose special prosecutor was in possession of all materials at the time of his death.

F. L. Simmons

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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SG/G.

STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
-Ufficio Segreteria e Personale-

Nr. 9467/41 SP di prot. P.M.151, 4 maggio 1944

OGGETTO : fermo di militari che cercavano di passare in territorio non liberato.-

halting of soldiers who sought to pass over occupied territory

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.

= L E Q U I L E =

In risposta al foglio n°I/103/1 del 30 aprile 1944, si comunica che è stato subito interessato il comando del IX corpo d'armata a disporre urgenti accertamenti in merito al fatto segnalato da codesta Sottocommissione con foglio n°I/103/1 in data 15 aprile u.s. ed a riferire con proposte di provvedimenti.

Riserva di notizie.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
-G.B.Oxilia-

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SUBJECT: MARTINI Trial

Ref yr I/103/1 of 30 Apr 44.

1. SARDINIA Military HQ have been told to effect trial as expeditiously as possible and to inform us of its date. MARTINI was of the Militia (MVSN) and not of the Army.

2. Relative documents were lost in an air-crash on 6 Mar 44. King's Procurator, Capt LOFANE, was taking them to ACC for their examination.

DA/be

I/103/1ª 134A

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 6679 I — Lecce, li 5 MAG 194

30-3-8

OGGETTO: Processo MARTINI.

Figlio di GIOVANNI MARTINI.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

= LORO SEDE =

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Risposta foglio di codesta Sottocommissione nº I/103/1 in data 30 aprile c.a. — 129

1. Mentre si comunica di avere interessato il Comando Militare della Sardegna perchè il processo in oggetto venga svolto con la massima sollecitudine e perchè faccia conoscere la data del processo stesso, si precisa che trattasi dell'ex console generale della Milizia Volontaria Sicurezza Nazionale Giovanni MARTINI e non di un generale del R.Esercito.

2. Si informa che i documenti relativi al processo furono portati in Italia dal capitano della Giustizia Militare LOPANE Menotti, Procuratore del Re presso il Tribunale Militare di Guerra del VII Corpo d'Armata, per essere sottoposti ad esame da parte della Commissione Alleata di Controllo.

3. Il giorno 6 marzo c.a., durante il viaggio di ritorno, il capitano LOPANE prese posto nell'aereo militare italiano del servizio Gaudo-Lecce, aereo che precipitò nei pressi di Rofrano provocando la morte di tutto il personale che trovavasi a bordo.

4. Vennero subito effettuate lunghe e minuziose ricerche, rese assai difficoltose dal terreno montuoso e dalla abbondante neve, ma non fu trovata alcuna traccia dei sacchi postali e dei bagagli personali, ivi compresi i documenti di cui trattasi e che

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ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE
ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

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5. Le ricerche continuano a cura dell'Arma dei CC.RR.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO 4323
(Col.R.Fiore-Vernassa)

Fiore Vernassa

Traduction au revers.

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Subject:- Tenente MONTEMURRO, GD RR.

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To:- G.3.1.(b).
HQ 2 District, AMF.

Further to this office letter of 5 Apr 44 regarding the above named officer it is confirmed that Ten. MONTEMURRO has been transferred from LECCE Airport to TARANTO.

It is regretted that this transfer has been ordered by the Italian authorities since it is likely to be interpreted as a reprisal for reporting officers of the Italian Airforce.

It is particularly unfortunate that this should have occurred with an officer who has at all times cooperated loyally with the Allied authorities.

In view of the good work done by this officer and his close collaboration with F.S. it is requested that Italian authorities be asked to consider the transfer of this officer from TARANTO to LECCE Airport.

5 May 44.

F. Brown Lt.
OC 409 Field Security Section.

Copy to:- A.C.C. Army Sub-Commission.

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folios 79 & 113 refer
Signal sent Air Sub Comto 2 Contact DISTCO for info Emto 9/5

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M.I.9. a. (Ref 13)
u-6005

SUBJECT: Release of Italian PW.

HQ, Allied Armies in Italy

AAI/1472/1/CSI(b)

30 Apr 44

TO: Army Sub-Commission, ACC.

AP Trans

Reference para 2 of AAI/3072/A (O) dated 25 April 1944.

1. It is proposed that in all such cases as those mentioned in the a/m paragraph, reference will be made by CSI to your branch in order that records may be checked before release is effected.

2. Will you please state whether you are in agreement with this proposal?

for Brigadier,
B.G.S.(I),
A.A.I.

HEADQUARTERS
- 1 MAY 1944
A. C. C.

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5/5/44.

B/F 8/5

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TRANSLATION

From..M.F.W.....

Ref..1938/1.6...

To: M.M.I.A. File..[redacted]... Date ..2.1.43..

Subject..Capt..ZEI.Alberto.arrested.while..trying.to.cross into enemy occupied territory.

This Ministry has been informed that on 7th inst Capt ZEI Alberto, born at Livorno, age 40 (no other particulars) was stopped by Allied Mil. Authorities while attempting to cross the lines in the Adriatic sector in order to rejoin his family in territory occupied by the Germans.

Furthermore Capt ZEI was then interned in No 209 P.W. cage and then later sent on to a concentration camp near BARI.

We would be most grateful to the Sub-Com if they would take steps to find out from the military authorities concerned full details of his attempted escape and events leading up to his capture so that his case may be clarified and this Corps notified of all details.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. di prot. 1938/c.

P.M. 107, li 2 maggio 194 3

OGGETTO: Capitano di Fanteria ZEI Alberto.

All'ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ (MMIA) -

LECCE

e, per conoscenza:

Alla DIREZIONE GENERALE PERSONALE UFFICIALI

SEDE

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E' stato segnalato a questo Ministero che il giorno 7 marzo u.s. certo Capitano ZEI Alberto, nato a Livorno, di anni 40, non meglio identificato, sarebbe stato fermato dalle Autorità Militari Alleate mentre cercava di attraversare le linee nel settore adriatico allo scopo di raggiungere la propria famiglia in territorio occupato dai tedeschi.

Il capitano ZEI sarebbe stato, in seguito, internato nel campo prigionieri di guerra n.209 ed avviato, poi, ad un campo di concentramento nella zona di Bari.

Allo scopo di chiarire la posizione militare determinatasi nei confronti del Capitano ZEI e di precisare il Corpo di provenienza e la categoria dell'Ufficiale, si sarà molto grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà interessare le Autorità Militari competenti al fine di ricostruire, nei suoi particolari, il tentativo fatto dallo ZEI, tentativo che portò alla sua cattura ed i dati necessari per la sua completa identificazione.-

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All'ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ (MEDIA) -

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GENERALE ALIBERTI

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SUBJECT: Court of Inquiry (Maj SILVANI Giovanni working with Allied Censorship office - LECCE

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
3 May 44

War Ministry

Copy to: Allied Censorship Office - LECCE
409 FSS LECCE

1. In our letter I/103 of 15 April it was requested that a copy of the proceedings of the Court of Inquiry into the comportment of Major SILVANI might be forwarded to this HQ.

2. Please inform this HQ if the court has been held and when the proceedings will be forwarded.

Answer 70139

W. Selby Capt
for Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
L'AQUILA (LICCE)
I/109/1
1 May 44

Ministry of War

Copy to: AAI (for CSI)
ACC
2 District for CSI
AC of S Washington
I.S. London

SUBJECT: Attempted Communication with Enemy Occupied Territory

1. Attached is a copy of an extract from a letter written by PASSERI Mario of the 2 Gruppo Strada Comando 155 Regt O.T. to PORRI Giovanni at Via Francesco Saverio 4- Torre S. Susanna - BRINDISI dated 24 March.

2. In your letter 3158/I/36.1.17 of February 29 addressed to this Headquarters which dealt with a similar case you stated that:-

(a) Firm orders had been given prohibiting the sending of messages through the lines.

(b) Any person discovered to be carrying messages into German Occupied Italy would be stopped and handed over to the Royal Carabineers.

3. You will therefore no doubt wish to take disciplinary action against PASSERI and obtain the name of the "Ciena man who was trying to cross the lines".

4. Please keep this H.Q. informed as to action taken.

Answer at 70: 192

for Maj Gen.
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

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COPY

ACTIVITIES CONNECTED WITH ALLIED ESCAPES AND ACTIVITY BY ITALIAN ANTI-G DEPT.

INTERMEDIARY ON RATLINE CROSSING THE LINES

"A few days ago I met a Siena man who was trying to cross the lines but not sure if he would succeed.....If he doesn't get across in twenty days, he'll write "(And so I'll know that he wasn't able to get across and deliver" the letter I gave him addressed to my home in Siena."

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MMFA

Enf. PASSERI, Mario 155 Regg. C.T.2 Gruppo Strada Comando P.M. 16		To: FORTE, Giovanni Via Francesco Saverio n. 4 Torre S. Susanna Brindisi, Italia
24 March 1944	Ordinary Surface	Italian

F.S.S., Lecce
C.I.C., Lecce

Gen. Sr. INO
ACC, CC
Sec. Act. CCC
C.S.I. # 2 District
A.C. of S. G-2 Wash.
I.C., London
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COMMENT

ATTEMPTED COMMUNICATION WITH ENEMY OCCUPIED TERRITORY BY ITALIAN SOLDIER THRU INTERMEDIARY OF CARRIER CROSSING THE LINES

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Subject: Extract Civil Censorship Report
From: Information Division
To : Army Subcom.
Date: 27 April 1944
Reference: 2154/186A

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SUBJECT: Trial of General Giovanni MARTINI

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MOLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
30 Apr 44

H.E. The Minister of War General T ORLANDO

Copy to: Chief of Staff SFRE
AAI (Your AAI/1456/49/GIb of 26 Mar and
AAI/1404/2/GIb of 13 Apr refer)
Col SIMONS, Army Sub Comm SARDINIA

1. I am to instruct you to bring to trial General MARTINI and all those concerned in the Fascist Conspiracy in SARDINIA, with the least possible delay.

2. General MARTINI is at present detained in SARDINIA at the disposition of the Italian military authorities.

3. General MAGLI is in possession of all information relevant to the case in question.

4. Will you please state when the trial will be held and forward the proceedings of the court to me.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

COL.

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FILE S/S 128

Subject:- General MARTINI Case. HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

CONFIDENTIAL

AAI/1456/49/G3I(b)

29 Apr 44.

Main H.Q.,
M.M.I.A.,
LECUILE (LECCE)

Reference para 2 of your 1/103/1 dated 25 Apr 44. 124

1. It is confirmed that para 5 of this headquarters 1404/2/G(Ib) dated 13 Apr 44 constitutes instructions as stated in para 2 of your above mentioned letter.

2. A further letter 1456/49/G(Ib) was despatched from this headquarters on 22 Apr 44 to Adv H.Q., Army Sub-Commission A.C.C. SALERNO asking for information on the present position of the case, and in particular:-

(a) Whether the investigations had been completed.

(b) How far advanced were the preparations for trial.

(c) The type of court envisaged and the possible date and place of trial.

Moreover, a fuller report was requested, showing the main particulars of the conspiracy as revealed by the investigations and enquiries which have been carried out to date, together with any conclusions drawn therefrom by the investigating agency.

Attorney General
for Brigadier,
B.G.S.(I).

SF.

Folios 121-4 refer.
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G.O.C. wrote to Lieut Gen Hawkesworth re trial
129 refers

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ARMY FORM G-2196 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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For Action

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Originator's No.

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Inquiry your ltr dtd 6 Jan & copy

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IF UNABLE TO BE INTERPRETED BY THE ORIGINATOR'S DEGREE OF PRIORITY FALLS INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

SIGNED

SIGNED H. Selby Capt

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COPY

NEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

GS/ncm

GS315

SUBJECT: Col Francesco MAGISTRI

TO : Army Sub Comm LO CATANZARO via Army Sub Comm
A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA) LEQUILE (LECCE).

In Jan Gen ALIBERTI informed A.C.C. that Col MAGISTRI of 207 Inf Depot had been arrested as an ex-squadrista. He asked if this officer could be handed over to the Italian Military authorities.

A.F.H.Q. were informed that A.C.C. recommended the transfer (18 Jan). On 8 Feb A.F.H.Q. agreed, saying that G-2 (C.I.) also concurred. On 10 March as nothing more had been received of this matter, GS218 (2 District) were asked if they knew of the officers present location. No report has so far been received.

I should be glad to know if you can say if Col MAGISTRI is still in Allied custody or not.

(G.W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub Commission
Advanced Headquarters

Copy sent onto L.O. Catanzaro

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SUBJECT: Arrest of Italian Military trying to cross to German occupied territory

CONFIDENTIAL

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MICA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
30 APR 44

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Chief of Staff
SMAB

Copy to: HQ 2 Dis (2 Dis 2122/69GSI of 8 April refers)
CIC MAAF

1. In my letter I/103/I of April 15 I asked you to investigate the case of BUDLIE Guido and MACAGNI Gastoni who were apprehended at MOLFETTA by Allied Authorities while trying to proceed into German occupied Italy.

2. I would be grateful if you could let me have a reply to paragraph 5 of the letter as soon as possible.

Folio 83 refers
Answered 13 MAY

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

Given 15 days detention (CG)
NOT Satisfactory.

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SUBJECT: General M.J. I Corps

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MEIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
1/103/1
26 APR 46

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Col SIMMONS
Army Sub Commission ACC
SARDINIA

Copy to: HQ AAI for OSTb
Lt Col QUIRKSMITH Adv HQ Army Sub Comm SALERNO

Ref attached copy of AAI letter AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) of April 22.

1. Please confirm with this HQ that you are making the necessary further enquiries as requested in paras 3 and 4 of the a/m letter and submit your final report to us for onward transmission to HQ AAI.

2. It is pointed out for your information that the letter referred to in para 5 dealt with Fascist Disturbances and incidents involving Italian Armed Forces requesting us to report on action taken to prevent any repetition of such activities.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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QS306

24 April 1944

SUBJECT: General MARTINI case.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).

Attached letter AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) of 22 April is forwarded for action. The basic document from Chief of General Staff dated 26 March, No. AAI/1456/49/G(Ib), is already in your possession.

Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

Copy to: Col. SIMMONS, SARDINIA

Incls.
AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) of 22 April.
AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) of 26 March. (For Col. SIMMONS only).

SUBJECT:- General M[illegible]INI Case

HQ, ALLIED [illegible]MIES IN ITALY

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AAI/1456/49/G(Ib)

[illegible] Apr 44

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Adv HQ, Army Sub-Commission,
A.C.C., SALERNO

1. In our letter of even number dated 26 Mar 44, we asked for full and up-to-date information on the case of the Fascist Conspiracy in SARDINIA, led by General MARTINI.

2. The report which we have received from your Main HQ at LECCE, No. 1/163/1 dated 17 Apr 44, does not supply the particulars which we require, especially with regard to the present status of the case.

3. Please inform this HQ forthwith of the present position, and in particular:

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(b) How far advanced are the preparations for trial.
(c) The type of court envisaged, and the probable date and place of trial.

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Col. G.S.C.

for Lieut-General.
Chief of General Staff.

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Chief of General Staff.

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SUBJECT: Col S.M. MANKO

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Lt Col QUINCMITH (2)
Adv HQ Army Sub Commission
SALERNO

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LECCILE (LECCE)
G/6/1/11.
26 Apr 44

Your signal No 2614 of April 13.

1. In view of an adverse report from Mid East on Col S M MANKO, former DCOS 11 Army in GREECE, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy have agreed that this officer should not be brought back from the Middle East.

2. Please inform the Italian Supreme Command of this decision.

CGL.

Lt Col G.S.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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For Action G/4/1 AAC

TO AAI MAIN AND FWD ECHELONS

(CY) For Information (INFO)

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Originator's No. F-23483 O SECRET O Dated 19 April AAI cable FD 1804 to all addressees O addressed ME INFO AAI MAIN AND FWD ECHELONS-INT O Agree, including G-2 S/S, MAIN AND FWD ECHELONS, provided strict security clearance of parties of all delegations and officers being attached to THEM

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FROM (A) Originator: AFHQ — Date Time of Origin: 220930

For Action: G1611 AAI

TO: MID-EAST

(W) For Information (INFO): AAI MAIA AND FWD COMM INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Message Instructions — GR — (G1611 96)

Originator's No.

F-55193 O SECRET Dated 1st April AAI cable FD1369 NOT to all addressees O addressed FX INFO AAI. MAIA FWD COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY inclusion Col S M. MARKO provided since given security clearance at centre of communications offices being advised to FAAA

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H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

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AAI/1470/GSI(b).

24 Apr 44.

Subject:- Transfer of Italian Military to ITALY.

H.Q. M.M.I.A.,
LEQUILE (LECCE).

Reference is made to your D/6/1/38 dated 15 Apr 44, addressed to 3D(Br) of this Headquarters and MIDEAST Message No.07855 dated 22 Apr 44.

1. It is noted that Col. MANNO whose transfer to ITALY was requested by the Commando Supreme is described by MIDEAST as "Pro-German, Fascist, Anti-British" and an officer whose transfer is considered "most undesirable".

2. It is requested that before passing on applications of a nature similar to that of the transfer of Col. MANNO, some investigations be made in order to exclude the possible return to ITALY of undesirable personalities.

JH.

for Brigadier,
A.A.G. (I).

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INCOMING MESSAGE

Army Lucca

MSG Center No	N 31/22	Date Time Rec'd	APRIL 23
Classification	SECRET	Date Time Sent	APRIL 22/1430
Precedence	NONE	Reference No	A5/94270
From	MIDEAST	Cite	FWOOT
To	FREEDOM RPTD AAI, MMIA		

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AAI SD 1949 OF 19TH APRIL REFERS COL MANNO FORMER B.C.O.S. 11 THE ITALIAN ARMY IN GREECE RELIABLY REPORTED PRO GERMAN FASCIST, ANTI BRITISH. DETAINED SINCE DECEMBER '43 POW CAMP WITH UNDESIRABLES WHOM YOU DECLINE TO ACCEPT REFERENCE YOUR F 28904 OF 6TH APRIL. CONSIDER TRANSFER ITALY MOST UNDESIRABLE.

HEADQUARTERS ... A.C.C.

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TO AFAIR info Mid-East Desks 120C

FROM AAI ?

Originator's Number: ST 1416

Date: 22

No. Words or Code Group Number: 5 Groups

SECRET Ref your T-35193 CITE F16CA and Mid-East AS/9270 Ref 22 Hq 16th Wing regarding MID-EAST-asst requesting (a) MANNO be NOT despatched (b) for MMIA (c) Request you inform ITALIAN SUPREME COMD (d)

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TO MIDEAST Info AFHQ 120 B

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AFHQ ctc FHGCT	F 36516	231120	

SECRETO	Your	AQ/94270	of 22	April	NOT
to all	addressee	Colonel	S M	MANNO	will
NOT	mind be	included	in party	of	officers
moving to	(:) ITALY (:)	To	remain	detailed	in
Middle	East				

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
Med-East 196	A 5/9427	22	—

SECRET ⑩ AAI SD 1349 of Appnd Refers ⑩ Col MMIO. in former G.O.S 11th Italian Army in GREECE reliably reported pro-GERMAN, FASCIST, anti-BRITISH ⑥ Detained since Dec 43 PW camps with undesirables decision you decline to accept Ref your F 28904 of 6th Apl ⑩ Consider transfer to ITALY MOST UNDESIRABLE opt UNDESIRABLE

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Originator's Instructions: Degree of Priority: Immediate

Time of Origin: 12.00

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

N°3545 /Mob. di prot. P.M.151, 25 aprile 1944

OGGETTO : Colonna volontari.-
The Bari Volontier Unit

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
- risposta al f° N. 1/103/1 del 25.3. -

La colonna volontari di Bari non era un'organizzazione autorizzata dal Governo. Lo S.M.R.E. se ne interessò quando suoi elementi vennero arruolati a senso del bando N° 8 del 28.10.43.- Ciò potè avvenire soltanto verso fine dicembre perchè prima mancavano le uniformi e non era stata fissata la sede dei volontari, che fu poi stabilita in Vibo Valentia. A titolo di assistenza furono concessi taluni sussidi ad individui che erano giunti alla colonna volontari dall'Italia del nord per combattere e che erano privi di mezzi di sussistenza.-

Quando già taluni volontari erano stati arruolati ed attendevano la partenza da Bari per Vibo Valentia mancando le vetture ferroviarie, lo S.M.R.E. venne a conoscere che alcuni ufficiali erano stati arrestati dalla polizia alleata.

Per sua norma il Capo di S.M. chiese notizie del fatto al generale Tuscheene che promise di richiederle e di fargliele conoscere.

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Tali notizie furono trasmesse dalla sottocommissione col foglio 1/103/3 del 25 marzo u.s. per conoscenza. Nessuna osservazione si ha da fare.-

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Quanto avvenne prima del 21 novembre non è a conoscenza del Capo di S.M. perchè [illegible] la carica in tale giorno.-

S.M.R.E. UFF. ORD. e MOB.

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(G.B. Oxilia)

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SUBJECT: Fascist disturbances and incidents involving Italian Armed Forces

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Army Sub Comission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
25 Apr 44

AAI

Copy to: HQ 2 District
Adv HQ Army Sub Comission ACC SALERNO (Your QS272 of 19 Apr 44 refers)

Ref your AAI/1404/2/G(Ib) of 13 Apr 44. 117

1. Your para 4. Incidents and disturbances connected with the Italian Army are reported to the Italian Army General Staff, who take all necessary measures, including disciplinary action, and report to us what steps they have taken.

Incidents connected with the Italian Air Force or Navy (such as the SAN MARCO Bn incident outlined in para 2 of the letter under reference) are reported to the Air Force Sub Comission or Naval Sub Comission ACC for their action as necessary.

2. Your para 5. Please confirm that this para 5 constitutes instructions for us to tell the Italian General Staff to bring to trial, General MARTINI and all personnel involved in the Fascist conspiracy in SARDINIA.

CGL.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Coms A.C.C.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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QS272

19 April 1944

SUBJECT: Fascist disturbances and incidents involving Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA) LEQUILE (LECCE).

Herewith letter from HQ. AAI No. AAI/1404/2/ G(Ib). dated 13 April 1944, on the above subject.

You will note that paragraphs 4 and 5 require a report.

Lt. Col.
(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

1 Incl. as above.

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Subject:- Fascist disturbances and incidents involving Italian Armed Forces.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

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AAI/1404/2/G(Ib)

13 Apr 44.

Army Sub-Commission,
A.C.C.

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1. Several reports have been received from 2 District concerning various pro-Fascist disturbances and incidents involving members or units of the Italian Armed Forces.

2. For example, the 2 District Security Summary for March contains the following items:

"San Marco Battalion.

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Apparently neither their Officers nor the CC.RR can keep these men in order. They are reported as being anti-ally.

The matter is being taken up through ACC"

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CC.RR state that several officers and NCOs of this unit had shown Fascist sympathies (Note: this report was only received at this Hq on March 17th)".

3. A previous report from 2 District contained the following paragraph:

"Italian Parachute Troops.

Reports have been received that Italian parachutists have been publicly showing strong pro-Fascist sentiments. At ST MARIA DI LEUCA (Prov LECCE) on 16 Jan the parachutists held a meeting in the main square and sang various Fascist songs including GIOVINEZZA. At SQUINZANO (LECCE) numerous incidents of a similar nature have taken place. Profiles of the DUCE have been posted up in the square and civilians whose loyalty to the Fascist party is questioned have been beaten up.

MMIA are being informed."

I/103 folio 160 + 161 refer
Incident 3 has been dealt with.
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SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
19 Feb 44

HQ 2 District

Copy to: O.C. 409 F.S.S.
LECCE

The incident referred to you in your 2022/41 G of 8 Feb had already been reported through Italian channels to the Ministry of War, and those guilty of assault were punished.

Enquiry shows that this was primarily an outburst of high spirits resulting from the prospect of early employment of these troops in the line, where they now are. The proceedings included the singing of the "Red Flag", as well as "Giovinezza", and three cheers for the King, and it is not considered that they had any genuine political significance.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel

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HQ 2 District CMF
2022/41 G
8 Feb 44

MMIA

Copy to:: ACMF

Reports have been received by this HQ that the Italian parachute troops stationed in the LECCE province are openly showing Fascist sympathies.

At STA MARIA DI LEUCA on Jan 16 they gathered in the Square and sang Fascist songs including GIOVINEZZA. Incidents of a similar nature have taken place at SQUINZANO where supposed anti-Fascists have been beaten up.

This HQ would be grateful for any information of what measures are being taken to curb this tendency.

Major-General
Commanding 2 District

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4. Cases of this nature, including that of the Fascist conspiracy in SARDINIA inspired by General MARTINI, give cause for considerable anxiety. Please report what action has been taken to prevent any repitition of such incidents.

5. With regard to the case of General MARTINI, the trial of those involved in the conspiracy must be held with the least possible delay. Please report when the trial will be held.

W. D. Gibson. Lt-Col
Lt-General,
Chief of General Staff.

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Copy to:- 2 District.

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SUBJECT: Major di S. /O Manlio

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
14 Apr 44

HQ 2 District (for CSI)

1. Major di SALVO Manlio was arrested by Allied Authority in his house at PIETRABONDANTE (CAMPOBASSO) at the end of December 1943.

2. Will you please inform this headquarters

(a) whether di SALVO was arrested as an ordinary PW or for Security reasons.

(b) what his state of health is.

(c) whether he is likely to be freed.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCL.

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

R. M. 151, li 22 aprile 1944 S/1 ogli 3

RISERVATA

Al COMANDO SOTTOCOMMISSIONE FOR L'ESERCITO ACC
LIQUIDE

N. 98 /R.P./SP di prot.
Allegati N.

Risposta al foglio del
N. 1/103/1

OGGETTO: comunicazioni illecite con il territorio occupato dalla Germania.-

Ulteriori comunicazioni circa persone evacuate Trentino.

Riferimento foglio n°I/103/1 in data 20 c.m..

Assicuro che sono state fatte le comunicazioni del caso ai Generali FAZZERA - LERICI e GUASCO e che sono state emanate disposizioni intese ad impedire il ripetersi dell'inconveniente lamentato da codesta Sottocommissione.-

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
-F.Mezzasoma-

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Re your 1/103/1 dated 20 th inst.
I wish to assure you that pertinent communications have been sent to Generals FAZZERA, LERICI and GUASCO and measures have been taken and orders issued to avoid a repetition of the case complained of by MMIA.

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SUBJECT: Reports received on the SAN MARCO Battalion CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
L'AQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
24 Apr 44

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The following information was forwarded to us on the 31 Mar 44 by 409 Field Security Section and repeated to us by 2 District on 17 Apr.

Instances have occurred of rowdy behaviour by troops of this battalion. Their discipline appears to be so bad and their sympathies so anti-allied that they could be a menace if sent to the front line.

At ALBAZIO on 24 March three sailors provoked an argument in a cafe by proclaiming the return of Fascism and the downfall of the Allies. One sailor was hit on the head by a civilian and as a result other members of the battalion conducted a house to house search during the night to find him. Neither the officers of this unit nor the CC RR can keep these men in order.

Another incident occurred at GALLIPOLI. The "SAN MARCO" Battalion of this same unit sacked the Communist Headquarters in GALLIPOLI and either damaged or removed the furniture inside. This was in February. No disciplinary action was taken by the officers or by the CC RR.

Folio 107 ante

COL.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: MONTENEGRO Lic... CC RG

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
24 Apr 44

AGO

Ref HQ 2 District letter No 2022/41 GSI dated April 11.

Please inform this Headquarters if action has been taken as requested in paragraph 4.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: ALLOGLOTTI Military

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/T
24 APR 44

SMRE

Ref your 3343/OP of 30 Mar 44, subject as above.

Herewith, for your information, copy of a letter from the GOC 2 District to HQ Allied Control Commission.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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COPY

SUBJECT: Italian Deserters to the Partisans

HQ No 2 District CMP
3 CA
9 Mar 44

HQ Allied Control Commission

I have taken up the question of the Italian deserters referred to in your letter CC/G/108 of 27 Feb, with the Commander, Adv HQ Force 133 and he reports as follows:-

"This case has been carefully investigated by this HQ at a previous date and on 16 Feb 44 Commandant NIEDLIC of Partisan HQ in ITALY gave a formal assurance to an officer of this HQ that these men had been released upon the representations of a British Officer on 14 Feb and that they were no longer in Partisan hands either at GRAVINA or anywhere else. These men appeared at MONOPOLI in civilian clothes and claimed to be Slovenes. The Partisans accepted them as such in good faith, but when it was pointed out to them by the representative of this HQ that their home districts were in all cases purely Italian, they were immediately released".

I understand on further enquiries that when these men were released by the Partisans they were not actually handed over to the Italian authorities but merely evicted from the Partisans Camp still dressed in plain clothes therefore presumably they were deserters at large somewhere in King's Italy.

I have asked Adv Force 133 to endeavour in the future to ensure that any such cases are handed over to the Italian authorities and they have undertaken to do all within their power to carry out this request and also to prevent the further enticing of Italian personnel.

(signed) Major General,
Comd No. 2 District.

Copy to: Adv HQ Force 133

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SUBJECT: Italian Deserters to the Partisans

HQ No 2 District CCS.
SDA.
5 Mar 44

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HQ Allied Control Commission

I have taken up the question of the Italian deserters referred to in your Letter CC/G/208 of 27 Feb, with the Commander, Adv HQ Force 133 and he reports as follows:-

"This case has been carefully investigated by this HQ at a previous date and on 16 Feb 44 Commandant NIMBLIC of Partisan HQ in ITALY gave a formal assurance to an officer of this HQ that these men had been released upon the representations of a British Officer on 14 Feb and that they were no longer in Partisan hands either at GRAVINA or anywhere else. These men appeared at MONOPOLI in civilian clothes and claimed to be Slovenes. The Partisans accepted them as such in good faith, but when it was pointed out to them by the representative of this HQ that their home districts were in all cases purely Italian, they were immediately released".

I understand on further enquiries that when these men were released by the Partisans they were not actually handed over to the Italian authorities but merely evicted from the Partisan Camp still dressed in plain clothes therefore presumably they are now deserters at large somewhere in King's Italy.

I have asked Adv Force 133 to endeavour in the future to ensure that any such cases are handed over to the Italian authorities and they have undertaken to do all within their power to carry out this request and also to prevent the further enticing away of Italian personnel.

(sign) 6293
Major General,
Comd No. 2 District.

Copy to: Adv HQ Force 133.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

SUBJECT: Behaviour of the SAN MARCO Battalion

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

File 109

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
24 Apr 44

Lt Col G W QUINSMITH
Army Sub Commission
Advanced Headquarters SALERNO

1. The following incident reported by 2 District is forwarded to you for information and necessary action.

"Several incidents of rowdy behaviour amongst troops of the SAN MARCO Battalion have been reported. On March 24 at ALEAZIO (LECCE) three sailors of the unit provoked a row by drinking to the return of Fascism and the downfall of the Allies. They were apparently not drunk at the time. One sailor was hit on the head by a civilian and as a result other members of the batallion conducted a house to house search during the night to find him.

The "SAN MARCO" Battalion of the same unit sacked the Communist HQ in GALLIPOLI at the end of February.

Apparently neither their officers nor the CC RR can keep these men in order. They are reported to be anti-ally.

folio 107 refers

W Belby Capon
Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

SUBJECT: Fascist Disturbances and Incidents Involving Italian Armed Forces

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File 108

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
24 Apr 44

SMRE

1. The following incidents involving the Italian Armed Forces have been reported to this HQ.

(a) Parachutists

A certain CANTELLA Geronimo, a Sergeant parachutist on arriving in LECCE on March 24 contacted the paracnutist unit there and enlisted about thirty "to keep order among the refugees". "Keeping order" consisted in singing Fascist songs and attacking communists. This behaviour was resumed two nights later. The CC RR and the Questura remonstrated with the men but took no further action.

(b) 3 Squadrone Esploratori

On Feb 27th this unit was stationed in CAMPI (LECCE). They decided to break up a Communist meeting which was to be held in a private house. When Communist representatives called on the officer commanding this unit they were met at the barracks by Ten. MONDELLI Gino who abused them and announced he was a Fascist.

The CC RR stated that several officers and NCOs of this unit had shown Fascist sympathies.

2. Will you please investigate these incidents and submit a report to this HQ.

Folio 107 refers

J.H. Selby Capt
for Maj Gen,
Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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Subject:- Fascist disturbances and incidents
Involving Italian Armed Forces.

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HQ 2 District CMF
2022/70 GSI

17 Apr 44

Army Sub Commission ACC

Copy to:- 71 Sub Area
409 FS Section

1 The following incidents involving the Italian Armed Forces have been reported to this HQ during the months of Feb and Mar.

(a) San Marco Battalion.

Several incidents of rowdy behaviour among these troops have been reported. On 24 March at ALEZIO(LECCE) three sailors of the unit provoked a row by drinking to the return of Fascism and the downfall of the Allies. They were apparently not drunk at the time. One sailor was hit on the head by a civilian and as a result other members of the battalion conducted a house to house search during the night to find him.

The "Sbarco" Bn of the same Unit sacked the Communist HQ in GALLIPOLI at the end of February.

Apparently neither their Officers nor the CC.RR. can keep these men in order. They are reported as being anti-ally.

(b) Parachutists.

A certain CANATELLA Geronimo, a Sergeant parachutist arrived in LECCE on March 24 where he contacted the parachutist unit stationed there and enlisted about thirty "to keep order among the refugees". "keeping order" consisted in singing fascist songs and attacking Communists. This behaviour was resumed two nights later. Both the CC.RR and the Questura remonstrated with the men but left it at that - the behaviour of these troops is commented upon adversely by the civil population.

(c) 3 SQUADRONE ESPLORATORI.

On Feb 27th this unit which was stationed in CAMPI(LECCE) leaving on the following day for SALERNO and the Front decided to break up a Communist meeting which was to be held in a private house. Communist representatives called on CC Unit to ask him to prevent any disturbance; they were met at the entrance to the barracks by a Ten. MONDELLI Gino who abused them and announced that he was a Fascist. The Captain of the Unit intervened and restored order.

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Apparently neither their Officers nor the CC.RR. can keep these men in order. They are reported as being anti-ally.

(b) Parachutists.

A certain CAPATELLA Geronimo, a Sergeant parachutist arrived in LECCE on March 24 where he contacted the parachutist unit stationed there and enlisted about thirty "to keep order among the refugees". "keeping order" consisted in singing fascist songs and attacking Communists. This behaviour was resumed two nights later. Both the CC.RR and the Questura remonstrated with the men but left it at that - the behaviour of these troops is commented upon adversely by the civil population.

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CC.RR stated that several officers and NCOs of this unit had shown Fascist sympathies (Note: this report was only received at this HQ on March 17th).

2 May the Italian authorities be requested to take (230) action considered necessary to prevent such incidents occurring in the future.

EMG

L. Renard Capt
Major General,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

Ref/327/6/PW. 18 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Security Measures Hotel and Boarding House Registers.

TO : R.C's. Regions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII.
S.C.A.O's 5th and 8th Armies.

1. Concern has been felt at H.Q. A.M.I. regarding the lack of enforcement of the Italian system of registration for persons staying at hotels and boarding houses.

2. The Minister of the Interior has now issued a directive to Prefetti on this subject and a translation is attached hereto for your information. Steps will be taken to ensure that the necessary action is taken by the Italian authorities in unoccupied territory, and in AMG territory a procedure similar to that outlined in the directive will be adopted.

3. HQ. A.M.I. have issued instructions to FSS/CIC personnel with regard to:

(a) Periodical examination of Questori records with a view to noting new arrivals in the area and checking these against suspect or "black" lists.

(b) Periodical checks at hotels and boarding houses to ensure that the regulations are being complied with.

M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl.
Translation of letter from Minister of Interior dated 23 Mar 44, reference 50134/10-1.

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TRANSLATION

MINISTER OF INTERIOR
P.S. DIRECTORY

N.50134/10-4. Salerno, March 23, 1944.

SUBJECT: Provisions.

TO : All the Prefects of Salerno, Potenza, Matera, Taranto, Lecce, Brindisi, Bari, Cosenza, Catania, Reggio C., Catanzaro, Messina, Siracusa, Ragusa, Enna, Caltanisetta, Trapani, Palermo, Agrigento, Nuoro, Cagliari, Sassari. Allied Control Commission, Public Safety Sub-Com.

1. Owing to shortage of Hotel accomodations many civilians have taken upon themselves to let rooms without required police authorization, consequent to such illegal action the above fail to fulfil the prescribed regulations in connection with such activities, that is registration and notification of the persons lodged.

This failure hampers police activity in keeping track of persons dangerous to society and to public order. It is intention of this Ministry that this state of affairs cease as soon as possible.

Therefore, it is necessary that inquiries should be made in every locality in order to find out all those who give lodgings without permit, and compelled them to comply with the proper regulations, and supply themselves with the prescribed register and to notify in lawful terms the Public Safety Office the arrivals and the departure of the tenants.

In the same time, all the Hotel owners, in-keepers, owners of boarding houses, persons who let private rooms that are properly authorised, must comply strictly with the law and if they fail doing so they will be prosecuted by law, and their license revoked.

The same must be responsible of the notification sheets which must be written clearly and exactly, noting all the particulars from the identification cards of each transient.

All those who have no documents to show, must be brought to the police office or to the HQ of the proper branch of the Army, which will provide for their identification and will regulate themselves accordingly.

In regard to the above, we request you to notify through the Municipio and the CCRR that it is their interest to have their identity papers, in order to avoid consequent friction with the police.

THE MINISTER

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(SUBJECT, Lieut (Parachutist) [redacted] Armand)

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
22 Apr 44

SMRE

Copy to: HQ 3 List (Ir 3/GSI of 14 Apr 44 refers)

Please inform this HQ whether or not the s/n officer has joined or attempted to join the RADIO SERVITO.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT:- Intention to join BADOGLIO Army.

SECRET.

3 District
Ext 6
3/GSI

14 Apr 44.

AMIA.

1. HQ AAI wish to know whether or not a Lt (Parachutist) PERRONE Armando has joined or attempted to join the BADOGLIO Army.

2. Would you please inform this HQ if he is traced.

(TC TOWNSEND) Capt
for Lt col
G S

TCT/JR

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File 103

SUBJECT:- Illicit contact with GERMAN occupied territory

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
20 Apr 44

Chief of Staff
S M R E

1. I am instructed to bring the u/m facts to your notice.

2. Caporale Maggiore ANDREUCCI Ernesto, of 139 Sezione CC.RR, attached to XI Italian CORPS at BARI was apprehended in CASTEL DI SANGRO (Province AQUILA) on 9 Mar 44 by Field Security Police, and was found to be carrying a number of notes, which he stated, were destined for persons living in GERMAN occupied territory.

3. When interrogated, he stated that:

(a) The following persons had given him missions to perform or messages to deliver:-

(i) General LERICI, Comd 9 Italian CORPS, BARI.
General GAZERA, (BARI)
General GUASCO, (BARI)

(ii) General UTILI, Comd First Italian Motor Group,
(COLLI A VOLTURNO, Prov CAMPOBASSO).
Lt Col LOMBARDO, Staff Officer of LEGNANO Div (Ditto).
Col VAIFRE, Comd, 11th Arty Group (Ditto).

(b) His orders were given him by General LERICI, who had entrusted him with a special mission to pick up information about the enemy, position of troops, arms etc.

(c) He was bound for CUNEO Prov, TORINO Prov, GENOA and PISA.

(d) The purpose of his journey was to obtain family news, to contact officers and suggest to them that they should escape into the mountains, to find out information on enemy positions, arms etc.

(e) He left BARI on 1 Mar for COLLI A VOLTURNO in Italian military tpt. He was instructed to contact there the OC Battaglione di ARDITI, and this officer ordered a patrol from his Bn to help ANDREUCCI to cross the lines. The patrol left him at CASTEL DI VINCENZO. He had changed from CC.RR uniform into civilian clothes at COLLI A VOLTURNO.

4. The notes ANDREUCCI was carrying have been examined and appear to be harmless.

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(i) General LEMICI, Comd 9 Italian CORPS, BARI.
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General GUASCO, (BARI)

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(COLLI A VOLTURNO, Prov CAMPOBASSO).
Lt Col LOMBARDO, Staff Officer of LEGNANO Div (Ditto).
Col VAIFRE, Comd, 11th Arty Group (Ditto).

(b) His orders were given him by General LEMICI, who had entrusted him with a special mission to pick up information about the enemy, position of troops, arms etc.

(c) He was bound for CUNEO Prov, TORINO Prov, GENOA and PISA.

(d) The purpose of his journey was to obtain family news, to contact officers and suggest to them that they should escape into the mountains, to find out information on enemy positions, arms etc.

(e) He left BARI on 1 Mar for COLLI A VOLTURNO in Italian military tpt. He was instructed to contact there the OC Battaglione di ARDITI, and this officer ordered a patrol from his Bn to help ANDREUCCI to cross the lines. The patrol left him at CASTEL DI VINCENZO. He had changed from CC.RR uniform into civilian clothes at COLLI A VOLTURNO.

4. The notes ANDREUCCI was carrying have been examined and appear to be harmless.

5. Nevertheless, I am to instruct you that communication with persons in 42 3/4 enemy territory by such means is prohibited, and that it is considered a serious matter that such breach of Allied Security regulations should have been inspired and encouraged by Italian officers of such high rank, particularly when both Allied and Italian security agencies are taking vigorous steps to prevent and detect illicit courier services of this nature.

It is to be clearly understood that no such missions will be organised and no agents despatched to GERMAN occupied ITALY without reference to the Allied authorities.

/6. You will please.....

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6. You will please pass on the substance of para 5 above to Generals LERICI, GAZERA and GUASCO, and emphasise to them that further activities of this nature will not be tolerated.

In respect of General UTILI and the other officers named in para 3(a)(ii) above EIGHTH ARMY have taken the necessary action.

7. I await your confirmation that my orders in para 6 above have been carried out, and that orders have been issued to prevent any recurrence of such incidents.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Subject:- Illicit contact with enemy occupied ITALY.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

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AAI/1479/1/G(Ib).

12 Apr 44.

A.C.C.

1. Caporale-Maggiore ANDREUCCI Ernesto, of 139 Sezione CC.RR, attached to 9 Italian Corps at BARI was apprehended in CASTEL DI SANGRO (Prov. AQUILA) on 9 March by a Polish F.S. Section, and was found to be carrying a number of notes which, he stated, were destined for persons living in enemy occupied territory.

2. When interrogated, he stated that:

(a) The following persons had given him missions to perform or messages to deliver:-

(i) General LERICI, Comd 9 Italian Corps, BARI.
General GALLERA, (BARI).
General GUASCO, (BARI).
Signore CALLEGARI, Director of S.S. Rly, BARI.

(ii) General UTILI, Comd First Italian Mot. Group,
(COLLI A VOLTURNO, Prov CAMPOBASSO).
Lt-Colonel LOMBARDO, Staff officer of LEGNANO Div (Ditto.)
Colonel VAIFRE, Comd, 11th Arty Group (Ditto.)

(b) His orders were given to him by General LERICI, who had entrusted him with a special mission to pick up information about the enemy, position of troops, arms etc.

(c) He was bound for CUNEO Prov, TORINO Prov, GENOA and PISA.

(d) The purpose of his journey was to obtain family news, to contact officers and suggest to them that they should escape into the mountains, to find out information on the collaboration of CC.RR, and information on enemy positions, arms etc.

(e) He left BARI on 1 Mar for COLLI A VOLTURNO in Italian military tpt. He was instructed to contact there the O.C. Battaglione di ARDITI, and this officer ordered a patrol from his Bn. to help ANDREUOCCI to cross the lines. The patrol left him at CASTEL S VINCENZO. He had changed from CC.RR uniform into civilian clothes at COLLI A VOLTURNO.

3. The notes which he was carrying are attached herewith: 4232 they have been examined and appear to be harmless.

4. Nevertheless, communication with persons in enemy territory by such

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(i) General [illegible], [illegible] Corps, [illegible].
General GALLERA, (BARI).
General CUASCO, (BARI).
Signore CALLEGARI, Director of S.E. Rly, BARI.

(ii) General UTILI, Comd First Italian Mot. Group,
(COLLI A VOLTURNO, Prov CAMPOBASSO).
Lt-Colonel LOMBARDO, Staff officer of LEGNANO Div (Ditto.)
Colonel VALPRE, Comd, 11th Arty Group (Ditto.)

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3. The notes which he was carrying are attached herewith: 4282 they have been examined and appear to be harmless.

4. Nevertheless, communication with persons in enemy territory by such means is strictly prohibited, and it is considered a serious matter that such a breach of Allied Security regulations should have been inspired and encouraged by Italian officers of such high rank, particularly when both Allied and Italian security agencies are taking vigorous steps to prevent and detect illicit courier services of this nature.
Moreover, although the intelligence and Counter-intelligence missions which ANDREUCCI was instructed to perform were not detrimental to Allied interests, it should be clearly understood by the Italian authorities that no such missions may be organised and no agents dispatched to enemy territory without reference to the Allied authorities.

5. Will you please take the matter up with General LERICI and the other persons named in para 2(a)(i) above, and draw their attention to the substance of para 4 above. It should be made clear that further activities of this nature cannot be tolerated.

6. Eighth Army has taken the necessary action in respect of General UTILI and the other officers named in para 2 (a) (ii) above.

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7. ANDREUCCI is to be released from detention and sent back to BARI.

W. D. Gibson. Lt-Col
for Lt-General,
Chief of General Staff.

SF.

Copy to:- 2 District.

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SUBJECT: Visit contact with enemy occupied territory

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LUCCHILE (LSCOM)
I/103/1
20 Apr 44

AAI (for Chief of General Staff)

Copy to: HQ ACC
HQ 2 Dist

1. The instructions contained in para 5 of your letter AAI/1479/1/0(Ib) of 12 Apr 44 have been complied with in respect of Generals LEMICI, GARIBA and GUASCO.

2. For HQ ACC. The case of Signore CALLEGARI, Director of SE Rly, BARI is referred to you for action.
The relevant notes and a copy of a/c AAI letter are enclosed herewith.

for
Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Subject: Illicit Contact with enemy occupied ITALY

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

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A.C.C.

AAI/1479/1/G(Ib)
12 Apr 44

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Signora CALLEGARI, Director of SS Hly, BARI

(ii) General UTILI, Comd First Italian Mot Group (COLLI A VOLTURNO, Prov CAMPOBASSO)
Lt Colonel LOMBARDO, Staff officer of LEGNANO Div (Ditto)
Colonel VAIFRE, Comd, 11th A Gy Group (Ditto)

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(c) He was bound for CUNEO Prov, TORINO Prov, GENOA and PISA.

(d) The purpose of his journey was to obtain family news, to contact officers and suggest to them that they should escape into the mountains, to find out information on the collaboration of CC RR and information on enemy positions, arms etc.

(e) He left BARI on 1 Mar for COLLI A VOLTURNO in military tpt. He was instructed to contact there the OC Battaglione di ARDITI, and this officer ordered a patrol from his Bn to help ANDREUCCI to cross the lines. The patrol left him at CASTEL D VERCENZO. He had changed from CC RR uniform into civilian clothes at COLLI A VOLTURNO.

3. The notes which he was carrying are attached hereunto: they have been examined and appear to be harmless.

4. Nevertheless, communication with persons in enemy territory by such means is strictly prohibited, and it is considered a serious matter that such a breach of Allied Security regualtions should have been inspired and encouraged by Italian officers of such high rank, particularly when both Allied and Italian [illegible]

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Moreover, although the intelligence and Counter-Intelligence missions which ANDREUCCI was instructed to perform were not detrimental to Allied interests, it should be clearly understood by the Italian authorities that no such missions may be organised and no agents dispatched to enemy territory without reference to the Allied authorities.

5. Will you please take the matter up with General LERICI and the other persons named in para 2(a)(i) above, and draw their attention to the substance of para 4 above. It should be made clear that further activities of this nature cannot be tolerated.
6. Eighth Army has taken the necessary action in respect of General UTILI and the other officers named in para 2(a) (ii) above.
7. ANDREUCCI is to be released from detention and sent back to BARI.

Lt General
Chief of General Staff

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SUBJECT:- COLONNA VOLONTARI

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MEDIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
25 Apr 44

Chief of Staff
S M R E

It is requested that an answer be given to our I/103/1 of 25 Mar 44, subject as above.

ABC

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm., A.C.C.

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From: SIRE - Sicilian - Personal FILE COPY No. 9142/41 SP.

To: M.M.I.A. File..... Date 14.4.44 96

Subject.....RHOMOGRAM.-.....

MOST URGENT.

Further to our 9975/41SP dated 5th inst. ~~the SIRE~~ following conversation with Capt Baumann of MMIA ① H.Q Armed Forces Campania have been instructed to order the immediate arrest of Pte GRIGOLETTO, Girolamo, traced at the 185th Parachutist Bn, and to have sent under escort to H.Q. 2 District G.S.I Section ① Supplements.

Trans. by SULLI at 09.40 hrs
Received by T Swan S/Sgt
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SUBJECT: ITALIAN Forces in SARDINIA CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MOLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
4 APR 44

HQ AAI (for Chief of General Staff)

Copy to: Adv HQ Army Sub Comm (ACC) SALERNO
(Your GS252 of 14 APR 44 refers)

Ref your AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) of 26 Mar 44, herewith report in duplicate from Colonel F L SIMMONS, our rep in SARDINIA.

CCL.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Allied Force Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

14 April 1944

SUBJECT: Report, Conspiracy in Sardinia

TO : Commanding General, Allied Armies in Italy
(Attention: Chief of General Staff)

1. In compliance with request in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of letter (AAI/1456/49/G(Ic)) 26 March 1944, details of the "Martini Conspiracy", are described in detail in papers inclosed herewith as inclosures "A" and "B".

2. With reference to paragraph 4, above mentioned letter, it is believed no important normle or local security problem in Sardinia. Considerable unrest exists among Italian troops who are members of organizations alerted for transfer to the mainland as well as among troops, members of the classes of 1907 to 1912, who have been withdrawn from their organizations and concentrated in a staging area for transfer to their homes on the mainland. Letter from Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia attached as inclosure "C".

This situation, while not critical, is recognized as a serious problem involving disciplinary consequences and should be relieved by the transfer of such troops to the mainland whenever an opportunity presents itself.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

Inclosures:
A - Copy of Preliminary Report
B - Copy of G-2 Digest
C - Letter, C.G., C.M.S.

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14 April 44

Bertigali, 6 Dec. 1943

To : CG, Allied Garrison of Sardinia

Subject: Preliminary Report

1. On arrival at HQ Italian Forces in Sardinia at Bertigali, 5 Dec 43, neither the CG nor C/S were present. The latter returned early 6 Dec and, in a conference held in his office at 0915, the following statement concerning the incident with which present mission deals was obtained through the interpretation of Capt A. P. Vitali, F.A.:

Gen. Martini, an officer of the Fascist troops in Corsica, was the liaison officer on the staff of the Commander of Italian Troops in Corsica and performed liaison functions between that HQ and the Fascist Militia HQ in Rome. He is a Fascist of long standing closely bound to the party and had participated in the campaigns in Spain and East Africa. He was the only Fascist General in Corsica.

After the armistice, when the government under Gen Badoglio ordered a state of co-belligerency with the Allies, Gen Martini conformed with obvious unwillingness. He did manifest an appearance of submission but nevertheless its genuine quality was always suspected. He joined the other officers in swearing allegiance to the Badoglio government.

The majority of the former Fascist officers and men showed the sincerity of their intentions by refusing to heed the German solicitations to go over to their side and, in fact, joined in the fight against them.

Gen Martini was at all times under surveillance because it was felt that he was not to be trusted.

When the Italian troops in Corsica were evacuated to Sardinia, Gen Martini came to Sassari. There he gathered about him a group of officers and civilians who had retained strong Fascist leanings and organized an "Action Committee for Sardinia" with the objective of bringing Sardinia under the Fascist Republican Government.

Gen Martini tied up with a non-commissioned officer of the Italian Navy who was in charge of a MAS (mosquito torpedo-boat) which plied between PALAU and some of the islands further north, taking supplies to detachments stationed thereon. Gen Martini arranged with this non-commissioned officer to be transported secretly to German-held territory on the Continent. The sailor agreed, but, being loyal to his own commanders, he immediately reported the matter to the Italian Admiral at La Maddelena, Admiral Brivonese.

This Admiral told Gen Magli what was afoot and the latter, even before any name was mentioned, immediately guessed that the principal involved was Gen Martini. The two Italian commanders decided to let the plan

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proceed and made preparations to nip it. The sailor was given instructions and Carabinieri posted.

On 3 Dec 43 Gen Martini boarded the MAS and proceeded out of PALAU, but was arrested just outside the port; on him were found papers proving the existence of the plot and disclosing the names of the principal adherents. Gen Martini was arrested on order of Gen Magli and is confined in a remote isolated spot. The papers were turned over to the Military Prosecuter of the Military Tribunal so that they might make the necessary investigations, arrests, and any other appropriate action. A considerable number of the known plotters have already been arrested.

Col Meloni, Chief of Staff, is sure that the plan is in no way connected with any of the recognized "Sardinian Movements" or has any relation to the political parties on the Island. He further believes that since Gen Martini was on the island for only a short time and was not well-known, he did not have a strong or numerous following even among whatever disaffected elements may exist here. He is quite certain that there is nothing to fear from any of the military units here. The movement apparently supported mainly by certain civilian individuals with a small adherence of former Fascist officers. These are now being dealt with and the Allied Command will be informed as significant details come in.

2. In view of the above it is believed that no important undesirable result will accompany the suppression of the Coup and that reasonable precautions are being observed by the Italian HQ to counter any local disaffection.

3. Report by Italian HQ on the status of the Fascist Militia is inclosed herewith.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry

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ENCLOSURE #28

SUBJECT: General GIOVANNI MARTINI Incident.

1. On 3 December 1944, General MARTINI was arrested by the Italian authorities while attempting to leave Sardinia for enemy-occupied Italy on a fishing boat. A search of his effects revealed (1) A list of codes and ciphers (2) A list of Fascist sympathizers (3) A list of anti-Fascists who were to be dealt with. Arrests and imprisonment of persons involved was quickly effected and interrogations proceeded. Investigation was handled by Captain LOPANE MENOTTI, the Procurator of the King. Upon completion of the investigation, Captain LOPANE was ordered to return to the Continent and to bring all documents and files pertaining to this case. While flying from Salerno to Lecce, Captain LOPANE was killed when the aircraft crashed at Laurito, Lucania Province. According to latest report, the aircraft with all bodies is buried in the snow at this place and a Carabinieri guard has been posted. S.I.M. and C.I.C. personnel have been sent to the site to investigate circumstances and to recover the documents. In the case, however, that the documents are not found, this headquarters has been advised by General MACLI, Italian Army Commander on Sardinia, that photographic copies of the important papers in this case have been made, and will be available to the prosecution.

Meanwhile, General MARTINI and the group are in prison awaiting further disposition.

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1) MARTINI GIOVANNI, Console General of the Militia.

2) CHIARA FELICE, son of FELICE and of SINI SPERANZA, born at Ozieri on Sept. 18-1895, living in Sassari; Lt. Col. in S.P.E. by the "Calabria" Infantry Division Command.

3) PENSO LUIGI, son of CARLO and of PELIS LUISA, born at Genova on Aug. 26-1891, living in Genova; Lt. Col. of Infantry on service as Judge at the Military War Tribunal of the 7th Army Corps.

4) SCANU GUSTAVO, son of GIUSEPPE and of TIDILI ANNICHA, born at Domusnovas on July 28-1895, living in Sassari, Seniore in S.P.M. of the Militia, on service at the 177th Blackshirt Legion, Mobilization Centre.

5) BERTOLETTI FRANCESCO, son of GIOVANNI BATTISTA and of MURGIA CAVINA, born at Ozieri on Feb. 25-1896, living in Sassari; Seniore of the Militia, on service at the 177th Blackshirt Legion, Mobilization Centre.

6) OFFEDDU MARTINO, son of CIRIACO and of ZIROLIA GIOVANNINA, born at Nuoro on May 27-1906, living in Nuoro; Captain of Infantry, on service at the 230th Coastal Battalion in Palmas Suergiu.

7) DINA MARIO, son of GIUSEPPE and of FIORI GIACOMETTA, born in Milan on June 17-1906, living in Sassari; Captain of Infantry, on service at the Military Division of Sassari.

8) MACCARI ANTONIO, son of ALESSANDRO and of NICOLAI ANTONIA, born in Castelfranco on April 9-1904, living in Sassari; Chemist Captain, on service at the Military Hospital of Iglesias.

9) LAI DARIO, son of NICOLA and of PINA ADAIGINA, born in Sassari on Jan. 23-1906, living in Sassari; Centurione of the Militia.

10) TOLA EMANUELE, son of GAVINO and of MURGIA BATTISTINA, born in Ozieri on Jan. 15-1915, living in Sassari; Centurione of the Militia, on service at the 177th Blackshirt Legion, Mobilization Centre.

11) MARELLA RAFFAELE, son of ANTONIO and of SATTA NICOLETTA, born in Porto-torres on Oct. 24-1902, living in Sassari; Lieutenant of Royal Navy, on service at the Military Autonomous Navy Command of Sardinia.

12) MATZE LIVIO, son of GAVINO and of SANNA, born at Fluminimaggiore on Sept. 8-1913, living in Fluminimaggiore, Capomanipol of the Militia, on service at the 177th Blackshirt Legion, Mobilization Centre.

13) MANNUZZU GIOVANNI, son of SALVATORE and of CANU CATERINA, born in Berchidda on June 19-1909, living in Sassari; employed by the Agriculture Workers' Union.

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14) PIRISINU GIOVANNI, son of PIETRO and of MANNU ANNA MARIA, born in Sassari on June 25-1913, living in Sassari; industrialist.

15) DEMARTIA DINO, son of GIUSEPPE and of ATZENA MARIA, born in Tempio on March 6-1910, living in Tempio; employee.

16) SARINU VITTORE, son of ANTONIO and of MANNU DOMENICA, born in Sorso on Feb. 6-1913, living in Sassari; employee.

17) CAU ANTONIO, son of GAETANO and of MELIANI SPERANZA, born in Portotorres on Oct. 23-1905, living in Portotorres.

18) LIBRU GUGLIELMO, son of GIOVANNI and of SANNI GIUSEPPA, born in Carregha on May 12-1907, living in Sassari; waiter.

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ENCLOSURE "C"

COPY TRANSLATION 14 April 1944

MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XIII A. C.)
PERSONNEL OFFICE

APO 50, April 1944

File No. 5243

SUBJECT: Transfer of discharged servicemen to the mainland

TO : General WEBSTER,
(Commanding the Allied Garrison Sardinia, Elmas.

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1. As you already know, there are at present in Sardinia some thousands of soldiers belonging to the classes between 1907 and 1912, ready to be discharged.

2. They are all worried about their families livelihood and long to be able to join them in Liberated Italy in order to give them moral and material assistance.

3. The continuous waiting frets deeply the minds of these men, leading them in some cases to commit some disciplinary faults, the more so because they do not know when they will be sent to the mainland.

4. I therefore kindly request you, General, to consider the possibility of sending to the mainland with each transport some small contingent of discharged personnel, say about one hundred.

5. The starting of this action so much longed for, will undoubtedly bring with it a calmness of mind and will help greatly in improving the disciplinary conditions of our servicemen.

The Commanding General
GIOVANNI MAGLI

/s/ MAGLI

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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14 April 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Forces in Sardinia.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).

Reference AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) 60 from HQ. A.A.I., dated 26 March, covered by my QS166 of 30 March.

Can you state if a report has yet been rendered to H.Q. A.A.I.

for Commander Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

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Inter-Office Communication Slips

Date 17 April 1944

Suspense

FROM	TO	REMARKS: G-3
CG.	CG.	Col Simmons.
CHIEF OF STAFF	CHIEF OF STAFF	Attached is brief report on
ADJ. GENERAL	ADJ. GENERAL	
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SUBJECT:- Capt SALVIONI Eugio, War Ministry

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
L'AQUILA (LEDCE)
I/103/1
16 Apr 44

War Ministry (2)

1. I am instructed to request you to release the above officer from his present duties for an indefinite period.

2. His services are required by the Allied Military authorities in connection with his specialised lay knowledge.

3. The following are instructions for Capt SALVIONI:-

(a) He will report to the S.I.M. offices, NAPLES on 19 Apr 44. The duplicate copy of this letter and attached Pass are authority for his movement to NAPLES.

(b) He will take with him one suit of civilian clothes, or failing that, rank insignia for battledress which will be provided for him in NAPLES.

(c) He will also take with him a passport size photograph. If this is not available, it will be provided for him by the Allied authorities in NAPLES.

4. Please note that inability to obtain civilian clothes or passport size photograph must not delay departure for NAPLES.

5. Please confirm by Liaison Officer Major BLATT, or telephone to "G" Branch of this HQ, that you are despatching Capt SALVIONI as instructed above, and give date and time of his departure.

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Army Sub Comm U.S.C.

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SECRET TO SALVIONI Capt to Italian Ministry of War required ALLIERS and possibly U.K. owing special knowledge. Request you obtain necessary authy for release and instruct report SIM offices NAPLES 19 April. Should either bring civilian clothes or failing this rank insignia for battledress which will be provided here also passport size photo ~~4262~~ in possession of all NO photos available can provide here. Arrangements transport Rome & Security Clearances required permit travel under Travelling Allied military

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SUBJECT: Court of Inquiry on Maj SILVANI Giovanni, working in Allied Censorship Office, LECCE

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MILA)
L'AQUILA (L'ECCE)
I/103
15 Apr 44

War Ministry

Copy to: Allied Censorship Office, LECCE

1. Allied Censorship Office, LECCE, reports that LECCE Garrison Comd, General DE MARTINO, has ordered a Court of Inquiry into the comportment of Maj SILVANI towards certain officers under his command.

2. The President of the Court is Colonel CANEISI Mario, LECCE District Comd.

3. It is requested that a copy of the proceedings be forwarded to this HQ on completion of the Court of Inquiry.

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Arrest of Italian Military trying to cross to German occupied territory.

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
8 Apr 44

Chief of Staff
SHAEF

Copy to: HQ 2 Dist(2 Dist 2122/68 GSI)
CIC MAAF(of 8 Apr 44 refers)

1. On 5 Mar 44 the Allied Authorities apprehended at MOLFETTA a party of Italians trying to proceed into German occupied Italy.

2. Two of these men were Italian soldiers:-
BEGLI Guido fu Orelio, born BOLOGNA 17 Jan 1912; serving in 14 Artillery Regt, BARI.
MAGAGNANI Gaetano di Ign, born BOLOGNA 18 Aug 1921; serving with the Battaglione Presidiario, BARI. Was on leave expiring 5 Mar 44.

Both these men, on interrogation, admitted their intention of crossing into German occupied Italy.

3. They were handed over to the Italian military authorities (Maj VALENTINI, SIM HQ 9 Corps) for disciplinary action after interrogation.

4. Two days after the handing over, they re-appeared at liberty in the CIC Office, BARI to collect some effects.

5. I am therefore to instruct you to investigate this matter fully and report:-
(a) what action the Italian military authorities took in this case.
(b) the reasons why the two soldiers re-appeared at liberty after being handed over to HQ 9 Corps for disciplinary action.
(c) what disciplinary action has been taken by the Italian military authorities in the past, when other soldiers have been handed over to them for similar reasons.

6. Will you please give this matter your personal attention and let me have a reply as soon as convenient.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Battaglione Presidiario, B.R.I. was on leave expiring 9 Oct 44.

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Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CSL.

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HQ 2 District CMP.

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7 Apr 44

Subject:- Deserters.

To:- Army Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to:- CIC MAAF.

1 On March 5th 1944 a party of Italians were apprehended trying to proceed to German occupied Italy.

2 Two of these men were deserters from the Italian Army:-

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MACAGNANI Gastoni di Igo, born 18 Aug 1921 in Bologna serving with Bataglione Presidiario of BARI.

3 They were therefore handed over to the Italian authorities for disciplinary action after interrogation.

4 Two days after the handing over, they re-appeared at liberty in the CIC office in BARI to collect some effects.

5 This HQ would be grateful for information of what action the Italian Military Authorities took in this case, and what their attitude is towards Italian deserters who attempt to cross the lines, and what type of disciplinary action is taken in these cases.

D.H. Smallwood

Major General
Commanding.

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x Maj. VALENTINI
A.M. HQ 7 Corps

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SUBJECT: Arrest of Italians trying to cross to German Occupied Territory.

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Military Sub-Commission MMIA ACC.

Reference Maj. MATTEI's conversation on telephone with Capt. BUTTERWORTH; the desired information is as follows:-

1 In a confidential memorandum from CIC Detachment MAAF Eastern section, Sub-section G. ref Case No 871 G of the 18th March 1944, the following information given to this office.

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2 Certain persons were suspected of wanting to cross to German controlled territory and agents were consequently appointed to investigate. The above group boarded a train at BARI on March 5th 1944 and arrived at MOLFETTA at 1030; from there they proceeded to BISCEGLIE by cart and visited various houses for the purpose of making arrangements for transportation across the lines(as was subsequently learnt). The agents and four men from the Questura surrounded them and placed them under arrest.

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5 Re-identity of persons organising transport of people, [illegible] and mail illegally, PASQUA said he was unfamiliar with names and addresses. He did, however, confess knowledge of small boats engaged in smuggling food across the lines, and of one VALENTI Tama engaged in an illicit mail service. PASQUA said he would assist in contacting and apprehending these people if allowed.

6 MARCHESINI had been arrested as a precautionary measure, but it has been substantiated that he was merely visiting the family of his fiancee at BISCEGLIE. He was released after interrogation at BARI and sent to BISCEGLIE where he is at present employed.

7 It was recommended that BUGLI and MACAGNANI, under jurisdiction of the military, should be handed to the SIM for proper disposition while PASQUA should be interned by the Allies for the duration.

A.T. Lea. Lt. for

Lieutenant Colonel,
General Staff.

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SUBJECT:- CIVILIAN SUBJECTS.

SECRET.

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Headquarters
71 Sub Area.
71/105/G
6th February '44.

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1. It is known that the Germans are employing youths from 14 years upwards as tactical agents. It is possible that these youths may try to obtain temporary employment with units, or get lifts on Military vehicles.

2. Considerable suspicion should therefore be attached to all youths and boys hanging about billets and camps, whose families are not known to live in the immediate neighbourhood.

3. It should again be emphasised that the giving of lifts to civilians in MT vehicles may be directly helping these people.

4. This matter will be brought to the attention of all ranks but will not be repeated but published in Unit Orders.

Captain,
General Staff.

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MESSAGE SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

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In all messages no reference will be made to previous signals or letters in the 'address - to' space. Such references will be contained in the text.

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Subject:- MONTGOMERO Lieut. C.C.I.R.

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HQ 2 District CMP
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11 Apr 44

AOC.

Copy to:- Army Sub Commission AOC, ✓
HQ 71 Sub Area,
409 FS Section.

See Folio 12.

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.,
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H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

CONFIDENTIAL. X 23

AAI/1433/4/G3I(b).

23 Mar 44.

Reference your X.23 dated 19 Mar 44.

Herewith copy of this HQ letter AAI/1433/4/G(Ib) dated 14 Mar 44, as requested.

JH.

Lt Colonel
for Brigadier,
B.C.S.(I).

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Subject:- Classification of Documents.

Distribution below.

Headquarters,
Allied Forces in Italy, C.M.F.

SECRET = U.S. CONFIDENTIAL.

AAI/1431/4/GSI(b).

15 Mar 44.

Reference this HQ Message No.I(b) 470 dated 13 Mar 44.

1. GENERAL.

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(c) U.S. Army Regulations 380 - 5 and "Classification and Handling of Protected Documents" are being revised.

(d) From 15 Mar 44 to date of receipt of these revisions the policy hereinafter outlined will be followed by all concerned. No change in the classification of existing documents is necessitated by this agreement.

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2. (c).....

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(c) Categories.

Official matter requiring classification should be examined and graded under one of the following categories:-

TOP SECRET. (SPECIAL OBSERVATION - TOPSEC).
SECRET.
CONFIDENTIAL.
RESTRICTED.

The United States regards TOP SECRET as a sub-division of SECRET. On the other hand, the British regard TOP SECRET as a distinct category. Although this difference of view is recognised, it is immaterial to this agreement under which working uniformity is obtained by the adoption of agreed definitions, examples, and rules of treatment, for the handling of all classified matter.

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(i) Plans or particulars of future major or special operations.
(ii) Particulars of important dispositions or impending moves of our forces or convoys in connection with (i) above.
(iii) Very important political documents dealing with such matters as negotiations for alliances and the like.
(iv) Information of the methods used or successes obtained by our Intelligence Services and Counter-Intelligence Services or which would imperil Secret Agents.
(v) Critical information of new important munitions of war, including approved Scientific and Technical developments.
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(iv) Order of Battle information, the locations and moves affecting the Order of Battle.
(v) Knowledge of enemy material and procedure, the value of which depends upon the enemy NOT knowing that we possess it.
(vi) Vital military information on import at defences.
(vii) Certain reports of operations containing information of vital interest to the enemy, except
(viii) Adverse reports on general effecting major operations.
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(vi) Strength returns of units remote from operational theatres.

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(i) Grading.

(i) The designation of persons responsible for grading and regrading will be a function of the proper authorities.
(ii) Each document should be graded according to its own content and not necessarily according to its relationship to another document. This also applies to extracts from graded documents.
(iii) The grading of a file or group of physically connected documents shall be that of the highest graded document therein.

(j) Regrading.
It is the obligation of all authorities to keep classified matter constantly under review and to downgrade it as soon as conditions permit.

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(k) Transmission of certain messages by electrical means.
Messages which have been transmitted or are to be transmitted in a high-grade cryptographical system of one nation will NOT be relayed or transmitted by the other nation between point of origin and destination by electrical means in clear language or unapproved "Scrambler" system, or low-grade cryptographic system.

(l) Handling (treatment).
No person is entitled solely by virtue of his rank or position to knowledge or possession of classified matter. Such matter is entrusted only to those individuals whose official duties require such knowledge or possession.

SECRET.
SECRET matter will be handled in accordance with the following rules:

(i) The highest grade cryptographic systems available will be used for the transmission of SECRET messages.
(ii) SECRET documents will be transmitted only by officially designated courier in double sealed envelopes, the inner one being marked SECRET, and will be opened only by the addressee or his authorised representative. Where officially designated courier service is NOT available, SECRET documents may be transmitted by registered mail service or any service superior to registered Mail Service, if the service is completely within national control.
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NOTES:
(1) An approved circuit is: a circuit approved by the Theatre Commander, e.g., the British Services "Defence Teleprinter Network" in the U.K.
(2) This item will NOT appear in U.S. regulations on cryptographical security. It will be released immediately to responsible commanders in special letters of instruction.
(v) It is the responsibility of the commissioned officer or equivalent civilian holding custody of SECRET documents to ensure that all security precautions are taken to guard such documents at all times.

TOP SECRET.
TOP SECRET matter will be handled in accordance with the above rules, with additional safeguards as follows:

(i) Under no circumstances will such matter be transmitted by registered mail.
(ii) Under no circumstances will messages be coded to be transmitted by

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(i) The highest grade cryptographic systems available will be used for the transmission of SECRET messages.

(ii) SECRET documents will be transmitted only by officially designated courier in double sealed envelopes, the inner one being marked SECRET, and will be opened only by the addressee or his authorised representative. Where officially designated courier service is NOT available, SECRET documents may be transmitted by registered mail service or mail service superior to registered Mail Service, if the service is completely within national control.

(iii) Translation and custody of these documents and material will normally be covered by a receipt system and registered documents and material periodically accounted for. It is mandatory that registered documents be covered by a receipt system.

(iv) SECRET messages will NOT be transmitted by electrical means in the clear, except over approved circuits and providing the rule in paragraph 2(k) is not violated.

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(ii) Under no circumstances will messages so graded be transmitted by electrical means in the clear.

(iii) It is mandatory that transmission and custody of such matter be covered by a receipt system.

(iv) TOP SECRET documents will be handled only by persons specifically assigned and may NOT be disclosed to any person solely by virtue of his rank or office.

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(11) It is the responsibility of the commissioned officer or equivalent official holding custody of CONFIDENTIAL documents to insure that proper appropriate security precautions are taken at all times.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED matter will be handled in accordance with the following rules:

(1) RESTRICTED documents will be transmitted by such approved channels as will provide a reasonable degree of security.

(2) Registered RESTRICTED documents will be transmitted from foreign countries in the same manner as registered SECRET documents.

For Lieut-General,
Chief of General Staff.

DISTRIBUTION:

Fifth Army	A.B.S.
Eighth Army	A.B.S.
5 Corps	HAWAIIAN Garrison
1 District	H.Q. ..... A.(Adm Sch).
2 District	Each "A", plus H.Q. A.A.A. Signals.
3 District	

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Chief of Naval Material
Chief of Naval Personnel
Commandant of the Marine Corps
Chief of Naval Research
Commandant, Military District of Washington, D.C.
Commandant, Naval District of Washington, D.C.
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Director, Naval Reserve
Director, Naval Communications
Director, Naval Petroleum Reserves
Director, Naval Research Laboratory
Director, Naval Security Group
Director, Naval Shore Electronics Engineering Activities
Director, Naval Special Projects Group
Director, Naval Weapons Laboratory
Director, Office of Civilian Manpower Management
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SUBJECT: Security Classifications

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (META)
LIQUILE (LICC)
X. 23
15 Mar 44.

A.A.I.

This HQ has received a NATOUSA letter ref., AG 380.01/435 -D dated 2 March 1944, subject 'Changes in AR 380-5 Affecting Security Classifications.'

Ref para 2 of this letter, may we please be supplied with the instructions on this matter for British Forces.

for Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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A C T I O N S L I P

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

To:

So Sec/S

Amendments:

Addition of all in Draft to following:

a). "Top Secret" - amend to replace "Most Secret."

b). "Restricted" not withdrawn in use by British

c). Rules of Grading, in particulars sub para I(a).

(Cn 27 Mar.

MESSAGE SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

		Message signed in
TOP SECRET	In cipher by any means	R.H. space plus TOPSEC as first word of text.
SECRET	In cipher by any means	R.H. space plus SECRET as first word of text.
CONFIDENTIAL	If liable to interception this message to be sent in cipher	R.H. space with CONFIDENTIAL as first word of text.
RESTRICTED	If sent by wireless this message to be sent in cipher	L.H. space with RESTRICTED as first word of text.

In all messages no reference will be made to previous signals or letters in the 'address - to' space. Such references will be contained in the text.

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SUBJECT: COLONNA VOLONTARI

SECRET

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MEIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
4 Apr 44

HQ 2 Dist (for G.I.)

Your 2022/72 GSI of 27 Mar 44

1. It is proposed to retain the File until return of the Italian Chief of Staff (temporarily away on duty) and his reply to our letter bringing certain facts regarding the COLONNA to his notice.

2. If at any time you require the file please send signal request for it.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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SUBJECT: (Correspondence) Fdc

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (Rear)
BRINDISI (LECCE)
2/AG.
1st Apr 44 69

Mess. AAI (for GCI)

1. All letter mail has been sent to this headquarters by the Italian General Staff with a request for its onward transmission to Colonel Archibald, Italian Military Attache at the Italian Embassy in Madrid, through von Arnold, Military Attache, British Embassy, Madrid, who has already agreed to the correspondence for them.

2. Forwarded (unopened) for action as considered necessary.

W.M. for
Brigadier,
CGL. Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
- Ufficio Operazioni -

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO - Sottocommissione per l'Esercito - Lenuile

Risposta al foglio del

Prot. N. 3819 /OP Allegati

Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO trasmissione plico. Urgente

Si prega voler far pervenire tramite il Generale Arnold l'unito plico al Colonnello Cavattari R.Addetto Militare presso l'Ambasciata d'Italia in Turchia.-

IL GEN.COLONNELLO in s.S.M.
- Capo Ufficio Operazioni -
(Piero Sampò)

Piero Sampò

Mr Low
Usual title please
NARS 9/4

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Tracciare per ogni lettera la relativa indicazione ed indicare nella risposta il numero di protocollo e l'ufficio da cui è stata diramata.
Scrivere una sola argomento per foglio.
Non piegare.

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SUBJECT:- Classification of Documents

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MCI)
LE ULLE (LEGOE)
I/103/1
6 APR 44

F.L.

S V R K
War Ministry

Herewith copy of H.Q. A.C.C. Establishment Memorandum Nº 11 of 28 March 44, which is forwarded to you in order that all classified documents you receive through Allied military channels may be recognised and accorded proper handling.

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AAG for
Brigadier.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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(Liaison) 66

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
MILITARY MISSION

28 March 1944.

ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 22 1/2

Date 31 Mar 44

to

ITALIAN ARMY.

CLASSIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS

The combined Chiefs of Staff have approved an agreement made between the American and British Services on the definition, classification and handling of matters to be safeguarded. Procedures, Names, Definitions and handling hereinafter set forth are to be put into effect by all United States Army and British Army Headquarters on 0001, 15 Mar 44.

Instructions to the same effect are being issued for the same effective date by the United States Navy, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force.

U.S. Army Regulations 380-5 and "Classification and Handling of Protected Documents" are being revised.

From 15 Mar 44 to date of receipt of these revisions the policy hereinafter outlined will be followed by all concerned. No change in the classification of existing documents is necessitated by this agreement.

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GRADING: 1. The designation of persons responsible for grading and regrading will be a function of the proper authorities.

2. Each document should be graded according to its own content and not necessarily to its relationship to another document. This also applies to extracts from graded documents.

3. The grading of a file or group of physically connected documents shall be that of the highest graded document therein.

REGRADING: It is the obligation of all authorities to keep classified matter constantly under review and to downgrade it as soon as conditions permit.

HANDLING (treatment): No person is entitled solely by virtue of his rank or position to knowledge or possession of classified matter. Such matter is entrusted only to those individuals whose official duties require such knowledge or possession.

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4. SECRET Messages will not be transmitted by electrical means in the clear, except over approved circuits and provided that there is no violation of the rule that messages which have been or are to be transmitted in a high grade cryptographical system of one nation will NOT be relayed by the other nation between point of origin and destination by electrical means in clear language or unapproved "SCRAMBLER" system or low grade cryptographic system.

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By command of Lieut. General MASON MACFARLANE:

John G. Albright

JOHN G. ALBRIGHT,
Colonel, Inf.,
Establishment Officer.

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO ~~Who Thereby~~ HQ 41 Sub-Area

FROM MMIA

Coordinates or Reference I 21 Urgent 4 Is Reply Necessary

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This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN if it is necessary | This Message must be sent BY COURIER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands

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Time of Origin 1000

Signature

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO SMRE

FROM Army Sub-Commission ACC Originator's Number I 20 Date 3 In Reply to Number

Our I/1103/1 of 15 Mar Have
you tried GRIGOLETTO GEROLAMO
yet phone ?

This Message must be sent AS WRITTEN by any means | This Message must be sent by CRYPTA if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands | Originator's Instructions / Degree of Priority | Time of Origin 2250

Signature / Originator's Name and Title (Typed) | Signature | T.H.E.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 341

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS		Date of Origin	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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TO ARMY SUB COMMISSION FIVE A

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
PISTOL 42	3160		

Ref your GRIDDLE 10	11031	of 12 MARCH ⊙	Have Italians multicities	known	

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by mail or pouch } WIRELESS

This message must be sent IN CIPHER or issued to interception or to fall into enemy hands

Originator's instructions Degree of Priority

Line or circuit 11243A

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* Originator must delete "secret" and insert "confidential"

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SUBJECT: Italian Forces in Sardinia CONFIDENTIAL

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (AMGIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
3 Apr 44

Col SIMMONS
SARDINIA

1. Attached copy of letter from AAI for your information and action.

2. Please forward your report, in duplicate, as quickly as possible.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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A C T I O N S L I P

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

To: G. 1

Ref. attached.
para 3. I suggest I ask War Ministry.
para 4. I think Comd. may like to see this, in view of his recent visit.

Yes. R 26/5

I have no facts re security in SARDINIA apart from food shortage, being possible source of trouble from civilians. I suggest we ask Col. SIMMONS views.

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Comdt

Re att Comdt Col Priestley and Col Simmons re para 4 and I suggest we back an I request from Allied Comd SARDINIA

R 4237 4/5

G 1 Why did this not come through as usual? Where is original letter? (P)

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

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394 QS/mms

Q3166 30 March 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Forces in SARDINIA.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).

The attached copy of AAI/1456/49/G(Ib) dated 26 Mar. 44 is forwarded to you in duplicate in case you wish to send a copy to Col. SIMMONS.

Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission

2 Incls. as above.

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COPY FROM ADV. HQ. MAR. 30

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SUBJECT: Italian Forces in SARDINIA.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES
IN ITALY.

ARMY SUB-COMMISSION, ACC.

CONFIDENTIAL
AAI/1456/49/G(Ib)
26 Mar. 44.

1. We have received from A.F.H.Q. information concerning a Fascist conspiracy in SARDINIA, which was inspired by General MARTINI, and which ledto the arrest of the latter in December, together with a number of other officers and civilians.

2. It is understood that this case has been dealt with entirely by the Italian authorities, that a thorough investigation has been made, and that those involved are shortly to be brought to trial.

3. As this case appears to have a considerable bearing on the general security situation in the theatre, we are anxious to obtain full up-to-date information on the subject, and request that a report be forwarded to this H.Q. as soon as possible.

4. In addition, we would be glad to receive your appreciation of the general morale and security situation w with regard to the Italian Forces located in SARDINIA, since we understand from S.I.M. that there are certain potentially dangerous elements and indications of unrest in that Island.

Lieut-General,
Chief of General Staff.

BF.

COPY FROM ADV. HQ. MAR. 30

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ARMY FORM C-1438 MESSAGE FORM CIPHER SECRET OR

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS — IN / OUT

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TO DISTWO rptd MMIA LO DISTWO

FROM MMIA Originator's Number I 13. Date 30 To Room No. Number

Reliable informal proceedings of Court of Inquiry convened by Chief of Staff after appeal case in BELLOMO'S SERVIZI H.Q. I Corps after arrest of Thropp Pfc by you request that Chief of Staff obtain OFFICIO

This Message may be sent by: Cable / Wireless

This Message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands

Originator's Signature and Rank or Title

Time of Origin 1450

Signature Lieutenant

Originator may delete "Except" and insert "In Clear" as desired. DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE FOR SIGNAL USE ONLY

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T.O.R.

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F.M. 151, 11 5/ marzo 1944 Anno

STATO MAGGIORE MEDIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Operazioni

Al la SOTTOCOMMISSIONE per l'ESERCITO A.C.C.
L e q u i l e

Risposta al foglio del

Prot. N. 3440/Op Allegati Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO: Verbali della riunione convocata dal Gen. LERICI comandante il IX Corpo d'Armata il 20 ottobre 1944.-

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Riferimento foglio I/103/1 in data 28 corrente.

Si dà assicurazione che il Generale LERICI ha già trasmesso al Comando 8ª Armata gli elenchi di cui al foglio a riferimento.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Gen.di Div. G.B.Oxilia)

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Ref. g. I/103/1 of 28 inst.

G. B. Oxilia

We beg to confirm that the minutes of meeting held w/ the request of Gen LERICI o.c. 9 Corps have been forwarded to HQ 8th Army together with the lists referred in g. a/m. letter.

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Copy.

Indicare sempre nella risposta il numero di protocollo e l'ufficio cui si risponde.

Tassa per ogni scritta in più oltre quella indicata

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SECRET

SUBJECT:- General BELLOMO Nicola

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
29 Mar 44

H.Q. 2 District (for CSI)

1. Ref attached, and our signal I/9 of 28 Mar 44.

Careful enquiries at Italian General Staff and War Ministry reveal that the Court of Inquiry proceedings regarding the shooting incident at TORRE TRESCA in Feb 42, were taken to ROME by General DE BIASE Luigi, who was IX CORPS Comd in BARI at the time, and who was responsible for convening the above Court of Inquiry.

2. The Italians, for their part are also anxious to locate the proceedings, because they believe it to be in their interest to hand them over to the Allied authorities.

3. It is not considered that the Italians are witholding any evidence of any kind.

Documents in their possession relative to the BELLOMO case refer only to his arrest.

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ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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OGGETTO: Generale BELLOMO Nicola.

RISERVATO

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MAIL)
LECQUILE (LECCE)
1/103.
5 Mar. 44.

Stato Maggiore R. Esercito.

Dovreste avere la compiacenza di farmi tenere l'intera pratica riguardante l'inchiesta svolta sull'incidente ai primi di Febbraio 1942, nel quale è coinvolto il Generale BELLOMO Nicola.

tvs. BGB.

Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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A C T I O N C O P Y

To:

GEN BRUCE brought this down to me, 26 Nov. A Council of Europe is being held in Rome, on 2 Apr & they want the paper by Mon if possible. Speak to me first

G T

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To: G 1.

Ref attached.

1. I suggest I take action as proposed in letter attached

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I know Chiaparelli. If Summers wants to talk to him it might embitter his liaison with SMRE

Chiaparelli is coming to see me today about the matters, & I suggest I talk to him in confidence

NPB 6/6 44.

I can tell you about the BELLONO case if you are not in the picture.

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SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting called by Gen LERICI, GOC IX ITALIAN CORPS 20 Oct 43.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
2 Mar 44

SMIS

Copy to Main HQ EIGHTH Army (for GSI your M319/1 I(b) of 15 Jan refers).

Ref my I/103 of 19 Jan and your reply 722/OP of 23 Jan 44. Please confirm that General LERICI has now forwarded the two lists to HQ EIGHTH Army as instructed by you.

COL.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: CI JALONE Francesco

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MILA)
LECCE (LECCE)
I/103/1
8th Mar 44

H.Q. 2 Dist (for CSI)

Herewith, for any action you are able to take, translation of a letter received from the Italian Ministry of War.

W Brig

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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From: War Ministry Ref 1247/E

To : M.M.I.A. Date 24.3.44

Subject: Interment of Maj TALONE Francesco of the Engineers

Eng Major TALONE Francesco, arrested by the British Police on Jan 4th last at ROCCASCALEGNA, where his family resides, appears to have been shortly afterwards sent to the concentration camp at PADULA (SALERNO) where he is still held together with his brother GABRIELE.

According to information furnished to this Ministry, Major TALONE - who at the time of the Armistice was employed at the SIM - took refuge at ROCCASCALEGNA in order to avoid being captured by the Germans.

At the beginning of October, a German Unit, accusing the Talone family of pro-British feelings, looted their house installing therein their HQ, forcing the family to flee for fear of further reprisals and as a result of the German threat to deport the Major's brother, Doctor Gabriele to Germany.

On December 5th, the Germans abandoned the village but continued to subject it to looting raids.

In order to defend the village against such hostile German acts, Major Talone, together with the priest Don Nicola D. Clemente and a score of men, visited the local Carabinieri Station with a view to obtaining the necessary arms. Unable to obtain what they wanted, the Major's activities were reduced to recruiting a squad of volunteers to repair the road ALTINO-Roccascalegna, which had been damaged by the Germans, attempting, in this way to help the Allies. This work was later praised by the British Police.

The accusations which lead to the arrest and internment of Major Talone and his brother Doctor Gabriele, would appear to be due, according to information received in this Ministry, to personal revenge on the part of local elements, as often happens in small localities.

This being the case, we would be very grateful if MMIA would kindly intercede in order that, after the necessary enquiries have been made, both Major Talone and his brother Gabriele may be released and allowed to return to their families.

(Sgd) GENERAL ALIBERTI

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

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Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. di prot. 1225/c

P.M. 107 li 24 - 3 - 1944 -

OGGETTO Internamento Maggiore del Genio di Complemento TALONE Francesco.- Maj. TALONE F. sent by British Police to an Internee Camp

ALLA ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ (MMIA) L E Q U I L E

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Le accuse che avrebbero cagionato, in seguito, il fermo ed il successivo internamento del magg. Talone e del fratello dott. Gabriele, dovrebbero attribuirsi, secondo le informazioni ricevute, a vendette personali di elementi locali, come, in genere, accade nei piccoli centri.

Stando così le cose, si sarà grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà interessare l'Autorità Alleata competente, allo scopo di ottenere che, previ gli accertamenti ritenuti del caso, il magg. Talone ed il fratello Gabriele possano essere restituiti al più presto alla propria famiglia.-

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15 April 44

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To: Maj. Byrd

Ref. Cp attached letter & the para underlined.

Maj H. of W please ask to informed of Capt Adams suggestion of a surprise search they might like to know that in this search there may be some weapons hidden in the Military Section of the Judicial Prison.

For H of W's action as they deem necessary.

G3(I) Information passed on 15 Apr 44

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From Capt. H.W. Allen A.C.C.
Inspector of Civil Prisons

To Capt. Butterworth. Mil. Liaison to Dt. Army

Military & Naval Prisoners
in The Judicial Prison. LECCE.

1. During an inspection of the above prison on the 18th March I was disturbed with the discipline of the Military Section and warned the Italian Officer (Naval) in charge and the Military & Naval N.C.O.s XVI Egemonia.

2. Today 19th March while inspecting the Penal Prison LECCE I came by disturbing information concerning the Military Section at the Judicial Prison.

In Nov. last there was a riot among the Military & Naval prisoners which had to be quelled by Military intervention. The prisoners were in possession of arms. They were disarmed but the slack discipline maintained now may have given opportunity to the prisoners to obtain others. I suggest a thorough search (by surprise)

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It is further suggested by the Director (A. Massali) that other irregularities have been practiced by these British prisoners including the admission of women to their quarters.

I attach copies of two letters from Massalli to the Advocate General Court of Appeal which may have bearing on the matter.

A.W. Arden Cox.

March 20th 1944.

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DIREZIONE DEGLI STABILIMENTI CARCERARI DI LECCE

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Lecce, li 21 Settembre 1943.-

Prot. n° 4351-3-C.-

A Sua Eccellenza l'Avvocato Generale presso la Corte di Appello di Lecce

Ill/mo Signor Procuratore del Re e Imperatore presso il Tribunale di Lecce

Oggetto: Denuncia di ammutinamento nella sezione militare del Carcere Giudiziario.-

Ieri verso le ore 18 il capoguardia del Carcere Giudiziario Carelli Vincenzo mi comunicava per telefono di aver sentito dal maresciallo addetto alla sezione militare, che i marinai detenuti giudicabili ed i militari ristretti nella sezione militare avevano preparato un'ammutinamento da attuarsi verso le ore 22. I militari che erano forniti di coltelli e pare anche di qualche arma da fuoco, avrebbero avuto aiuto dall'esterno. Per quanto tale notizia non m'interessasse direttamente, perchè la sezione militare è a parte con un uscita propria, ed un proprio comandante, Capitano Fanzini, ritenni opportuno avvisare il comandante del Presidio Signor Generale De martino per i provvedimenti del caso. Il Generale comandante il Presidio convocò nel suo Ufficio il sottoscritto, il Maggiore dei RR.CC. il Procuratore Militare del Tribunale Militare, ed il Capitano comandante la sezione militare.

Disposo un servizio che venne disimpegnato da una compagnia di fanti e da un plotone di mitraglieri. Verso le diciannove e trenta mi recai al Carcere per assicurarmi che erano state prese tutte le disposizioni circa la incolumità dei cinquecento detenuti civili. Il capoguardia Carelli, con molta oculatezza, aveva obbedito prendendo tutte le misure cautelari atte ad impedire che il movimento potesse estendersi anche alla sezione civile.

Alle ore 22 in una camerata a pianterreno notai un movimento sospetto di marinai. Avvertii immediatamente il capitano Fanzini che accompagnato dal capoguardia Carelli e da agenti e marinai si recò sul posto.

I marinai nel vedere il capitano cominciarono ad urlare ed agitarsi, si unirono agli ammutinati e nel tentativo di uscire dalle sezioni anche gli altri marinai, i quali avevano abbattuto in frattempo i cancelli. Il capitano ordinò alla truppa di far fuoco. Un marinaio dei più scalmanati si presentò al capitano per parlamentare: poichè le discussioni degeneravano intervenni facendolo prendere dai miei agenti ed assicurarlo sul letto di contenzione.

La nottata è trascorsa relativamente calma; la truppa è sempre però sul posto.

Tale gravissima situazione che può peggiorare da un momento all'altro non può perdurare, sopratutto si tenga presente che i marinai quartieristi si dichiarano non adatti a ristabilire e mantenere l'ordine. I cinquecento detenuti civili che durante gli allarmi e il movimento sedizioso dei marinai, si mantennero calmi,

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preso dell'Autorità militare competente per migliorare o chiarificare la gravissima situazione disciplinare.

Il marinaio che aveva fatto asportare sul letto di contenzione la notte del 20 al 21 dopo poche ore venne fatto sciogliere e rimandato in sezione.

La mattina seguente l'Autorità Dirigente la sezione militare non fidandosi dei marinai guardiani richiese l'intervento di un maresciallo e di una diecina di carabinieri per procedere alla perquisizione dei militari detenuti.

Nel pomeriggio dello stesso giorno 21, 48 detenuti marinai rifiutarono il rancio; nessun provvedimento venne preso contro i capeggiatori di tali movimenti.

Nella giornata di ieri 23 corr. tre Ufficiali con le pistole in pugno, alcuni sottufficiali di marina e marinai guardiani di servizio non furono capaci di far scendere dalla sezione un detenuto militare che deve in espiazione.

L'Autorità Dirigente la sezione militare dovette richiedere l'intervento del capoguardia del Carcere civile che da solo accompagnò in cella il carcerato recalcitrante.

Non si è proceduto finora neanche ad allontanare i marinai responsabili dell'ammutinamento.

Non è possibile per tanto, continuare a far mantenere la disciplina servendosi della truppa.

I 500 detenuti civili che si sono mantenuti calmi fino a questo momento potranno a lungo andare essere spinti a commettere disordini con l'esempio di gravissimi atti di indisciplina che giornalmente vengono commessi dai marinai e che rimangono impuniti.

Data l'ubicazione del fabbricato del Carcere Giudiziario non è possibile impedire che i marinai abbiano contatto con i civili per avere in comune i locali del passeggio, la cucina, l'infermeria e i due corridoi.

Perdurando tale stato di cose non mi è possibile garantire la continuazione del normale svolgimento del servizio ed il mantenimento della disciplina nel carcere giudiziario civile in cui sono ristretti 500 e più detenuti.

A scanso di ogni mia responsabilità personale per qualsiasi avvenimento che dovesse verificarsi fra i detenuti civili a seguito di movimenti sediziosi nella sezione militare mi permetto Eccellenza di insistere nella richiesta di far trasferire d'urgenza i detenuti marinai che hanno capeggiato l'ammutinamento e il rientro a Taranto di tutti i detenuti militari.

Sento il dovere Eccellenza di renderle noto che mentre il Ministero della Marina aveva autorizzato la istituzione di una sezione militare la cui capienza doveva superare il numero di 200 questi ogni sono saliti a 300 circa.

Con perfetta osservanza.

IL DIRETTORE
F/to Nanelli

Per C.C.
Il Segretario

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SUBJECT:- COLONNA VOLONTARI

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
15 Mar 44

Chief of Staff,
S M R E

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(f) A small amount of rations (one loaf of bread per head per day) were drawn by Lieut TANZI, on the printed authority of IX Corps.

2. In view of your letter No 2399/Mob of 29 Feb 44 I forward the above for your information and shall be grateful to have your remarks.

Folio 15.
Translation of Folio 15 is in Folio 16.

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Brigadier
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Military Prisoners in Italian civil prisons.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
X/rel
20 Mar 44

War Ministry
Gabinetto

Copy to HQ II Region (for Prisons Officer).

Ref conversation Col FIORE - VERNAZZA - Maj BYATT - Capt ALDEN (Prisons Officer, II Region) of 17 Mar 44, it is confirmed that you are making investigations regarding:

(a) the possibility of removing Italian military personnel from Italian civil prisons

(b) the system of rationing of such military personnel, the unit ration strength upon which they are held, and their exact numbers.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm 4225.

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SUBJECT:- GRIGOLETTO GEROLAMO

Army Sub Comission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MFIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
L/103/1
18 Mar 44

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Copy to:- HQ 2 Dist (Your 3078 of 17 Mar refers)
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1. I am to instruct you to arrest, and escort under guard, the above soldier to G.S.I. Branch, H.Q. 2 District BARI.

He is reported to have rejoined his unit - 185 NEMBO Regt (now with 1 RAGGRUPPAMENTO MOTORI ZZATO).

2. Please notify this Sub Comission when GRIGOLETTO has been arrested so that we may sign al his expected time of arrival at HQ 2 District.

Grigoletto handed over
Tel: conv: SELBY - 2Dis C, SI 6.
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Brigadier.
Army Sub Coma A.C.C.

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Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
7 Mar 44

H.Q. 2 Dist (for G.S.I. (b))

Ref your File 2012/72 G "Security-Colonna Volontari", loaned to MMIA on 15 Mar.

May the statements of RUSSO and PURGNONE (when forwarded to you by 315 FSS, who are sending them to you when they are available) please be forwarded to this HQ to complete the infmn already in the above File.

CGL.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 534

AG 000.7/307 A-O

4 March 1944

SUBJECT: SECURITY.

TO : All Commanders.

1. All personnel, both civilian and military, will be informed that they must refrain from discussion of or speculation relative to, in public or private, of military plans or operations, either current or future, without proper military authority. They must not discuss or speculate on information concerning secret weapons, secret equipment, troop or ship movements, either by publication or private, before announcement is made by proper authority. Nothing will be passed, discussed, or published in relation to international conferences, regarding the above subjects, without the authorization from the President's executive office.

2. The provisions of this directive will be accomplished without delay.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

J. A. ROBERTS,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 2

Ref: W/14/

14 March 1944

TO : - P.C. A.C.C. - POTENZA
MATERA
CATANZARO
COSENZA
REGGIO
BARI
BRINDISI
LECCE
TARANTO
HQ. ACC. L.O. Nº 2 District

The undernoted signal as been received and is passed to you for communication to the Chiefs of the carabinieri and the questurini.

SECRET. CECCACCI Rudolfo di Giovanni born 28/5/18 at AGUGLIANO black hair clean shaven well built Lieut. ex submarine or parachutist . BETUCK Alfredo Giacomo born 13/3/23 at SANTA MARGHERITA oval face good colour tall robust speaks english rather short hair blue eyes believed ex parachutist . Both released from 207 POW camp 7th March as clear of suspicion now known to be enemy agents . They may report to Italian Military Authorities of which endeavour to cross into enemy occupied territory . Endeavour locate and arrest immediately . Both have identity cards particulars but false place of residence . Inform HQ. DISTSO if traced.

By order of the H.C.

W. Drummond-Young, Capt. R.A.
Asst. Executive Officer
Region 2

Copy to: M.M.I.A. Lecce
Copy to: L.O. 31º Italian Corps

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SUBJECT:- Security - Italian Air Force Officers

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MOLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
21 Mar 44

Air Forces Sub Commission A.C.C.

Copy to: Adv HQ Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

Herewith copy of a letter received from O.C. 409 F.S.S. LECCE for action as you consider necessary.

ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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C O P Y

Information recei[illegible] re Italian Air Force Officers on 10.3.44

409 Field Security Section
11 March 44

Capt Butterworth
GSI Army Sub Comm ACC (Main)

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Aviere MARCHELLO Angelo

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The Maresciallo of CC.RR at Galatina is unwilling to report such instances.

It is considered that the behaviour of these officers is prejudicial to effective corperation.

signed xxxxxxxx 4210
409 Field Secy Sec.

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Information re [illegible]yed re Italian Air Force [illegible]fficers on 10.3.44.

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To:- Capt.Butterworth.
G.S.I. Allied Sub-Commn.

From:- O.C.
409 Field Security Sectn.

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11 March 44. 409 Field Secy.Sect.

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SUBJECT:- Re-establishment of the U.N.U.C.I. CAMPANIA

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MAIA)
LAQUILA (LACC)
I/105/1
12 Mar 44

Ministry of War
(Gabinetto)

Ref your 793/C of 26 Feb 44, there is no objection to the re-establishment of the U.N.U.C.I. in CAMPANIA.

ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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I/103/1

BR CONFIDENTIAL=US CONFIDENTIAL

3 District
Ext 6
Ref 4/CSI
9 Mar 44.

SUBJECT:- Re-establishment of the UNUCI

Army Sub Commission ACC
Main HQ (MMLA)

Ref your I/103/1 dated 4 Mar 44.

1. There is no objection by this HQ to the re-establishment of the Union of Italian Demobilised Officers in CAMPANIA.

TCT/HDH

Maj Gen,
Comd.
(P.C. WORTHINGTON)

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SUBJECT:- Col HARUOCI Okumura

Army Sub Commission S.C.A.C.
Main H.Q. (GSCA)
LIAISON (LSCCA)
L/103/1
1st Mar 46

War Ministry
(Cabinetto)

Ref your 930/C 23 of 6 Mar 46.

1. The a/n was arrested by HQ EIGHTH ARMY for reasons of security.

2. He is at present in 371 P.W. Camp at FUKUOKA 2.4/96.

For Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm S.C.A.C.

ABC

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SUBJECT: Colonel PAPUCCI Giuseppe

HQ 2 District CSF
2022/A1 CSI

10 Mar 44

Army Svc Coordination Sec
Main HQ (MGIA)

Ref your I/103/1 of 7 Mar

1 The s/n was arrested by Eighth Army for reasons of security.

2 He is at present held by 371 PW Camp at PADULA.

L. Kenworth Capt
for Major-General
Commanding 2 District

JHC

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Subject:- NARDUCCI Giuseppe

Main HQ,
Eighth Army CMP
M 321/4 I(b)

9 Mar 44

Army Sub-Commission ACC
Main HQ (AMGIA)

Reference your I/103/1 dated 7 Mar 44 to HQ No. 2 District, copy to this HQ.

The following information on the a/m may be of some assistance to you:-

NARDUCCI Giuseppe was arrested by FSS on 20 Oct 43 at CAMPOBASSO. The reason for the arrest is given as "Pro-German Fascist: as O.C of the local garrison conspired to set up the Partita Repubblicana Fascista." At the conference with AMG Legal Officer on 4 Nov 43 it was decided that NARDUCCI should be interned for the duration. He was sent to 207 PW Cage. His present whereabouts are unknown.

Capt.
for Lt. Col,
G.S.I.

Field
DL/NEO

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (AMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/183/1
11 Mar 44

H.Q. 2 Dist. (For G5 I)

1. Ref yr 2032/41 G of 26 Feb 44, received in this office only today. We hold no infsn re Gen DEL TETTO, except that he was Military Comd of NAPLES when the city was in German hands. He was removed from that job by the Allies about the end of Oct 43, on account of his pro-German sentiments.

ACMF letter 15 AG/8653/BGS of 28 Oct 43 instructed FIFTH Army to hand over DEL. TETTO to Italian Military H.Q. in CAMPANIA for onward transmission to the Italian Supreme Command for them to conduct the necessary investigations or trials, and keep ACMF fully informed of action taken.

2. Colonel BRUNO, Chief of Staff to Gen. BASSO, Comd. Italian Military H.Q. CAMPANIA informed this Sub Commission GIII (I) (on 2 March) that there was no truth in the rumour current in NAPLES that DEL. TETTO had recently returned to the city.

3. CIC PBS and G2 PBS have infsn on DEL TETTO. If you wish us to get details of his military background, past appointments etc. from the Italians, pl. let us know.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT; General BELLOMO Nicola

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
// Mar 44

War Ministry (Gabinetto)

Ref your 707/C of 19 Feb 44.

All documents relative to the arrest of Gen BELLOMO have been forwarded to Allied Force H.Q. and your letter cannot be replied to until AFHQ's decision is known to this Sub- Commission.

Brigadier
Army Sub Commission ACC

JWB

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SUBJECT: Arrests - Military

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I/105/1

HQ 2 District CMP
2022/59 G

Army Sub Commission
Main HQ ACC APO 394

26 Feb 46

Ref your I/105/A of 22 Feb 46

All documents relative to the arrest of Gen BILLOTTE have been forwarded to APHQ and your letter cannot therefore be replied to until APHQ's decision is known to this HQ.

JHC

L. Kenyon Capt
Lt Major-General
Commanding 2 District

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel

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HQ 2 District CAP
2022/41 C

26 Feb 44

AC/S Army Sub Commission

This HQ would be grateful for any information held by you concerning W/m General VERRO.

JEC

Received by me
1000 hrs 10 Mar 44

L. Kennard, Capt
for Major-General
Commanding 2 District

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SUBJECT: Col. (Inf.) MARDUCCI, Giuseppe.

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
[illegible] (LECCE)
I/103/1
7 Mar 44

H.Q. 2 District (for G.S.I. 'b')

Copy to Main H.Q. Eighth Army (for G.S.I. 'b')

1. Italian War Ministry inform us that the above officer, ex-Comd. of CAMPOBASSO Military District, was arrested by the English Military Police on 21 Oct. 43.

In order to clarify his disciplinary and adm. posn, the War Ministry ask to be informed (a) whether MARDUCCI was arrested as a P.O.W., or for security reasons (b) of his present whereabouts.

2. Would you please enable us to reply.

CGL.

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. 930/c. di prot. P.M.107 " 6 marzo 1944.

OGGETTO: Colonnello in S.P.E. MARDUCCI Giuseppe.

ALLA ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C.
Main HQ. (MMIA)

- L E Q U I L E

Risulta che il Colonnello in S.P.E. di Fanteria MARDUCCI Giuseppe, ex Comandante del Distretto Militare di Campobasso, venne arrestato dalla Polizia Militare Inglese il 21 ottobre 1943.

Dovendo definire la posizione disciplinare ed amministrativa dell'Ufficiale, si sarà molto grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà cortesemente comunicare quali emergenze sono risultate a suo carico e dove egli si trovi attualmente.-

GENERALE ALIBERTI

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. di prot. 787/c.

P.M.107 li 24 febbraio 1944

OGGETTO Serg.Maggiore Art.CIOTTI Luigi da Venezia.-

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.
LEQUILE

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Risulta che il predetto sottufficiale attualmente si trova ricoverato nell'Ospedale di Carbonara (Bari),quale partigiano.

Si gradirebbe che il Ciotti fosse messo a disposizione del Comando del predetto Corpo d'Armata per accertamenti in merito al fa sopracitato.-

GENERALE ALIBERTI

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GENERALE ALIBERTI

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SUBJECT:- CIOTTI Luigi da Venezia

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
7 Mar 44

War Ministry (1)

Ref your 787/C of 24 Feb 44.

Please send an officer to interview CIOTTI at CARBONARA Hospital. This officer should take with him the authority below.

ABC

APBL

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm ACC.

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To the Hospital Authorities
CARBONARA Hospital

Please allow Bearer to interview Serg Maggiore Art. CIOTTI Luigi da Venezia concerning the deathoof 2 Lieut BRUNO Mezzadra, 4 BERSAGLIERI Regt.

Date: 7 Mar 44

Brigadier,
Army Sub Commission,
(Allied Control Comm).

For Gen III (1)

From: Ministry of War G
To Subcommission A.C.C. for the Italian Army
Subj: Cert R.S.H. Ciotti Luigi from Nauce.

Ref. No: 484/c
Dated 24/2/44.

MILITARY MISSION
27/2/44 AFO 11
TO
ITALIAN ARMY

Translation

9 Corps H.Q. informed us that Lt Cama Commando recently repatriated from the Balkans declared that Sott of Bersaglieri S.P.E. Bruno Megaaro of the 4th Regt Bersaglieri appears to have been shot by the partisans because he was accused of Sabotage by R.S.H. Ciotti Luigi

The above N.C.O. is now convalescing in Hosp Carbonara (Bari) as a partisan

We would appreciate it if Ciotti could be placed at disposition of the above Corps H.Q. for ascertaining the facts of the matter outlined above.

Signed by.
General Gubbati

Duty interpreter.
Arnaldo C/Sgt.

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Signed by.
General Alberti

Duty interpreter.
Warrants Offr.

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SUBJECT:- Arrested Civilians

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H. . (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
1/103/1
7 Mar 44

No 2 District

Copy to: (less enclosures)
ACMF
Adv HQ Army Sub.Comm
ACC, SALERNO (Your 963A of 23 Feb refers)

1. Ref your 2023/100 of 19 Feb 44.

Italian Ministry of War have made investigations into the matter and the results are fwd herewith at

Appx 'A'. Statement by Capt BRAMATI (Copy)

Appx 'B'. Letter (original) from BRAMATI's wife to BRAMATI.

Appx 'C'. List of Italian military personnel (as many as War Ministry have found so far) who have handed letters to the two civilians for transmission to their families in German occupied territory.

2. Italian War Ministry have given strictest orders that this traffic of correspondence through the lines is to cease, and that any further individuals offering to deliver messages in German occupied territory are to be handed over to the Carabinieri.

It is presumed that you will be informing us further if action is to be taken in respect of the personnel listed in Appx 'C'.

ABC

Brigadier
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 3158/I
36.1.17

Lecce li 29 febbraio 194 4

OGGETTO Arresto di civili.=
ALLEGATI : n. 3.= ARREST OF CIVILIANS

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
della COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- Comando Principale -

= L E Q U I L E =

Con riferimento al foglio n° I/103/1 in data 27 corrente mese di codesta Sottocommissione, si comunica che questo Ministero ha fatta esperire immediata inchiesta per stabilire la portata del fatto riferito.

In seguito a tale inchiesta si è potuto stabilire che i fatti si sono verificati nel modo seguente.

In uno dei primissimi giorni del corrente mese si sono presentati ad uno degli uffici informazioni per famiglie, in Lecce, due civili i quali hanno chiesto notizie del Capitano BRAMATI cui dovevano recapitare una lettera della sua famiglia.

Un sottufficiale che conosceva il Capitano Bramati Luigi dell'Ufficio Stralcio Contabilità e Revisione della disciolta Intendenza 7ª Armata, che trovasi a Lecce, si è offerto di accompagnare i civili presso il Capitano stesso.

Al Capitano Bramati i suddetti civili hanno dichiarato di essere due ex operai dello stabilimento Bianchi di Milano, di aver lavorato alle dipendenze di un cugino dello stesso Bramati e di essere latori di una lettera della moglie del Bramati residente ad Abbiategrasso (prov. di Milano).

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A richiesta dello stesso Capitano Bramati i due civili hanno anche dichiarato che la fabbrica in cui lavoravano era stata distrutta dai bombardamenti aerei e che, per procacciarsi mezzi per vivere, si erano dedicati al recapito della corrispondenza. Poichè si sono offerti di ripetere il viaggio per recapitare lettere a famiglie di militari residenti nell'Italia Settentrionale, il Capitano Bramati ha creduto, in buona fede, di consegnare loro una lettera diretta al predetto suo cugino, MAZZOLA Mario.

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SUBJECT: COLONNA VOLONTARI

SECRET

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main Hq (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103
7 March 44

H.Q. 2 District

1. Ref. your 2022/120 of 19 Feb. 44. Italian General Staff in answer to our request for infmn., have replied as follows:

"The COLONNA VOLONTARI of BARI (whose dissolution has been ordered by the Allied authorities) was not an organisation officially authorised by the Gov't., and its members must not be considered as belonging to the Italian Armed Forces.

Voluntary enrollment in the Italian Army of certain volunteers who, as civilians, may well have been in the "COLONNA", is permissable (vide Proclamation 8, 28 Oct. 43, of the Supreme Command) for Italian nationals of any political faith provided that they are morally and physically suitable. There is no official recognition of the COLONNA organisation and the military authorities have always remained aloof from its activities.

Inquiries are afoot regarding the possession of arms and ammunition by members of the organisation."

2. If you require further infmn., please let us know.

for Brigadier,
Army Sub, Comm, A.C.C.

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DA/mo

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 3158/I
36.1.17

Lecce li 29 febbraio 1944

OGGETTO: Arresto di civili.=
ALLEGATI : n. 3.= ARREST OF CIVILIANS

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della COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- Comando Principale -

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Nel contempo pochi altri militari, quasi tutti dello stesso ufficio, indicati nell'accluso elenco, saputa la cosa e spinti dall'ansioso desiderio di far pervenire loro notizie alle famiglie, hanno anch'essi consegnato delle lettere agli stessi civili. (V.allegato n° 3).

Vagliate le circostanze di cui sopra, è da ritenere che il Capitano Bramati e gli altri militari siano stati spinti in buona fede a valersi del mezzo occasionale di comunicazione con le proprie famiglie dalle quali sono separati da tempo senza poter conoscere la loro sorte anche in relazione alle ben note sopraffazioni tedesche.

Del resto la censura delle lettere sequestrate potrà confermare o meno la buona fede dei militari.

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E' stato anche disposto perchè individui che si presentino per offrirsi per recapitare messaggi nell'Italia occupata siano fermati e consegnati all'Arma dei CC.RR..

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col.E.Fiore-Vernazza)

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col.R.Fiore-Vernazza)

Fiore Vernazza

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SUBJECT: COLONNA VOLONTARI

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main Hq (MMIA)
L.E.B.I.L.F (LECCE)
I/103
7 March 44

H.Q. 2 District

1. Ref. your 2022/120 of 19 Feb. 44. Italian General Staff in answer to our request for infmn., have replied as follows:

"The COLONNA VOLONTARI of BARI (whose dissolution has been ordered by the Allied authorities) was not an organisation officially authorised by the Gov't., and its members must not be considered as belonging to the Italian Armed Forces.

Voluntary enrollment in the Italian Army of certain volunteers who, as civilians, may well have been in the "COLONNA", is permissable (vide Proclamation 8, 28 Oct. 43, of the Supreme Command) for Italian nationals of any political faith provided that they are morally and physically suitable. There is no official recognition of the COLONNA organisation and the military authorities have always remained aloof from its activities.

Inquiries are afoot regarding the possession of arms and ammunition by members of the organisation."

2. If you require further infmn., please let us know.

N.P.B. Lt

Brigadier,
Army Sub, Comm, A.C.C.

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

SEGRETO

N° 2399/Mob. di prot. P.M.151, li 19 febbraio 1944

OGGETTO : Colonna volontari.-
Organization of civilian volunteers

ALLA A.C.C. = Sottocommissione per l'Esercito LEQUILE

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Sono in corso accertamenti circa la eventuale detenzione di armi e di munizioni da parte dei componenti della "colonna", per provvedere al ritiro.-

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abbreviated translation
Feb. 16

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SUBJECT:- Re-establishment of the U.N.U.C.I

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
Mar 44

I District

1. The Italian Ministry of War has written as follows:

"H.E. Gen PIRZIOLI BIROLI, President of the Union of Italian Demobilised Officers intends to re-establish the a/m Union in CAMPANIA.

As CAMPANIA is soon to be controlled by the Allies we would appreciate hearing ACCs opinion of the matter.

We beg to point out that a/m Union is not a political org and its only aim is to keep all the demobilised offrs in spiritual contact. Gen Alfredo CANNONIERE will be named President for the organisation in CAMPANIA."

2. Would you please state if you have any objection.

ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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Ci/cc.

21 febbraio 1944

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 793 / C. Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate P.M.107 li 26 febbraio 1944

OGGETTO: Ricostituzione dell' U.N.U.C.I. Campania.-
RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNUCI CAMPANIA

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.

LE QUILE

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Poichè detta regione è tuttora soggetta alla giurisdizione del Comando Alleato si gradirà conoscere, prima di disporre, il parere dell'A.C.C. in merito.

Si fa presente che l'associazione suddetta non ha carattere politico, avendo solo lo scopo di assistere e tenere spiritualmente riunita la massa degli ufficiali in congedo, e che a capo dell'organizzazione, per la Campania, verrebbe posto S.E. il Generale di C.d'A., della riserva, Alfredo CANNONIERE.-

S.E. Gen. Pirzio Biroli Presidente U.N.U.C.I.

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GENERALE ALIBERTI

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H.E. Gen. PIRZIOLI BIROLI President of the Union of Italian demobilized officers intend the re-establishment of the Union in Campania.

Campania being presently controlled by the Allied Command application to know the opinion of the ACC in the matter.

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Allied Censor Control Office
BARI

2 March 44

Subject: Disciplinary action (Captain Radice Ester, Italian)
To : MMIA (Military Mission Itulian Army)

1. Reference our signal reply re. a/m on Feb. 29, 44. Your query: Has disciplinary action been taken by you, our reply (signal) disciplinary action has been taken. To ascertain the above an exact copy of the letter received by this office from the Sezione Militare Censura di Guerra, Bari is quoted below:

Sez. Milit.
Censura di
Guerra, Bari.

Bari 21 Febbr. 44
Al S.Ten. Sig. Ursini Franek
Ufficiale Americano di Controllo
alla Censura di Guerra di Bari

224/R.P.
Oggetto: 1°Capitano Radice Sig. Ester

Faccio seguito alla mia comunicazione n. 220/R.P. del 18 corrente, pari oggetto e vi accludo copia del foglio n. 31/2245 del 19 corrente del Comando del Corpo d'Armata Territoriale col quale il 1° Capitano Sig. Radice Ester è stato trasferito al suo Centro di Mobilitazione a Giovinazzo e nello stesso tempo gli è stata inflitta una punizione di giorni sette di arresti di rigore.

Il Capo Sezione Militare
Censura Di Guerra
(T.Col.G.Mondelli)

Richard L Garzarelli
Richard L.Garzarelli
1st Lt., Inf.,
INC
Allied Censor Control Office 4234

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SUBJECT:- CARABINIERI

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
LECQUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
24 Feb 44

Brig LUSH
H.Q. A.C.C. NAPLES

I forward herewith the original copy and two copies of translation of Ministry of War letter 802/C of 26 Feb. Will you please enable me to reply.

ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

TRANSLATION

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SUBJECT:- Use of Arms by CC.RR

Ministry of War(Cabinet)
Ref: 802/C
26 Feb 44

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MOIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)

Further to verbal information to Brig DUCHESNE, we beg to confirm to you that Allied officials in the Provinces, especially in CALABRIA, instructed the CC.RR HQ not to make use of their arms to maintain order.

At CATANZARO: all the hand grenades have been withdrawn from the CC.RR barracks.

At TARANTO: Further to a public demonstration in the square, the British General having his residence in the town forbade the use of arms and added that strong measures would be taken in the case of bloodshed.

At MATERA: The Allied official suggested that sticks had to be used as by the American MPs.

We beg to point out:

That the GHQ of the CC.RR recently gave to the various CC.RR HQs definite instructions regarding Public order adding that arms were to be used only when other measures of persuasion had failed and that the Police having had wounded or dead was on the point of being overpowered by the crowd.

Hand grenades were to be used only when the barracks were attacked. In such cases it is the only possible method of defence left to the CC.RR for their own safety.

It has been realised that during all the demonstrations, the crowd was always in possession of automatic arms and hand grenades.

We do not think it advisable to use batons as suggested by some Allied officers as this will remind the crowd of the "MANGANELLO" used by the Fascists thus entitling the people to make accusations of fascism against the CC.RR or the authorities responsible for the maintenance of Public order.

The Public Security authorities and the CC.RR HQs realise the consequences of using arms and are aware that in the present circumstances the misfortune of the people should not be increased by street fighting resulting from violent repression. The men chosen to maintain public order are not bloodthirsty. This is proved by the fact that the actual use of firearms by the armed forces during public disturbances is very rare in the history of ITALY.

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But if we give up the idea of using arms it will be therefore vain to hope that the fury of the crowd resulting in assault, arson and wilful destruction could be stopped once out of control.

It is clear that an armed force which cannot use its arms becomes an armed force nominally only.

It appears that the Public Security Authorities and the CC.RR Commanders should be considered as those only responsible to judge the question and that for what concerns their duties they should be answerable only to their direct superiors.

As suggested by Brig DUCHESNE we asked the GHQ CC.RR of liberated ITALY to contact direct Col KIRK of the A.C.C. SALERNO; meanwhile we would appreciate if you could recommend the question in order that the matter may be resolved on the basis of our wishes.

signed Gen ALIBERTI

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SUBJECT:- Security

Air Sub Commission,
Allied Control Commission

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (M[illegible])
LEQUILE (LECCE) 4
I/103/1
7 Feb 44

Herewith, for action as you consider necessary, copy of an Italian document which 409 F.S.S.; LECCE state was circulated to units in 1.A.F. by Gen PIACENTINI.

ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT:- Arrested Civilians

Hq 2 District CMF
2202/10 G

19 Feb 1944

Army Sub Commission ACC

Copy to: A C M F

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One of the prisoners has stated that about 3 Feb 44 he paid a visit to H. Italian 7 Army at LECCO to deliver a letter from N. ITALY to a Capt BRAMANTE, and had there been given a number of letters, from various officers at the H., for delivery in German occupied ITALY. It is hoped to trace some of the senders from internal evidence in the letters and a list will be forwarded to you if this is successful.

This Hq will be grateful if you will take the matter up with Hq Italian 7 Army and inform us of the result.

signed x x x x x x x Capt
for Major General
Commanding
2 District

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:- Arrest of Civilians

Army Sub Commission A.C.C. 3
Main H.Q. (MCIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
I/103/1
27 Feb 44

WAR MINISTRY

Copy ~~(less attchment)~~ /// to:
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.
Adv HQ SALERNO
HQ 2 District

) Your Q834 of
) 23 Feb refers

1. Attached is copy of HQ 2 District letter 2022/10 C of 19 Feb 44. Will you please investigate the matter outlined in the letter and inform us of the result.

2. Since 7 Army was dissolved in Nov 43 it is possible that the visit made on 3 Feb 44 was to some other H.Q. in LECCE, with Capt BRAMANTE on its staff.

H Chatterworth Capt
for Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

ABC

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394 QS/mms

In reply refer to: Q324 23 February 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Army Sub-Commission, ACC Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)

COPY TO : Deputy Chief Commissioner.

The letter repeated below is forwarded to you for information and action.

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HQ 2 District CMF
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Army Sub-Commission ACC
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/s/ Capt. for Major-General
Commanding 2 District"

JHC MILITARY MISSION.

Date _____

to
ITALIAN ARMY.

/s/ G. W. Quinsmith Lt. Col.
(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission

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