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938	REME/I700	MMIA office instructions	Mar 45/Jan 46
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858	113/I	ditto		Aug 44/Nov 44
859	113/I	ditto		Sep 44/
860	114	Press cuttings releases etc.		Dec 44/Apr 45
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		del C.I.L. per la M.M.I.A.		
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880	BME/1400	M/T - Policy		Jul 45/Aug 45
881	1400	ditto		Oct 44/Oct 45
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883	1401	R/R/M/S. Instructions		Oct 45/Nov 45
884	1402	Directives 9 Publications		Feb 45/Oct 45
885	1403	Visits and reports		Nov 44/Jan 46
886	1404	Officers		Mar 45/Jan 46
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888	1501	R/R Organization General		Jul 45/Jan 46
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892	1504	R/R Organization Bari		Oct 44/Dec 45
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				Feb 45/Jun 45

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895	EME/I507	Oct 44/Sep 45
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R/R - Organization Sardinia
 Auxiliary heavy R.R Unit Termini
 Workshops operating returns
 Miscellaneous repair material
 Mechanical personnel
 R/R Arrangements British Iti
 service Units Vehicles
 R/R Arrangements US ITI
 Service Unit
 Spare parts organizations and
 central M.I.S.D.
 Spare parts stocks information
 Miscellaneous spare parts
 transaction
 Anti ~~Blind~~ chains
 Tyres and Tubes organization
 Operation of MMA Tyres & Tubes
 census
 MMA Tyres and Tubes census return
 Tyres and tubes miscellaneous
 stock information
 Miscellaneous tyres and tubes
 transactions
 Miscellaneous tyres and Tubes
 transactions
 Tyres and Tubes repairs materials
 Organisation of tyres recon-
 stitution
 Batteries
 Weekly workshops statistics
 Tyres and Tubes transfers
 Materials from Salvage
 Stores from Widesat
 Conversion of Mobile dental
 centres
 Issues of spares returns from
 M.I.S.D.

905	1517	Miscellaneous spare parts transaction	Nov 44/Jan 45
906	1518	Anti air chains	Jan 45/Jan 45
907	1519	Tyres and Tubes organisation	Sep 44/Nov 45
908	1520	Operation of MMIA Tyres & Tubes census	Jan 45/Mar 45
909	1521	MMIA Tyres and Tubes census return	Mar 45/Jul 45
910	1522	Tyres and tubes miscellaneous stock information	Aug 44/Sep 45
911	1523	Miscellaneous tyres and tubes transactions	Sep 44/Jan 45
912	1524	Miscellaneous tyres and tubes transactions	Jan 45/Nov 45
913	1525	Tyres and Tubes repairs materials	Oct 44/Jan 46
914	1527	Organisation of tyres reconstruction	Nov 44/Sep 45
915	1528	Batteries	Mar 45/Sep 45
916	1529	Weekly workshops statistics	Mar 45/Nov 45
917	1530	Tyres and Tubes transfers	Mar 45/Nov 45
918	1531	Materials from Salvage	Apr 45/Jan 46
919	1532	Stores from Midcast	Apr 45/Jan 46
920	1533	Conversion of Mobile dental centres	May 45/Jul 45
921	1542	Issues of spares returns from M.A.S.D.	Apr 45/Jul 45
922	1543	Consolidated weekly repairs returns to Q.2 & DADT.	Apr 45/Jan 46
923	1544	Weekly returns of vehicles into inefficient vehicle park Q2 & DADT	May 45/Nov 45
924	1545	CE/RR - Vehicles and organization	Apr 45/Jan 46
925	1545, 1542	Repairs and recovery organization North Italy	Jan 45/Jan 46
926	1545/1542	Repairs and recovery north Italy	Mar 45/Nov 45
927	1546	ditto	Nov 45/Jan 46
928	1547	Recovery of vehicles	Jun 45/Jan 46
929	1548	Vehicles holdings in Iti units	Dec 45/
930	1549	Organisation and accommodation of Italian Army workshops & schools	Dec 45/Jan 46
		Vehicle census	

Major General L. BROWNING, CB, OBE, MC.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.G. r.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E

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23 Aug. '45.

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29 August

Sir Noel

My dear

Thanks for your letter of 11 August which I found on return to Rome from England a couple of days ago.

I have enquired about General ASTERICH MASSIMINO and find that he is still a prisoner of war in Germany.

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I have passed the information on the latter from the gentlemen in Bolivia to the appropriate authority at the War Ministry.

I hope you had a pleasant trip home and that you and Lady Charles are well.

Yours L.B

Sir Noel CHARLES, KC, MG, MC.,
British Embassy,

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Sir Noel CHARLES, KC, MG, MC.,
British Embassy,
R O M E

Rome

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[Handwritten signature]
BRITISH EM/ASSY,
ROME.

INT/113

11th August, 1945

My dear General,

I enclose copy of a censored letter which we have just received from the Foreign Office from an Italian in Bolivia to General Asteriti Massimino at the Italian Ministry of War.

NOT yet returned from P.W. 22 Aug ch.

Would you make what use of it you think best? I do not feel like passing it on to the Italian Foreign Office where it may be seen by all kinds of people.

Yours ever

[Handwritten signature]

Major General L. Browning
M.M.I.A.
Allied Commission

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G.O.C. Sir
Gen Asteriti has not yet returned from a P.W. Camp in Germany
PH. S. [unclear]

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Postal & Telegraph Censorship

19th May, 1945

From: Cav. Dr. D. Cartesegna Quimico,
Casella 261,
La Paz, Bolivia

To: Generale di Divisione Asteriti Massimino
Ministero della Guerra
Rome.

Extract:

I was very pleased a few days ago to receive a letter from you dated 9th January, from Schokken (Posen) where you were interned.....

If you get along well with the new Italian Government see whether you could be nominated Consul General in this country. As the great majority of Italian residents here still retain a pleasant memory of the Fascist period, I believe that it would be possible to work so that they would seek to collaborate for the greatness of the homeland.

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ALLIED CENSOR CONTROL OFFICE
TRANSATLANTIC MAIL SECTION
APO 512, U.S. ARMY

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17 July 1945

TO : BMM (A1E)
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37 MM
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As of 5 July 1945 the operations of TRANSATLANTIC MAIL SECTION were assumed by the Italian Government. Security and Censorship policy of the Allied Governments will remain in force.

In the past, our excerpts were allocated to agencies according to information they desired. The "UFFICIO MILITARE CENSURA ¹⁷⁸RA" will continue allocations as formerly done by TMS.

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In the event allocatees are no longer interested in our excerpts, notification to that effect will be appreciated.

Frank Capostanico
FRANK CAPOSTANICO,
1st Lt Infantry,
ACCO/TMS.

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23 0830



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CHIEF BASE CENSOR
C.M.P.

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SUBJECT: Censorship Report

CBC/801/333

18 JUL 45

G. J. Galt

AMIA,
HQ Allied Commission,
APO 394, US Army.

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1. As the censorship of Italian Military mail is no longer the commitment of British Military Base Censorship, no further reports on such mail will be rendered by this office.
2. For your information, please.

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C.I.W. MACLEOD,
Major,
CHIEF BASE CENSOR.

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HQ ALLIED COMMISSION

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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP

STATION TMS
RECORD No. 2879

From:

GHELLIER Marco
Div. Garibaldi
P.M. 151 - Italia

To:

GONZO Franco
Magazzino Italiano
Reguse - Jugoslavia

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1. Military Italians

COMMENT

(Trans.)

PARTISANS ARMED BY ALLIES

This evening about four o' clock we have to leave for Rome or somewhere near there. We paraded today before high Italian and Allied personalities, also Palermo and the Ministry of War. We paraded also before the General Lieut. of the Kingdom, that is Prince Umberto, and he asked us, one after the other about our past and if we need something.....
When we arrived, we from the 4th Brigade, the Allies did not think that we were a regular Army, but bandits, but now it is different, they arm us again with other arms, give us a complete uniform and if it is necessary also to go for the complete liberation of Italy.

(Orig.)

Questa sera di...

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(Orig.)

Cuesta sera alle ore 4 dobbiamo partire per Roma o nelle vicinanze. Ci hanno passato in rivista tutte le alte personalità italiane e alleate, oltre Palermo e tutto il Ministero della Guerra. Ci ha parato pure il luogotenente generale del regno cioè il Principe Umberto di cui ci ha passato uno per uno chiedendoci del passato ed i bisogni di cui abbiamo di bisogno.....
Certo che al primo momento dell'arrivo della 4a brigata gli alleati gli credevano non un esercito regolare ma bande: ma ora tutto è differente e ci riarmo di nuovo con altre armi, mettendoci al completo la divisione e si è ne esserlo anche andare alla completa liberazione dell'Italia.-

EXAMINER O104 REVIEWER ACCO EXAMINATION DATE 16/5/45

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From:	<p>Forni Irvecio Bohna IX^o cr. ud. Brigade 11^o Korpus - Jugoslovenke</p>			To:	<p>ZACCARIA Ines, Gina, Anita Via Solferino 28 - S. Pietro Vernotico Brindisi</p>		
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COMMENT

1. Military Station Balkans

(Trans.)

ITALIAN DOCTOR OF GARIBALDI DIVISION REMAINED WITH JUGOSLAV ARMY

You have heard of the repatriation of the Garibaldi Division, but the impossibility of substituting the numerous doctors serving with the Yugoslav Army, has caused my remaining here to continue my adventure.-

(Orig.)

Avete sentito parlare del rimpatrio della Divisione Garibaldi, ma l'impossibilità di sostituire i numerosi medici che prestano ancora servizio presso l'armata jugoslava, ha fatto sì che anch'io continuassi a rimanere ulteriormente la mia avventura.-

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COMMENT

1. Military Station Balkans

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EXAMINER O111 REVIEWER ACCO EXAMINATION DATE 11-5-45

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FOR PERIOD 16-30 JUN 45 INCLUSIVE

1. In view of its confidential nature this Report should be kept in suitable custody - it should be destroyed by file when no longer required for reference or record.
2. Requests for any further information regarding items mentioned or extracts quoted in this Report should be addressed to:-

CHIEF BASE CENSOR, CME.

Part A - BRITISH TROOPS IN CME

Part B - NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

Part C - USMC TROOPS IN ITALY

Part D - INDIAN TROOPS IN CME

Part E - PALESTINIAN PERSONNEL

Part F - POLISH TROOPS IN ITALY

Part G - ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 15 ARMY GROUP

Part H - BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE

A-1 to A-3

B-1 to B-2

C-1 to C-2

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E-1 to E-2

G-1 to G-2

H-1 to H-2

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- Part B - NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE B-1 to B-2
- Part C - UDF TROOPS IN ITALY C-1 to C-2
- Part D - INDIAN TROOPS IN CMB D-1 to D-2
- Part E - PALESTINIAN PERSONNEL **171**
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- Part G - ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 15 ARMY GROUP G-1 to G-2
- Part H - BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE H-1 to H-2

C.I.N. Macleod
for

C.I.N. MACLEOD,
Major,
CHIEF BASE CENSOR.

CMB
6 JUL 45

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APPRECIATION & CENSORSHIP REPORT NO. 71

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Part G - Italian Troops with 15 Army Group

1. MORALE - NEW FORMATIONS. Mail was examined from the following Combat Groups - Cremona, Friuli, Mantova, Lognana, Folgorio; also from 230 Divisione and 231 Divisione.

Whilst a few men write in a spirit of patriotism, the dominating feeling seems to be one of dissatisfaction with army life and the desire to return to civil life. Some writers feel that the sacrifices made by the forces are taken too much for granted, or even entirely ignored, by the civilian population.

- (a) A NCO "Who who is not proud of his past is not a good soldier", says my Commander. I am proud and very happy to have fought, and still will fight if there is need, against no matter whom, for the good and greatness of my country." - (Combat Gp Cremona).
- (b) An Ofpr: "You must understand that there is little to be expected from a military career these days. Everything is provisional, chaotic and slack. The poorest shoeblack earns three times as much as an officer. Become anything except a soldier - become a peasant, a shepherd or what you will, but don't sign on." - (Combat Gp Mantova).
- (c) Rank not stated: "The gentlemen tell us to be patient for a few more days. Patience is all right up to a point, but when the sack is full, who can hold it? We will wait and see what they do, and for the present we must contain ourselves." - (1 Company).
- (d) An Ofpr: "I have an impression that very few have understood our sacrifices; while in the cities people have become rich through the sufferings of the people. We fought without any political end in view; only to bring back true freedom to our country and to make her respectable amongst the Nations." - (20 Pack Spt).

2. MORALE - OLD FORMATIONS. No change. Pride in their part played in the liberation of Italy, and a longing to return to civil life **170** resume their peace time occupations are again in evidence.

3. POLITICS. (i) Some interest is displayed in the political situation in Italy, and relief is voiced at the freedom from Fascism and its oppression. The lack of friendliness towards the troops in the Bolzano Area is deplored by several men.

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- (a) An Offr: "I have followed the municipal elections in my residential region with great interest. As was hoped, the lesson of war and the occupation by the Nazi-Fascist forces was of some use, and the party had a large majority."
- (b) A NCO: "I have always hated totalitarianism. Have we not suffered enough during twenty years of Fascism? What do the Communists intend to do; do they mean to Bolshevise Italy? They are not true Italians."
- (c) An Offr: "Nearly all the people here speak German. What is more painful to us is that their sentiments are also German. There are only a few Italian families who keep apart from the rest, and we military find it difficult in this faithless society - one has to be very prudent. Why don't we all feel like brothers; why so many divisions of people, parties and ideas when there is need to feel exclusively Italian - only Italian?"
- (d) A NCO: "Everything has changed and it seems we are intruders here. Everyone looks at me in a strange way as if to say 'You are not wanted here!'"



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- (1i) The occupation of Fiume appears to be badly received and fears are expressed as to the fate of Italians living there. Gorizia, too, is mentioned as a town likely to come under Yugoslav control.
- (a) An Offr: "I read yesterday in a local paper that Fiume will remain under the occupation of Tito's troops until the Italian-Yugoslav frontier has been determined. Tito does not allow the people of Fiume to re-enter their own city. How I can rejoin my dear ones, God only knows. The Italian press paints the situation in the most dingy colours."
- (b) A WO: "I have thought a lot about the menace that overshadowed the fate of Fiume, if our friends had not energetically and rightly intervened."
- (c) J. Ptc: "For me and all my friends from that Province there is no news. Tito and his forces invaded our land, dictating the laws of Terrorism and forbade the people to come out or go in."
- (d) A Cadet: "They talk a lot about Gorizia, which they wish to place under Yugo-Slav control. But it shall never be said that Gorizia is a Slav town, because our fathers fought hard for that city."

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Issued by:
CHIEF BASE CENSOR, CMC,
6 JUL 45.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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20 June 1945

SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Troop's Mail.

TO : Director, Land-Forces Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission,
M.M.I.A.

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1. Reference your letter 15 June 1945, file INT/113, above subject.

2. The second paragraph of your letter is noted, and it must be pointed out that our directives stem from the same source. A copy of the AFHQ letter of 30 May 1945, on which we based our letter to Stato Maggiore Generale, is enclosed for your information.

H. H. Scudder
H. H. SCUDDER,
Lt. Col. Sig C,
Director.

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*Cancelled by AFHQ letter
CCB/5110/552 of 25 JUN 1945
on 9/16 Feb*

[Signature]

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army

CCB/S110/137

30 May 1945

SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Troop's Mail.

TO : Allied Commission, Communications Sub-Commission.

1. This Headquarters is in consultation with HQ 15 Army Group on the question of censorship of Italian Troop's mail.
2. HQ 15 Army have stated that as far as they are concerned there need be no censorship on the mail of Italian troops located south of River Po. Such troops may use the civil postal services if they so desire.
3. Censura Centrale Militare has been instructed not to call for the above mail.
4. The question of censorship on mail of Italian troops located north of River Po is still under examination.

LEG/rm

E. P. LOVEGROVE,
Lt. Col., G.S.,
Communications Censorship.

Copy to:-Chief Base Censor, No. 1 Base Censor Unit, CMF.

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SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Troop's Mail

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C. (MMIA)

INT/113

15 June 45

TO : COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

Reference your letter CCG/1022-25 of 5 June 45 to the Ispettore Censura Militare, a copy of which was handed to MMIA representative on 13 June.

1. Your attention is drawn to AFHQ letter CCB/3110/219 of 4 June 45 to MMIA, a copy of which is enclosed as your letter quoted above is at variance with the instructions contained therein.
2. This HQ can only act in accordance with an AFHQ decision. The enclosed AFHQ letter represents the latest instructions received by this HQ on censorship policy.
3. Will you please therefore amend your letter quoted above in accordance with the enclosed AFHQ letter.

J.M.G.
 Major General
 MMIA

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SUBJECT: Censorship Policy

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MIA)

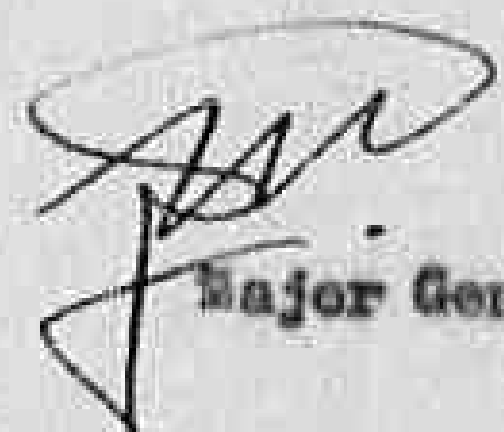
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9 June 45

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Pending a decision by A.F.H.Q. and 15 Argy Group on Censorship Policy, Unit censorship of military mail may be suspended forthwith.
2. Base censorship as at present constituted will continue until a final policy is approved.

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Major General
MIA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

5 June 1945

CSG/I022-25

SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Troop's Mail

TO : Col. Paolo Ducros
Stato Maggiore Generale,
Ufficio Informazioni,
Ispettorato Censura Militare
Roma.

1. Headquarters 15 Army Group have notified Allied Commission that censorship of mail of Italian troops located south of River Po is no longer necessary.

2. In the light of the above directive it is desired that you issue the necessary instructions eliminating censorship of such mail. It is likewise desired that you cease censorship of all mail from Italian civilians to Italian troops.

3. When the above arrangements are effected the volume of mail examined by the military sections will be greatly reduced, and it will become necessary for you to reduce the number of personnel in the military sections proportionate to the volume of mail handled.

H.H. SCUDDER,
Lt. Col., Sig C
Director.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army

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OCB/5110/219.

4 Jun 45

SUBJECT : Italian Military Mails and Personnel in Censorship.

TO : Land Forces Sub. Comd, AC (MIA).

G. Int
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1. Reference your Int/113 dated 19 May 45. Delay in replying is regretted.

2. Policy.

The whole question of censorship policy in regard to Italian Military and Civil mails is now the subject of discussions between this Headquarters and 15th Army Group and you will be advised as soon as a final decision is reached.

3. As far as the Italian military mails are concerned, Unit censorship may be suspended forthwith as has been done in the case of Allied Forces, pending a decision regarding the abolition of base censorship as now constituted.

4. Italian Military Personnel Employed on Censorship Duties.

(Reference your para 3)

(i) Personnel indicated in your para 3 (a) and (c) are not at present available for disbanding.

(ii) Personnel of 3 (b) are not employed on censorship duties but are part of the Ufficio Informazioni of the Comando Supremo.

(iii) Personnel of 3 (d) have been made available for release to the Italian Military Authorities (w.e.f. 1 June 45), as per our OCB/51100/39 dated 23 May 45.

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For the A. C. of S., G-2

E. P. Lovegrove

E. P. LOVEGROVE,
Lt. Col., G.S.,
Communications Censorship.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army

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OCB/5110/988A

21 May 45

SUBJECT : Censorship Policy.

TO : Chief Press & Radio Censorship Branch,
INC, AFHQ.

G. J. [unclear]
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Attached is copy of Int/113 dated 19 May from Land Forces Sub. Com, AF
(MMIA).

No doubt you will reply direct to MMIA on the policy in connexion with
Press and Radio Censorship.

EDG/an

R.P. LOWMEYER,
Lt. Col., G.S.,
Communications Censorship.

Copy to : MMIA.

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SUBJECT: Censorship Policy

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (M&IA)

IST/113

19 May 45

TO : AFHQ

1. In view of the cessation of hostilities in Europe may a policy ruling please be given on the Censorship of Press and Radio and of Italian Military and Civilian mail.
2. This Hq strongly recommends the lifting of censorship regulations for the following reasons :-
 - (a) The relaxation of Security in this theatre;
 - (b) The good effect this security release would have on the morale of the Italian Army thus reducing the desertion rate;
 - (c) The consequent speeding up of mail deliveries to and from Italian troops;
 - (d) The saving of Italian supervisory military personnel, vide para 3 below.
3. The following units could be disbanded and personnel posted to other duties, and III-IFI ceiling correspondingly reduced.
 - (a) Pool of Italian Military Press Censors - Cat 5(e) IPI-IFI 60 all ranks
 - (b) 4 Sec Hq IAI held in Cat 5(e) IPI-IFI ~~130~~ all ranks
 - (c) Civilian censorship unit held in Cat 5(e) IPI-IFI ~~150~~ all ranks
 - (d) Attachment to No. 7 Base Censor held in III-IFI Cat 6(c) 14 all ranks

Communications Sub-Com. A.G. state that they are unwilling to release the Civilian Censorship Unit owing to the fact that the employment of military personnel as civilian censorship guarantees the unbiased censorship, politically and economically, of civilian mail.

2. This HQ is being...
ulations for the following reasons :-

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 - (b) The good effect this security release would have on the morale of the Italian Army thus reducing the desertion rate;
 - (c) The consequent speeding up of mail deliveries to and from Italian troops;
 - (d) The saving of Italian supervisory military personnel, vide para 3 below.
3. The following units could be disbanded and personnel posted to other duties, and III-IVI ceiling correspondingly reduced.
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60 all ranks
 - (b) 4 Sec Hq IAI held in Cat 5(e) III-IVI ~~150~~ all ranks
 - (c) Civilian censorship unit held in Cat 5(e) III-IVI 150 all ranks
 - (d) Attachment to No. 9 Base Censor held in III-IVI Cat 6(e) 14 all ranks

Communications Sub-Cox. A.C. state that they are unwilling to release the Civilian Censorship Unit owing to the fact that the employment of military personnel on civilian censorship guarantees the unbiased censorship, politically and economically, of civilian mail.

4. Will you please forward your decision.

D. Brown
Major-General
MMA

Copy to: Executive Commissioner, A.C.
Communications Sub-Cox. A.C.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information News and Censorship Section
Press and Radio Censorship Branch
Unit No.2 APO 512

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INT/113

17 May 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Messages
TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission
M.M.I.A., Allied Commission

G. Int
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Reference your letter INT/113 dated 11 May 1945:

1. Broadcasting of radio messages by Italian military personnel from the Rome, Florence and Bari stations is approved, subject to the following conditions:

- a. NO individual messages may be sent.
- b. The service must be confined to a list of names, preceded by some generic phrase such as "the following are in good health" etc.
- c. Soldier's name, rank, regiment and P.M. number only will be transmitted.

2. In order to ensure that this service is restricted to bona fide military personnel, all lists for transmission should be forwarded, to the respective radio censor, bearing the stamp of the local Ufficio Assistenza, or other military body responsible for the collection of the names. This stamp will be accepted by all radio censors as authorisation for broadcast.

I. C. Alexander
I.C. ALEXANDER
Major, I.C.
Senior Local Press & Radio
Censor. 155

COPY TO: Lt. Col. J.L. Hayden
Radio Censor, Rome
Local Press Censor, Florence
Local Press Censor, Bari.

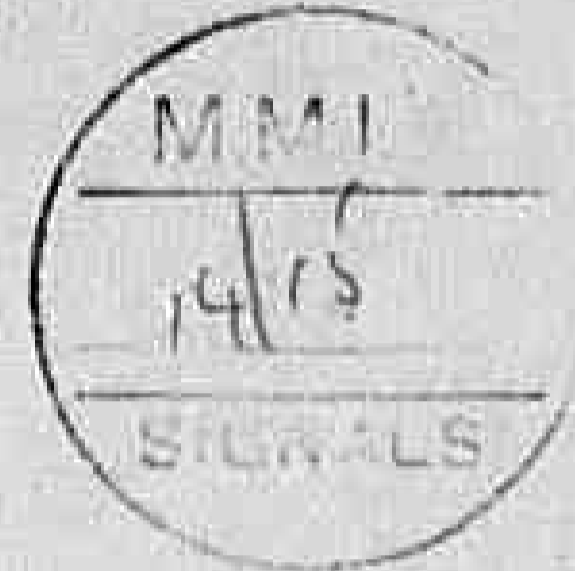
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Ufficio Assistenza. 18/5

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA

Date Time

TO : AFHQ rptd ALCOM

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REF : I 204

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YOUR F 75187 CITE PHOEN OF 14 MAY (.)
REPORT SUBMITTED TO YOU WITH OUR
LETTER INT/113 OF 11 MAY

PRIORITY IMPORTANT

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

		Date	Time
FROM	MMIA	17	1700B
TO	AFHQ		
RPTD	ALCOM		
REF	INT 205		

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REF YOUR F 76675 DATED 16 MAY (.) NO TRACE AT
 THIS HQ OF LETTER G-5:000.5 OF 30 APRIL SUBJECT
 QUOTE ALLEGED FASCIST PROPOGANDA AMONG OUR SOLDIERS
 IN ITALY UNQUOTE

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATED *W. B. Kelley*
Capn

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File: INT/113 _____

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AICOM ROME

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Rear 1204 and reference our F 75187

Your letter INF/113 of 11 May is not answer to our letter G-5:000.5 of 30 April subject "Alleged Fascist Propaganda among our soldiers in ITALY" and dealing with activities of Italian civilian named PERDIGARI.

Please hasten

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CHIEF COMMISSIONER
LAND FORCES
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HEADQUARTERS
17 MAY 1945
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YOUR P 75187 CITE PHREQ OF 14 MAY (.)
REPORT SUBMITTED TO YOU WITH OUR
LETTER INT/113 OF 11 MAY

PRIORITY IMPORTANT

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Land Forces

Originator's Reference: 75187
Date Time of Origin: MAY 14 1407Z

Message Centre No: E/753
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 14 1900Z
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED OJFE RHGEG
TO: ALCOM ROME

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PERDIGANI - alleged Fascist propaganda among soldiers ITALY.
Ref our letter G-5: 000.5 dated 30 April. Please hasten investigation and report.

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- Info - A/President
- Chief Commissioner
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COMMUNICATIONS
A. C. [Signature]

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ALCOM ROME

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Ref our letter G-5: 000.5 dated 30 April. Please hasten investigation
and report.

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Action - Land Forces 2
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STATO MAGGIORE R. MARINA

SECRET URGENT

ROME 6/5/45

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REP NO 5153

SUBJECT: Press military ~~centre~~ ^{censorship} centre

TO: S.M.R.E.

In ^{view} ~~view~~ of the formation, at the ROM. territorial command, of the Press Military ~~Centre~~ ^{Centre}, with detachment in the main towns where daily papers are being published, this S.M.R.M. deems ^{it} advisable to have officers of the Italian navy, for ^{naval} censorship of the press, in the main centres GENOVA-TRIESTE-NAPLES-TARANTO. These officers to be attached to the ^{and as} A/M military detachments

Particularly, with the detachments of GENOVA-TRIESTE & NAPLES- one officer and one P.O. of the Italian navy are deemed necessary. In the Pool of personnel placed at the disposal of the centre for posting to the other towns where papers are being published, there should be 3 officers and one P.O. of the navy; one of those officers should be posted to TARANTO which is the main Italian Navy base

R. AG. Mansfield

For the Chief of staff

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SUBJECT: Possible Sabotage in a
Military Registration Office

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MMA)

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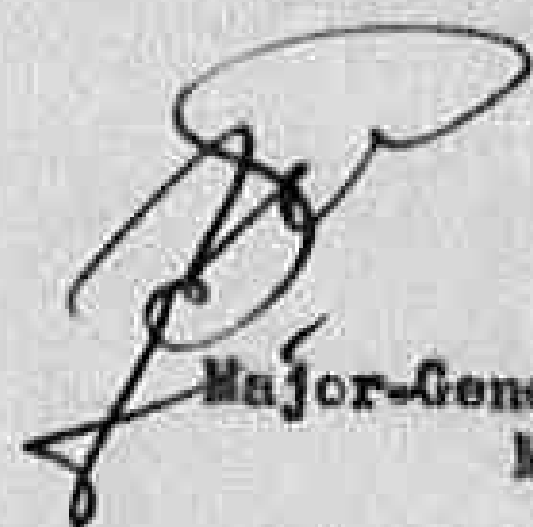
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TO : ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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Ref your G-5 000.5 of 7 Apr.

1. Herewith a translated copy of the results of investigations carried out by the Ministry of War.
2. It will be noted that, apart from the dismissal of a certain FISCO FAUSTINO, the War Ministry has nothing further to add to the attached document.


Major-General
MMA

Encl: Translation of Ministry of War
Letter 71938/1/Discipl of 8 May.

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SUBJECT: Broadcast of Radio Messages to Italian Military Personnel in Northern Italy.

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LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (NSIA)

INT/113

11 NOV 45

TO : MAJOR ALEXANDER
PRESS & RADIO CENSORSHIP I.N.C., A.F.H.Q.
62 VIA VENETO, ROME

1. In order that Italian Military south of the Army Areas may send messages to their parents and relatives in Northern Italy the Italian War Ministry have requested authority to broadcast messages from the Rome, Florence and Bari stations.
2. These special programmes would consist of short messages addressed to relations and friends in the north from individual soldiers, in which soldier's name, Regt. and P.M. number only would be transmitted.
3. It is considered that the above proposal, put into effect, would do much to alleviate the anxiety of both soldier and parent and improve the morale of many service personnel who have been unable to communicate with their families for so long.
4. Will you please state if there are any security or other objections to the above proposals and give the matter your urgent attention.

Copy to: G.C. BANU (for "La Patria" L.O.)

Internal: A.D.A. W.S.

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*Copy to: G.C. Banu
Internal: A.D.A. W.S.
1945*

[Handwritten Signature]
Major-General
NSIA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 000.5

7 May 1945

SUBJECT: Censorship Intercept

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

Reference is G-5: 000.5, 7 April 45.

1. The War Office has reminded us that they
await a reply to their enquiry into this matter.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

C. J. Macnamara
C. J. MACNAMARA
Captain, P.C.

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Translation.

From. M of W
to. MMIA.

Ref n° 71938/1/dia
Date. 8 May 45.

Presumed act of sabotage in the Military ^{Records} ~~Administration~~ office.
Here with report in respect of theft of Rolls from the Matriculation office of the CALTANISSETTA District, we point out that this Ministry ^{has} no observation to make and ^{has} ordered the dismissal of FISCO FAUSTINO for negligence.

CUGU SI.

During the afternoon of the 5th of Jan we noticed that a Matriculation Roll for the 1922 class n° 11800 to 12101 was missing.

This roll had been used the same morning up to 1200 hrs by members of this office to compile report, it was found missing when work was resumed at 1400 hrs.

After a thorough search the cover containing torn parts of the sheets on which the roll was compiled was found among other files.

The roll was recompiled after 48 hours from data in our files.

All the precautions ^{against a repetition of} ~~to avoid such acts~~ that were imposed have been intensified to avoid their recurrence.

The investigations ordered by the District commander and carried out by the CGAA of the place (search of the houses of the suspected personnel of said office, among whom was ^{the} employee FISCO FAUSTINO, have given a negative result

Therefore no judicial action or disciplinary action
were taken

As regards the conduct of said FISCO ¹³³ it appears
that he is a pensioned view and is employed there on
daily basis because of poor family condition, he carries out
elementary clerical work

We have been suspicious of this man because
he was on duty at the office where the theft took place
and showed preoccupation and a great deal of uncertainty during
the investigation

The ^{military District} CALTANISSETTA is functioning very well
owing to the interest taken by it of Com. G. TURCO
GIOVANNI

Richard A. Manfredi
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UMBERTO DE BLASII.

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SUBJECT: Possible Sabotage in Military
Registration Office

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (MMIA)

INT/113

3 May 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

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Ref your 71735/1/disc of 21 Apr.

Please expedite the results of the Court of Inquiry.

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W.S.
Major-General
MMIA

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G-5 Section
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G-5: 000.5

30 April 1945

SUBJECT: Censorship Intercept.

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TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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Reference is G-5: 000.5 7 April 1945.

Will you please expedite the result of enquiry into
"Possible Sabotage in a Military Registration Office".

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

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C. J. MacNamara
C. J. MACNAMARA,
Captain, P. C.

See file 12, 67,

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Subject: Supply of Quinine

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Lend Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MIA)
ROME
M/2/1921
80 April 45

Air Force Sub Comm.
A.C. (2 copies)

Copy to: Ministry of War,
Direzione Gen. di San. Mil.

1. Information has been received at this H.Q. that quinine salts are not available to Italian Air Force personnel in the Soggia area.
2. If this statement is correct it would appear that there is a fault in the distribution down to units. This is the responsibility of the Italian Air Force Command in Apulia.
3. It is requested that this matter be referred to the Medical Directorate, Italian Air Ministry for investigation and action as necessary.

A. W. J. Cooper,
Staff Capt.
for A. D. M. S.

Lend Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA)

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ARMED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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SUBJECT: Comment sheet

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No.	From	To	Date	
1	G-5	G-4	26 Apr 1945	<p>The attached comment sheet apparently concerns the provision of medical supplies to MMIA and is therefore passed to you, please.</p> <p>For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:</p> <p><i>H. F. Croom-Johnson</i> H. F. CROOM-JOHNSON Lt. Colonel Economics & Supply Div.</p> <p>Incl.</p>
2.	G-4	MMIA (Rome)	27 Apr 1945	<p>1. For your information.</p> <p>For the AC/S, G-4:</p> <p><i>D. M. Libby</i> D. M. LIBBY, Colonel, G.S.C., Chief of Civil Branch.</p> <p>Incl. - M/c</p>

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army

20 April 1945

SUBJECT: Comment Sheet.

TO: G-5, Medical Section, AFHQ.

The attached comment sheet is for your information.



E. P. LOVEGROVE,
Lt Col, GS,
Communications Censorship.

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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP

STATION ~~FOGGIA~~ 2189
RECORD No.

ITA 8700-45

From: Geniere <u>PRESSI Mario</u> Gruppo Fototelegrafiche Aeroporto Centrale Foggia, Italy Give place of Postmark where there is no address	To: <u>PRESSI Bruno</u> M. M/u. "Marechiaro" Taranto, Italy				
Date of communication or postmark if letter is un-dated 2 APRIL 1945	Type mail: Ordinary Surface	Reg No: ---	Language: Italian	Previously censored by: ---	Enclosure: ---
Previous relevant record: ---	Station allocation: COMITER S.M.G.-UNY. WI S.M.R.E.	Station allocation: ---	C. C. G. Allocation: G-2 (CC) AHC AC HC FILE Med. Sect. AFHQ Ltb London Ltr. Int. ASF Wash G-5 Med	Disposal of original communication: Held Excised Photographed Sent with comment to: Passed Condensed Return to sender	

COMMENT

LACK OF MEDICINES

"My health is getting worse because this week I've got malaric temperature again. For six days, every night I've had a temperature and with my nerves in the state they're in I suffer still more. My appetite is poor. SARDINIA left me a bed souvenir. Here quinine is unobtainable. I have been able to find only a few "italichian" pills. If you could find me some quinine you would be doing me a great favor... This is a malaric zone and I who am subject to this disease... of getting pernicious malaric, which would bring me to the grave, more so because injections and other medicines are not to be found...."

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Med. Sect. AFHQ
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COMMENT

LACK OF MEDICINES

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EXAMINED BY: CENSOR REVIEWER I.J.A. EXAMINATION DATE 5 April 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

1/14.1/CA

26 April 45

SUBJECT : Censorship

TO : Land Forces S/C AC (MIA)

G. Int.

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INT/113.

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Reference your INT/113 dated 23 April 45.

- 1 The conversation about Troop Movement is not a matter in which this Section can easily take action.
- 2 It is suggested that the only means of dealing with it is by approach from you to the Minister of War pointing out the breach of security.

A. D. Bonham Carter.
A. D. BONHAM CARTER
Lt Colonel,
for VP CA Section

INT/113 info by GIL(L) [Signature] 20/4

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C O M M E N T

TROOP MOVEMENT

The caller: Is H.E. Paselli there?
" callee: No. He is out of Bari. Who is speaking?
" caller: H.E. Sciatrian from the War Ministry.
" callee: At your orders, Excellency, you can speak to me. I am Colonel
Ingnna, second in command.
" caller: Well, then, part of the 230th Division is assigned to Savona and
the other part is being sent to Piemonte, Alessandria. I advise
you to take all the soldiers that fight willingly and with loyalty.
" callee: Alright. I will tell this to H.E. Paselli. At your orders!

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SUBJECT: Censorship

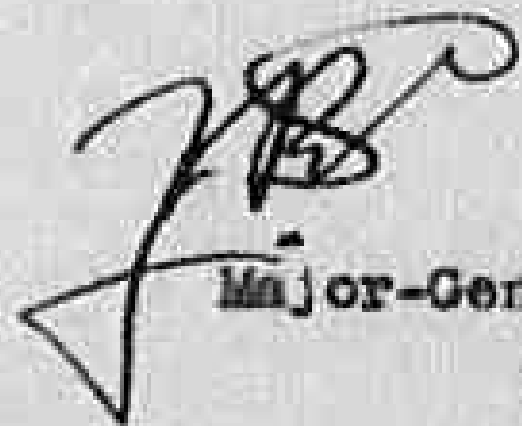
LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MMIA)

INT/113

23 Apr 45

TO : CIVIL AFFAIRS BRANCH, A.C.

The attached for information and action as necessary.


Major-General
MMIA

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TELEPHONE

ROME.
(Station)

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Date Mailed 16/4/1945

From: LECCE - BASE GARIBALDI (Caller - Col. Stagni)		To: ROMA - telephone 43241 MINISTERO GUERRA Gabinetto Ecc. Palermo (Callee - Professor Manesti(?))	
Number of previous comment sheets:	Disposition:	Language: - Italian	Observation started 1745
Caller	Passed	Recording No.	Total time: 6 Mins.
Callee R/T/13191	Refused	None	Date 17 April 1945
	Caller warned		Interurban Call
	Callee warned		
	Call cut off		

COMMENT

ARRANGING TRIP THRU LINES

Il chiamato - Colonnello Stagni?

Il chiamante - Si, chi parla?

Il chiamato - Signor Colonnello sono il professor Manesti(?)

Il chiamante - volevo l'Ecc. Palermo.

Il chiamato - Signor Colonnello l'Ecc. Palermo è dal Ministro e non so quanto tempo ci rimarrà, non appena è libero lo farò chiamare.

Il chiamante - Va bene.

Il chiamato - Senta signor Colonnello le volevo dire una cosa: lei sa che a giorni dovrebbe partire una "nota missione" da capito?

Il chiamante - Non perfettamente.

Il chiamato - Dovrebbe andare dall'altra parte una missione, cioè quella persona. Ora, siccome c'è qualche difficoltà che lei bene immagina e dato che questa missione è pronta, non potrebbe lei fare qualche cosa per questi signori?

Il chiamante - Che cosa?

Il chiamato - Lei può immaginare facilmente! Da qui all'altra parte, ha capito?

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Callee	Refused		Date
	Caller warned		
	Callee warned		
	Call cut off		

(2) COMMENT

il chiamante - Si.
 il chiamato - C'è il mezzo.
 il chiamante - Dall'altra parte sarà possibile, ma non so se ci sarà.
 il chiamato - Si tratterebbe da qui a là.
 il chiamante - Quando dovrebbe partire.
 il chiamato - A giorni, secondo la risposta che mi da lei. io aspetto la sua risposta: sono 3 civili.
 il chiamante - Parlerò con la "Missione Albanese".

Comment by—

Monitor 156

Reviewed by— *Victor Pava*
 E.C. Austin *10/16/44*
 Capt. I.C.

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ROME.
(Station)

Date Mailed 18/4/1945

From: ROMA - Telephone 43243
MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
(Caller - Ecc. Sciatrian(r))

To: BARI -
COMANDO DEL CENTRO MILITARE DI BARI
(Callee - sotto Capo Col. Insinna)

Number of previous comment sheets: Caller R/T/13189 Callee R/T/13098	Disposition: Passed Refused Caller warned Callee warned Call cut off	Language: - Italian Recording No. none Observation started 1702 Total time: 3 Mins. Date 17 April 1945 Interurban Call
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COMMENT
TROOP MOVEMENT

il chiamante - C'è l'Eccellenza Paselli?
 il chiamato - No. E' fuori bari chi parla?
 il chiamante - L'Eccellenza Sciatrian(r) dal Ministero guerra.
 il chiamato - Comandi Eccellenza può anche dire a me, sono il sotto capo colonnello insinna.....
 il chiamante - Dunque una parte della 230^{ma} Divisione è sistemata per Savona, e la seconda parte è destinata in Piemonte in Alessandria/... per cui vi consiglio di prendere tutti i soldati che combattono volentieri e con fede.....
 il chiamato - va bene. Riferirò all'Eccellenza Paselli. Comandi!

Comment by—

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Reviewed by *Victor R...*
E.C. Austin
Capt. A.C. *1st and*

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URGENTISSIMO

Roma, 24 aprile 1945



Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
LEVA SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA

→ La LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A. C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M A

Divisione Disciplina Art. 1°
Prod. N. 7141/7142

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OGGETTO eventuale sabotaggio in un ufficio matricolare militare.

e, per conoscenza :

- AL GABINETTO - Ufficio Coordinamento
- AL GABINETTO - Ufficio I
- ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO - Ufficio C.A.

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- risposta f° INT/113 in data 17 aprile 1945 -

Il Comando Militare Territoriale di Palermo è stato interessato a svolgere le indagini per l'asserto furto di registri presso il Distretto Militare di Caltanissetta.

Questo Ministero, come ha comunicato con il glo 71441/7 del 16 corrente, si riserva di informare codesta Commissione Alleata ^{o.c.a.} l'esito delle indagini pena possibile.

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di Caltanissetta.

Questo Ministero, come ha comunicato con fo-
glio 71441/1 del 16 corrente, si riserva di informa-
codesta Commissione Alleata l'esito delle indagini ap-
pena possibile.

p. IL MINISTRO
Efisio Cugusi

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Ef. Cugusi

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SUBJECT: Unauthorized attachment of Italian
Military Personnel to 7 Base Censor.

LAND FORCES S/VS CDM, A.C.

(M.A.I.A.)

Tel: 489081 Ext 533

A 211

10 April 45

TO : AFHQ for C-2 (RM)

Copy to: Ministry of War.
British Cadre SO3 BHD.

Reference Telephone conversation between Lt. Col. LOVEGROVE
and Capt SACRES-RAINES 16 April 45.

1. It is understood that the 5 Italian officers and 12 OM's working for 7 Base Censor can be replaced by civilians and that the request for an additional 10 military personnel for censorship and clerical duties, to which Ministry of War letter 10/430 dated 6 April refers, can also be met by the employment of civilians.
2. If therefore 7 Base Censor will replace his military personnel with civilians, it will be unnecessary to regularize the present attachment.
3. My personnel, as are when replaced by civilians, pleased to be sent to SO3 BHD KAVIRAKINA. A nominal roll of such personnel should be sent separately to the C.I. British Cadre SO3 BHD.
4. If any of these persons belong to classes which are being demobilized, i.e. first four months of 1914 class and older classes, they can, if convenient, be demobilized and re-employed as civilians in their present jobs.

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Reference Telephone conversation between Lt. Col. LOVEGROVE and Capt GACHES-BAIRES 18 April 45.

- 1. It is understood that the 5 Italian officers and 12 OA's working for 7 Base Center can be replaced by civilians and that the request for an additional 10 military personnel for censorship and clerical duties, to which Ministry of War letter 10/988 dated 6 April refers, can also be met by the employment of civilians.
- 2. If therefore 7 Base Center will replace this military personnel with civilians, it will be unnecessary to regularize the present attachment.
- 3. Day personnel, as and when replaced by civilians, please to sent to SOG MAC NAVICANINA. A nominal roll of such personnel should be sent separately to the U.S. British Code 303 282.
- 4. If any of these persons belong to classes which are being demobilized, i.e. first four months of 1974 class and older classes, they should, if convenient, be demobilized and re-employed as civilians in their present jobs.

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 Major General
 U.S.A.

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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP
TELEPHONE

ROME.
(Station)

Date Mailed 16/4/1945

From: CATANIA - Telephone 10013 "IL CORRIERE DI SICILIA" (Caller - dottor Longhitano)	To: ROMA - Telephone 60950 A.N.S.A./ Via Propaganda n° 27 (Callee - signor Aprèa)
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Number of previous comment sheets: Caller R/T/13653 Callee R/T/13400	Disposition: Passed Refused Caller warned Callee warned Call cut off	Language: - Italian Observation started 1600 Recording No. none Total time: 4 mins. Date 17 April 1945 Interurban Call
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COMMENT

AIR MINISTRY TO INAUGURATE RADIO-RUSSIA

Il chiamante - Avevo parlato con Longoni e con De Micheli, dell'A.N.S.A. di Roma per l'apparecchio radio e mi avevano consigliato di telefonare a Marino a Palermo perchè lo mandasse subito. Marino ha risposto che non può mandarlo, perchè Longoni non ha dato l'ordine.

Il chiamato - Dirò a Longoni di telefonare a Marino.

Il chiamante - Noi ora abbiamo un apparecchio, ma è dell'aeronautica e l'aeronautica domani lo rivuole. Io avevo interessato il generale Perardi che è il Comandante di tutte le truppe in Sicilia, ma non c'è niente da fare perchè è arrivato l'ordine del Ministro dell'Aeronautica di riprendere l'apparecchio perchè devono fare un servizio radio-russia e cominciano domani. Di a Longoni che telefoni a Marino altrimenti io devo sospendere il servizio.

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Comment by—
Monitor 141

Reviewed by—
E.C. Austin
Capt. I.C.

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TELEPHONE

ROME Station Date Mailed APR. 18. 45

From:		To: Telephone 40077 SCHLOSSER GR.UFF. FILIPPO Via Magenta 13 (Callee : una donna)	
(Caller : la sig.ra Norma)			
Number of previous comment sheets:	Disposition:	Language: — Italian	Observation started 1824
Caller	Passed	Recording No.	Total time: 1 MIN.
Callee <u>R/T/13862</u>	Refused	<u>NONE</u>	Date <u>APR. 17. 1945</u>
	Caller warned		
	Callee warned		
	Call cut off		

COMMENT

GENERAL ACTS AS INTERMEDIARY

La chiamante - Buonasera signora, sono Norma, guardi il ten. Dini mi ha avvertito che il gen. Biagioli è arrivato a Firenze ed ha consegnato quella roba all'avvocato.
La chiamata - La ringrazio, signora.

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Monitor 143

Reviewed by—
E.C. AUSTIN
Capt. I.C.

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SUBJECT: Breaches of Security

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MMIA)

INT/113

19 Apr 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. From the attached copy of a telegramme sent by the Ministry of War via civilian channels it will be seen that Breaches of Security have been committed.

2. You are requested to ensure that Security of information is strictly observed.

M.S.
Major-General
MMIA

cgl.

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STATION **ROME**
RECORD No **TGM.4172**

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GUERRAFIGLIERIA ROMA		COMANDO 209 DIVISIONE PERUGIA	
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COMMENT

BREACH OF MILITARY SECURITY

RIFERIMENTO FOGLIO 03 BARRA 567 DATA 9 CORRENTE ALT TRASPORTE 60 TONNELLAT
MUNIZIONI AVVERA DAL 16 AL 22 CORRENTE ALT RIGUARDA SGOMERO PAM DI IESI
ALT SPEDIRE CARTUCCE PER FUCILI MITRA VIRGOLA BOMBE A MANO VERGOLA CARTUCG
CE PER ARMI 91 ALT SEGUE LETTERA

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Capt.
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STATION ROME 1821
RECORD NO. TA 6689-45

From:

NUVOLONI Alberto
Via Tero 46
Rome, Italy

To:

CERTANI Remo
c/o Susini
Via Carducci 6
Cagliari, Sardinia

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28 March 1945

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- Stato Maggiore R.E. Uff. G-5 AFHQ
- Serv. Sez. Censura
- Ufficio Alleato

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LOW MORALE OF ITALIAN OFFICER

".....I can no longer stand being in uniform: here officers are looked at askance by the troops, civilians, the Allies. I believe the Allies have a worse opinion of us as friends than as enemies; there is continuous talk of the people and meanwhile the people are dying of hunger, tuberculosis, syphilis, small pox and such like. I hope soon to be demobilized, if only to rid myself of this uniform to which I am no longer even remotely attached."

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz. Gen. Leva Sott. e Truppa
Divisione Disciplina - Sez. I

N° 71441/1/disc. di prot.

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI

P A L E R M O

Roma, 14 aprile 1945

G (Inv) R/4

Si trasmette copia della lettera INT/113 del Comando Militare Alleato in data 10 corrente, con allegato un foglio informazioni il tutto riflettente un esserito furto di registri presso il Distretto Militare di Galtaniseetta, con preghiera di disporre accurate indagini e riferire a questo Ministero dettagliatamente circa:

- le risultanze
- il funzionamento del Distretto
- la figura morale del maresciallo in congedo Fanetino PISCO
- eventuali provvedimenti penali o disciplinari a carico dei responsabilei.

Urgente.

P. IL MINISTRO

F/to : Efisio Cugusi

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Direzione Generale Leva Sottufficiali e Truppa
= Divisione Disciplina - Sezione I =

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Roma, 16 aprile 1945

ALLIA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

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Riserva di ulteriori notizie.

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- Urgente.

P. IL MINISTRO

P/to : Efigio Gugusi

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Direzione Generale Leva Sottufficiali e Truppa
= Divisione Disciplina - Sezione I =

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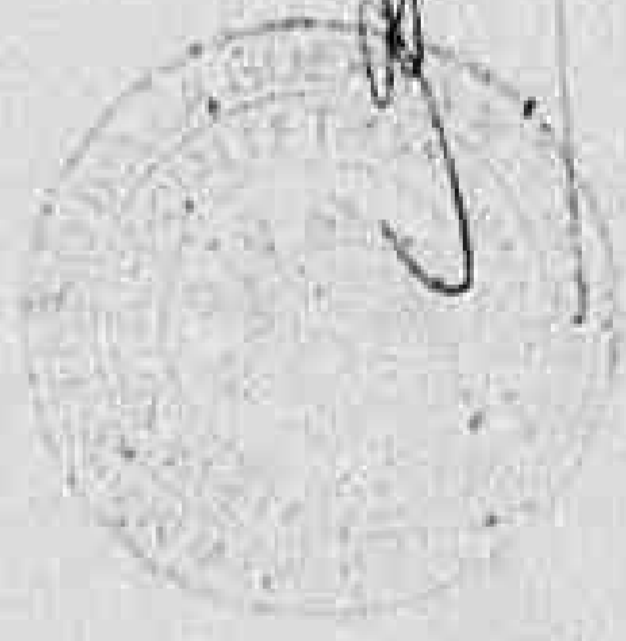
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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

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P. IL MINISTRO
Efigio Gugusi

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SA. CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP
TELEPHONE

ROME.
(Station)

Date Mailed 13 APR. 45

From: - ROMA - Telephone 43187 MINISTERO GUERRA (Caller Via XX Settembre (Segr. Dired. Gen. del personale civile)	To: - BARI - PROCURA MILITARE (Callee - Tenente Guarigli)
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COMMENT

SOVEREIGN PARDON GRANTED

Il chiamante - Parla il segretario del direttore generale del personale civile del Ministero della Guerra.
 Il chiamato - Parla il tenente Guarigli.
 Il chiamante - Oggi il Luogotenente Generale ha concessa grazia sovrana, motu proprio, al sig. Semeraro Cosimo di Nicola condannato dal Tribunale di Bari con sentenza del 5 giugno 1944. Dovrebbe essere arrestato il 14, dopodomani. Come tale, non dovete dare corso all'arresto seguirà telegramma e dispaccio.
 Il chiamato - Va bene.

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Capt. I.C.

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SUBJECT: Italian Personnel with 7 Base Censor
(5 copies and 12 file)

LEON FUMES SUB-COM, AC (ISIA)

SD/10/5

13 APR 48

TO : COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COM, AC

Reference attached Ministry of War letter No 10/898 of 6 April 45.

1. Will you please say on whose authority the above personnel are attached to 7 Base Censor. They are shown on the ISIA Order of Battle of the Italian Army as being an unauthorized attachment and are held on the strength of Category 6(b) IS-IX Service Rifle.
2. As there is already an IS-IX Intelligence Censorship Unit of 80 Office and 80 Ops, for which your proposed IS is still omitted, it is not understood why the above personnel are not found from within this unit.
3. It is requested that an early reply be given so that an answer may be forwarded to the Italian War Ministry.

[Signature]
Major General
ISIA

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TRANSLATION

FROM: S.M.R.E.

Ref.: 10/898

TO : MMIA

Date: April 6, 1945

SUBJECT: Italian personnel with 7th "Base Censor Group"

The 7th Base Censor Group has pointed out - through the intermediary of the Liaison Unit with the 15th Allied Army - that the personnel engaged in the censorship of Italian Military Correspondence at that Base is insufficient to cope with the increased amount of work, and has requested 5 Censors and 4 Clerks for the routing and sealing section.

We shall be obliged if you will let us know whether we may comply with this request, and point out that the aforementioned Allied Agency now already employs the following personnel:-

5 Junior Officers
2 Senior NCO's
3 Junior NCO's
7 EM

who draw rations on Allied account and therefore are not included in the 160 rations allotted to the Italian Censorship Offices.

/s/ GIORGIO LUIGI
General

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SUBJECT: Possible Sabotage in a
Military Registration Office

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC (MMIA)

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10 Apr 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. With reference to attached comment sheet and copy of part of the original letter to P.W. from his father Faustino FISCO of 39 Gonnidenza, Caltanissetta, Sicily, you are requested to make a thorough investigation into the alleged theft of the registers of the Military Classes 1922 and 1923 at the Caltanissetta Military District.

Furthermore, it would appear from the text of FISCO's letter that a very serious state of affairs exists at the District Headquarters.

2. Please forward a report on this case and results of your investigations to this HQ as soon as possible.

W. Selby
Major-General
MMIA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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KPM/JJJr 61

G-5: 000.5

7 April 1945

SUBJECT: Censorship Intercept.

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TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference is made to attached copy of Comment Sheet and original letter to PW from his father FISCO, Faustino 69 Connidenza, Caltanissetta, Sicily.

2. It is requested that a report on this case be forwarded to this HQ as soon as possible for onward transmission to Civil Affairs Directorate, The War Office.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
8 Apr 45
A. C.

K. P. Mannock 112

K. P. MANNOCK
Jr. Comdr.

Incls: as above.

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POSTAL & TELEGRAPH CENSORSHIP
UNITED KINGDOM

TYPE OF MAIL E/PW

SUBMISSION NO. E/PW/IT/1234/45

DATE: 28.3.45.

FROM:

Fisco, Faustino,
69, Gonnidenza,
Caltanissetta,
Sicily.

TO:

Soldato Fisco, Giovanni,
266004,
Camp 77
Great Britain.

Date of letter
(or postmark) 6.3.45.

ORIGINAL LETTER:

Submitted

SUBMITTED TO:

Original to:- M.I.12.
Copies to:- I.R.B. F/O
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Seen by: Naval Adviser

Air Adviser

M.I.12

Operating Unit
E/PW

Section
7/15

Examiner
7199

D.A.C.
NW

Date
27.3.45.

Possible sabotage in a Military Registration Office

P.O.W's father states:- Line 2 line 4
"I am tired and sick of this office life..... Let us have
patience with all the vexations and surprises among the daily
events in this filthy and stinking Military District of
Caltanissetta (Troops Registration Branch) and the acts of the
criminals who have ruined my existence. Just now I should be
accused before the Military Tribunal for the theft of ~~111~~ registers
of the Military Classes 1922 and 1923, during non-working
hours (12 p.m. - 13½ p.m.) Inquiries, reproofs, menaces and
even other things which I should be ashamed to say out our
honour (I say ours because my old colleagues were vilified too)
it all came to the surface, it was an absolute mystery, nothing
was known about it all, but the verdict confirmed our honesty
and so we remain in our posts as honoured citizens.
Certain mysteries and intrigues have been mixed up with
the calling up of the classes 1914 to 1924. Poor yes,
but criminal never, long live Italy and my ever honest
family...."

J.S.B.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Information Division
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Tel. 489081
Ext. 578 & 361

Date 4 April 1945

File Ref: 3125/INFO

Subject: Civil Censorship Telephone Comment Sheet.
To : M.M.I.A.

1. Enclosed herewith please find Civil Censorship Telephone Comment Sheet, ref: Rome/T/13346, for your information and/or action.

MA B

George W. Cashman

GEORGE W. CASHMAN
1st Lt. Inf.
P. R. O.
Information Division

Spoke MAFW s/n

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TELEPHONE

ROME
(Station)

Date Mailed APR. 3.45

From: -ROMA - Telephone 43241 Ministero Guerra (caller - Telefonista Zaccaria)		To: -PERUGIA- Delegazione Trasporti (callee - Telegrafista Beggiano)	
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Caller	Passed	Recording No.	Total time: 14 MINS.
Callee	Refused	None	Date: April 2.1945
	Caller warned		Interurban Call
	Callee warned		
	Call cut off		

COMMENT

DETAIL AND DISPOSITION OF TROOPS

Da chiamante - " L'A.F.H.Q. informa che nella settimana 2 - 8 aprile arriveranno ad Arezzo per successivo inoltro via ordinaria at Firenze 470°, 476° et 522° ospedali da campo composto ciascuno di sette ufficiali, 58 truppa, 3 veicoli alt. Deposito avanzato "T" materiali sanitari forza, 1 ufficiale 18 truppa 12 tonnellate materiale alt."

"L'M.N.A. informa che in settimana 2-8 aprile saranno effettuati a cura Movet i seguenti movimenti semi alt.

"Da Taranto ad Arezzo I batteria 406° Reggimento Pionieri quattro ufficiali 11 truppa, 2 Tonn. materiale et 165° 166° et 167° compagnia Pionieri della forza ciascuno di 4 ufficiali 206° truppa, 10 Tonn. materiali alt."

"Da Bari et Ancona 2° batteria 406° reggimento pionieri, 3 ufficiali 13 truppa, 2 Tonn. materiale et 173° 174° et 176° compagnia pionieri alt."

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Comment by—

Reviewed by—

Copy to—

Monitor 159

E.C. Austin
Capt. I.C.

AC INF ✓

LW CCG

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W. D. A. C. O. Form No. 912
February 14, 1943

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From: Serg. Mencazzini Bruno
21^o Regg. Fant. I Btg. I Cpg.
P.M. 64

To: Castiello Maria
Via tre Colonne, 21
Terni

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ITALIAN SOLDIER ENLISTS IN SERVICE TO VENDEICATE GERMAN ATROCITIES

SOLDATI ITALIANI IN SERVIZIO PER VENDEICARSI DELLE ATROCITA' TEDESCHE

".....io mi trovo al fronte, dove vi sono andate come volontarie, la ragione di queste mie pene è che ho sentite la necessità di seguire l'esempio di tanti altri miei compagni che sono partiti insieme a me per vendicare le atrocità commesse dai Tedeschi nella nostra città. Devo pochi giorni che sono giunte sono andate subito in linea ed ho preso parte a diverse azioni, di cui citate nei bollettini di guerra. Si sta bene sotto ogni rapporto, anche perché siamo in un paese coperto tutto di pascani e quindi vi è più cordialità ed affettuosità fra noi. Ora da due giorni sono a riprese, qui si starà non so quanti giorni e poi torneremo di nuove a combattere..."

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ITALIAN SOLDIER ENLISTS IN SERVICE TO VENDETTA GERMAN ATROCITIES
SOLDATI ITALIANI IN SERVIZIO PER VINDICARSI DELLE ATROCITA' TEDESCHE

"...io mi trevo al fronte, dove vi sono andate come volontario, la regione di questo mio paese è che ho sentite la necessità di seguire l'esempio di tanti altri miei compagni che sono partiti insieme a me per vendicare le atrocità commesse dai Tedeschi nella nostra città. Dopo pochi giorni sono giunte sono andate subito in linea ed ho preso parte a diverse azioni, di cui citate nei bollettini di guerra. Si sta bene sotto ogni rapporto, anche perché siamo in un paese composito tutta di paesani e quindi vi è più cordialità ed affidamento fra noi. Ora da due giorni sono a riposo, qui si starà non so quanti giorni e poi torneremo di nuove a combattere..."

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STATION **Perugia**
RECORD No. **807**

From: **Galasse Francesco**
Centre Add. Reel. 12° Cpg. 2° Btg.
P.M. 185

To: **Galasse Netti Vita Maria**
Via Duca degli Abruzzi, 101
Taranto

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ITALIAN SOLDIERS PRAISE THEIR SUPERIORS

SOLDATI ITALIANI CHE APREZZANO I LORO SUPERIORI

"....Cara **Mamma**, non credevo che doveva trovare queste ambiente
prima di me la vedevo nera invece è tutt'altra, abbiamo trovate
Ufficiali molto bravi, ci sembrano padri che siano i propri fi-
gli...."

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None

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COMMENT

ITALIAN SOLDIERS PRAISE THEIR SUPERIORS

SOLDATI ITALIANI CHE APPREZZANO I LORO SUPERIORI

"....Cara Mamma, non credevo che dovevo trovare queste ambiente prima di me la vedevo nera invece è tutt'altre, abbiamo trovate Ufficiali molte bravi, ci sembrano padri che amano i propri figli...."

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STATION Perugia
RECORD No. 806

From: Maestra Antonio
Centre Add. Reel. 18 Cpg. 3^o Btg.
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To: Spiano Giovanni
Via Trosoli, 4
Ugento (Lecce)

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DELAY IN ISSUING MILITARY CLOTHING TO ITALIAN RECRUITS

RITARDO DI CONSEGNA DI ABITO MILITARI ALLE RECLUTE ITALIANE

".....andiamo ancora con i vestiti borghesi, non ci hanno ancora vestiti, io, proprio e gli che è sabato, sono di piante alla camerata perchè non posso uscire per niente essendo nudo e scalzo; gli abiti ci sono fatti a pezzi, le scarpe le ho gettate via perchè non servivano..."

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COMMENT

DELAY IN ISSUING MILITARY CLOTHING TO ITALIAN RECRUITS

RITARDO DI CONSEGNA DI ABITO MILITARI ALLE RECLUTE ITALIANE

".....andiamo ancora con i vestiti berguesi, non ci hanno ancora vestiti, le, proprio quelli che è sabato, sono di piante alla camerata perchè non posso uscire per niente essendo nudo e sculzo; gli abiti si sono fatti a pezzi, le scarpe le ho gettate via perchè non servivano..."

EXAMINER 5512 REVIEWER ACCO PERKINSON DATE 21 Marzo 1945

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Subject:- Security. *6 I 58*

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ., I District.
Ref LO/G7.

25 March 45.

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E.

1. Attached extracts from censored letters for your information.

2. The state of morale is definitely improving as the supply and clothing arrangements become more regular and sure. There are still, however, a number who volunteer for baser motives as is evident from extract 733.

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MMIA HQ., I District.
Cant.

J. H. Bourne

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UFFICIO MILITARE CENSURA DI GUERRA-PERUGIA

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N. di protocollo Perugia, Marzo 1945
OGGETTO : relazione quindicinale di cui alla lettera b)-Pag.49 della
"Norme Provvisorie per l'organizzazione ed il funzionamento
della Censura di Guerra."

quindicina dal 1° al 15 marzo 1945

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE Uff. I Ispett. Censura Militare
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.E. Uff. Serv. - Sez. Postale
AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI ROMA
HQ. I DIST. L.O. MMIA CMF

P.M. 1800

1° SITUAZIONE MILITARE

1°) DISCIPLINA

- a) Truppe in zone d'operazione : :
- dalla corrispondenza emerge:
- morale elevate (1) (2) (3)
- spirito di disciplina (4) (5) (6)

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- (1) Alcuni militari scrivono:
"..come al solito io mi trovo molto bene, il morale è alto sempre..."
- (2) "...ci avviciniamo sempre più al fronte, ma per questo non è da temere, io sono sempre contento..."
- (3) "...non rimpiango il fier fiore della mia vita che ho donato con umiltà e rassegnazione alla Patria..."
- (4) "...si opera con la massima serietà, a noi non fa specie, chi sbaglia paga..."
- (5) "...per la mia venuta non ci pensate, che quando posso vengo io, non obbligatemi a commettere qualche mancanza..."
- (6) "...come vi ripete non posso lamentarmi, i nostri Ufficiali sono dei veri padri di famiglia..."

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b) Truppe in territorio CONFIDENTIAL

Dalla corrispondenza emerge:

- morale elevatissime di tutte le reclute (7) (8)
- spirito di sentita disciplina (9) (10)

Alcuni militari scrivono:

- (7) "...dopo tanto tempo io non sapevo nemmeno sulla carta ove era l'Italia e adesso mi sono imparato qualchecosa...."
- (8) "...sto proprio bene come vita militare ho dei bravi superiori."
- (9) "...siamo giovani e passa tutto ormai, bisogna rassegnarsi perchè è un dovere che lo dobbiamo fare tutti.."
- (10) "...vi rimette questa lettera nell'istante più bello della mia vita militare, qui mi trovo molto bene..."

c) = GC.RR. e R. G. di FINANZA:

Una R. Guardia di Finanza scrive:

"...per ora mi trovo di residenza a Perugia e mi piace molto credo che resterò per un dato tempo, facendo delle amicizie, mi troverò meglio..."

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d) Allentamenti arbitrari dai Reparti-Diserzioni

Dalle spoglie della corrispondenza non sono emersi allentamenti arbitrari dai reparti, nè diserzioni, però si fa presente quanto scrive un militare:

"...ma sappiate che io ho pensato che se per Pasqua non mi daranno la licenza, me la prenderò per cento mie..."

e) Segnalazioni varie

Una recluta del centro Addestramento di Orvieto scrive:

"...dovresti a qualsiasi costo interessarti e magari interessare qualcuno dei tuoi amici di Lecce, che si impegnassero al più presto possibile di farmi avere un immediato avvicendamento altrimenti me la vedo brutta.....anche se c'è da pagare, paga e toglimi dall'imbarazzo in cui mi trovo, perchè sono certo che prima di arrivare al fronte, muscio di paura....."

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2) TRATTAMENTO E CONDIZIONI DI VITA.

a) -Truppe in zona d'operazioni:

- Dalla corrispondenza emergono:

- Commenti favorevoli sulla quantità e bontà del rancio: (11) (18)

b) -Truppe in territorio:

- Dalla corrispondenza emergono:

- Commenti favorevoli sulla quantità e bontà del vitto
- " " sul dormire (13) (14) (15) (16).
- " " sugli alleati (17).
- " " sulla paga (18) (19).
- " " verso i superiori (20).

Alcuni militari scrivono:

- (11) "...mi trovo abbastanza bene, in quanto al mangiare stiamo molto bene tutti giorni abbiamo pasta asciutta e la sera minestrone..."
- (12) "...quà stiamo molto bene: ottime mangiare, bere e sigarette..."
- (13) "...di mangiare stiamo bene, dormiamo in letto con l'imbettitae la coperte..."
- (14) "...qui sto molto bene, ed oggi i soldati li trattano molto bene..."
- (15) "...sto fisicamente bene, anche perchè si mangia abbondantemente..."
- (16) "...sto da gran signore mi manca niente, soltanto qualche volta rimane al verde, ma non fa niente..."
- (17) "...non ci manca niente, siamo trattati come gli alleati; non ci manca niente..."
- (18) "...non c'è niente di quello che dicevano di male, si mangia bene in caserma, si prendono L.54 al giorno, sigarette americane..."
- (19) "...a me non manca nulla, si prendono L.41 al giorno e col primo del mese di più..."
- (20) "...abbiamo trovate dei bravi Ufficiali, ci danno da mangiare bene, il dormire buono..."

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e) - Segnalazioni Varie

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3) = PATRIOTTISMO

a) - Truppe in zona d'operazioni:

dalle spoglie della corrispondenza emerge:

-Spirite patriottico-Sentimenti antinazifascisti; (21) (22).

b) - Truppe in territorio

Dalle spoglie della corrispondenza delle reclute emergono :

- sentimenti patriottici (23) (24) (25).

- sentimenti religiosi (26) (27) (28).

4) = NOTIZIE VARIE

N U L L A D A D I R E

Un militare scrive:

(21) "...un anno fa venimmo sopraffatti dagli oppressori Tedeschi e vigliacchi fascisti, ma non riuscirono a piegare i nostri animi.."

Un Ufficiale scrive:

(22) "...i lievi sacrifici sono pagati a Jese dall'onore di combattere per la bestia nera e per il migliore ordinamento Italiano **gy**"

Alcuni militari scrivono:

(23) "...io combatterò per la Patria nostra forte e sanguinosa...."

(24) "...comprende più che mai la necessità che c'è di servire sempre più la Patria..."

(25) "...ma per la Patria nostra faccio tutti i sacrifici..."

(26) "...prega almeno tu che sei in casa perchè da un momento all'altro potrebbe immolare la propria vita per un'Italia più grande..."

(27) "...spero che Iddio ci aiuterà di ritornare presto e poi deve essere forte e coraggioso..."

(28) "...abbiamo ascoltato la S.Messa dentro alla Caserma con un bell'altare con la bandiera nostra che sventelava, noi l'ammiravamo tutti. Abbiate fede in Dio. Torneremo sani, salvi e vincitori..."

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HQ ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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Perugia
STATION 733
RECORD No.

From: Sten. Ceccarelli Pasquale
226 Regs. Pant. 9^a Cptg.
P.M. 64

To: Ber Sobci Lida
Pia za Garibaldi, 1 A
Perugia

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COMMENT

ITALIANS JOIN ARMY FOR ECONOMIC GAIN

ITALIANI SOTTO LE ARMI PER SCOPPI ECONOMICI

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"...Giornalmente arrivano volontari, ma portano, nelle maggior parte dei casi, solo il nome e la loro decisione materiale è spesso, anzi quasi nella totalità dei casi, da basse ragioni familiari, da proprie cariche condizioni di vita e da altri motivi peggiori.

Molti per sfuggire a pena per reati comuni hanno sfruttato la situazione, altri marce del delunco Partito, mercenari di ogni bandiera e per ritornare puliti e per questioni economiche e speculative, sono venuti volontari ed ogni momento i loro caratteri non fanno onore e quei giovani nuovi della nuova Italia."

NOTA DEL CENSORE: Il nome e l'indirizzo del mittente si è rivelato da un altro...

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"... giornalmente arrivano volontari, ma portano, nella maggioranza dei casi, solo il nome e la loro decisione materiale è spesso, anzi quasi nella totalità dei casi, da base ragioni familiari, da precarie condizioni di vita e da altri motivi pesanti. Molti per sfuggire a pene per reati comuni hanno sfruttato la situazione, altri marinai del delinquo Partito, mercenari di ogni bandiera e per ritornare puliti e per questioni economiche e speculative, sono venuti volontari ed ogni momento i loro caratteri non fanno onore a quei giovani nuovi della nuova Italia."

NOTA DEL CENSORI: Il nome e l'indirizzo del mittente si è rilevato da un'altra lettera indirizzata alla mamma.

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REVIEWER ACCOPETUGIA

EXAMINATION DATE

1 Marzo 1945

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SUBJECT: Censorship Report

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. Int/113
16 March 45

TO : H.M. Count CASATI
MINISTER FOR WAR ←

1. I am enclosing under secret cover a copy of SECRET Censorship Report No. 63 which I think will interest you.
2. I should appreciate your comments on the complaints made in para 3 (Postal) and your proposals for improving this service.
3. Will you please return this copy with your reply.

[Handwritten signature]
Major General
M. M. I. A.

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C. C. R. RICE,
Major,
CALIFORNIA RESERVE

CMP
5 MAR 45

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ASSOCIATION & MEMBERSHIP REPORT NO. 63.

FOR PERIOD 15-26 FEB 45 INCLUSIVE.

Part II - Italian Troops with 15 Army Group

I. MORALE - 85 DIVISIONS. (i) Combat Group Genova. No judge from its mail the morale of this formation is excellent. The following extracts are typical of the enthusiasm shown:

(a) A NCO: "I am in the front line and am very happy about it. We shall throw out those accursed Germans who are ruining our beautiful Italy."

(b) A NCO: "The true Italians are happy to shed our blood for this holy cause, that of liberating holy Italy. All your friends also that are here and proud to be here. . . . We have done more than merely talk - it is now your turn to do the same."

(c) An Officer: "We are surrounded by foreigners and we are trying to show them that Italy is not a land of the dead, nor are we a lot of weaklings. Already the infantrymen of the 21st and the gunners of the 7th have shown that."

(ii) Combat Group Friuli. Despite a few individual instances of depression and lack of enthusiasm, the morale of this group appears to have attained a good standard. A noticeable feature is the praise accorded by ORs to their officers.

- (a) A Cdr: "The tenor of the Italian soldier's life has changed. The officers who command us are more men, and they can understand the feelings of the soldiers. An officer has a certain cordiality toward those officers who understand one and listen to one and give one the advice of older brothers. I am very happy to have these new superiors among us, with their different ideas." - (52 Compagnia Artieri) **93**
- (b) A NCO: "This time I have been lucky enough to have good officers. My lieutenant is not only an officer, but a mother, a friend, and a father. So how could I not be happy?" - (86 Reg. Genio).
- (c) An Officer: "We came into the line a few days ago, our troops' morale is high and I think they will do well." - (20 Compagnia III).
- (d) A Pte: "It's fed up. I only hope it ends soon." - (25 Reg. Serate).

(iii) Combat Group Mantova. Morale appears to be improving steadily. It is evident that the desire to aid in the liberation of their own families in Northern Italy is a spur to the fighting spirit of members of men of this Group.

(a) A Spr: "I can assure you that I have never soldiered so willingly as before. Particularly since I have heard that my family is being liberated."

... that of liberating holy Italy. Tell your friends also that we are glad and proud to be here. . . . We have done more than merely talk -- it is now your turn to do the same."

(c) An Offr: "We are surrounded by foreigners and we are trying to show them that Italy is not a land of the dead, nor are we a lot of weepings. Already the infantrymen of the 21st and the gunners of the 7th have shown that."

(ii) Combat Group Prulli. Despite a few individual instances of depression and lack of enthusiasm, the morale of this group appears to have attained a good standard. A noticeable feature is the praise awarded by COs to their officers.

- (a) A. Gur: "The tenor of the Italian soldier's life has changed. The officers who command us are more men, and they can understand the feelings of the soldiers. We notice a certain cordiality among those officers who understand one and listen to one, and give one the advice of older brothers. I am very happy to have these my superiors among us, with their different ideas." - (52 Compagnia Artieri). **93**
- (b) A. NCO: "This time I have been lucky enough to have good officers. My lieutenant is not only an officer, but a mother, a friend, and a father. So how could I not be happy?" - (88 Reg. Genio).
- (c) An Offr: "We came into the line a few days ago, our troops' morale is high and I think they will do well." - (20 Compagnia INT).
- (d) A. Pte: "I'm fed up. I only hope it ends soon." - (26 Reg. Sautio).

(iii) Combat Group Mentona. Morale appears to be improving steadily. It is evident that the desire to aid in the liberation of their own families in Northern Italy is a spur to the fighting spirit of numbers of men of this group.

- (a) A. Spr: "I can assure you that I have never soldiered so willingly as now. Particularly since I now have the honour to belong to a fighting Division. Our brothers in the North are waiting to be freed from the Nazi-fascist oppression. My duty and my political faith tell me this is a just war and this is the road to honour. Every good Italian must not hesitate to give his greatest patriotic effort."
- (b) A. NCO: "I have joined a unit which will soon come in contact with the enemy. I am very proud of being able to contribute my sacrifice to the liberation of our dear country. I am very homesick for my parents who are still oppressed by the Germans and am anxious to help to free them. Should I die in the attempt I shall have done so for one of my ideals."

(iv) Combat Group Poloro. A cheerful, determined spirit appears to inspire all ranks.

- (a) A. NCO: "After a period of training I am now ready, and on the eve of our going forward. First 'Hebe' and now 'Poloro' -- with an ever increasing spirit of boldness and liberty. To hell with the Germans!"
- (b) A. NCO: "Here morale is always high. We are moved by an unbreakable faith in the resurrection of our country."

(v) Combat Group Learning. Sentiments similar to those expressed by the other formations are also frequent in the correspondence of this group.

(vi) Vice Company 212. The mail of this unit consists almost entirely of family and private matters, although favourable mention is made of national and allied administration. For example:
"We: 'Here' are works for the allies and it does not kill us. My is fair, and so is the food, and there is little discipline. I feel like a civilian. . . . Tell Gino that if he can cross here he will be well off."
- (2 Batt Servizio).

(vii) 251 Division. The well account of mail examined gives no indication of improvement in the morale of this formation, which has previously appeared to be decidedly low.

2. 1024th - Old Formations. Generally speaking, morale appears to be poor. There is much lamentation at the poverty prevailing in Italy, and of the immorality believed to be spreading there, but the country in a reality of this minority are weary of soldiering and to their excessive length of service. Better food and equipment than formerly have, however, raised the spirits of some.

(a) An Offr: "It is still cold here, and unwholly even, and spirits become low, for the moon so much weary and hunger. And there there is hunger there is also immorality. It is all loathsome." - (522 Batt Guardia).
"It is: 'I am' 'I am' ruining themselves and in for various ailments which are then ever lower - in effect, this town (Arezzo) is the large brother. I am very sad. Military life here is really. It is intensely cold and the weather helps to lower spirits. At night I think of the big sacrifices I am making and wonder when it will all end." - (Centro Alleanza, S. Giovanni).

(c) Another unit: "I nearly, I am quite well, but feel up. Yesterday I completed 101 months of service - 8 years and 5 months. . . . I cannot carry on any longer." - (423 Batt, 260 Batt).

(d) Another unit: "Our General says that unless the allies infer his of the statistics term he will refuse to go into the line." - (148 Batt).

(e) "Peas: "e are surrounded by Italian and allied officers who are really very kind. Food also is good, and we are dressed in British uniforms. It is cold but we don't feel it because we are well equipped." - (252 Gruppo).

3. POSTAL SERVICE. Complaints of delayed mail are fairly numerous. The fact that civilian addressees have, in some cases, been made to pay postal dues as untrained mail has caused some cooperation, since the troops have been expressly instructed not to use postage stamps.

(a) A Post: "The mails are really successful. For the soldiers fighting for Italy as well as for those who are comfortable at home, mail is a great comfort. The directors of postal service will in particular the censor should see to the speed of the mails." - (7 Batt, 5 Batt).

(b) An Offr: "The mails are so shockingly irregular that on losses all will write and learn hope of ever hearing from one's loved ones." - (148 Batt).

2. LETTERS - CIVILIAN ADDRESSES. REPORTS CONCERNING THE
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immorality believed to be spreading throughout the country as a result of this.
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some.

- (a) An officer: "It is still cold here, and not nearly so warm, and spirits become
low, for one sees so much misery and hunger. And where there is hunger
there is also immorality. It is all sad here." - (522 Matt Guardia).
- (b) A sergeant: "I am very busy, I live in the vicarious vicarious
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brother. I am very sad. Military life here is hard. It is
intensely cold and the weather helps to lower my spirits. At night
I think of the big sacrifices I am making and wonder when it will all
end." - (Centro Admistrativo Carabinieri).
- (c) Rank unlisted: "Honestly, I am quite well, but full up. Yesterday I
carried 101 months of service -- 6 years and 5 months. . . . I cannot
carry on any longer." - (415 Reg. Pion 260 Para).
- (d) Rank unlisted: "Our command says that unless the allies infer this of
the arithmetic term he will refuse to go into the line." - (148 Reg. Pion).
- (e) A sergeant: "We are commanded by Italian and allied officers who are really
very kind. Food also is good, and we are dressed in British uniforms.
It is cold but we don't feel it because we are well equipped." - (252 Gruppo).

3. FOOTBALL SERVICES. Complaints of delayed mail are fairly numerous. The
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dues on unstamped mail has caused some exasperation, since the troops have been
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for Italy as well as for those who are comfortable at home, mail is a
great comfort. The directors of postal service, and in particular the
censors should see to the speeding of the mails." - (7th Reg. Pion).
- (b) An officer: "The mails are so shockingly irregular that one loses all will
to write and loses hope of ever hearing from one's loved ones." - (1031
Reg. Pion Carabinieri).
- (c) An officer: "You say you do not receive my mail from me. It is
certainly not because I do not write -- on the contrary, I write at
least every two days. It is all due to the bad postal service. Do
you know that the wives of some of my Carabinieri do not receive their
letters in under a month, and those in Sardinia 2 months? I don't
know who controls the postal services, but if he knew what effect these
delays have on the soldiers' morale he would have it put right. We get
mail regularly but that from us seems to go astray." - (739 Sez OCAR).
- (d) A NCO: "With regard to the letters without stamps, we are ordered to
send them so. I cannot understand why they make you pay." - (44
Reg. Pion Carabinieri).

4. SECURITY. Good.
Issued by:
CHIEF BASE CENSOR, CME, 5 Mar 45.

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

Subject:- Security Report.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.O. (MMIA)
o/c HQ., I District
Ref IO/G7

14 March 45.

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To:- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.O.
M. N. I. A. R O M E.

1. Attached copies of censor extracts, which throw light on conditions and morale at Rfts Depot at ORVIETO.
2. Attached one extract, reference Muleteer Centre POSSOMBRONE.
3. Attached one extract indicative of high morale of CREMONA.

J. H. Bourne
Capt.
MMIA IO. I District

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SUBJECT: Security

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File NO. INT/113
12 March 45

TO : MMIA LO HQ 1 DISTRICT

Ref your LO/G7 of 11 Mar 45.

1. The information contained in censorship reports is used by this HQ and IAI to compile morale reports on the Italian Army, and is considered most useful.
2. Will you please continue to send these reports. This HQ will take action on any irregularities or breaches of Security.

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JRS
Lt Col G.S.
M.M.I.A.

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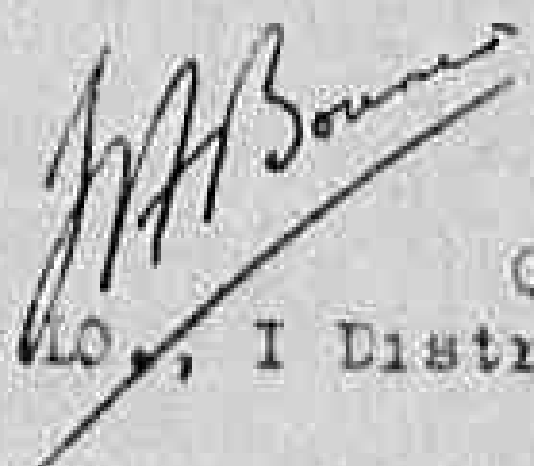
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A.C. (MMIA)
o/c HQ., I District
Ref LO/G7

11 March 45.

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
M. M. I. A. R O M E.

1. I have established contact with the Censor Officer in PERUGIA for the purpose of obtaining information which he can supply concerning deserters, morale etc. This continued a procedure I had adopted at CHIETI.
2. Copies of reports concerning questions of Italian Military importance are sent by this censor office to S.I.M. and S.M.H.E.
3. Could I please be informed if the Italian Authorities follow up these reports.
4. Information obtained from the censoring of letters has been found very useful.


 Capt.
 MMIA LO., I District.

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Copy to:- Censor Officer, PERUGIA.

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ISPettorato TRUPPE AUSILIARIE

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P. M. 3880, li 10 Marzo 1945

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSIONE A.C.

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Riferimento foglio I/113 del 13 corrente;

Le unità ausiliarie dipendenti avevano ricevuto incarico da questo S.M. di inviare qualche fotografia riproducente i momenti più salienti dell'attività da esse svolta.

Poichè tale richiesta incontra difficoltà nel divieto emanato da codesta Sottocommissione nella lettera in riferimento, sarebbe intendimento di questo S.M. organizzare uno speciale nucleo fotografico (un ufficiale, 2-3 operatori) munito di autocarro che riceverebbe una volta per sempre l'autorizzazione a far fotografie nelle varie zone ove operano unità ausiliarie.

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Si resta in attesa di conoscere le decisioni di codesta Sottocommissione.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- Giorgio Liuzzi -

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4 March 45

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In reply to your letter regarding the recruiting film which the Propaganda Office of the Presidency of the Council wishes to produce and distribute in Italy, the Allied Commission welcomes this proposal.

The Film Division of PWB, which at the present time both produces and distributes films in Italy, will be glad to work with your Propaganda Office in the preparation of the film and its later distribution. I suggest you have your Propaganda Office get in touch with Mr. George Edman, Chief of P.W.B. in Rome, to arrange this.

Yours very truly,

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivance Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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✓ Mr. G. Edman, P.W.B.
Land Forces S/C

PERSONAL

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

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5 Mar 45

TO : The Minister of War

1. I send herewith a copy of a civil censorship report received by this H.Q.
2. As you can see, it discloses :-
 - (a) a serious breach of security
 - (b) to say the least, an unfortunate tone which an ex-Chief of the General Staff should have known better than to use.
3. I must request that you take the necessary strong action with Gen. BERARDI to avoid repetition.

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Major General
M. M. I. A.

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STATION ROMA
RECORD META 7548-45

CONFIDENTIAL
CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP

HQ ALLIED COMMISSION

From: <u>CORPO D'ARMATA</u> <u>Palermo, Sicily</u> (Caller: <u>Gen BERARDI</u>)		To: <u>MINISTERO GUERRA</u> <u>Rome, Italy.</u> (Callee: <u>Capo di Gabinetto</u>)	
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CARABINIERI LACK NEW FIREARMS

Caller: Here is Gen. BERARDI speaking. On the second day after my arrival here, I sent in a request for firearms. ^{What's that's planning?} the outcome of it?

Callee: It is the same old story. The matter is being personally ^{planning?} dealt with by the Minister and BRAUNIN.

Caller: Are you joking? You will see what is going to happen here. Our Carabinieri are still equipped with the old "91" rifle. They must be given new arms, otherwise nothing can be attained. Next summer we shall not have any crop to harvest. Because people cannot go to work in the fields. It is necessary to make haste.

Callee: It is not our fault. Your Excellency knows how things stand. We did all that we could. Today I'll talk it over with the minister.

Caller: Send all that you can.

Callee: They don't want us to send any.

Caller: Then tell them that nothing will be done here. What use are they making of the "91" mortars?

Callee: They don't need them but won't give them to the Carabinieri.

Caller: Why? One cannot fight without weapons, it is ridiculous.

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Callee: They don't need them but won't give them to the Carabinieri.

Caller: Why? One cannot fight without weapons, it is ridiculous. Now I am assembling a battalion of Alpine troops and I intend to have it attached to the Carabinieri unit. The Alpines don't seem willing to, but I'll have my way. I will not hesitate to have the officer tried, should it be necessary. By the way, I would like you to send here a Senior Alpine Officer to take the place of the one who is now in Command. The latter is a silly fool and displays Communist ideas. The new one should be here in three days at the latest. This is the way to act in wartime; talks will lead to nothing. Can't you people understand this?

Callee: You know by your own experience the difficulties we have to face.

Caller: But you must tell them that we shall have a very hot time here. From my side, I shall also speak to Gen. CLARK.

EXAMINER Italian Censor REVIEWER P.M. EXAMINATION DATE 26 February 1945

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ROME
ITA 7648-43

If you think you are hampered by someone, let me know it, so that I can inform those who are here.

Caller: The question of the firearms is at a deadlock. They keep discussing it, but nobody wants to take the responsibility.

Caller: Anyhow, let me know how things will be settled.

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

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HAND FORCES SC
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Rome, February 1945

Dear Admiral,

In relation with the recent calls under arms, the propaganda office of the Presidency of the Council means to make a short film of war propaganda.

The film which should be of about 30 meters, and directed by dr. Marcello Dussio, aims at showing how in a large city, the systems of moral and material rehabilitation mostly manifest themselves by the willingness of the young people to join the regular military formations of the nation.

The conception of the film is therefore above every nationalistic or party ideology.

The pictures will all be taken in Rome, and there will be no reference to the allied military organization and nothing which might interfere with military reserve.

I shall be most grateful, my dear Admiral, if you will allow this film to be made and shown in movie-houses.

I remain,

Truly yours,

S. I. Bonomi

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Admiral Ellery S. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the
Allied Commission - Rome

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Tel. No. VALJEAN 148

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OZE/RB/1147

HQ.,
Land Sub Commission (MILA).

20 Feb 45

Subject:- Correspondence.

The attached letters have been received at this HQ, through the medium of Italian PW Mail channels, and are forwarded to you for necessary action.

M. Douglas

Brigadier,
D.A.G.,
G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon.

C.M.F.

See
Send attached letters
to C.M.F.

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

Subject:- Censored Correspondence.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm
A.O. (MMIA)
o/o HQ., 1 District.
Ref 13/G7

14 Feb 45.

To:- HQ., 209 Division.

1. The following was extracted from a letter written by BOGHINI Pietro, U. Esercito Corso dell'Acqua, Perugia to Aviere SCROPPA Vincenzo R. Aeron.

"...io avrei piacere di ritornare già perchè ormai la mia carriera era già fatta. Io ho le cartelle personali, il notiziario di armamento ed altri plichi segreti e armate fino ai denti.

Cercherò con tutti i mezzi di riprendere servizio, vorrei però schiarimenti sul come si sta; se lo stipendio è sufficiente e che si fa. Rispondimi in merito...."

2. This information is of course extremely confidential and must not be made public without official consent.

3. I suggest that the CG.RR take appropriate steps to see what secret documents he has and what arms he is in possession of.

4. Please inform me of results.

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[Signature]
Capt.
MMIA HQ., 1 District.

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.O. (MMIA)

[Signature]

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SUBJECT: Photography by Italian Military

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/113
13 Feb 45

TO : Ministry of War

Copy to: MEDIA LO HQ Rear 5 Army (ref your 5LO/4/G of 10 Feb)

1. Allied Regulations governing Photographic Policy in the forward areas state that requests for authority for the employment of official Italian Army War Photographers will be made by the Allied Commander of the higher headquarters to which the appropriate Italian organization is assigned.
2. It is understood that 417 I.P. Regt. were instructed by you to supply pictures of their sub-units at work, for War Ministry Records. 15 Army Group, through HQ 5 Army, informed HQ 417 I.P. Regt. that permission could not be granted as no request had been made from Allied sources.
3. It is requested that you take steps to ensure that the regulations governing the Photographic Policy are strictly complied with and that units and formations are informed of the policy as contained in para 1 above.

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Major General
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT:- Photo copy by Italian Military.

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MMIA IO,
British Increment (A Branch),
Rear HQ Fifth Army,
OMF.

Phone No: Lightning Rear 163.

MMIA HQ

510/4/G.

Copy to:- 231 Div.

10 Feb 45.

417 I.P.L. Regt were instructed by the Ministry of War to supply pictures of their sub-units at work, for Italian War Records.

As a result of this request, I entered into correspondence with 'G' Branch, Fifth Army and subsequently 15 Army Group.

I am at length informed that permission cannot be given - in accordance with para 2 Annex 'B' of AFHQ Operation Memorandum 66, dated 26 Dec 44.

Can this information please be communicated to the Ministry of War with a request that, before issuing instructions direct to Regiments, they take steps to ensure that Allied orders will not be infringed by their execution.

This small precaution on their part will obviate much useless correspondence, and save a considerable amount of time and trouble for all concerned.

a. m. Newberry

Capt,
MMIA IO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Subject: Security and Press Censorship

To :- Main Hq 10 Corps

Copy: AMG (ASCOLI)

Lead Forces Sub Commission A.C. (AMIA)

53 B.L.U.
Ref GI/5 - 4
8 Feb 45

1. Ref' this HQ GI/5 - 2 of 30 Jan 45, and subsequent visit by GSO II(E) 10 Corps to this HQ on 5 Feb.

2. The following is a summary of events and salient facts.

(a) Publication of article on "FULGORE" Gruppo in "VOCS ADELAFICA" of Sunday 27 Jan.

(b) 22 Jan: GSO II 53 HLIJ notifies Lt. Col. RUIKER (AMG), who interviews the Editor (Prof. LAVAGNA, ASCOLI), points out the breach of military security caused by publishing names, locations, movements, composition etc of military units, and warns him that a further breach of security will cause suspension of the newspaper (Confirmed by AMG letter AE/7/40 - 27 of 23 Jan).

(c) 30 Jan: 10 Corps notified of above, and translation sent (GI/5 - 2).

(d) 30 Jan: GSO I HLIJ informs Commander FULGORE Gruppo of the article, quoting the Editor's verbal statement to AMG that the particulars contained in the article were obtained from Gruppo HQ, and ordering immediate and effective attention to security measures within the group.

(e) 21 Jan: Letter from AMG to HLIJ stating that Editor of paper had named Capt LEXHELLI (G III Ops of Gp HQ) as having given permission for publication of article, and had stated that some of the matter published was taken from the ROME paper "Domenica" of 24 Dec 44. (AE/7/10 - 28).

(f) 2 Feb: Letter by GSO I HLIJ to Gp Commander, forwarding above information and asking for immediate investigation and report. (GI/5 - 3).

(g) 4 Feb: Written reports received from Gp Commander, containing the following:-

(1) Letter from Editor stating that no particulars were asked for and none were given by any officer or other rank of the FULGORE group for the purpose of the article, the contents of which were compiled entirely from sources of "general news" and "common knowledge", or taken directly from other newspapers e.g. "Domenica" of 24 Dec 44. The Editor states further that the article in question was "previously submitted for military censorship which discovered no infringement of military security" (Note: it is not known of whom or what the alleged "military censor" consisted.) All the above statements are similar to what the Editor said verbally to Lt. Col. Rutter at his original interview on 29 Jan.

(ii) Written report by Capt LEXHELLI (HQ Staff Combat Group) stating that on 25 Jan a representative of the newspaper "VOCS ADELAFICA" telephoned to him, announcing the intention of publishing an "article of welcome" to the FULGORE Gp on 27 Jan, and asking whether the Gp would have arrived in ASCOLI by this date. Capt LEXHELLI replied "I cannot give news of this nature, and in any case I consider that for reasons of military security such details cannot be supplied." The journalist objected "but we did the news for 'Domenica', to which Capt LEXHELLI answered that such a precedent

(c) 20 Jan: 10 Corps notified of above, and translation sent (CI/5 - 2).

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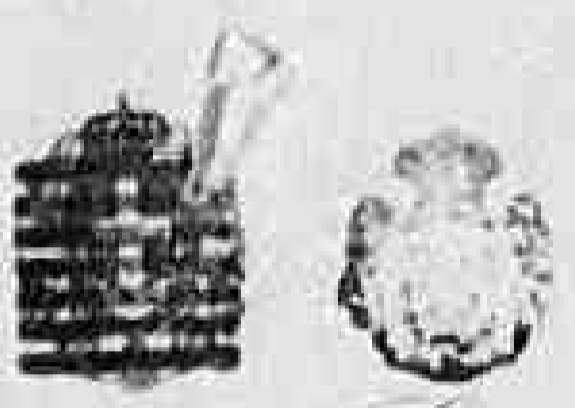
(iii) Covering letter from General MORICI, Group Commander, stating his opinion that, on the evidence, no responsibility for the article can be placed upon any officer or other rank of the POLAKO Group; and further, that the indications regarding the length of stay and the future activities of the Group may well have been deduced by the newspaper from the already known activities of the CREMA Group.

Noted 12/2

Atkins
Lt. Col.
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Ministero della Guerra
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At LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROMA

Trasmissione Per
Aut. 1100617/1 Allegato
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Prospetto al f. del
Per Per N°

OGGETTO lettere censurate.
Censura lettere

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Si restituisce l'unito prospetto relativo agli stralci di lettere censurate, con preghiera di recapito all'Ente interessato.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DEL GABINETTO
[Signature]

Lee Forward
attached letter to
PW Censorship Det: U.S.
Army - APO. 512
[Signature]

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SUBJECT: Evasion of Censorship

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(W.M.I.A.)
1/113
15 Dec 44

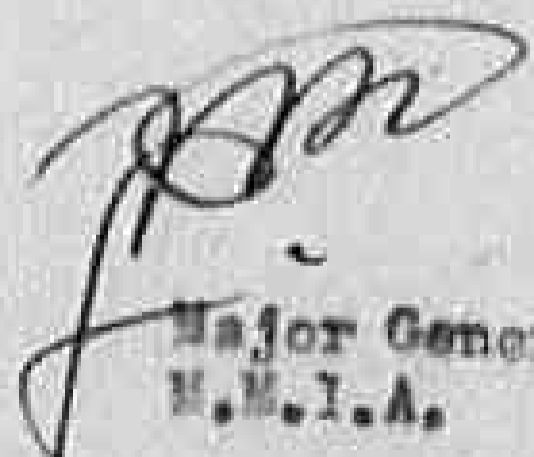
TO : A.A.I.

Ref your 3074/9/A(0) of 26 Oct 44.

1. 2/Lt SAMMARCO Carlo of the 2009 Plotone Servizi was awarded ten days close arrest for breaches of Censorship regulations as contained in your letter under reference. He has also been relieved of his duties as unit censor.

The six NCO's involved in the illicit posting of civilian letters in Army Mail have been punished with fifteen days close arrest.

2. The above for information.


Major General
W.M.I.A.

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From S.M.R.E. Translation

To: MMIA

Ref 9/10053-305
Date Dec 11, 1944

Subject Infraction of Censorship Regulations

Reply to 1/113 dated Mar 15

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Reference letter 9/10053-305 sent dated Nov 13, 1944.

Please note that the 209 Inf Division has punished 2nd Lt SAMMARCO CARRO with 30 days of strict arrest, and the other 6 military with 15 days in strict punishment room.

2nd Lt SAMMARCO has been substituted as censor.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI
-Sezione Postale-

N^o 9/11413-305 di prot. /serv.

P.M. 3800 // Dicembre 1944

Risposta al foglio N. 1/113 del 15/11

Allegati

OGGETTO: Infrazioni sulle norme di censura.

→ A LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.H.I.A.)
ROMA

e, per conoscenza:
AL MINISTERO GUERRA-Gabinetto-
Ufficio C. A.

P.M. 3800

Sciogliendo la riserva di cui al foglio n. 9/11413-305/serv. del 13 Novembre c.e. comunicasi che il Comando della 209^a Divisione Fanteria ha punito il S. Tenente Sammarco Carlo con giorni 10 di A.R., gli altri 6 militari segnalati con 15 g. C.P.R.-

Il S. Ten. Sammarco è stato inoltre sostituito nell'incarico di censore.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO

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Subject: Postal Arrangements - Security.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .
AQ/18

12 Dec 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref your 9/11014/361/Serv of 15 Nov 44.

It is considered that the omission of the name of the town of origin from P.M. addresses, as proposed in your above quoted letter, will increase postal security measures, and should be adopted as soon as possible.

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F.J.NOAKES Col.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Copy 9 (Int). —

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SUBJECT: Postal Arrangements - Italian Army

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
AQ/18
29 Nov 44

TO : A.A.I.

Copy to: Communications Sub Commission A.C.

1. Attached is a translation of a letter from the Ministry of War setting out certain proposals for establishing Postal facilities for Italian Army personnel in order that troops may correspond with their relatives in recently liberated territory.
2. For this purpose a special card would be used (specimen attached) and distribution, delivery and despatch would be carried out through Italian Army channels. Italian Army H.Q.'s in forward areas, working in conjunction with C.C. R.R. stations would be responsible for the delivery, collection and transmission of these cards. Transport facilities would be provided by the Italian Army.
3. It is requested that this H.Q. be informed of any security or other objections to the above proposals as it is considered that the use of these cards would raise the morale of troops whose families cannot at present communicate with them and might put a stop to the illicit forwarding of civilian mail through Army channels.

Copy to: I/113

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Major General
M.M.I.A.
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TRANSLATION

From Ministry of War

Ref 304945/E/GA
312 - IV - 1

To MMIA

Date 23 Nov 1944

Subject: Correspondence for Military

As was already mentioned in a memo to Maj BAUMANN, the SMRE believes it advisable to organize a special postal service for Italian Military who have families in recently liberated areas, and in those areas which will be gradually liberated.

The high morale value of this service is evident; it would give the Italian Military a chance to correspond with their relatives, after long months of forced separation.

This service would be carried out through specialized detachments with the Italian divisions nearest the front-line (209, 210, 229 and 231 Divs) and with the C.C. R.R. Stations.

The correspondence, carried on through special post-cards with established text (encl. 1), would be forwarded (from the Divisional detachments to SMRE and vice versa) with transport furnished once in a while by SMRE or by the above Divisions.

I would appreciate it if MMIA would enable this form of welfare to be authorized, as it would certainly help to decrease AWOL cases and the arrival of unauthorized military in the zone of operations.

/s/G. OXILIA, General

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI
- Sezione Postale -

N. 9/11413-305 di prot./Serv.

P. M. 151, li 18 novembre 1944

Risposta al foglio N. del

Allegati

OGGETTO: Infrazioni alle norme sulla censura.

(Rif.f.n. 1/113 del 15/XI).-

➔ A LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA-Cabinetto aff.C.A.
(Rif.f.n. 1635/0 x/A del 16/XI)

= R O M A =

= P. M. 151 =

Si comunica che il foglio in riferimento è stato già riscontrato con nostro 9/11413-305/Serv. del 13 novembre c.a.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. Santì)

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Mail

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/113
19 Nov 44

TO : H.Q. A.A.I.

Ref your 3074/9/A(O) dated 25th October 1944.

The Italian Chief of Staff reports under letter 9/11413/305 dated 13th Nov 1944 that End Lt. SAMMARCO Carlo has been relieved of duties as censor and is now pending disciplinary action, together with the OAs concerned the result of which will be reported in due course.

Cham...
f Major General
M.M.I.A.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI

Sezione Postale

N. 9/¹¹¹³-305 di pro/Serv. P.M. 151, u. 7 novembre 1944

Risposta al foglio N. 1/113 del 1°/8/11 Allegati 1

OGGETTO: Infrazione alle norme della censura.-

Infrazione di censura di regolamento
→ ALLA M. M. I. A. ROMA 1944

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA-Gabinetto-Ufficio C.A.

P.M. 151

Per i rilievi di cui al f°n° 1/113 del 1° novembre scorso, è stato ordinato al Comando della 209^ Divisione, di esonerare il S.Ten. SAMMARCO Carlo dalle funzioni di censore e di adottare provvedimenti di rigore a carico del suddetto ufficiale e degli altri militari segnalati.

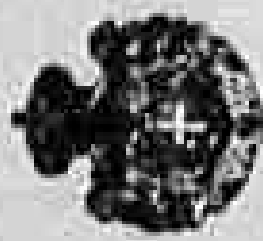
Si fa riserva di riferire in merito ai provvedimenti adottati.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- Alessandro Santi -

Alessandro Santi 63

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI

SEZIONE POSTALE

N. 91/1042305 di prol./serv.

Risposta al foglio N. _____ del _____

P. M. 151. li A novembre 1944

Allegati

OGGETTO: Evasione alle norme sulla censura - *inviolabilità di corrispondenza*

RECEVUE	1
DATE	11/11/44
NUMERO	151

AL LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCIZIO A.C.C.-M.M.I.A.

R O M A

Dall'inchiesta eserita dal Comando della 210^a Divisione per il rilievo di cui al foglio in riferimento è risultato:

- 1°) il Tenente DE BELVIS Gustavo, comandante e ufficiale corso della 2^a Cp. del XIII Btg. Genio Artieri, ha dato corso alla lettera incriminata in considerazione che:
 - a) - non conteneva alcuna notizia di carattere militare,
 - b) - era stata scritta della cognata e diretta al fratello del militare dipendente che figurava come mittente;
 - c) - si trattava dell'umano desiderio di una giovane sposa di partecipare al marito militare la consuetudine notizia della nascita di un figlio; **62**
 - d) - non si era reso conto del categorico divieto dell'invio di corrispondenza civile, contenuto nel paragrafo VII sotto paragr. 2 delle norme sulla censura, dato che tale servizio era stato istituito da pochi giorni e non erano ancora giunti i successivi chiarimenti;
- 2°) il Cap. Messo, ROSELLI Giovanni ha consentito a figurare come mittente:
 - a) - per i legami di stretta parentela con la mittente effettiva e il destinatario,

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- a) - Per i legami di stretta parentela con la mittente effettiva e il destinatario,
- b) - per il carattere strettamente familiare della comunicazione.

E pertanto poiché l'infrazione non riveste carattere di reato, questo S.M., concordando con la proposta della 210^a Divisione, ha sanzionato i seguenti provvedimenti :

- Sg. 10 A.R. al Tenente DE BELVIS Gustavo, perchè "Ufficiale investito dell'autorità di censore della corrispondenza privata dei militari del reparto, dato il benessere per l'incoltro di una lettera diretta a militare di altro reparto (presentata per l'impostazione da un suo dipendente gradusto), la quale era invece scritta dalla cognata del gradusto stesso".

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- SS. 7 C.P.R. al cap. magg. ROSELLI Giovanni, perchè "pre-
sentava al Comando Reparto, per l'impostazione alla P.M.,
una busta diretta a suo fratello, militare in altro repar-
to, contenente una lettera scritta dalla moglie del fratel-
lo stesso."

IL GENERALE ABBENTO

(A. Santi)



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SUBJECT: Italian Soldiers in EPIRUS

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/115
8 Nov 44

TO : Ministry of War

1. Attached is a list of Italian soldiers safe and well in EPIRUS who wish to send the following collective message to their families in Liberated Italy :-

"We are in the mountains of Epirus (Greece) fighting against the Nazis and Fascists. We send you and our friends our loving greetings."

2. Please forward the above message to the families concerned.

[Signature]
Major General
M.M.I.A.

Published in papers on 12 Nov 44
Radio, too.

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Mail

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/113
8 Nov 44

TO : Ministry of War

It is requested that a reply to para 4 of this H.Q. letter I/113 of 1 Nov be given as soon as possible.

W. Bellamy
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT: Italian Censorship

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/113
2 Nov 44

TO : A.A.I.

Ref. your 1145/G/I(e) of 16 August.

Herewith a translation of a report received from the Italian Navy General Staff on the functions of the BRINDISI Censorship Office.

[Signature]
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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Translation

From: - S M R Marina (Mary) Ref: - 6/96
To: - ME in HA. Date: - 20/10/44

Subject: - Italian Consulate

Ref. letter addressed to ME of W 1/113
dated 21 Aug 44

1/ Brunche V.M.C.G answers 100% correspondence
illegally posted for advanced areas by civilians and
soldiers as well as letters for institutions in advanced
areas and posted in Brunche post box. This correspondence
is then handed over to the Division R.R.R Brunche, where
actually 1500 letters are checked, awaiting ^{for} the
postal services to open in the premises of soldiers
and receivers, according to instructions by Gen. General
1st. Cav. Div. with ref to letter 1000 of 1 Aug. 44.

2/ Mail received from soldiers of units
located in advanced areas and illegally posted to
Brunche post boxes by a third person, ~~was~~
resummed and handed over to V.M.C.G. Brunche, 20/10/44

- BCC. as follows :-
- With covering letter 1373/R of 21/10/44 - 55
- 43 letters 13 Post cards
- With covering letter 1401/R of 2/10/44 -
- 10 letters 5 Post cards
- on 28/10/44 not yet mentioned -
- 18 letters 12 Post cards

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news and posted in Division post box. This information
is then handed over to the Engineers Corp Division, where
actually 1500 letters are stored, waiting for the
postal services to open in the premises of another
and nearer, according to instructions by Lt. General
1st. Am Div. with ref. to letter 10000 of 1 Aug. 44.

2) Mail received from soldiers of units
located in advanced areas and illegally sealed in
British post boxes by a third person, ~~was~~ then
rescued and handed over to U.S. Division, 1st Div, 1st AF
BCC, as follows:-

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43 letters 18 Post Cards
- With covering letter 1401/R of 2/8/44 -
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Chief of Staff.

Sgt. FAURE.

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Regia Marina

L'ARMY SUB COMMISSION (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C. ROME

STATO MAGGIORE DELLA REGIA MARINA
UFFICIO INFORMAZIONI

e per conoscenza:
Stato Maggiore Generale Ispettorato
Censura Militare

Ufficio Informazioni S. F.

MMIA	J
FILE REF	1
Date Recd	2/11

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO
Post. No. 6196 Alghero

ARGOMENTO: Censura Italiana.

SEGRETO

Riferimento foglio n.I/113 in data 21 agosto 1944 allo
argomento sopra indicato diretto al Ministero della Guerra.

- 1°) = L'U.M.C.G. di Brindisi censura al 100% la corrispondenza illecitamente imbucata per la zona avanzata da parte di civili e militari, come pure quella proveniente da civili dislocati in zona avanzata ed impostata nelle cassette postali della provincia di Brindisi. Detta corrispondenza, secondo quanto disposto dallo Stato Maggiore Generale Ispettorato Censura Militare con foglio 60649 del 1° agosto, in attesa che nelle provincie di destinazione e di provenienza venga ripristinato il servizio postale viene depositata presso la Direzione RR.FP. di Brindisi, dove attualmente sono giacenti circa 1500 di tali lettere.
- 2°) = La corrispondenza invece proveniente da militari dislocati in zona avanzata ed illecitamente impostata nelle cassette postali della provincia di Brindisi da parte di terzi è stata tolta dal corso e rimessa dall'U.M.C.G. di Brindisi al C.C.M.n.7 B.C.C. nel

126 (102)

Date Recd. 2/11/44

Dir. N. 6196 Allegato

ARGOMENTO: Censura Italiana.

SEGRETO

126 (102)

Riferimento foglio n. I/1113 in data 21 agosto 1944 allo argomento sopra indicato diretto al Ministero della Guerra.

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2°) = La corrispondenza invece proveniente da militari dislocati in zona avanzata ed illecitamente impostata nelle cassette postali della provincia di Brindisi da parte di terzi è stata tolta dal corso e rimessa dall'U.M.C.G. di Brindisi al C.C.M. n. 7 B.C.C. nel seguente quantitativo:
- foglio 1373/R del 21/7/44=lettere 43, cartoline 13
- foglio 1401/R del 2/8/44 =lettere 10, cartoline 5
- alla data del 28/9/44, non ancora segnalati:lett.18, cart.12.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
L. ACCONTO

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TRANSADRIATIC MAIL SECTION
Allied Censor Control Office
c/o Allied Control Commission
APO 540, U. S. Army

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Date Recd 11/1/44

25 October 1944

SUBJECT: Chiodi Complaints
TO : Forward Counter Intelligence, CMC

1. Enclosed comment sheet* contains message in a letter from Italian medical Lieutenant Angelo Chiodi.
2. Dr. Chiodi was recently repatriated from the interior of Yugoslavia. Reference is made to Comment sheet 256-J dated 19 July, which contained a letter written by him while there. Comments sheet 1268-J dated 25 September contains another letter from Dr. Chiodi, written from his present address.
3. In view of writer's chronic complaints and liberal use of the mails, it is suggested that his case be looked into and that his complaints be investigated and that he be advised not to pass them through the mails henceforth.

Sheridan H. Garth

SHERIDAN H. GARTH, Lieut. USNR
Chief Censor, Transadriatic Mail Section
for RICHARD L. GARZABELLI
1st Lt. Infantry
Allied Censor Control Officer

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* Comment sheet number 2817 identical with above-mentioned one has already been sent to you by Allied Censorship Control Officer

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Mail

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Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
I/113
Nov 44

TO : Ministry of War


1. In envelopes bearing the following names, together with the return address 2009 PLAZONE SERVIZI, HQ 1 DISTRICT C.A.F. letters from Italian civilians were found written to soldiers in the Italian Army at various P.M. numbers :-

BAGNINI Renato	Caporale,
LEMMI Vittorio	"
STEFANI Armando	Private
FRONTINI Guerrino	"
FOLLOSSI Daniele	"
RACCIAGLIA Iro	"

2. All six letters were censored, passed, stamped and signed by E/Lieut SAMMARCO Carlo. Two letters mentioned FOLIGNO on the date line, thereby indicating the probable location of the unit. One of these had been blotted out with ink by the censor, but the location showed clearly despite this.

3. It is requested that you investigate the breaches of security referred to and take disciplinary action against E/Lieut SAMMARCO for allowing civilians to use military postal channels.

4. Please notify this H.Q. of action taken in this case.


Major General
M.M.I.A.

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Subject: - Mail - Italian Army.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel: FILIPOT Ext 226

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26 Oct 44.

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M. A. I. A. -----

Copy to: AFHQ G1(Br) - ref CR/3009/G1(Br) dated 21 Oct 44.
Hq No. 1 District

1. Reference attached copy of PW Censorship Detachment report, LPW-2909.
2. The mail in question appears to have been forwarded through PW mail channels although the unit concerned is an Italian Army one, and not a Co-operator unit.
3. Will you please investigate the apparent breaches of security referred to in the censorship report and notify the results of your enquiries to this HQ.
4. Will you also please instruct 2009 PIOTONE SERVIZI as to the correct postal channels which should be used, and ensure that PW channels are not used in future.

J. Bennett **51**
6/10/44

J. Brigadier,
DAC.

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Prisoner of War Censorship Detachment
APO 512, U. S. Army
Number IPW - 2909

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U.S. MILITARY CENSORSHIP

FROM	TO:
See Below	See Below
DATE OF LETTER	CLASS OF MAIL
23-30 August 1944	Outgoing
DATE OF SUBMISSION	P/W HELD BY
10 October 1944	British
EXAMINER	LANGUAGE
Del Giudice -Mastre	Italian
REVIEWED BY PSG	Ca
<u>Distribution</u>	
G-2, AFHQ	
G-2, AFS	
G-2, CESS	
G-2, MBS	
G-2, NORPS	
G-2, PBS	
G-2, ETUSA	
FWB, AFHQ	
FIG, SOCS, NAT	
FM,	
G-1, British	
CO, 1st Dist,	
CAF	

SERIAL NUMBER(S) OF PREVIOUS RECORD(S)

ACTION TAKEN ON ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION:

Passed (P) Deleted (D)
Held (H) Condemned (C)
Photo (Ph) Returned (R)
Or forwarded with comment to: C

CIVILIANS USE RETURN ADDRESS OF ITALIAN SERVICE UNIT

In envelopes bearing the following names, together with the return address 2009 PLOTONE SERLIZI, HQ No. 4 DISTRICT, C.M.F., were found letters from Italian civilians written to soldiers in the Italian Army at various P.M. numbers:

- BACHINI, Renato
Caporale
- LEAMI, Vittorio
Caporale
- STEPANI, Armando
- FRONTINI, Guerrino
124530
- FOLLOSSI, Daniela
- RACCIAGLIA, Ivo

All six letters were censored, passed, stamped, and signed by S. Ten, Carlo SAMMARCO. Two letters mentioned Foligno (Perugia) on the date line, thereby indicating the probable location of the unit. One of these had been blotted out with ink by the censor, but the location showed clearly despite this.

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Examined (C)
 Photo (H) Returned (R)
 Or forwarded with comment to:

LANGUAGE : Italian
 CA

EXAMINER : Del Giudice - Mestre
 REVIEWED BY : PSG : CA

Distribution

- G-2, AFHQ
- G-2, AES
- G-2, CES
- G-2, LES
- G-2, MORBS
- G-2, PPS
- G-2, ETUSA
- PWB, AFHQ
- PMG, SOS, MAT
- RM,
- G-1, British
- CO, 1st Dist.
- GAP

CIVILIANS USE RETURN ADDRESS OF ITALIAN SERVICE UNIT

In envelopes bearing the following names, together with the return address 2009 PLOTTE SERVIZI, HQ No. 1 DISTRICT, C.M.F., were found letters from Italian civilians written to soldiers in the Italian Army at various P.M. numbers:

- RACHINI, Renato
Caporale
- LEBBI, Vittorio
Caporale
- STEFANI, Armando
- FRONTINI, Guerrino
124530
- FOLLOSSI, Daniela
- RACCIAGLIA, Ivo

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Copies to:
 G-2, MAT (OCB)
 Dir of Int, ASF
 MI-12, London

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI

Sezione Postale

n. 9/10259 -109 di prot./Serv.

P. M. 151. 1124 - Ottobre - 1944

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Allegati

OGGETTO: Soppressione uffici posta militare dei Comandi
Militari di Regione.-

ALLA M. M. I. A.

*post. ufficio di regione
Regional Roma*

R O M A

Seguito comunicazione verbale con magg. BAUMEANN

Si trasmette, per conoscenza, copia del
foglio n. 9/9541-109/Serv. del 18 corrente, relati
vo alla soppressione degli uffici P.M. 50 - 67 -
114 - 120 - 126.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- Alessandro Santi -



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S TARGO MAGGIORS R. ESERCITO
Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Postale

N. 9/A0541-109 di prot./serv.

F. N. 151, 18

ottobre 1944

OGGETTO : Soppressione uffici di P.M. -

AL COMANDO MILITARE LACIO-UMBRIA-ABRUZZI P. N. 151
 AL COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA P. N. 120
 AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA N. LUCANIA P. N. 57
 AL COMANDO MILITARE CALABRIA P. N. 114
 AL COMANDO MILITARE SICILIA P. N. 125
 AL COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA P. N. 50
 AL COMANDO 205 DIVISIONE P. N. 217
 AGLI UFFICI P.M. : 20-67-114-120-125-3600-151-151/8-317

e, per conoscenza :

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -
(Rif. n. 201621/II del 10 c.m.)
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P. N. 151

AL MINISTERO N. ANCHIAFFIA - Gabinetto -
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE

R O M A

P. N. 151

AL MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

- Dir. Gen. P.P. - Ispett. Gen. del Movimento -

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE N. 5.

R O M A

P. N. 151

P. N. 151/2

P. N. 151

P. N. 152

P. N. 151

Allo scopo di addivenire ad una riduzione del personale
adatto ai servizi di P.M. e di adeguare i servizi suddetti alle
esigenze attuali,
si dispone :

1°) - con effetto dal 16 novembre 1944 :

a) saranno soppressi i seguenti uffici di Posta Militare :

AL COMANDO MILITARE LAZIO-UMBRIA-ABRUZZI P. M. 151
 AL COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA P. M. 120
 AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA P. M. 67
 AL COMANDO MILITARE CALABRIA P. M. 114
 AL COMANDO MILITARE SICILIA P. M. 126
 AL COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA P. M. 50
 AL COMANDO 205 DIVISIONE P. M. 217
 AGLI UFFICI P. M. : 50-67-114-120-126-3400-151-151/E-217
 e, per concessione :

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -
 (Rif. n. 201671/IA del 10 c.m.)
 220.20.6

AL MINISTERO P. AERONAUTICA - Gabinetto -
 ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE R O M A
 AL MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI P. M. 151
 - Dir. Gen. P. T. - Ispett. Gen. del Movimento - R O M A
 ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R. E.

- Uff. Ordin. e Mobilitazione - P. M. 151
 AL COMANDO BASE DIVISIONE GARIBOLDI P. M. 151/B
 AL QUARTIER GENERALE - MINISTERO GUERRA P. M. 151
 AL QUARTIER GENERALE - STATO MAGGIORE GEN. P. M. 151
 AL QUARTIER GENERALE - STATO MAGGIORE R. E. P. M. 151

Allo scopo di addiventire ad una riduzione del personale addetto ai servizi di P.M. e di adeguare i servizi suddetti alle esigenze attuali,
 Si dispone :

- 1°) - con effetto del 16 novembre 1944 :
- a) saranno soppressi i seguenti uffici di Posta Militare :
- P.M. 50 addetto al Comando Militare della Sardegna
 - P.M. 67 " " " Puglia - Lucania
 - P.M. 114 " " " Calabria
 - P.M. 120 " " " Campania
 - P.M. 126 " " " Sicilia
- b) sarà costituito a Roma un concentramento di P.M. contrassegnato col n. 3800 (v. allegato) ;

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- c) sarà potenziato il concentramento P.M.1400 di Napoli (v.allegato), cui sarà devoluto il servizio finora espletato, come concentramento, dall'ufficio P.M.67.
 - d) In conseguenza di quanto precede gli uffici di P.M. di cui alla lettera a) cesseranno di funzionare col 15 novembre P.V. ed i reparti da essi serviti si appoggeranno, con indirizzo in chiaro, al servizio postale civile.
 - e) fanno eccezione a quanto sopra :
 - Il Comando Militare della Campania ed i reparti dipendenti dislocati a Napoli, i quali, data la coesistenza del Concentramento P.M.1400, continueranno, per la sola corrispondenza, a servirsi della posta militare, agenziandosi al suddetto concentramento. Per il servizio a denaro dovranno servirsi della posta civile.
 - Il Comando Militare della Sicilia, che si appoggerà a tutti gli effetti (servizio corrispondenza e servizio a denaro) al coesistente ufficio P.M.72 della Divisione "Aosta".
 - Il Comando Militare della Sardegna, il quale si appoggerà a tutti gli effetti alla sezione che verrà costituita a Cagliari dall'ufficio P.M.217 della 205^a Divisione.
- Con foglio a parte saranno impartite le notizie per il funzionamento della sezione.

2°) - Sotto la data del 16 novembre 1944 l'ufficio P.M.151, sarà ridotto al seguente organico :

- Ufficiali militarizzati 4
- Graduati "
- Soldati "

alle lettere a) cesseranno di funzionare col 15 novembre p.v. ed i reparti da essi serviti si appoggeranno, con indirizzo in chiaro, al servizio postale civile.

e) fanno eccezione a quanto sopra :

- Il Comando Militare della Campania ed i reparti dipendenti dislocati a Napoli, i quali, data la coesistenza del Concomitante P.M. 3400, continueranno, per la sola corrispondenza, a servirsi della posta militare, agganciandosi al suddetto centro. Per il servizio e danaro dovranno servirsi della posta civile.

- Il Comando Militare della Sicilia, che si appoggerà a tutti gli effetti (servizio corrispondenza e servizio a danaro) al coesistente ufficio P.M. 72 della Divisione "Aosta".

- Il Comando Militare della Sardegna, il quale si appoggerà a tutti gli effetti alla sezione che verrà costituita a Cagliari dall'ufficio P.M. 217 della 205^a Divisione.

Con foglio a parte saranno impartite le notizie per il funzionamento della sezione.

2^a) - Sotto la data del 15 novembre 1944 l'ufficio P.M. 151, sarà ridotto al seguente organico :

- Ufficiali militarizzati 4
- Graduatî " 2
- Soldati di sussidio 2

Continua a far parte dell'ufficio predetto la sezione distaccata a Lecce (P.M. 151/B), con gli attuali compiti e dipendenze.

- 3°) - Per quanto riguarda le razioni viveri per gli uffici P.M. 3400 (Napoli) e P.M. 3800 (Rome) i Comandi Militari della Germania e del Lazio possono disporre di un numero di razioni pari alla forza dei concentramenti alle loro dipendenze, ricavate sul totale delle economie che si realizzano per effetto delle soppressioni degli uffici P.M. su indicati.
- 4°) - Per il personale militarizzato che viene ad essere disponibile sarà provveduto a parte. I militari di ausilio rientrano senz'altro ai corpi di provenienza, su disposizioni dei comandi interessati.
- 5°) - L'ufficio posta militare 72 e la sezione dell'ufficio P.M. 217 sostituiranno rispettivamente gli uffici P.M. 126 e P.M. 50 nel servizio di scambio dispacci con gli aeroporti, per cui dovranno essi essere forniti dai rispettivi comandi di regione del necessario antezzo per il trasporto dei dispacci.
- Il Comando Militare della Puglia - Lucania prenderà invece accordi con la locale Direzione Provinciale P.P. 77, per lo scambio dispacci con l'aeroporto, mettendo, se necessario, a disposizione uno degli automezzi già impiegati per la posta militare.
- Il Comando Militare della Calabria ~~prenderà~~ il ~~pre-~~accordo trisettimanale con l'aeroporto di Crotona per lo scambio dispacci diretti agli uffici postali civili, a mezzo dei quali sarà avviata la propria corrispondenza.

Pregasi impartire, d'urgenza, le disposizioni che ne conseguono.

parà alla forza dei concentramenti alle loro dipendenze, ricavate sul totale delle economie che si realizzano per effetto delle soppressioni degli uffici P.M. su indicati.

4°) - Per il personale militarizzato che viene ad essere disponibile sarà provveduto a parte. I militari di ausilio rientrano senz'altro ai corpi di provenienza, su disposizioni dei comandi interessati.

5°) - L'ufficio posta militare 72 e la sezione dell'ufficio P.M. 217 sostituiranno rispettivamente gli uffici P.M. 126 e P.M. 50 nel servizio di scambio dispacci con gli aereporti, per cui dovranno essi essere forniti dei rispettivi comandi di regione del necessario antemesso per il trasporto dei dispacci.

Il Comando Militare della Puglia - Lucania prenderà invece accordi con la locale Direzione Provinciale P.P. per lo scambio dispacci con l'aeroporto, mettendo, se necessario, a disposizione uno degli automezzi già impiegati per la posta militare.

Il Comando Militare della Calabria riceverà il raccordo trisettimanale con l'aeroporto di Crotone per lo scambio dispacci diretti agli uffici postali civili, a mezzo dei quali sarà avviata la propria corrispondenza.

Pregasi impartire, d'urgenza, le disposizioni che ne conseguono.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. Senti)
P/fo

P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO DI S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO SERVIZI
(A. Quercia)

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Allegato al foglio n°

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Postale

Costituzione dei concentramenti P.M. 3400 (Napoli) e 3800 (Roma)

N° del Concentramento	FORZA			Ente che li Amministra	DIPENDENZE	
	Uff. Milit.	Grad. Milit.	Sold. Avsil.		Tecniche	Disciplinari
3400	16	10	4	Deposito 31° Panteria	(S.M.R.E. Ufficio Servizi	Comando mili- tare Campania Napoli
3800	12	8	4	Distretto Militare Roma II^	Sezione Postale	Comando mili- tare Lazio Roma

NOTA : Il provvedimento sarà sanzionato dall'ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione.

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Sezione Postale

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soppressione uffici poste militare.-

la M. M. I. A.

R O M A

Si trasmette per conoscenza copia
del foglio n° 9/9541-109/Serv. del 18 corr.
relativo alla soppressione degli uffici
P.M. 50 - 68 - 114 - 120 - 126.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. Santi)

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Subject: Postal Arrangements - Green Envelopes.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/16

MINISTRY OF WAR

21 Oct 44

Ref your 1442/D of 27 Oct 44.

1. There is no objection to "Green Envelopes" being manufactured from the blue coloured paper as per sample returned herewith.
2. It will be necessary, of course, for the wording previously laid down, to be printed thereon.

F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES Lt. Col.
For Major General.
M. M. I. A.

SPA/hh

Copy to: 'I' Branch.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI
SEZIONE POSTALE

N. 8185/-305 di prot. Serv. ^{fol} P. M. 151. II Settembr 294

Risposta al foglio N. I/II3 del 20 - 7 Allegati

OGGETTO: Evasione alle norme della censura.
Evasion of censorship regulations

Alla SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
M.M.I.A. ROMA

In relazione al rilievo partecipato col foglio sopradistinto informasi che al S.Fen. SCARPATO Carmine sono stati inflitti 5 giorni di A.S. con la seguente motivazione :
"Ufficiale censore, non si atteneva nello esplicare il suo servizio, alle vigenti norme circa l'inoltro della corrispondenza censurata!"

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. S. 1)

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AAI *informid*
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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI
SEZIONE POSTALE

N. 9 *MMV* di prot. Serv.

Risposta al foglio N. I/II3

del 30/6

P. M. 151. *h. ad*

Settembre 1944

Allegati

OGGETTO: Evasioni alle norme sulla censura.

Evasoni di corrispondenza regolata

Alla SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C. - M.M.I.A.

ROMA

A seguito foglio pari numero del 14 Luglio scorso.-
Per i rilievi segnalati con la lettera sopra distinta è stato
provveduto come segue:

SS.	Grado	Nome	verbale n.
"	I5	al Sergente MIGLIORI Francesco	773
"	6	al Capitano MATURA Giuseppe	774
"	5	al S. Tenente VALDANI Osvaldo	775
"	5	al Sottotenente CECCHI Ielio	776
"	2	al Cap. M. S. MAGGIOLINI Beniamino	777
"	2	all'artigliere NOTTI Aldo	778
"	4	al Cap. M. S. MARTINELLI Mario	779
"	IO	al Caporale TARANTINO Mario	780-782
"	2	al Caporale TARANTINO Mario	781
"	I5	al Serg. Maggiore SOGLIA Carlo	805
"	IO	al fante SPALLUTO Ginesio	806
"	2	al Carabiniere LEOPARDI Cosimo	819
"	6	al artigliere DONADA Roberto	831-834
"		al Capitano MATERA Giuseppe	836-837
"			838-839
"			840-
"			841-842
"			843-844
"			845-846
"			847
"			848
"			849

A seguito foglio peri numero del I4 luglio scorso.-
Per i rilievi segnalati con la lettera sopra distinta é stato
provveduto come segue:

SS.	I5	S.R.	al Sergente NIGLIORI Francesco	verbale n.	773
"	6	A.S.	al Capitano MATERA Giuseppe	"	774
"	5	A.S.	al S.Tenente VALDANI Civaldo	"	775
"	3	A.S.	al Sottotenente CECCHI Lelio	"	776
"	2	C.P.S.	al Cap.Magg.MAGGIOLINI Beniamino	"	777
"	2	C.P.S.	all'artigliere MOTTI Aldo	"	778
"	4	C.P.S.	al Cap.Magg.MARTINELLI Mario	"	779
"	IO	C.P.R.	al Caporale TARANTINO Mario	"	700-782
"	2	C.P.S.	al Caporale TARANTINO Mario	"	781
"	I5	S.P.R.	al Serg.Maggiore SOGLIA Carlo	"	805
"	IO	C.F.R.	al fante SPALLUTO Ginesio	"	806
"	2	C.P.R.	al Carabiniere LEOPARDI Cosimo	"	819
"	6	A.S.	all'artigliere DONADA Roberto	"	833-834
"			al Capitano MATERA Giuseppe	"	836-837
"				"	838-839
"				"	840-
"	5	S.P.R.	al sergente DUMO Vittorio	"	841-842
"	5	C.P.R.	all'artigliere POLETTI Romano	"	843-844
"	5	C.P.R.	all'artigliere STELLA Donato	"	845-846
"	5	C.P.R.	all'artigliere MASCIÒ Donato	"	847
"	4	C.P.S.	all'artigliere BURRINI Carlo	"	848
"	5	C.P.R.	al Caporale BORIA Gino	"	849
"	5	S.P.R.	al Serg.Magg. BRINGIOTTI Angelo	"	850
"	5	C.F.R.	all'artigliere Gibertini Giancarlo	"	851
"	5	C.P.R.	all'artigliere DE MORIO Francesco	"	852
"	5	C.P.R.	all'artigliere RICCI Quinto	"	853
"	5	C.P.R.	all'artigliere PALCO Fioravante	"	854
"	IO	A.S.	al maresciallo PUGLIATTI Armando	"	859
"	5	A.S.	al Capitano PALAGUERRA Dino	"	875

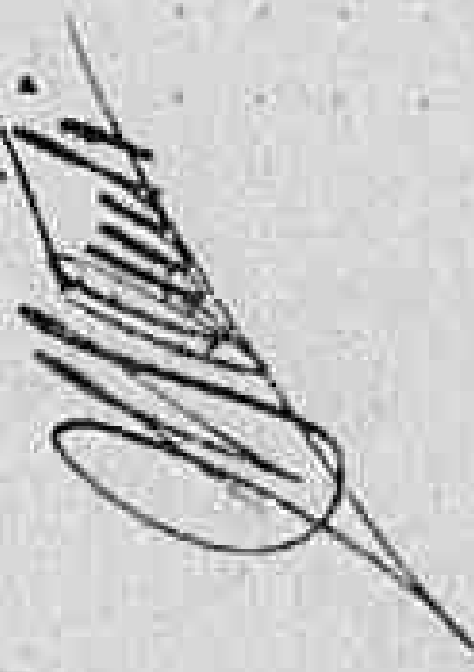
Si fa presente inoltre che:
a)- sono state trasmesse con preghiera di comunicazione diretta:
- 2 verbali allo S.M. R.Marina;
- 1 verbale al Comando Generale R.G.F.;
- 1 verbale allo S.M.R.Aeronautica;

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- b)- sono tuttora in corso gli accertamenti per le responsabilità relative a sei verbali per i quali si fa riserva di ulteriori comunicazioni.
- c)- non é emersa alcuna responsabilità a carico del Maggiore RUSSO Carmelo (Verbale n.800) in quanto la cartolina é risultata regolarmente imposta presso la Poste Militare 410 dato che il Maggiore Russo in data 15-6 prestava servizio presso il LI C.A.
- d)- il sergente maggiore GIANNINI Felice, di cui al verbale n.855 é eroicamente caduto in combattimento sul torrente Fiumicello (Macerata) il 7 Luglio scorso.

IL GENERALE ADDUNTO
(A. Santi)



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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
-Uff. Assistenza e Propaganda-

n. 6737 /A.P. di prot.
OGGETTO: Films.

P.M. 151, li 13 ottobre 1944



ARMY SUB COMMISSION (ARMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Ufficio C.A.

13/10/44
7010
R O M A

S E D E

A seguito foglio n. 5504/A.P. in data 5 corrente di questo S.M. si trasmette copia di lettera pervenuta dal Comando Militare della Sardegna.-



GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)
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10/10/44

COPIA

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
Sottosezione Assistenza

n.4486/S-6/Ass. di prot.

P.M. 50, li 8 ottobre 1944

OGGETTO: Restituzione film.

request to have films returned

ALLA DITTA JAGO MAZZA - presso Teatro Olympia,
e, per conoscenza:

CAGLIARI

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Assistenza e Propaganda

P.M. 151

- rif. cablogramma 6001/A.P. del 28 settembre 1944.-

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Giusta le disposizioni impartite dallo S.M.R.N. e gli accordi conclusi fra questo Comando ed il signor CAVIGLIONE funzionario per le Sardegna della Sezione Films Ufficio Psicologico di Guerra alleato; V.S. è pregata di restituire alla Sottosezione Assistenza di questo Comando, entro e non oltre il giorno 12 P.V., i sottotitoli films già a V.S. ceduti in temporanea consegna dal predetto Sig. Cavaglione:

- ROCCINI - LA COMPAGNIA DELLA TRIPA - LA GUARDIA DEL CORPO
- STASERA NIENTE DI NUOVO - IL BRAVO DI VENEZIA - DON PASQUALE

Quanto sopra sino a quando la Sottocommissione Alleata di Roma comunicherà le definitive decisioni adottate in merito all'assegnazione del films in parola.-

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3° ordine
P. IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE epl.
IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
f.to Ten.Col. Mario Caselli

ALLA DITTA JACO MAZZA - presso Teatro Olympia CAGLIARI
e, per conoscenza:
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Ufficio Assistenza e Propaganda
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- ROSSINI - LA COMPAGNIA DELLA TEPPE - LA GUARDIA DEL CORPO
- STASERA NIENTE DI NUOVO - IL BRAVO DI VENEZIA - DON PASQUALE

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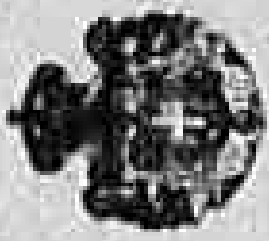
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IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
f.to Ten.Col. Mario Cappello

F.C.C.
IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Maffei Nicaletti)



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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI

-sezione postale -

N. 3911-305 di prot. Serv.

Risposta al foglio NL/113

del 30.9.44

Allegati

P. M. 151. li 10 ottobre 1944

OGGETTO: servizio postale per le zone avanzate.

LA M. M. I. A.

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
-Gabinetto Ufficio C.A.

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1°)- I ritardi nell'invio della corrispondenza del fronte al paese sono di massima dovuti al fatto che alcuni reparti, per deficienza di mezzi di trasporto e per la distanza che li separa dagli uffici di P.M., anzi che giornalmente, prevedono al servizio di raccordo con gli uffici stessi due o tre volte alla settimana e qualcuno anche più raramente; talvolta le corrispondenze sostano eccessivamente negli uffici dei comandi per la censura.

Questo S.M. con circolare n. 9/8402-305/Serv. del 26 settembre scorso, trasmessa anche a cotea Missione col foglio n. 9/7373-305/Serv. del 27.9.44 ha ancora una volta richiamato i Comandi interessati per chè tali irregolarità siano eliminate.

Sono inoltre in corso contestazioni agli uffici P.M. 179 e P.M. 185 per l'accertamento delle responsabilità relative a due casi di rilevante ritardo, segnalati nell'arrivo dei dispacci al n. 7 British Base Censor.

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
-Gabinetto Ufficio C.A.

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P.M. 151

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II°)-I ritardi nell'invio della corrispondenza dal paese alla zona operativa, sono da attribuirsi essenzialmente a deficienze nei mezzi di trasporto cui si cerca di ovviare nel modo migliore.

Si è anche verificato nel funzionamento di tale servizio:

- che il n.7 British Base Censor, nei mesi di luglio, agosto e settembre, ha restituito giornalmente un numero di corrispondenze inferiore a quello ricevuto per la

revisione; ciò fu fatto presente verbalmente al Magg. BAUMANN della M.M.I.A., il quale ne attribuì le cause alla difficoltà di trovare personale inglese ed ameri- cano a perfetta conoscenza della lingua italiana;

- che nel trasporto dei dispacci postali da Napoli agli uffici A.P.O. in z.o. (trasporto effettuato esclusiva- mente dagli alleati) si è verificata qualche ritardo anche notevole; infatti l'ufficio P.M. 179 della 210^a Divisione in data 30 agosto u.s. ricevette dalla A.P.O. di collegamento tutte insieme le seguenti spedizioni:

N.161	del 25.7.44	ritardo giorni	36
" 162	" 26.7.44	"	35
" 164	" 28.7.44	"	33
" 166	" 30.7.44	"	31
" 178	" 11.8.44	"	19
" 179	" 12.8.44	"	18
" 182	" 15.8.44	"	15
" 183	" 16.8.44	"	14

In proposito il Dirigente della 2^a Base Postale di Ba- gnoli ebbe a far conoscere che, dato l'intenso lavoro svolto in quel periodo di tempo per l'avanzata delle truppe, si erano verificate molte irregolarità nello incitro dei dispacci, ma che in atto l'avviamento era in via di normalizzazione.

III°)- Si è preso nota delle dipendenze della C.C.M. dalla Mi- litary Censorship.

IV°)- Con l'occasione si assicura codeste M.M.I.A. che questo S.M. segue con particolare interessamento il servizio di P.M. e non manca di intervenire sia presso il Comand. ed uffici di P.M. dipendenti, sia presso la Direzione Gene- rale P.P.Tt. ogni qualvolta si riscontrino irregolarità ed abusi, allo scopo di meglio garantire il regolare fun- zionamento del servizio in parola.

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-A.Santi-

"	164	"	28.7.44	"	"	"	33
"	166	"	30.7.44	"	"	"	31
"	178	"	11.8.44	"	"	"	19
"	179	"	12.8.44	"	"	"	18
"	182	"	15.8.44	"	"	"	15
"	183	"	16.8.44	"	"	"	14

In proposito il Dirigente della 2^a Base Postale di Bagnoli ebbe a far conoscere che, dato l'intenso lavoro svolto in quel periodo di tempo per l'avanzata delle truppe si erano verificate molte irregolarità nello inoltrare dei dispacci, ma che in atto l'avviamento era in via di normalizzazione.

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO

-A. Santi-



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SUBJECT: Italian Military Mail

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
I/113
6 Oct 44

A.A.I.

Ref your 1145/1/Q/I(o) of 26 Sep.

Herewith copy of SMRE Circular Letter "Censorship of
Military Mail" for information.

J.P.
Maj Gen
M M I A

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI

Sezione Postale

α.9/7373-305/Serv.

P. M. 151. ⁹⁴ settembre 1944

Risposta al foglio N. 1/113 del 7/9 *Allegati*

OGGETTO: censura posta militare italiana.-

Al 1' ARMY SUB COMMISSION - HQ - A.C.C.

ROMA

In relazione a quanto segnalato col foglio sopra distinto, trasmettessi copia della circolare diramata da questo S.M. agli Enti e Comandi interessati.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. Sant.)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
INFORMATION AND CENSORSHIP SECTION
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
ITALIAN THEATRE HEADQUARTERS
P.W.B. UNIT No. 12 U.S.A.P.O. 512

September 20, 1944

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To : Army Sub Commission (MMIA) H.Q. A.C.C. ROME
From : PWB Film Section, Unit I2, APO 512, U.S. Army
Copy to: Mr. G.W. Edman, A.D.P.W.O. Italy
Subject: Italian Films in Sardinia

MMIA	I
FILE REF	/
Det. Recd	21/9/44

Re your letter dated 15 Sept. 44.

1. The following films:

BRAVO DI VENEZIA = STASERA NIENTE DI NUOVO
COMPAGNIA DELLA TEPPA = GUARDIA DEL CORPO
BARBABLU = ROSSINI = DON PASQUALE

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were given by the Italian Distributors to the Italian Army to be shown to operating troops in Corsica, and not to the civilian population.

2. It is understood that the same is to be valid for Sardinia too. 31

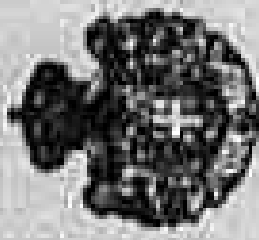
3. Italian Distributors asked P.W.B. Film Section to have them handed to Mr. Jago Mazza who will take care of the exploitation of the above films to the civilian population of Sardinia, as they have not yet played in this island.

4. It is obvious that authority comes from both Distributors and owners of films.

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Lt. Filade
PWB Film Section
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
A.F.H.Q.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI
SEZIONE POSTALE

N. 9/1610-305/di prof. Serv.

Risposta al foglio N.

del

OGGETTO: infrazioni ai regolamenti di censura.

P. M. 151, 1226 settembre 1944

Allegati

→ Alla SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L' ESERCITO - A.C.C. - M.M.I.A.
(Rif. f. n. 1/113 del 10/7)
e per conoscenza;

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE - S.I.M.
Ispettorato Censura Militare

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Sciogliendo la riserva fatta col foglio n° 9/5157-305/Serv. del 4.8, informasi che sono stati adottati i seguenti provvedimenti a carico dei responsabili delle infrazioni segnalate col foglio in riferimento:

1°- 25. 10 A.R. al S.Ten. Tullio BERNINI del LI° Btg. Genio con la seguente motivazione: "Con estrema leggerezza, in una lettera diretta a un collega, scriveva con intenzione scherzosa una frase di grave significato, dando luogo a giusti rilievi da parte della Censura Postale Alleata";

2°- 25. 5 A.R. al Ten. VALSECCHI Alberto con la seguente motivazione: "Inoltre una lettera contenente notizie di carattere familiare servendosi del timbro postale in franchigia del Comando di Reggimento, contravven-

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e per conoscenza;
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Answer to 7047 113/2 IL GENERALE ADDETTO (A. Senti)

Alberto Bernini

10 days case arrest to S " " " "

Luigi Valsecchi
R Noted 1/10

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UFFICIO SERVIZI

Sezione Postale

209/8410-305/di prot. Serv.

P. M. 151. *26* settembre 1944

Risposta al foglio N. *1/113*

del del I°/7 Allegati

OGGETTO: evasione alle norme per la censura postale
in z.o. - *Revisione di postal censorship*

Al la SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L' ESERCITO
A.C.C. - M.M.I.A.

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A seguito foglio n°9/5425-305/Serv.
del 6/8 e sciogliendo la riserva di cui al
paragrafo 3°:

- si trasmette in copia il risultato delle indagini per il rilievo a carico del Ten. Cappellano MAGLIO Don Filippo;
- si informa che il Maresciallo SANTORO è stato punito con gg. 15 A.R. e gg. 20 A. S.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. Santi)



C O P I A

COMANDO 410° Reggimento Fanteria

Prot. n° 600/R

P.M. 185, 20 luglio 1944

OGGETTO: contravvenzione ai regolamenti postali e alle norme per la censura militare.-

.....INDIRIZZI OMESSI.....

A seguito foglio N° 523/R del 9.7.44 comunico i seguenti fatti risultanti dall'inchiesta ordinata da Godesto Comando con foglio n°163/RP del 1° 11/6.44:

1°- La dicitura "Cappellano militare 522 Fanteria Plotone Cdo - P.M. 185" apposta su tre delle quattro lettere incriminate, e precisamente sulla busta della lettera del 12.5.44 indirizzata all'ex - C.N. Martelli Nicola 171 Btg. A.C. Castelvetrano (Trapani); sulla busta della lettera del 12.5.44 indirizzata al Soldato DE RISIO Luigi 33 Reggimento Fanteria Caltanissetta (Messina) e su quella della lettera sempre in data 12.5.44 diretta al Fante MANCINI Tommaso Ex 18° Legione M.V.S.N. - Castelvetrano (Napoli), come pure la dicitura di P.C. (verificato per censura) sul davanti delle buste stesse non sono state apposte dal Tenente Cappellano Filippo MAGLIO, ma dal Maresciallo Ord. SANTORO Giovanni del fu Luigi classe 1908, distretto Bari, dell'ufficio Matricola e Materiali di questo Comando.

2°- La dicitura a stampatello "Nittente ten Capp. Don Filippo MAGLIO 222° Reggimento Fanteria V.M. 185" apposta alla fine del testo e sul retro della busta della lettera indirizzata al marinaio IANICO Antonio, Regio Incrociatore Scipione l'Africano Ministero Marina Taranto" non è stata apposta dal Ten Capp. Don Filippo Magli ne da altre persone di questo Comando, ma direttamente da qualche civile, come lo dimostra anche l'errata dicitura - V.M. anziché P.M. - dell'indirizzo, errore inconcepibile per un militare, è il fatto che la lettera, come risulta chiaramente dal bollo, è stata impostata alla posta civile a Bari e non alla posta Militare 185;

3°- per un errata interpretazione delle istruzioni date dalle Superiori Autorità circa il funzionamento degli uffici assistenza per le famiglie dei militari, allo scopo di dare un pronto conforto alle famiglie da tempo prive di notizie dei propri congiunti alle armi nelle zone già liberate dalle armate alleate, il mio predecessore Col. Attilio ZAMBONI aveva temuto che fosse lecito inoltrare, oltre la corrispondenza militare ripriamente detta, anche lettere dirette a militari contenenti poche parole di conforto da parte dei congiunti sprovvisti del tutto di notizie.

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il mio predecessore si preoccupò per dare ordine perché tale forma di attività assistenziale cessasse. Senonché il Maresciallo Ordinario SANTORO Giovanni già addetto all'ufficio Amministrazione del IX Corpo d'Armata di Bari assegnato a questo Comando solo il 20 aprile e addetto all'ufficio Matricola e materiali, si mise al corrente soltanto superficialmente delle disposizioni precise in materia di corrispondenza e di censura nella zona operazioni armate alleate - come dimostra lo stesso fatto che non appose, alla fine del testo sull'angolo in basso a sinistra della busta, il nome in chiaro dell'ufficiale mittente. Egli arbitrariamente appose l'incriminate la stessa dicitura che aveva avuto modo di vedere per caso su altre lettere in errore in risposta a precedenti invii di notizie. Il SANTORO senza interpellare l'aiutante maggiore in I° da me incaricato della censura per i militari del reggimento, durante una delle frequenti assenze di questi per motivi di servizio, ammette di avere usato il precedente sistema nella convinzione che le lettere dei civili dirette a militari da lui revisionate e prive di notizie militari, potessero aver corso assieme alla posta dei militari del reggimento, incorse così inconsapevolmente in una duplice mancanza:

- 1° - servendosi arbitrariamente del nome del Cappellano senza essere da lui autorizzato e sol perché in precedenza vigeva tale sistema;
- 2° - apponendo la propria sigla non autorizzato da alcuno sulle lettere firmate dalla censura.

In considerazione dei suoi ottimi precedenti della sua condotta e del suo elevato rendimento e del fatto che poco era in servizio presso il comando di reggimento in zona operazioni armate alleate, ed, infine, del fatto che la precedente attività dell'ufficio assistenza del reggimento può averlo indotto in errore su quello che era l'attuale attribuzione di esso, l'ho punito con il massimo della punizione con la seguente causale: "sottufficiale addetto ad un comando accettava da privati tre lettere dirette a congiunti alle armi apponendo quale mittente l'indirizzo del Cappellano Militare reggimentale incaricato dell'ufficio assistenza e la propria firma per revisione censura, contravvenendo così, sia pure in buona fede, alle norme che regolano il servizio postale in z.o.."

In considerazione dei fatti sopra esposti ritengo pertanto opportuno far presente a codesto Comando la necessità di sospendere l'inoltro della denuncia a carico del Tenente Cappellano Don Filippo MAGLIO di questo Comando come ordinato con foglio n°163/R.P. dell' 11.6.1944.

IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
F.to Luigi Selis Longu

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 IL CAPO SEZIONE P.M.- S.M.R.E.
 (Magg. C.G. Pertusati)

C. Pertusati

IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
 F.to Luigi Selis Longu

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SUBJECT: Mail Service for the Forward Zones

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
I/113
30 Sept 44

Ministry of War

Copy to: AAI (Your 1145/1/G/I(c) of 26 Sept refers)

Ref our I/113 of 7 Sept 44

1. The G i/o Censura Centrale Militare has continually drawn attention to the delay and time lag which takes place between the date the letters are written and the date the letters reach the censor. This delay is caused through units failing to censor and forward letters the same day to Allied A.P.Os. Unit Orderly Rooms keep letters for several days.
2. It has also been reported that, in many cases, mail takes two months to reach its destination. This would indicate a very lax state of affairs somewhere in the Italian Postal Services. It is known that Censura Centrale Militare does not hold or delay letters for more than a day or two.
3. You are requested to investigate and report on steps taken to accelerate despatch of Italian mail to Allied A.P.Os and make the necessary representations to the Italian Civil Postal authorities concerning mail in the reverse direction. The results of your investigations should be reported to this Headquarters.
4. For your information it is pointed out that the Censura Centrale Militare is not an A.C.C. responsibility, but one which concerns Military Censorship.

[Signature]
Maj Gen
M M I A

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Subject: Mail Service for the Forward Zones.

M.M.I.A.

AAI/1145/1/0/1(c)

1. Ref attached copy of letter No M 61035/0-Gens dated 13 Sep 44, from the Comando Supremo, Ispettorato Censura Militare, to A.S.C. passed to this Hq for action.
2. The C1/c Censura Centrale Militare has continually draws attention to the delay and time lag which takes place between the date the letters are written and the date the letters reach the Censur. He has, however, been able to point to the cause of the delay, as stated by Italian troops in their letters, i.e. that units do not censor and forward letters the same day to Allied A.P.O.s, but keep them in the unit orderly rooms for several days.
3. The location of the Censur is, therefore, not a material factor in the expediting of the service. The aim is to ensure that letters written by Italian soldiers are censored in the units and forwarded the same day as headed in.
4. By the enclosed letter the Stato Maggiore would appear to be trying to place the responsibility for the delay on the Allied Services. (para 1).
5. The complaint contained in para 2 also originates from the C1/c Censura Centrale Militare, and would indicate a very lax state of affairs somewhere in the Italian Postal Services. It is known that Censura Centrale Militare does not hold or delay letters for more than a day or two.
6. It is requested that the Stato Maggiore be advised of the a/m **25** and instructed to investigate and report on steps taken to accelerate **24** mail to Allied APOs. Also to make the necessary representations to the Italian Civil Postal authorities concerning mail in the reverse direction.
7. Can S.E.G. also be informed that C.C.M. is not an A.S.C. responsibility, but one which concerns Military Censorship.

G.M.F.
26 Sep 44.

[Signature]
 Lt Colonel,
 G.S.I.(c),
 A.S.C.

SEGRETO

N. 61035/O-Cens.

13 Sept. 1944

Subject : Mail service for forward zones.

To : The Post and Communications Sub-Com. A.C.C.

Attention Col. J.L. Henderson

1. For your confidential informations, I wish to draw your attention to the fact, that all mail posted in the forward zones, through the Military Post Office, takes from eight to ten days to reach Central Allied Military Censorship. (The posting date is shown on the Post Office Stamp.)
2. It has also been reported that in many occasions, the mail takes two months to reach destination.
3. This inconvenience has caused many complains and as a result, soldiers going on leave have delivered letters that should pass through the Censure. For these cases men have been severely punished. 26
4. It is therefore suggested, to avoid complains and breaches of regulations, to have a Censure office brought to the forward areas.
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Lt.Col. Paolo Ducros

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DOPPIA BUSTA

STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE

S. I. M

ISPETTORATO CENSURA MILITARE

N. 61035/O-Cens. di prot.

P.M.151,11 13 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: Corrispondenza militare della fascia di operazioni.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione Telecom/ni e Poste

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**SEGRETO**  
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PRONEMORIA PER IL COLONNELLO J.L. HENDERSON

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2. E' stato pure segnalato che qualche volta la corrispondenza ha impiegato due mesi per la consegna al destinatario.
3. Questo inconveniente ha causato molte lagnanze e come risultato gli interessati si sono orientati a recapitare la posta a mano anzichè passare per la P.M.. Per questi casi essi sono stati severamente puniti.
4. Onde evitare tali lagnanze ed irregolarità, si propone l'avvicinamento dell'Ufficio Censura alla fascia di operazioni.
5. Queste informazioni e suggerimenti Vi sono rappresentati confidenzialmente affinchè Voi provvediate nel miglior modo che crederete opportuno. -

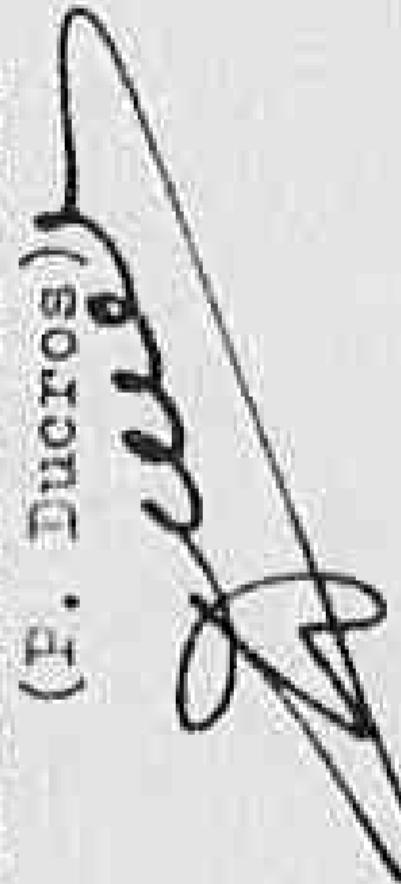
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IL TEN.COL. DI S.M.
(F. Ducros)



English translation on other side

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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP

STATION RECORD No. Tgm 458

From:

Maggiore Ailli, Salvato
Comandante del battaglione
NAPLES.

To:

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
CABINETTO P M ROMA

Give place of Postmark where there is no address

Date of communication or postmark if letter is undated

23 Sett. 1944
18:20

Type mail

Tgm

Reg. No.

7464

Language

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Previously censored by

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Previous relevant records

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COMANDANTE DEL BATTAGLIONE MAGGIORE
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MAJOR ZILLI SALVATO
COMMANDER OF THE BATTALION

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STATION
RECORD No. Tgm 459

From:

OCCHIPINTI, Direttore
NAPOLI

To:

DIRECONILES NAPOLI
AT GUERRA COMMISSARIATO
(ROMA)

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SUBJECT: Discipline

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
I/113
26 Sept 44

Ministry of War

The attached three (3) letters forwarded from
Censorship are passed to you for action.

Maj Gen
M M I A

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
INFORMATION AND CENSORSHIP SECTION
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
ITALIAN THEATRE HEADQUARTERS
P. W. B. UNIT No. 12 U.S.A.P.O. 512

23 September 1944

Capt. F. Selby
MIA
Rome

Re: Your 1/113 of 15 Sept 44

Dear Captain Selby:

We have yours of 22 September 1944 and beg to refer you to our letter of September 20, addressed to Army Sub Commission (MIA) HQ, ACC, Rome, from PWB Film Section, Unit 12, APO 512, US ARMY, on the subject of Italian Films in Sardinia, signed Lt. Filade Levi, PWB Film Section, which answers yours of 15th September fully.

George W. Eiman
GEORGE W. EIMAN
A.D.P.W.O. Italy (Lib.)

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hee - Have we this letter? If not will you pl. ask A/Q etc. Thanks G
hee: Mike

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Subject: - Postal Arrangements -
Italian Army.

Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E.
I/113
23 Sep 44 P

Navy Sub-Commission,
HQ ACC.

Ref your NSC/849 of 15 Sept.

Herewith as requested one copy of
Appx 'A' HQ AAI (Acm Echelon) Instructions 2020/3/02
of 2 Apr 44.


Major General.
Military Mission Italian Army.

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COPY.

Subject: Postal Arrangements - Italian Army.

HQ AAI (ADM NICHOLSON) CEF.

2020/5/02.

2 Apr 44.

Fifth Army
Fifth Army (Br Increment)
Rear Eighth Army
Main Eighth Army
5 Corps.

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(Sgd.) Q.V. HOARE, Lt.Col.,
for Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

APPENDIX "A" to 2030/5/02
dated 2 Apr., 44.

Correspondence posted by Italian troops in British and US Army and Corps areas.

1. (a) All private mail from Italian officers and other ranks (including Carabinieri Reale) serving in British or US Army or Corps areas will be Unit censored in accordance with instructions issued by Italian Supreme Command, and whenever possible, will be posted at Italian Field Post Offices operating in that area.
- (b) When it is not possible to post private mail as specified in sub-para. (a) above it will be placed in a mail bag or sealed envelope addressed to "Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7, Army Post Office, Base Censor 7, CEF", and handed over to the nearest British or US Army Post Office. Italian civil or military addresses.

2. (a) At Italian Field Post Offices in Army or Corps areas all private mail posted there will be made up in sealed bags, labelled "Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7, CEF", and handed over to the nearest British or US Army Post Office from which it is to be forwarded.

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2. (a) At Italian Field Post Offices in Army or Corps areas all private mail posted there will be made up in sealed bags, labelled "Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7, CEF", and handed over to the nearest British or US Army Post Office from which incoming mail is collected for transmission to the addressee. US Base APOs at BARI and NAPLES will transfer all such bags or packages to the British Base APO.
(b) The conveyance of private correspondence from members of the Italian Forces (including Carabinieri Reale) serving in Army or Corps areas other than as specified above, is forbidden.
(c) Mails reaching Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7, CEF, will be collected by Italian Civil Postal authorities for onward transmission through the Italian Civil or Military Postal system.
3. (a) Private correspondence from members of the Italian Forces serving behind the areas specified above will continue to be posted at Italian Civil or Military Post Offices as at present, and will not be accepted at British or US APOs.
(b) Only postcards and ordinary letters not exceeding 90 grammes

in weight may be posted by Italian service personnel. Newspapers, packets and parcels are forbidden, and registration of letters is not available.

Correspondence addressed to Italian troops in Army and Corps areas.

4. (a) Private mail addressed to Italian officers and other ranks (including Carabinieri Reali) serving in British or US Army and Corps areas may be posted by Italian civilians at Italian Civil or Military Post Offices which are authorized to be open, and will be confined to postcards and letters not exceeding 90 grammes in weight.
5. (a) The postal address for letters sent to personnel serving with Italian Units or HQs will be the same as that used prior to the move of the Unit into British or US Army or Corps areas (i.e. the former "PM" number will continue to be used).
- (b) The address for Italian officers and other ranks attached to British or US Headquarters or Units will be the PM number used by the Italian unit to which they are affiliated unless they can conveniently collect mail from the latter. The title of the Headquarters or Unit to which they are attached will not be shown.
6. (a) All correspondence as detailed above will be passed by Allied Censor Control Officers operating with the Civil Postal Service and will then be circulated to the Ufficio de Concentramento (Italian Base Army PO) at either NARI or NAPLES.
- (b) The Ufficio de Concentramento will make up sealed mails for the Italian Field Post Offices in British or US Army or Corps areas and will transfer these to the British Base APOs at NARI or NAPLES, or the US Base APO at NAPLES by arrangements with the British or US Army Postal Services for onward conveyance to the nearest British or US APO from which it will be collected by the Italian Field Post Office.
- (c) Letters bearing the PM number only in the address (sub para 5(b)) will be made up at the Ufficio de Concentramento into bags or packages addressed to "Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7" and will be transferred to the British Base APO at NARI or NAPLES.
- (d) Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7 will maintain a record of the British or US Headquarters or Unit to which Italian officers or other ranks using the "PM" address are attached, will redirect letters accordingly, and return them to the British Base Army Post Office. Such letters will then be put in course for delivery to the US Base Army Post Office for

Italian Units or HQs will be the same as that used prior to the move of the Unit into British or US Army or Corps areas (i.e. the former "PM" number will continue to be used).

- (b) The address for Italian officers and other ranks attached to British or US Headquarters or Units will be the PM number used by the Italian unit to which they are affiliated unless they can conveniently collect mail from the latter. The title of the Headquarters or Unit to which they are attached will not be shown.
- 6. (a) All correspondence as detailed above will be passed by Allied Censor Control Officers operating with the Civil Postal Service and will then be circulated to the Ufficio de Concentramento (Italian Base Army PO) at either BARI or NAPLES.
- (b) The Ufficio de Concentramento will make up sealed mails for the Italian Field Post Offices in British or US Army or Corps areas and will transfer these to the British Base APOs at BARI or NAPLES, or the US Base APO at NAPLES by arrangements with the British or US Army Postal Services for onward conveyance to the nearest British or US APO from which it will be collected by the Italian Field Post Office.
- (c) Letters bearing the PM number only in the address (sub para 5(b)) will be made up at the Ufficio de Concentramento into bags or packages addressed to "Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7" and will be transferred to the British Base APO at BARI or NAPLES.
- (d) Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7 will maintain a record of the British or US Headquarters or Unit to which Italian officers or other ranks using the "PM" address are attached, will redirect letters accordingly, and return them to the British Base Army Post Office. Such letters will then be put in course for delivery to British units or transferred to the US Base Army Post Office for delivery to US units.

Action to be taken now by Italian Units or Personnel in British or US Army or Corps areas.

- 7. (a) Italian Headquarters or Units in possession of a Unit Censor Stamp issued by Censura Centrale Militare, Base Censor 7, CMP, and situated in British or US Army or Corps areas will appoint a post orderly to deliver and collect mail from the nearest Italian Field Post Office.
- (b) Units not in possession of such a CCM stamp will deliver their mail to the nearest Italian Unit holding one. If this entails hardship, a request for a CCM stamp may be addressed to the Censura Centrale Militare, BASE CENSOR 7, CMP, stating reasons and giving location, strength, nearest holder of a CCM stamp.
- (c) Italian officers or other ranks attached to British or US Head-

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quarters or Units, and who have no Italian HQ or Unit address which they can use will not indicate in their private letters the name of the Headquarters or Unit to which they are attached but only the "PA" address. They will, however, enclose a piece of paper showing correct British or US Military address, which Censura Centrale Militare will extract and record for purpose of forwarding return mail, any change of address being similarly notified.

8. Until Italian Unit Censorship Regulations are published or Unit Censor stamps are issued, the following procedure will be followed:-

- (a) Italian officers will censor their own troop's mail and will frank each envelope with their signature in the lower left hand corner. They will similarly frank their own mail.
- (b) Italian officers will ensure that the regulations regarding the posting of mail in British and US Army and Corps areas are rigidly adhered to and that private mail is not despatched by any other means.
- (c) They will explain to their troops the procedure which is being followed to enable them to correspond with their families and friends in Italy and overseas.

Action to be taken now by Italian Supreme Command:-

- 9. (a) Publish Censorship Regulations for Italian units and personnel in British and US Army or Corps areas.
- (b) Furnish Censura Centrale Militare with an Order of Battle of those HQs and units for whom Unit Censor stamps are required. The present location and FM number should be shown against each proposed holder of a Unit Censor Stamp which will be restricted to those in British or US Army and Corps areas.

Action to be taken by Censura Centrale Militare:-

- 10. Issue Unit Censor Stamps.

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HQ ALLIED ARMY IN ITALY.

Tel:- AIRTEL 207.

2020/3/Q2.

21 Sep 44.

WMA

Reference your 1/113 dated 10 Sep., 44.

Attached as requested are two copies of AAI (Adm Echelon) Instruction 2020/3/Q2 dated 2 Apr., 44.

P.P. Radell J/c
Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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SUBJECT: Films

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
I/113
22 Sept 44

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P.W.E. ROME

Ref our I/113 of 15 Sept 44.

May a reply please be given to para 3 of our letter
under reference.

FRS/cgl

W. H. Selby
for Maj Gen
M M I A

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SUBJECT: Postal Regulations - Italian Army

Military Mission to the
Italian Army . ROME
I/113
18 Sept 44

AAI

Copy to: Navy Sub Commission AGC (Your NSO/849 of 15 Sept refers)

May this Headquarters please be furnished with two
copies of your AAI (Admin Echelon) Instructions 2020/3/Q2 of
2 April 44.

W. Selley, Capt
for Maj Gen
M M I A

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/849

15 September 1944.

From: ~~Navy~~ Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
 To : ~~Army~~ Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
 Subject: Evasion of Censorship Regulations.
 Reference: Your ltr I/113 of 13 September 1944.

1. Attachment to reference refers to "Postal Regulations for the Italian Army contained in Appendix "A" HQ, AAI (Adm Echelon) Instructions 2020/3/2 dated 2 April 44" and to "Control of Movement Regulations".

2. It is requested that this Sub-Commission be furnished with copies of these instructions.

H. W. Zironi
 H. W. ZIRONI,
 Commodore, U. S. Navy,
 for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

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SUBJECT: FILMS

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Army Sub Commission (SMIA)
H. Q. A.C.C.
R O M E
1/113
15 Sept 44

P. W. B. ROME

Copy to: War Ministry (Ref 6231/AP - SMIE of 14 Sept 44)

1. Attached is a copy of a signal from Military HQ SARDINIA to the Italian General Staff with reference to a request from PWB CAGLIARI for certain films belonging to the Italian Army to be handed over to civilian renters.
2. It is understood that these films are the following :
 "BRAVO di VENEZIA - STASERA NIENTE di NUOVI"
 "COMPAGNIA della TEPPIA" "GUARDIA del CORFO"
 "BARBARUS" "ROSSINI" "DON PASQUALE".
 They are used for the entertainment of Italian troops in the Island.
3. May we please be informed on what grounds and on whose authority the Italian Army is to hand over these films.

CGL.

W. Selby Capt
for Maj Gen
Army Sub Commission

STAB MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
-Uff. Assistenza e Proteranda-

6231/PP

P.M. 151, li 14 settembre 1944

AL MAGGIORE BAUMAN
Sottocommissione A.C.C.

S E D E

Le trascrivo un teletexto del Comando Militare della Sardegna relativo ai films in possesso di quel Comando e richiesti della Sezione del F.W.B. di Cagliari

" DA COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA AT S.M.R.E. - ASSISTENZA - SEQUITO FOGLIO 3553/ASS DEL 30 GIUGNO U.S. COMUNICASI CHE SEZIONES FILMS UFFICIO PSICOCLOGICO DI GUERRA ALLEATO CAGLIARI HA RICEVUTO RECENTEMENTE ISTRUZIONI DA AUTORITA' ALLEATE CENTRALI PER CONSEGNA NOTI FILMS DETTAGLIONE QUESTO COMANDO AT LOCALI INGRESE CINEMATOGRAFICHE PRIVATE. POICHE' TALI DISPOSIZIONI CONTRASTANO CON TELE 5861/OP DI CODESTO S.M.R.E. DATA 22 AGOSTO PRESSI PRENDERE CON SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ACCORDI DEFINITIVI E COMPLACERSI COMUNICARE DECISIONI ADOTTATE "

Come Ella ricorderà, in proposito Le ho inviato in visione la pratica, tuttora in Sue mani.

Le prego volermi dare qualche elemento di risposta in modo da definire la questione.

Molti cordiali saluti ai suoi -

Luca
Col M. Bauman

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Molti cordiali saluti *in un'ora*

Saluti
CA M. M. Cardella

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Army Sub Commission (MIA)
H. C. A. C. C.
R O M E
I/113
13 Sept 44

Navy Sub Commission ACC

Copy to: MIA LO Rear HQ EIGHTH Army (Your MR/106 of 9 Sept refers)

The attached copy of letter from our LO with Rear EIGHTH Army is forwarded for information and action as the personnel concerned are under the jurisdiction of the Italian Navy.

JAD
Maj Gen
Army Sub Commission

CGL.

Enclosures: Foglio di Viaggio
3 Message Forms

SUBJECT:- Evasion of Censorship Regulations.

Army Sub Commission, ACC
(M M I A)
Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
ML/106

9 Sep 44

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Army Sub Commission, MMIA
H Q A C C ROME.

Copy to:- GSI (b)
Main HQ EIGHTH ARMY. (Ref. M 309 I(b) of 8 Sep 44.)

1. The attached " FOGLIO DI VIAGGIO " made out by 1^o Regt. Artiglieria Marina, TARANTO, in favour of MANCHI, Amedeo, and three message forms addressed to persons living in the Army area, are forwarded for information and necessary action.
2. MANONI was intercepted by control of movement personnel while travelling as a courier to CGRA.
3. This, like the case of Col. BCVI (mentioned in my AM 107 of 6 Aug 44) would seem to be a flagrant violation both of the Postal Regulations for the Italian Army contained in Appx. "A" to HQ AAI (Adm. Echelon) Instruction 2020/S/22 dated 2 Apr 44, and of Control of Movement Regulations, and is regarded by G S I (b), EIGHTH ARMY, as a serious breach of security in the forward area.

regarded

60 Donnell, Capt
Lt-Col. G.S.
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

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reported

Go Donnell, Capt

*Lt-Col. G.S.
MILIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.*

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Subject: Evasion of Censorship - Colonel BOVI.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AC/6/1.

11 Sep 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Reference our AC/6/1 dated 27 Aug 44 to S.M.R.E.,
which refers to your 137/RIS/CP.1 of 24 Aug.

1. To date no reply has been received.
2. Please expedite reply.

fr.
Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

hh.

Copy to: File I/113 —

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SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Military Mail

Army Sub Commission (MIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E
1/113
7 Sep 44

Ministry of War

Copy to: AM

1. During a meeting held at MIA on 5 Sep attended by British Censorship Authorities the following salient points, requiring urgent attention and action were discussed.

(i) Collection and Delivery of Italian Military Mail

Letters from Italian Units reaching No 7 Base Censor show that in several cases there is a delay of anything up to three months in letters reaching the Base Censor.

This indicates that, in certain Units, there is no regular collection of mail. Letters are allowed to consulate and the Unit Postal personnel forward the mail only when they consider there is sufficient amount to warrant despatch to the nearest Allied A.P.O.

This unnecessary delay has a serious effect on the morale of the soldiers. Units must be instructed to forward mail regularly. This can be done by loading mail bags, correctly addressed and sealed, on the Unit/Uniton Truck or any other transport available.

Military mail must be given the highest priority.

(ii) Procedure for delivery and collection of Italian Mail in Operational Areas.

Whenever an Italian Unit enters an operational area (COMA di OPERAZIONI) the nearest British or American A.P.O. should be contacted at once. The Allied A.P.O. will see that the Italian mail is carried back to the Base Censor. Italian mail bags must be sealed and clearly addressed to No 7 BASE CENSOR GROUP - C.C.M. - C.M.F. (Br APO 15).

(iii) Green Envelopes (Buste Privilegiate)

All Italian Units are entitled to these; few units are using them. It is clear that in many cases soldiers are not issued with BUSTE PRIVILEGIATE.

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Some Units, however, have had special BUSSE PRIVILEGIUM with the correct address printed (specimen attached). This is commendable and it is urged that arrangements be made by you to have all Units well supplied with these envelopes. Furthermore all unit commanders and officers in charge of Unit Censorship should be instructed to issue them regularly.

(iv) Free Postage

It is evident from our experience that many Italian soldiers do not know that they are entitled to free postage in Army areas. Some write to relatives asking for stamps as they are unable to buy them in the unit. Furthermore some letters unstamped from Army areas are returned, while others are taxed.

All Italian Units in the Army Areas must be informed of the privilege of free postage.

(v) Censorship

Some Unit Censor Officers are applying the Censor Stamp to sheets before the letter is written. This is a serious breach of Censorship Regulations and officers responsible must be instructed to carry out Censorship according to the rules. 152 Artieri Coy P.M. 179 is the worst offender.

2. The above points are all important as they affect the morale of the Italian soldier. The Allied Postal and Censorship authorities are anxious to assist the Italian Army in every way.

3. It is therefore requested that you issue comprehensive and clear instructions to all concerned obeying points (i) - (v) above in order that the handling, delivery and censorship of Italian Military mail may run smoothly, thus avoiding breaches of security, discontent amongst troops and illicit posting of mail.

4. Please send two copies of your instructions to us.

L. Brown

Maj Gen
Army Sub-Commissioner

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