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TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War. REF: 231484/II

TO: Brigadiere CONTI GETULIO MARCELLO. DATE: 31 December 1946.
Legal Subcommission for info.

SUBJECT:- Application.

In reply to memo dated 2 October last, relative to request for admission to the Military Academy:

1) - We regret to inform you that:

a) - your admission to the Military Academy is not possible, as you exceed the maximum age limit of 25 years laid down for N.C.O.s of the Carabinieri (art.2 para c of circular 231 G.M. 1946);

b) - the competition referred to in para c sub-para 2, art.7 of D.L.L. 12-4-1946 - n.585 (circ.186 G.M. 1946) is exclusively reserved for regular N.C.O.s of the Carabinieri who will participate in said competition laid down in ministerial decree of the 26 March 1943, and, successively, cancelled with ministerial decree of the 17 October 1944.

2) - With reference to the above, it is not possible to meet your request.

sgd. SUPINO
Gen.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N. 231484 Allegati

Riferito al div. del /XI

Roma, 31 DIC. 1946

Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO

Istanza.-

Al

Brigadiere
CORTI CAMILLO MARCELLO
Gruppo di
e,per conoscenza:
GENERALE SOTT.ARMA ENIRECUN
Sottocommissione Legale presso la Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (M.L.L.A.) N O R I A
ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE PER GLI UFFICIALI
Divisione Reclutamento e Scuole
(rif.f.12181/Bis.del 10 corrente) R O M A

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Risposta pro-memoria in data 2 ottobre u.s.,relativo alla richiesta di ammissione all'Accademia Militare:

1°) - Si è spiacenti di doverle comunicare che:

a) -non si rende possibile la sua ammissione all'Accademia Militare,perchè lei ha superato il 25° anno di età, limite massimo consentito per i sottufficiali dell'Arma dei Carabinieri (art.2 lett.c- della circolare 231 [illegible].1946);

b) - Il concorso di cui alla lettera c.-n.2,art.7 del D.L.L.12-4-1946-n.585(circ.186 [illegible].1946) è riservato esclusivamente ai sottufficiali dell'arma dei carabinieri in carriera continuativa che parteciparono al concorso indetto col decreto ministeriale 26 [illegible] 1943 [illegible] con decreto ministeriale

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CORPI CIRCOLARE MERCIZIO
Gruppo di PERUGIA

e,per conoscenza:

1. MINISTERO DELLA DIFESA
Sottocommissione Legale presso la Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (M.L.L.A.) ROMA

MINISTERO DELLA DIFESA DIREZIONE GENERALE PERSONALE UFFICIALI
Divisione Reclutamento e Scuole
(rif.f.1181/Div.del 10 corrente) ROMA

Risposta pro-memoria in data 2 ottobre u.s.,relativo alla richiesta di ammissione all'Accademia Militare:

1°) - Si è spiacenti di doverle comunicare che:

a) -non si rende possibile la sua ammissione all'Accademia Militare,perchè lei ha superato il 22° anno di età, limite massimo consentito per i sottufficiali dell'Arma dei Carabinieri (art.2 lett.c- della circolare 31 [illegible].1946);

b) - il concorso di cui alla lettera c.-n.2,art.7 del D.L.L.12-4-1946-n.585(circ.136 [illegible].1946) è riservato esclusivamente ai sottufficiali dell'Arma dei carabinieri in carica a continuativa che parteciparono al concorso indetto col decreto ministeriale 26 [illegible] 1943, e,successivamente, annullato con decreto ministeriale 17 ottobre 1944.

2°) - In relazione a quanto sopra, non è possibile poter venire incontro al suo desiderio.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
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Genoa 19/12/46

To: Allied Command in Italy

Rome

I bring to your knowledge the adventures and the distresses of the undersigned officer reg. army 2 Lt. Cravera Franco, belonging formerly to the Tpt Coy Cremona Div. - who attended the KEA course at Modena Academy 1940 - Russian Campaign with CSIR. -

He came back on the 8th Sept. 1943, abandoned the Army and returned to his birth-place in Monferrato; on December he had already contacted the Piemonte Liberation Committees.

On February 1944 he was on the Langhe hills; during Spring he organised the first partisan armed bands in the area between Tanaro and Belbo; in June he was commended by Radio London for actions against the troops mopping-up his area, who meanwhile pillaged his house and persecuted his parents. He was transferred to the "Mauri" formations and carried out frequent and courageous actions. During Autumn and winter after the disbandment of the partisan formations he re-organised, with great sacrifices, the disbanded unit : he became the commander of the Asti Brigade and the interim commander of the Monferrato Division. He collaborated actively to the liberatiaon of Alessandria and became CSO of the 7th Area. He was recommended for the silver medal of the partisans. Few persons in the area were not aware of his battle name "BILL"

After the demobilisation of partisans he unwillingly joined the Army again but in early March 1946 he applied to be assigned to the reserve in order to go to Brazil where he has been promised an employment by a reliable firm.

After several months he received a reply that his application would be approved if he renounces the rights to which he is entitled to;he resigned immediately.

Lt. Cravera has his political opinion and he thinks that nobody may prohibit anyone from having his own opinions. Many months passed and the date fixed for taking the oath (4th November) approached. The date was then postponed. No reply was given to his application. Lt. Cravera then left his service addressing a letter to his Senior officer explaining his ideas.

A month ago an arrest warrant was issued in the name of Cravera Franco to all the Carabinieri stations of the Republic.

You shall say: and the Military Code? but when a man has worn the uniform for 6 years and has served his motherland in hard times and is ready to still serve, why is the code used to support this slow and heavy bureaucracy?

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If a certain Lavagnino is permitted (I know well the ambient, because I have been during 10 months by his side as political refugee) to go away armed and with his dependent personnel, and even his pardon is begged somehow, why an officer alone and unarmed is not allowed to go away, complying with his application?

I think that the a/m facts are with your consideration. The truth of the above can be proved. -

sgd. Giuseppe Cravera

Via Santorre Santarosa 60/5 Genova Quinto.

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All'Onle. Comdo. Alleato in Italia

ROMA

MMIA

Mi permetto esporre a codesto Onle. Comdo. le avventure e le sventure di un ufficiale di S.P.E. il Sott. CRAVERA FRANCO.gia'delle Compa.Trasp. Div. CREMONA.--Corso REY nel 1940 a Modena.Campagna russa col C.S.I.R. Ritornato miracolosamente l'8 settembre 1943 si allontana dall'esercito recandosi al paese natio nel Monferrato, e in dicembre e'gia'a contatto con i comitati di liberazione del Piemonte.Nel febbraio del 1944 e'sulle Langhe: nella primavera organizza le prime bande partigiane tra il Tanaro e il Belbo.Nel giugno e'citato da radio Londra per azioni contro i rastrellatori della zona che frattanto gli svaligiano la casa e perseguitano i suoi genitori.Passa quindi nelle formazioni MAURI e partecipa a frequenti e audaci azioni. Dopo la dispersione delle formazioni partigiane nello autunno-inverno,con abnegazione e grandi sacrifici, riorganizza i dispersi: ha il comando della brigata Asti e interinalmente della divisione Monferrato.Partecipa attivamente alla liberazionedi Alessandria ed e'capo di Stato Magg. della 7a.Zona. E'proposto per la medaglia d'argento al valor partigiano. Pochi nella regione ignorano il suo nome di battaglia"BILL" Dopo la smobilitazione dei partigiani, pressato dai genitori e dagli amici rientra di malavoglia e senza convinzione, nelle file dell'esercito, ma ai primi di marzo del 1946 domanda di esser messo nella riserva per imbarcarsi per il Brasile dove ha la possibilita'di recarsi con una seria ditta. Dopo parecchi mesi gli viene riapostoche il suo desiderio non puo'essere accolto se non rinuncia ad ogni suo diritto derivante dal suo stato. Senza esitare chiede le dimissioni alle suddette condizioni.Il Sott. Cravera ha le sue opinioni politiche e nessuno credo, specie in questi tempi,puo'impedire ad alcuno di avere le proprie.I mesi passano e si avvicina il 4 novembre,data fissata per il giuramento,(che poi fu rimandato).Nessun riscontro alla sua domanda.Con una lettera al suo superiore diretto l'ufficiale si congeda esponendo il suo pensiero---Da un mese Cravera Franco e' perseguito da mandato di cattura diramato a tutti i C.C della repubblica. Mi si dira': E il codice militare?Ma quando si e'indossata la divisa per sei anni e si e'servita la patria nei momenti difficili e si'pronti asservirla ancora,quando fosse necessario,perche'puntellare con gli articoli del codice questa lenta e imperversante burocrazia? Quando si permette ad un Lavagnino (conosco bene l'ambiente essendo stato dieci mesi afianco di Bill quale ricercato politico)di allontanarsi armato con i suoi dipendenti e magari gli si chiede scusa, perche'nonsi permette ad un ufficiale solo e disarmato di andare per i fatti suoi , accogliendo la sua domanda motivata?
Credo quanto esposto degno della Sua considerazione.In quanto alla verita' le notizie sono controllabili.

Via Santa Lucia 80/2 Giuseppe Cravera. Genova 9 nov.

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Tyde Foster

Please have this translated
and return to me.
? Priority

Mitch Shofield

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Telephone:
Rome 489081 Ext 380

LAND FORCES SUB-COMM, AC (MMIA) CMF

212 A

8 Jan 47

Mr. TAURELLI Antonio,
Via del Poligono No. 26,
N E T T U N O.

Subject:- Application for recognition of Services.

Reference your letter dated 30 Dec 46. 39

It is not understood what the "military file" referred to is, as no such file was received, with your letter.

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Major-General,
GOC, MMIA.

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TRANSLATION

TO : Land Forces Subcommission A.C. DATE: 30/12/46

The undersigned TONY TORELLY son of the late Scipione born at Nettuno on November 1916 begs that his military file be forwarded to Italian War Ministry because he has fought as a volunteer at the Anzio-Nettuno beach head.

He was attached to C.O.F.S.C. 1 - INF AFQ 400 Parachute Coy and during three months he fought at the Mussolini Canal.

His commander was Lt. Naves who was wounded in patrol with him, then Lt. SNEUZZ.

His address:

TAURELLI ANTONIO
Via del Poligono N° 26

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Alla Pani Forces sub Commission
6. (SW. NV. T. A)
Roma.

Il sottoscritto Jony Forelly - di Giu Scipione nato a Nettuno il 11-1926 dichiara che sino trasmesso al Ministero della Guerra Italiano il suo record Militare avendo preso parte al Fronte della Testa di sbarco di Nettuno Anzio quale Volontario. Fu aggregato al G.O.F 504-INF A P.Q 469 Compagnie Paracadutisti e per 3 mesi fu 2° al Fronte nel Canale Mussolini

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Alla Joint Forces sub Commission
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Roma.

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partecipando a tutti i fatti d'armi e del reparto e anche di pattuglia ed anche servizio di guardia.

Tolti quale primo comandante il S.T Naves che fu ucciso in pattuglia che ne prendevo parte poi del Ft. Sanborn.

Mio indirizzo
Tonucci Antonio
Via del poligono 26
Nettuno -

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LAND FORCES SUB-COMM, AC (MMA) CMF

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13 Dec 46

PAGGION Guido,
CASALE DI SCODOSIA,
Via Belfiore,
P A D U A.

Subject:- Application for pension.

Your application for pension has been forwarded to the Ministry of War.

Major-General,
GOC, MMA.

MJD/mf

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13 Dec 46

Ministry of War.

Subject:- Application for pension.

Attached application for pension by FAGGION, Guido, has been received by this HQ and is forwarded to your Ministry for action as necessary.

Major-General,
GOC, MMIA.

WEB/WC

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(36.)

TRANSLATION

I, the undersigned Faggion Guido, beg to state the following: On the 13th September 1943, I hid three Englishmen (one of them for six long months). On being discovered by the nazi-fascists I was imprisoned in the Padova Jail for 5 months, notwithstanding my physical condition which I describe below.

I will now describe my physical condition before the a/m date: Since 1937 I was admitted to Montagnana Hospital, where I underwent an operation on my left lung; after 8 months I returned home and had to continue working (due to my financial condition) in order to feed my two children.

After having been imprisoned in July 44, I fell sick again (as shown in the attached certificate) due to the ill treatment that I received in prison. For this reason I can no longer be cured and am unable to work (as stated by many specialists). The documents that verify all this are at present in Verona.

I beg your kind concern in order that I may be granted a pension; at least I can say that I have used my life to save three poor Englishmen, hated so much by the nazi-fascists. To have this small pension, it would enable me to feed my two children without having to go begging from door to door.

I have attached also a letter written to me by one of the Englishmen which I sheltered in my home, in order to assure you of what I have written above.

I hope that you will be so kind as to concern yourself with the matter.

Yours truly

Faggion Guido
Casale di Scodosia
Via Belfiore
Padua

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UR.

Date: 3 Dec '46

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TRANSLATION

Victor H. Crane
Barnsdale House
Great Easton
Nr.Market Harborough
Leicestershire
England

Date: 14 Dec 45

My dearest mother and all

I have received your letter today and I thank you very much. I am very glad to hear that my second family in Italy is in good health. I think of you very often and when the time permits, I will come to Italy with my father to visit all my friends, especially my dear second mother and father sisters and brother Olivio.

I always remember that time when you sheltered me as an escaped POW and when the time permits I will repay you.

I am still in the army but will be released in January .

Merry Christmas to all
please write soon

Your friend

VITTORIO

UR.

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TRANSLATION

FROM: M. of W.

TO : M.M.I.A.

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REF: OI/3452/Mob

DATE: 10/11/46

SUBJECT: Acknowledgment of Service rendered in war zone with British Units. Boggiano Giovanni interpreter.

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Reply to letter 212 A dated ~~24/10/46~~ 29/10/46

The position of civil interpreter Boggiano Giovanni, employed by British Authorities, had already been attentively considered on ~~[illegible] given~~ REQUEST MADE by the "British Army Education - Rome Area - Allied Command".

The case has since again been examined with special attention but it was not possible to find anything which would permit to satisfy the desires of the person concerned.

In fact, as already stated to the above Allied Command, the acknowledgment, on military grounds, of service rendered by Boggiano to the Allies, would require a back dated provision establishing his having been called up to serve with operating units.

This would be in contrast with rules and would not be fair towards many other civilians who have also praisefully cooperated with the Allies.

The fact must be considered that, while men enlisted, subject to military discipline and penal rules, are bound to serve with any unit, in any place, for an undetermined period and with an economic reward corresponding to the rank which they hold, Boggiano was instead engaged as a civil interpreter directly by the Allies, was subject to duties in consequence of the contract he had accepted, had a special economic reward, certainly more advantageous that the one he would have had as a member of the Armed Forces and he was free to cancel it at any moment he might have considered it more convenient.

On the other hand, Boggiano might have applied

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in due time to the District to which he belonged, to be enlisted and, thus put on the same level as members of the Armed Forces.

On exceptional provision on behalf of Boggiano different from provisions in force, would acquire vast proportions because it might be claimed by many other civilians employed by Allied Authorities, who, however, have not always provided - like in the present case - to regularise their position in connection with duties pertaining to service in Italian units, in accordance with agreements concluded with the same Allied Authorities.

Similar decisions have recently been stated to the Cabinet of the President of the Council of Ministers in respect of some person who claimed acknowledgments as asked at present by Boggiano.

Under these circumstances we regret to confirm that the particular employment of Boggiano cannot be acknowledged as military service in the Italian Army.

Sgd. LIUZZI
Gen.

G.F.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE DELL'ESERCITO
Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

N. 01/3452/Mob. di prot. Roma, li 10 novembre 1946

OGGETTO: Riconoscimento del servizio prestato in zona di guerra presso unità Inglesi dall'interprete ROGGIANO Giovanni.

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C. (ROMA) 12 NOV 1946 ROMA
(risp.f.n. 212 A del 25/10/46)

Ma posizione dell'interprete civile ROGGIANO Giovanni, ingaggiato dalle Autorità Inglesi, era già stata esaminata attentamente su segnalazione del "British Army Education - Rome Area- Allied Command".

Il caso è stato ancora esaminato con particolare benevolenza, ma non è stato possibile riconoscerne gli estremi che consentissero di venire incontro alle aspirazioni dell'interessato.

Infatti, come già comunicato al predetto Allied Command, il riconoscimento, agli effetti militari, del servizio prestato dal ROGGIANO presso gli Alleati, richiederebbe un provvedimento retroattivo di militarizzazione a seguito di reparti operanti.

Ciò sarebbe contrario alle relative disposizioni di legge e non equo nei confronti di molti altri civili che pur hanno lodevolmente collaborato con gli Alleati.

E' da tener presente che mentre i militarizzati, assoggettati alle norme disciplinari e penali militari, hanno l'obbligo di servire presso qualunque ente, in qualsiasi sede, per un periodo indeterminato e con trattamento economico uguale a quello del grado militare di assimilazione, il ROGGIANO invece, ingaggiato come interprete civile direttamente dagli Alleati, era soggetto agli obblighi derivantigli dal contratto a tempo, con un particolare trattamento economico, certamente più favorevole di quello di militarizzato, e libero di rescinderlo in qualsiasi momento egli l'avesse ritenuto non più conveniente.

D'altra parte il ROGGIANO avrebbe potuto, a suo tempo, interessare il Distretto di appartenenza per una sua eventuale militarizzazione, che lo avrebbe posto sullo stesso piano dei militari.

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Inoltre un provvedimento di eccezione a favore del BOGGIANO, non conforme alle disposizioni di legge in vigore, assumerebbe proporzioni vaste in quanto potrebbe essere invocato da numerosi altri civili utilizzati dalle Autorità Alleate, i quali peraltro non sempre hanno provveduto - come nel caso attuale - a regolarizzare la loro posizione in rapporto agli obblighi di servizio nelle unità italiane, in armonia agli accordi intervenuti con le stesse Autorità Alleate.

Decisioni in tal senso sono state recentemente comunicate dal Gabinetto al Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri nei confronti di taluni elementi che avevano sollecitato riconoscimenti analoghi a quello ora chiesto dal BOGGIANO.

In tali condizioni si è spiacenti di dover confermare che il particolare impiego del BOGGIANO non può essere ora riconosciuto come servizio militare nell'Esercito italiano.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Giorgio Liuzzi)

Giuzzi

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SUBJECT: Appreciation for recognition of [illegible] rendered [illegible] forces by Ministry of Air - Secret [illegible] Personnel

[illegible]

To: Ministry of Air

1. The above named [illegible] has recently been [illegible] to [illegible] for recognition of his [illegible] service as a pilot in the [illegible] with R, [illegible] Ministry, [illegible].

2. [illegible] seen a letter set out in full below in [illegible] with a British military [illegible] to see in [illegible], as it was [illegible] of [illegible] into the [illegible] and [illegible], moreover, [illegible] that this [illegible] would not be [illegible] by [illegible], even [illegible] to [illegible] service.

3. I inform you, however, that [illegible] in the service being [illegible] (1 Sep 39 to 19 Jun 45) [illegible] by your Ministry as [illegible] to or in lieu of military service, that is to say, [illegible] to the [illegible] service in [illegible] that [illegible] to [illegible] (i.e. the [illegible] of [illegible] and the [illegible]) as [illegible] military service with the British Army would have been.

4. It further seems that this service was really equivalent to actual military service due by [illegible] and, by virtue of serving [illegible], exclusion would have been made for [illegible], should he have been called up, during this period.

5. As can be seen from the attached documents, this service is recognized by the British authorities and is officially regarded. In view of this, it is hoped that your Ministry may very easily see their way to [illegible] the applicant [illegible] in the terms of para 3 above, so as [illegible] by him.

6. It is regretted that you may be [illegible] with this matter again but your co-operation is possible, [illegible].

[illegible]
[illegible]

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OGGETTO : Applicazione per riconoscimento per il servizio prestato in seno il passato Esercito Italiano Italiano.

Roma, lì [illegible]
(G. M. [illegible])

Alla [illegible]

Al : Ministero della Guerra

1. L'individuo sopra indicato, da italiano e per [illegible] il [illegible] in collaborazione con [illegible] richiesto la sua applicazione per il riconoscimento del servizio da lui prestato sotto [illegible] se di lio con il grado [illegible], 306 [illegible] militare, [illegible] collaborazione.

2. Dal [illegible] risulta, che, per [illegible] ogni [illegible] con dell'Esercito Italiano, [illegible] civile, [illegible] non [illegible] nel stato [illegible] dell'esercito e che [illegible] il suo servizio non si [illegible] come servizio militare.

3. Dal [illegible] che [illegible] è, che il servizio [illegible] dal [illegible] (1 [illegible] fino al 1) [illegible] effettivamente [illegible] il tempo [illegible] come equivalente, o in luogo del servizio militare, [illegible], che il suo servizio [illegible] riconosciuto come un beneficio [illegible] (p.e. la liberazione dell'Italia o la sconfitta dei tedeschi) [illegible] come militare nell'esercito italiano.

4. Si aggiunge inoltre, che il suo servizio era comunque equivalente al servizio militare italiano, giacchè' servendo con questa Unità', se richiesto una prova scritta [illegible] richiesta.

5. Come pur' [illegible] il [illegible] militari, tranne servizio e' riconosciuto dalle autorità' inglesi. In vista di questo e' spiacente che il Vostro Ministero [illegible] fornire l'[illegible] diretto con un [illegible], o altro documento, [illegible] nel paragrafo 3. 96

6. Ci dispiace dover [illegible] di nuovo in la Vostra [illegible], ma [illegible], sarà' molto apprezzato.

Il Maggiore Generale
[illegible]

[illegible]/mal

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SUBJECT: Claims - Italian Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .

A 212 19 Sep 46

To : HQ. Allied Screening Commission (Italy)
APO S/551. CMF

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Ref your HQ/5/HGDeB/LFA of 17 Sep 46 and our A/212 of 14 Sep 46.

Attached herewith are the claims referred to. The omission is regretted.

Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

JMS/wf

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED SCREENING COMMISSION (ITALY)
APO S 551
CMF

HQ/S/HGDeB/LFK.

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235Y 17 Sep 1946

To: M.M.I.A.,
Land Forces Sub Commission,
Allied Commission, ROME.

Subject: Claims - Italian personnel.

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With reference to your A 212 dated 14 Sep 46.

"Attached claims" were not received by this Headquarters, and it would be appreciated if you would forward them as soon as possible.

H.G. De BURGH, Lt Col, GS,
Commanding
Allied Screening Commission (Italy),
CMF.

17 Sep 46.

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Il sottoscritto

GUZZI ENRICO é stato al servizio del Comando Inglese dal 23 ottobre 1945 al 14 Maggio 1946 come operaio Tubista.

Essendo che mi é stato riferito che il Comando ha dato un premio a tutti quelli che hanno prestato servizio e perciò gentilmente chiederei di far parte anch'io.

Ringraziando anticipatamente

GUZZI ENRICO
Casa del Cieco
Civate (Como)

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION

M. M. I. A.

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SUBJECT : Claims Italian Personnel.

Land Forces Pub Const. 10.
S.A.F.E.F. R D H S.
Vol. 489031 Ex.1300.

14 Jan 46.

To : Allied Commission, Foreign.

The attached claims, with translation, has been received by this H and is forwarded to you for information and action as necessary.

Major General,
M.A.A.G.I.

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Translation

(29)

Valle Castellana 29/6/46.

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A.S.C. Italy.

I enclose herewith a certificate stating the assistance given by me to many Anglo-American prisoners during the time when Italy was occupied by nazi-fascist after August 1943.

Since this humanitarian assistance was frequently given by my family, my conditions were aggravated and I had to bear hard sacrifices.

Will you therefore, please, approve my application aiming at obtaining the reimbursement of expenses borne in the amount you deem right.

Lesari Casimiro.

A/C

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Translation

On 16/8/46 at Valle Castellana in the Office of the Comune:

Mr. Losani Casimiro, son of the late Pasquale, came to me, the undersigned, Mayor of the above Comune, and required that a statement be made proving that during Nazi-Fascist government, in this Comune, from September 1943 to liberation day, he had given assistance to the Anglo-American prisoners passing by S.Vito. -

This is alleged by the following witnesses:

1. Cellini Domenico, son of the late Giacinto;
2. Neri Domenico, son of Sebatino;
3. De Santis Bernardo, son of the late Domenico;
4. Cicconi Domenico, son of the late Pacifico,

all resident in this Comune.

After having summoned them to take the oath, they swore to tell the truth.

They have been questioned together and separately and have stated:

We can assure and it is our full knowledge that Losani Casimiro, son of the late Pasquale, in the period from September 1943 to the time when Valle Castellane was liberated, has repeatedly given assistance, food and shelter to many Anglo-American prisoners.

The present statement is confirmed, read and signed by the witnesses.

Cellini Domenico
De Santis Bernardo
Neri Domenico
Cicconi Domenico

sgd. Ciccioni Carlo.

A/C

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

August 1946

G-5: 151/3

SUBJECT: Recompense to families of shot parachutists.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Reference 28/11/DS Prot., 25 July 46.

1. You will please refer the attached letter to the proper authority as the return of the coins mentioned is purely a matter for the Italian Government.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMPLEN,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Incl: as above.

To : Office of Executive Commissioner, A.C.

Attached letter is returned to you for action.

This letter states that the Italian Military Authorities have no power to act in this matter: since this Mission can deal only with the Italian Military Authorities it is therefore returned to you.

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DS to check pension

D.A.A.G.(It).
Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

6 Sep 46.

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Subject : BORRIO Mario.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.M.I.A.), W O N 2.
Tel: 43903; Ext:300.

A 212

21 Aug 46.

To : HQ. Allied Military Government
Ll Corps.

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Ref your 13 G/ANM/DP/12 dated 15 Aug 46.

The facts of this case have been forwarded to the Minister of War for any action they deem necessary.

J.D. Stockell
Lt Col

for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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JDS/l.c.

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Subject : ROSSIO Mario: Application for pension.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.), R G M B.
Tel: 480081 Ext: 380.

A 212

21 Aug 46.

To : Ministry of War.

1. AMG, 13 Corps, have sent to this HQ an application for the a/m to be granted a pension.

2. It appears that he was a soldier of the Italian Red Cross N 4222 and was returning on escort duty on the ship Giulio Cesare on 19th. June 1943. During the voyage he contracted a mysterious eye disease. He received no treatment and eventually went blind. He has made applications but has heard no further regarding the provision of a pension.

3. His present address is Via Giudicani 5/11 Trieste.

4. The above case is forwarded to you for any action you may wish to take.

AHG

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT : Mr. Alberto CONSELLAN

Land Forces Sub Comm. No.
(Philippines) [illegible]

A 212

20 Aug. 46.

TO : Z. Bajalla.

Ref. your Mary's dated 3rd Aug. 46.

1. The facts given in your above letter have been forwarded to the Ministry of War.

2. We will inform you of any action taken.

Major General,
Philippines.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

RECEIVED 19 AUG 1945

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John Kellett
Major

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SUBJECT : Sig. Roberto SCHIAVANI : application for Army commission.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(A.M.I.A.), B O R E.
Tel:489380, ext:360.

A 212 ✓

1c Adv. AC.

TO : Ministry of War.

1. We have received from 7 B.M.U. a statement concerning Sig. Roberto SCHIAVANI, of via San Gallo 28, FLORENCE, which is forwarded to you for such action as you consider necessary.

2. A brief outline of the case is as follows.

(a) On 12 April 1943 he became 2nd and qualified for promotion to 2/Lt (reserve Commission). The required application and documents were presented on 22 Nov. 1942 to S.I.S., Italian 9th Army, in Albania.

(b) These documents had not been cleared through SHAEF by the time of the armistice.

(c) On 8th Sept. he fled to the mountains with others of the 9th Army, and took part in partisan activities. He kept in touch with British officers and subsequently with the U.S. 3rd Army.

(d) During all this time with the full authority of his Commander (Gen. [illegible]) he was treated, and dressed, as a 2/Lt. wearing British battle dress while with the British and U.S. battle dress while with the U.S. 3rd Army.

(e) He was captured by the Germans while operating with a British [illegible] in [illegible], IA. After 4 months in prison in [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible] he was liberated by the U.S. 3rd Army and enrolled in 275 Fd. Arty. Bn, with which he operated in the final stages of the war.

(f) He returned to FLORENCE in Aug. 45.

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(b) These documents had not been cleared through [illegible] by the time of the Armistice.

(c) On 9th Sept. he fled to the mountains with others of the 9th Army, and took part in partisan activities. He went in touch with British officers and subsequently with the U.S. 3rd Army.

(d) During all this time with the full authority of his Commander (Gen. [illegible]) he was trusted, and dressed, as a [illegible], wearing British battle dress while with the British and U.S. Battle dress while with the U.S. 3rd Army.

(e) He was captured by the Germans while operating with a British [illegible] in [illegible]. After 14 months in prison in [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible] he was liberated by the U.S. 3rd Army and enrolled in 273 [illegible] Army. He, with whom he operated in the final stages of the war.

(f) He returned to [illegible] in Sep. 45.

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3. He [illegible] contends that :-

(a) It was the Italian armistice and the confusion following it, and not his own fault, that his commission to S/Lt. had not been confirmed before 9 Sep. '43.

(b) He was employed, treated and recognised as an officer throughout the subsequent period by all the Italian and Allied authorities with whom he cooperated.

(c) His service with Italian and Allied forces subsequently to the Armistice was "front line service" which should normally have brought him promotion after 2 years (as from Apr 45) to full lieutenant.

(d) Many of those "rebel il guerra" who took no active part with the Allies in the pre-armistice period, and many of whom in fact spent most of that period in occupied Italy or in Germany, are now able to establish their claims regarding arrears of pay and promotion. Considering he took an active a part in the fighting in co-operation with the Allies, [illegible] contends that he is entitled to even better treatment and consideration than these others.

(e) [illegible], who then in civilian life, has asked that he may be granted the back-pay, promotion and status of an Italian officer.

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Hitherto the arrears of pay given to him has been that of a Sergente Maggiore.

4. This case is forwarded to you for any action you consider appropriate.

W. Gilmore L/Col
Major General,
G.O.C. N.D.L.F.

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7 British Liaison Unit
(FLORENCE 293623)

Confidential

A.... Aug 3rd 1946

. REF: BLU/3

Subject : Application for retrospective grant of Italian Army (Reserve) Commission

To : H. . M.I.L.A.

Sig. ROBERTO SCHERILLI

Via San Gallo n.28

FLORENCE

RECEIVED 8th AUG 1946 7024

1. The above Italian gentleman is well known to me in FLORENCE, especially in his capacity as executive secretary and organiser of the Florentine Riding Society, in which capacity he has been most helpful and friendly towards the many British and U.S. participants in the Society's activities.

2. At Appx. "A" to this letter is a list of certain certificates and documents held by Sig. SCHERILLI, of which he states that the Ministry of War (personnel branch) already hold duplicates of the most important. I have examined these certificates and documents, and they appear to be genuine (I would have no reason to believe otherwise, knowing the gentleman concerned)

3. A brief outline of the history of this case appears to be as follows:-

(a) On 12 Jan 43, SCHERILLI became due & qualified for promotion to 2/Lt. (Reserve Commission). He had already made formal application and presented the required documents etc on 22 Nov. 1942, to C.M.O. Italian 9th Army, under which he was then serving in ABRUZZI.

(b) Subsequent delays in confirming this commission were not of his own making, but due to the fact that clearance of the necessary documents through VENICE had not been effected by the date of the Armistice.

(c) On 8 Sep 43 SCHERILLI with others of 9th Army fled to the mountains and almost at once took active part in the partisan movement against the Germans, during which time he remained closely in touch with British officers (quoted as "General DAVEY, Major George

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2. At Appx. "A" to this letter is a list of certain certificates and documents held by Sig. SCUTELLARI, of which he states that the Ministry of War (personnel branch) already hold duplicates of the most important. I have examined these certificates and documents, and they appear to be genuine (I would have no reason to believe otherwise, knowing the gentleman concerned)

3. A brief outline of the history of this case appears to be as follows:-

(a) On 12 Apr 43, SCUTELLARI became due & qualified for promotion to 2/Lt. (Reserve Commission). He had already made formal application and presented the required documents etc on 22 Nov. 1943, to G.H.Q. Italian 9th Army, under which he was then serving in ALBANIA.

(b) Subsequent delays in confirming this commission were not of his own making, but due to the fact that clearance of the necessary documents through VERONA had not been effected by the date of the Armistice.

(c) On 8 Sep 43 SCUTELLARI with others of 9th Army fled to the mountains and almost at once took active part in the partisan movement against the Germans, during which time he remained closely in touch with British officers (quoted as "General DAVEY, Major George SYTHEN, Major Jim [illegible]") and later with the U.S. Army, in their closing campaign in Germany

(d) During all this time and with full authority of his Italian Commanding General, (Gen. ARMI), SCUTELLARI was treated, and dressed, as a 2nd Lieut. wearing British battledress while cooperating with the British in ALBANIA, and later U.S. battledress in Germany while with the U.S. 3rd Army.

(e) SCUTELLARI was captured by Germans while co-operating with a British HQ. (including Gen DAVEY) in ALBANIA. After 18 months in prison in ALBANIA, JUGOSLAVIA and GERMANY, he was liberated by the U.S. 3rd Army, and was immediately enrolled by the 273 Fd. Arty Bn with whom he participated in the final fighting and rounding up of German S.S. elements.

(f) He returned to FLORENCE in Aug 1945.

4. SCUTELLARI's contentions are :-

(a) it was the Italian Armistice and the confusion following it, and not his own fault, that his confirmation to 2/Lt. had not been confirmed before 8 Sep.'43

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(b) He was employed, dressed and recognised as an officer throughout the subsequent period by all the Italian and Allied authorities with whom he cooperated.

(c) His service with Italian and Allied forces subsequent to the armistice was "front line service" which should normally have brought his promotion after 2 years (as from Apr 43), to full Lieutenant.

(d) Many of those "reduci di guerra" who took no active part with the Allies in the pre-Armistice period, and many of whom in fact spent most of that period in Fascist Italy or in Germany, are now able to establish their rights regarding arrears of pay and promotion.
Considering he took so active a part in the fighting in co-operation with the Allies, SCHERIANI contends that he is entitled to even better treatment and consideration than these others.

(e) SCHERIANI, now back in civilian life, has asked that he may be granted the back-pay, promotion and status of an Italian Officer. Hitherto the arrears of pay given to him has been that of a Sergeante Maggiore.

9. This case is represented and recommended to your Hq. in case it may be considered worthy to be taken up with the Italian Ministry of War.

C.C. Marks

C.C. MARKS
Lt. Col.
GSC. I.

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[illegible] Brigadier [illegible], has asked that he now be granted the back-pay, promotion and status of an Italian Officer. Rather than the arrears of pay given to him has been that of a Sergente Maggiore.

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Appx. "A" to 7 B.L.U./A.....
of 3 Aug 46

LIST OF CERTIFICATES HELD BY THE MINISTRY OF WAR
Direzione Generale Personale
Ufficiali

In relation to SCUDELLARI, ROBERTO

1) - Certificate signed by Gen. AZZI - Gen PICCINI - Maj CHIARIZIA, on the activity after the 8th September'43.

2) - Certificate signed by Gen. AZZI - Gen. PICCINI - Maj CHIARIZIA, confirming the date of presentation of the request for the commission.

3) - Certificate signed by Capt. DE LUIGI confirming the date of presentation of the request for the commission and stating the activity after the 8 of September '43.

4) - Certificate signed by Lt. Col. PARMANO (former Chief "I" Office) stating the date of presentation of the request for the commission.

5) - Certificate signed by Lt. Col. BARBI CINTI, regarding the commission, the activity on the mountains and the capture.

6) - Study qualification : Book - keeper.

7) - Certificate from the Third American Army - 275 Field Arty Bn., on the activity from the liberation from prison till July'45.

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(21.)

TRANSLATION

From: Ciro Marzi,
Grottaglie (Taranto)

To : M.M.I.A.

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Date: 18/7/46.

Subject: Renewal of pension. -

I have received your letter with which your Command informed me that M.of W. has been approached regarding my pension.

I hope to obtain what I have been hoping to get during the past two years.

I shall thank you when the matter will be settled and I shall let you know in the event of long delay in the settlement of same.

Kindly accept my best regards.

sgd. - Ciro Marzi. -

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Ferrino Posta Grottaglie (Taranto) li 18-7-1946

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Oggetto: Rinnovo di pensione

Spett.
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(III 7A), Ext 380 A 212
Roma

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29 08.30 11.45

Ho ricevuto la pregiata nota con la quale codesto Comando si degnava informarmi che per la mia pensione è stato interessato il Ministero della Guerra.

Voglio sperare che finalmente otterrò finito aspetto da due anni.

Mi riservo di ringraziare a pratica ultimata, come mi riservo anche d'informare ancora l'on.le Ammiraglio Stone qualora le formalità si protraggano ancora a lungo.

Prego gradire i migliori saluti

Piero Marzi

HEADQUARTERS

No. 2 Claims Commission
and
No. 2 Directorates of Hirings and Disposals (Fixed Assets)

A.P.O. S.551
C. M. F.

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Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
ROME.

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4 July 46

Subject:- Transfer of Claims to the Italian Government

1. Reference our recent conversation (Brigadier Lush - Colonel Disney and Colonel Watson speaking).

2. Sometime after the landings in Italy an Agreement was entered into between the British Claims Commission and the Italian Government to the effect that the British Claims Commission would assess all claims against the British Forces (and other forces under their command, such as the Polish Forces), and serve demands for the payment of the compensation assessed on the Ministero del Tesoro who would effect payment.

3. A similar agreement relating to payment of claims against the U.S. Forces was also entered into between the U.S. Claims Service and the Italian Government.

4. In October 1945, when it became evident that the "run-down" in C.M.F. would preclude the British Claims Commission from continuing to assess claims at the rate at which it had been doing so up to then, a further agreement was entered into between representatives of the British War Office and the Italian Government transferring claims of certain categories to the Italian Government to be investigated, assessed and paid by them. The original agreement was made on 21/22 October 1945, and its scope was subsequently enlarged by additional agreements made on 23 January 1946 and 30 April 1946.

5. A similar agreement was entered into in December 1945 between the U.S. Claims Service and the Italian Government transferring all claims against the U.S. Forces to the Italian Government for investi-

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6. The Italian Government agreed to set up the necessary machinery in the following terms:- 76

(a) At a meeting which took place on the 21 October 1945 at which were present Colonel Disney, Colonel Charlton and a committee nominated by the Italian Treasury, the whole plan was elaborated at length by Colonel Disney, and it was stressed, as appears from the minutes of the meeting, that it would be necessary for the Italian Government to provide an organisation for implementing the arrangements which they had agreed; detailed procedure was to be a matter for discussion between representatives nominated by the British Claims Commission and by the committee referred to.

(b) D.D. Claims, War Office, in a minute to the Treasury Minister dated 23 October 1945 said "It is hardly necessary for me after what has already been discussed to impress upon you the necessity of taking every possible step to ensure that your Government is ready to implement the arrangements in the enclosed memorandum on the agreed date, viz : 1 November 1945.

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The Treasury Minister replied by letter dated 23 October 1945: "..... I assure you that all the necessary steps will be taken to ensure that the contents of the agreement will be put into effect as from 1 November 1945".

It was also the Treasury Minister who agreed in each case to the Agreement being enlarged as mentioned above.

7. The Italian Government was slow in implementing the agreement, and as the number of claims transferred increased without anything being done about them and complaints of non-payment began to flow in, pressure was brought to bear by the British Claims Commission on the Italian Authorities with the result that ultimately a decree was promulgated in the Gazzetta Ufficiale on 10 June 46 No. 133-2 - about eight months after the signing of the original British Agreement. This Decree sets out the policy to be followed in regard to compensation, and gives directions as to the various agencies which will have to deal with the work. Responsibility for investigation, assessment and payment of claims was placed by agreement between the various Government Departments, on the Italian War, Air, Navy and Transport Ministries according to the nature of the claim. In fact, the bulk of the work will rest with the Italian War Ministry.

8. The latter have made repeated requests for staff and credits necessary to carry out the work, and the War Minister sent a communication to the Treasury Minister on 11 January 1946 setting out his requirements in detail.

9. No action has been taken on this request despite numerous reminders, and the result is that about 12,000 claims, British and American, have accumulated in the Italian Government Departments without a single assessment or payment being made.

10. The situation is becoming most serious: complaints are flowing in with repercussions as far afield as London and Washington, and the present state of affairs is proving most harmful to the prestige of the British and American Forces in this theatre, besides being extremely unsatisfactory from many other obvious points of view.

11. The Italian War Ministry - to quote a translation of an extract from a recent confidential minute to this HQ - requires :-

(a) that the offices of the Genio Militare for Allied requisitions take over and be responsible for the claims files;

(b) that the Treasury Ministry gives authority to the War Ministry to provide for all the expenses necessary for the offices

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(b) that the Treasury Ministry gives authority to the War Ministry to provide for all the expenses necessary for the offices;

(c) that the whole requisition service, which is at present directly dependent upon the Direzione Generale del Tesoro, become "autonomous" in order that the files be dealt with more expeditiously. This office should come under the War Ministry for matters of discipline and under the Treasury Ministry on technical and administrative matters.

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Presumably, the Air, Navy and Transport Ministries requirements will be similar to the above only less important.

12. We shall be obliged if representations can be made by the Allied Commission to the Italian Government on the highest possible level with a view to ensuring that they allot credits and set up the necessary machinery to deal with British and American claims and that the work of assessment and payment to be initiated without delay.

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13. A communication in similar terms is being addressed to you on this subject by Deputy Chief Claims Officer, U.S. Claims Service.

14. Will you please let us know in due course what action is being taken by the Italian Government.

S. S. Disney

S.S. DISNEY,
Colonel,
V.P.C.C. and D. of Hgs and Disposals.

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Tel: 66330
Sigs Address:
No. 2 Claims and Hirings, ROME.

Copy to: M.G.A., (for information)
G.H.Q.,
C.M.P.

M.M.I.A.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

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Subject : Application for pension, ESTA Imberto.

Land Forces Sub Fomo, AC.
(M.N.I.A.), R G 9 G.
102: 420002 Ser:300.

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9 Jul 46.

To : Sig.ESTA Imberto,
SESTIMBATO (Cebu City).

Your application for pension has been for order to Ministry of War.

J.D. Stocker
Major General,
M.N.I.A.

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18.

Project : Application for pension, PETA Umberto.

Land Forces Sub Comm, AC.
(M.S.I.A.), H Q M S.
Tel: 42500 Ext:370.

A-712

9 July 46.

To : Ministry of Nat.

Attached application for pension has been received by this HQ and is forwarded to your Ministry for action as necessary.

J.D. Stocker
for Major General,
M.S.I.A.

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Subject : Application for pension.

Land Forces Sub Dom . HQ.
(M.M.I.A.), R O M L.
Tel: (00081) Date: 3rd
A. 112

3 July 45.

To : MABEE Cliffo,
Acme Conte,
CROTWADYNE (Toronto).

Your application for pension has been forwarded to the Minister of War.

J B Stocker
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Subject : Application for pension.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.E.I.A.), W C X 2.
Tel. 43308. Ext. 170.

A 212

6 July 46.

To : Ministry of War.

Attached application for pension by SAHNI Hira is forwarded to your Ministry for not on as deem ary.

J.D. Sloane
Major General,
M.E.I.A.

Attached sent
OK AG

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TRANSLATION

From: M.of W.
To : MMIA

Ref: I4729/M/040416
Date; 22/6/46

Subject: Requisition of a car (Alfa Romeo engine n° 92362 chassis n° 91552 licence n° CO I7926) belonging to Mr. Fanninger Bruno. -

I - Engineer Fanninger has forwarded to this Ministry the attached report, asking for the return of the a/m car.

2 - This report has been drawn up due to the fact that the withdrawal of the car by the allied Authorities, who considered it to be war booty, would not have occurred, if the Como partisans had not confiscated the vehicle due to the owner being considered a collaborator.
A statement made by the Como Questura and Engineer Fanninger, states that he did not carry out any collaboration activities.

3 - In view of the above we ask your Mission to kindly examine the case and to give us your opinion on their request made by the owner. -

sgd. Properzi
Gen.

J.T.

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To: MINISTRY OF WAR - MT and ARTY GENERAL DIRECTORATE. -

The u/s Engineer FANNINGER Bruno, living in Colonno (Isola Comacina) Como, at present residing in Rome, in Via Tritone 210 with Lawyer Nicola Castrocane, informs your Ministry as follows:

Shortly after the liberation of Northern Italy during 1945, the partisans confiscated a car belonging to the u/s, since they wrongly considered him to be a collaborator .

Since it was a 6 cylinder Super Sport Alfa Romeo car, new, since it had only run 3.000 kilometres, an American Major took a liking to it, who in turn requisitioned it from the partisans, after which it was again requisitioned by General Mark Clark.

Having heard of the above, the u/s applied to the American Authorities, in order to obtain payment for the car or its replacement with an identical vehicle. The American HQ's told him to apply to the Italian Authorities.

Therefore the u/s having no other alternative, applies to your Ministry in order that the Ministry will arrange for the return of the vehicle with the reimbursement for damages caused to the vehicle, or payment for it at current prices.

Please find attached:

1 - Certificate (Fotograph copy) from the Como Questura stating that Engineer Fanninger Bruno was not a collaborator, therefore the requisition should not have been made

2 - A photographic copy from the Italian Automobile Club of Como stating that the car (Alfa Romeo) engine n° 92362, chassis 910522, was registered under his name and was therefore his personal property, certified checked by the Como Questura.

3 - A photographic copy of the accompanying letter and a letter from the Chief of Staff of Gen. Mark Clark's HQ's, in which it was stated that all the expenses will be paid by the partisans or the Italian Government. We would point out to your Ministry, that the original document referred to above are held by lawyer Nicola Castrocane Via Tritone 210, Rome, at disposal

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The u/s moreover appoints the aforesaid Lawyer to deal with, and settle the above matter directly with your Ministry

G. F.

sgd. Bruno Finninger.

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PUBLIC VEHICLE REGISTRATION OFFICE

I - 28/2/45 Prg 307 F II in accordance with driving permits dated 28/2/45 issued by the Como Civilian Transport Inspectorate, we register the vehicle under the name of Engineer Fanninger Bruno, residing in Como, Via Volta 42, and we enter the application dated 28/2/45 in which Mr. Fanninger Bruno asks for entry to be made of the vehicle for his one use for administrative purposes; entry made of the driving permit.

sgd. Luigi Grassi

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QUESTURA OF COMO

DECLARATION

Mr. Bruno Fanninger at present residing at Solonno (Isola Comacina, Como) is the owner of car (Alfa Romeo) licence n° CO I7926 - Chassis 915522 - engine n° 923622, which was withdrawn by the Allied Authorities who considered to be war booty.

From enquiries carried out it appears to the contrary that Fanninger was not a collaborator and that this car should continue to remain his property, and be made available to him.

We therefore ask all authorities concerned, especially the police to collaborate and help Fanninger in recovering his car.

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sgd. Luigi Grassi

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RIC/mm

Roma 24 GIU. 1946

Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE ARTIGLIERIA
e Motorizzazione

Q.

Alla DAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
= R O M A =

Divisione Mot. Sez. 1ª
Pos. N° 14729 / DM Allegati 060418 Riferirsi al foglio Div. Sez. 1ª

OGGETTO Requisizione autovettura Alfa Romeo motore 92362 telaio 91552 targata CO.17926 di proprietà Sig. FANNINGER Bruno.-

1. - L'Ing. FANNINGER ha presentato a questo Ministero l'esposto qui allegato, chiedente la restituzione dell'autovettura segnata in oggetto.-

2. - Tale esposto è motivato dal fatto che il ritiro dell'autovettura da parte delle Autorità Alleate che la ritennero preda bellica, non sarebbe avvenuto ove i partigiani di Como non avessero sequestrato l'automezzo al proprietario ritenuto collaborazionista.-

Per affermazione dell'interessato e della R.Questura di Como l'Ing. FANNINGER non esplicò invece nessuna attività collaborazionista.-

3. - In considerazione di quanto sopra ci prega codesto L.F.S.C. perchè voglia compiacersi esaminare il caso e comunicare il proprio parere nei riguardi della richiesta fatta dal proprietario.-

p. IL MINISTRO

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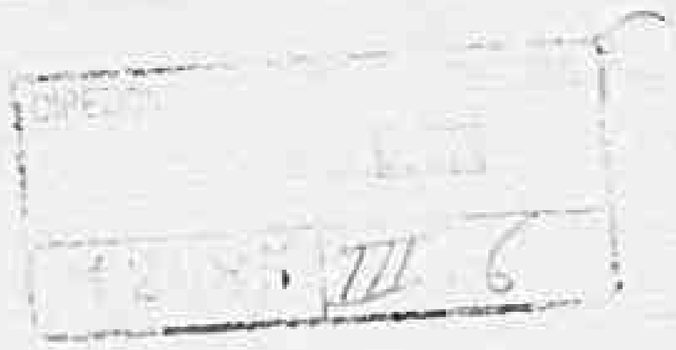

ON.le MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Direzione Generale Artiglieria e Motorizzazione

Divisione Motorizzazione

ROMA

Il sottoscritto Ing. FANNINGER BRUNO domiciliato in Colonno (Isola Comacina) Como e per questo atto elettivamente in Roma Via Tritone 210 presso e nello studio dell'Avv. Nicola Castracane espone a codesto On.le Ministero quanto appresso:

Non appena avvenuta la liberazione del Nord nel 1945 al sottoscritto venne sequestrata la sua automobile da parte dei partigiani, poiché questi erroneamente ritennero l'esponente collaborazionista. Siccome trattavasi di un'automobile Alfa Romeo 6 cilindri tipo supersport e nuova poiché aveva percorso soltanto Km.3000.- piacque ad un Maggiore Americano, il quale alla sua volta la requisì ai Partigiani. Il predetto Maggiore posteriormente se la

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Il sottoscritto [illegible]

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Venuto a conoscenza di quanto sopra, il sottoscritto si rivolse alle Autorità Americane, onde ottenere o il pagamento della vettura o la sostituzione di essa con identica automobile. Il Comando Americano rispose di rivolgersi alle Autorità Italiane.

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Perciò il sottoscritto oggi non avendo altra via da seguire, si rivolge a codesto Ministero perchè voglia provvedere o alla restituzione dell'automobile col rimborso del deterioramento dell'uso, oppure al pagamento di essa al prezzo corrente.

Si allegano:

1°) Certificato (in copia fotografica) della Questura di Como, dichiarante che il Sig. Ing. Bruno Fanninger non era collaborazionista, per cui la requisizione non doveva essere fatta.

2°) Copia fotografica del certificato dell'Automobile Circo d'Italia di Como attestante che la vettura Alfa Romeo Motore 92302 Telaio 915522, era immatricolata sotto il suo nome e perciò di sua esclusiva proprietà, certificato autenticato dalla Regia Questura di Como.

3°) Copia fotografica della lettera di accompagna-

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3°) Copia fotografica della lettera di accompagnamento e della lettera del comando dello stato maggiore del Gen. Clark, con il quale esso afferma che ogni risarcimento deve essere fatto o dai Partigiani o dal Governo Italiano.

Si fa presente a codesto On.le Ministero che i documenti originali di cui sopra trovansi presso

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l'Avv. Nicola Castracane Via Tritone 210 Roma a disposizione di codesto Ministero.

Il sottoscritto inoltre delega il predetto Avvocato a trattare e definire la pratica di cui in narrativa direttamente con codesto Ministero, ratificando fin d'ora il suo operato.

Con osservanza

Colonno li 13 Maggio 1946

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QUESTURA DI COMO

Como, 27 agosto 1945

D I C H I A R A Z I O N E

Il signor BRUNO FANNINGER attualmente dimorante in Colonno (Isola Comacina Como) è proprietario dell'autovettura Alfa targata CO 17926 - telaio 915522 - motore 923622 che venne ritirata dall'Autorità Alleata ritenendola quale preda di guerra.

Dalle indagini assunte è risultato invece che il Fanninger non fu collaborazionista e che pertanto tale autovettura deve rimanere di sua proprietà e a sua disponibilità.

Si pregano pertanto tutte le autorità costituite e particolarmente quelle di Polizia di collaborare e aiutare il Fanninger nell'opera di recupero di detta sua autovettura.

IL QUESTORE
(Avv. Luigi Grassi)

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OMS/MA/ce

Phone: 489081, Ext. 477

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF G-4

In reply refer to: G4/41/A

Roma 23 Marzo 1946

SUBJECT: Trasmissione lettera

TO : Al Dott. Ing.
Bruno Paninger
Colonno - Isola Comacino
(Como)

ATTENTION:

Pervenuta dall'Headquarters - United States forces in Austria - APO 777 U.S., si trasmette l'acclusa copia della lettera AG 451 - PAGLS, in data 8 Marzo 1946, relativa all'autovettura Alfa Romeo, targata N.17926.

Odell M. Smith
ODELL M. SMITH
Capt. F.A.
Ass't. G-4 (A)

All. 1 copia

Received from HQ, U.S. Forces in Austria - APO 777. we forward the enclosed copy of letter AG 451 - PAGLS dated 8 Mar. 1946, in respect of Alfa Romeo car, lic. N° 17926.

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Prezzo cent. 75

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~~REPUBBLICANO~~ AUTOMOBILE CIRCOLO D'ITALIA

Ufficio del Pubblico Registro Automobilistico

di Como

Estratto (generale ~~o parziale~~) cronologico [1]

delle trascrizioni ed ipoteche relative al [2] Autoveicolo, Alfa Romeo motore 923622 telaio 915522

munito di Licenza di circolazione N. 1926 Co

Reg. Serie I Vol. 160 Foglio N. 17286

Numero d'ordine	ISCRIZIONE DELLA PROPRIETÀ E TRASCRIZIONI
I	Addì 22-3-46 Fra 304 U.U. In base a licenza circolazione n. 22-3-46 rilasciata dall'Ispettorato della Motorizzazione Civile di Como, si registra l'autoveicolo al nome di Gaudenzio Ing. Fausto di Fausto residente in Como Via Volta n. 2. e si trascrive istanza bollata con L. 30, autenticata 22-3-46 Como la quale il sig. Gaudenzio Fausto di Fausto richiede l'iscrizione dell'autoveicolo a scopo lucro ai soli fini amministrativi

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delle trascrizioni ed ipoteche relative al (2) Ciclomotore, Gilera Romeo Telaio 915528

munito di Licenza di circolazione N. 14286 Co

Reg. Serie I Vol. 160 Foglio N. 14286

Numero d'ordine	ISCRIZIONE DELLA PROPRIETÀ E TRASCRIZIONI
I	Addì 26-3-1954 (XII) In base a licenza circolazione del 26-3-1954 rilasciata dall'Ispettorato della Motorizzazione Civile di Como, si registra l'autoveicolo al nome di Geminiani Ivo Tullio di Tullio residente in Como Via Volta 42. e si trascrive istanza bollata con L. 30, autenticata 26-3-1954 con la quale il sig. Geminiani Tullio di Tullio richiede l'iscrizione dell'autoveicolo in proprietà esclusiva ai soli fini amministrativi. Fatto buono scarico sulla licenza di circolazione. Il Conservatore. IL QUESTORE (Col. Cdn. Gio. [illegible])

(1) Il presente modulo deve essere adibito per la compilazione: a) dell'estratto generale; b) del certificato parziale relativo alle trascrizioni e alle ipoteche; c) del certificato parziale relativo a determinati articoli specificati nella richiesta. In tutti i casi nella colonna « n. d'ordine » deve essere riportato il n. d'ordine assegnato a ciascun articolo nel volume di formalità.

(2) Indicare la specie dell'autoveicolo.

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d'ordine	ISCRIZIONE D'IPOTECA ED ANNOTAZIONI AD ESSA RELATIVE		

A richiesta di Ufficio A. A. di Como

si rilascia il presente certificato generale/parziale conforme agli articoli risultanti dal Foglio N. 44926 Co

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(Autolettura) del P. R. A. di Como

rispettivamente sotto i numeri su riportati.

Como, li 4 Agosto 19 44 Anno

IL CONSERVATORE

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A richiesta di Ufficio A. A. di Como

si rilascia il presente certificato generale/parziale conforme agli articoli risultanti dal Foglio N. 17926 Co

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(Auto Lettura) del P. R. A. di Como

rispettivamente sotto i numeri su riportati.

Como, 4 Agosto 19 45 Anno

Tributo

IL CONSERVATORE

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IL QUESTORE

(Ten. Colon. Cav. Luigi Grassi)

QUESTURA COMO

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES FORCES IN AUSTRIA
APO 777, U. S. ARMY

AG 451-PAGDS

8 March 1946

SUBJECT: Release of Motor Vehicle

TO: Commanding General
Headquarters Allied Commission
APO 394, U. S. Army

1. The Alfa Romeo, 6-Cylinder, 2500 SS Roadster, License Number 17926, Chassis Number 915522, Motor Number 923672, which is being claimed by a Dr. Ing. Bruno Fantinger, Colonno, Isola Comacino Prov. di Como, Italy, is the property of the United States Government and therefore, cannot be released.

2. This vehicle was originally requisitioned by the Partisans in Cavata, Como. Any remuneration claimed by Dr. Fantinger will be made to the Partisans or the Italian Government.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL CLARK

/S/ H.D.Spicer
/t/ H.D.SPICER
Captain, AGD
Asst Adj General

Telephone : Vienna A-2404

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

CARL N. SMITH
Capt. F.A.
Asst. Adj (A)

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.
Tel: 489081 Ext: 380.

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7 June 46.

To : CIMINI Giuseppe di Raimondo.
Case Popolari No 1.
CAMPOBASSO.

Your letter addressed to Chief Commissioner AC has been forwarded to Ministry of War.

F. H. Stockton
Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

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Subject : CUMINI Giuseppe di Raimondo.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.
Tel: 489081 Ext: 380.

A 212

7 June 46.

To : Ministry of War.

Attached letter has been received by this HQ and is forwarded to you for such action as you consider necessary.

J. D. Stockwell
Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

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(12)

Subject : Petition by S/Sgt. SPAGNOLI Alessandro, CC.RR.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.
Tel: 489081 Ext: 380.

A 212

7 June 46.

To : Ministry of War.

Attached letter has been received by this HQ and is forwarded to you for any action you consider suitable.

A D Stocker
Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

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Land Forces (MMIA)

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Summary-Translation.

To : Rear Admiral Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

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FROM: CIMINI Giuseppe di Raimondo,
Case Popolari No. 1,
GAGLIANO.

Writer is an Italian partisan who fought with the 1st Coy of the Polish Corps from Ancona to Bologna. He was wounded at Alfonsine (Ravenna) on the 9.7.44 and the Polish Command recommended him to the War Ministry for an award for military valour and war disablement. He is now unemployed as being one of a needy family. He asks if possible for a financial subsidy and a certificate testifying to his services. He claims to be in possession of the necessary documents proving his statements.

10 May 1946.

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TRANSLATION

From: S/Sgt CCRR Spagnoli Alessandro
To : MMLA

Ref: ---
Date: 22/6/46

The undersigned Spagnoli Alessandro of the late Angelo, 53 years old, S/Sgt CCRR, domiciled at Terni, Via Mentana 150, before appealing to Counsel of State, reports to your command the following facts:

1 - He fought in the Austrian-Italian war, by your side, as Sergeant of 62nd Infantry Rgt.
2 - During 1943-44 as a S/Sgt of CCRR called-up, hid and helped your soldiers to escape.
3 - Saved from mass execution 13 men accused of collaboration with your troops.
4 - Returned to their families, instead of deporting them to Germany, more than 1000 political prisoners.
5 - At Passanello he repulsed an armed aggression of thieves who attempted to seize the clothing of the barracks and the equipment of the antiparachute troops.
6 - At Stroncone, the Committee of National Liberation put him on the order of the day for merit.
7 - He did not look for deserters and for soldiers who were absent.
8 - He supplied arms to the patriots to facilitate the advance of the Allies in the territory of Terni.
9 - He approached the Germans and informed them that many Sangemini-citizens had been unjustly deported to Germany, also saving the fascist workers expelled from the party.
10- At Sangemini, during the occupation, many times his hands were kissed by Allied prisoners, recognizing the brotherly help which the undersigned had given to them.
11- He was also considered as collaborator of the rebels, etc.

All those acts, in other times, would have been rewarded for military merit: on the Monterry, Austria, on July 4th 1944, Maj. Marrone replaced the screening office, [illegible], discharged him on 2nd August and sent him home without decorative, pay or pension. He claimed for this unjust action and after having waited for more than one year he was told: "you have served the republic and therefore you cannot be recalled to your corps because the W/E is complete." For this purpose the undersigned points out that after the well known potential and war events, he applied and expected to be sent to Valerio Volpicelli and after was lost there.

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He was traced at Schiranoia of Narni and asked take service again, as his other comrades had done: he obeyed, considering that actually Cobu corps has been established in order to maintain public order, look for and arrest criminals etc. and thus they must work under any regime or government. In addition to this, Marshal of Italy Pietro Badoglio, on Sept.8th 1943 said:
"Cobu Public Safety agents, Finance Guards, etc. must remain firm on their place of duty". Is it just then that the undersigned, who has carried out this severe order, should be thrown on the ready Allied radios continuously incited up, who were in service, to help their disbanded soldiers and that at the end we should have received a reward. I did this! The documents proving it are in Gen. Ferrari's hands, at home. It is human and just therefore that the undersigned:

1 - be considered always in service till when military personnel of his class or other, with decree of the Ministry, are discharged;
2 - be promoted to S/Sgt Chief, which promotion he is entitled to since 20th February 1944 (see letter Leg. 30 dated 24/12/42);
3 - Pension for the a/a rank and not that at a Sgt which is drawing at present;
4 - pay for all the time he was out of service.

Sgt. Spagnoli Alessandro
S/Sgt.

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TRANSLATION

From: Montefusco, Domenico
To : See addresses

Ref:
Date: 14/5/46

In R.L.D. N° 165 dated 5 Aug. 1944, the Italian Temporary Government, without warning and in a dictatorship form, taking no need of any international convention following pressure brought about by disclaimers to their own country, by spies who have lived abroad on foreign and international communist money, has stopped life pensions and temporary allowances granted by the Italian Government, to disabled, invalids, widows, wounded and soldiers of the Spanish war.

And is going to pay this like-debt of the State contraction towards her sons who have given every thing for the Country?

The Spanish war soldiers put on Italian grey-green and fought with those belonging to the allies together with Army elements in order to keep the enemies of the country away from the Mediterranean (Bolshevism), because the majority of the People still asks to-day that this totalitarian and dictatorial organisation not conforming with the moderate, calm and balanced system of present politics, be kept away.

Do not forget that Brasil still pays to-day the pensions to Italian soldiers and their families to those who sacrificed their lives for the independence of the Brazilian State.

MUSSOLINI'S Government has always respected the pensions of every war because he knew that on the battle field there are no distinctions of race and politics and that for any kind of war the wounded should enjoy the benefits, because only from these and the wounded live.

I therefore, why the risky one to the tables of leftists and unworthy elements taken the pensions from her best sons?

Why is it claimed that Spain pays in gold and dollars for the help lended by the Italian Government? 51
not the Government of to-day the People?

If Spain is going to pay the requests of the Italian temporary Government then it will be the latter who will have to pay the Spanish war soldiers, should this not be so, we ask that Spain takes upon herself the responsibility of restoring the pensions to the Italians at her own expense, or the payment

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requests made by the Italian Temporary Government to Spain should be split up among the Italian soldiers who took part in the Spanish war with special consideration for the wounded and widows, without the Temporary Italian Government taking into account the amount of help given to Spain.

It is not human, no law contemplates it, not even the civil code between individual and individual, which authorises the confiscation of a sum without anez an equal sharing out among those who actually deserve it giving their own blood for the country. If the Italian Temporary Government has considered that her wounded are not entitled to anything, it is logical that the amount Spain is to pay is the property of the Spanish war soldiers.

It is necessary to bear in mind that many widows have already fallen into prostitution selling their own bodies in order to live, that many war blinded are begging in the streets and cases that many invalids pass from city to city in search of work and live by begging and many have already died due to lack of help and assistance.

This is our country today, due to the work of a few politicians! It is also necessary to bear in mind that the Italian Spanish war soldiers have never been "mercenary" as some would believe, a few months sent abroad because the Italian Government refused her soldiers the enlistment award and demobilisation award which if Spain is compelled to pay Italy for this help, it must also be borne in mind to detract the a/m awards, over and above the amount of relative pensions to war-wounded and invalids or the equivalent in case of final settlement.

I apply to the United Nations organisation, in order that it may intervene on behalf of Italian soldiers, today while the policy of Spain is the order of the day and in order to also explain the reason and responsibilities of this injustice committed by the Italian Temporary Government against Spanish war soldiers.

I address this to the Spanish embassy, in order that it may reach some agreement with the Spanish government on the action to be taken regarding the contents of this letter. I have addressed this for the same purpose to the sound political force of the country, certain of having the unconditional support and full and solid consideration, as the a/m Parties really wish Italy to rise again as a democracy and cleared of all injustices committed due to hates, grievances and revenge, as the events from the 8th Sept. up to date show.

Sd.

sgd. MONTEFUSCO DOMENICO

ALL'ALTO CONSESSO DELL'ORGANIZZAZIONE DELLE NAZIONI UNITE
"ONU"

TRAMITE L'AMBASCIATA IN ROMA

ALL'AMBASCIATA DI SPAGNA

ROMA

ALLA DIREZIONE DEL MOVIMENTO MONARCHICO ITALIANO

ROMA

ALLA DIREZIONE DELL'UNIONE DEMOCRATICA NAZIONALE

ROMA

ALLA DIREZIONE DEL BLOCCO NAZIONALE DELLA LIBERTA'

ROMA

Con regio Decreto Luogotenenziale n.155 del 5 Agosto 1944, il Governo Provvisorio Italiano, arbitrariamente e con forma dittatoriale, infischiandosene di ogni convenzione Internazionale, [illegible] in seguito a pressioni esercitate da rinnegatori della propria Patria, da Spie che hanno vissuto all'Estero al soldo dello straniero e della Internazionale Comunista, hanno soppresse le pensioni vitalizie e gli assegni provvisori concessi dal GOVERNO ITALIANO, ai Mutilati, Invalidi, vedove, feriti e combattenti della Guerra di Spagna.=

Chi dovrà pagare questo debito vitalizio dello Stato contratto verso i Suoi figli che hanno tutto donato per la Patria?

I Combattenti della Guerra di Spagna hanno vestito il grigio verde Italiano e combatterono con gli appartenenti alla milizia fusi con gli elementi dell'Esercito per allontanare i nemici della Patria dal Mediterraneo (il bolscevismo), perchè la maggioranza del Popolo ancora oggi chiede l'allontanamento di questa organizzazione totalitaria e dittatoriale non confacente col sistema moderatore, sereno ed equilibratore delle Forze Politiche in campo.

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Se la Spagna pagherà le richieste del Governo Provvisorio Italiano sarà questo che dovrà pagare le pensioni ai Combattenti di Spagna, in caso contrario si chiede che la Spagna si addossi l'onere di ripristinare le pensioni agli Italiani a spese proprie, oppure le richieste di pagamento richieste dal Governo Provvisorio Italiano dovranno essere dalla Spagna ripartite fra i Combattenti Italiani che parteciparono alla guerra di Spagna, con speciale riguardo per i minorati, i mutilati e le vedove, senza dare conto al Governo Provvisorio Italiano delle spese di aiuto dato alla Spagna.

Non è umano, nessuna legge lo contempla, nemmeno il Codice Civile tra individuo e individuo, che autorizzi incamerare una somma-un tantum-senza un'equa ripartizione fra coloro che effettivamente meritarono versando il proprio sangue per i migliori destini della Patria. Se il Governo Provvisorio Italiano ha ritenuto nullo il diritto dei suoi mutilati, è logico che quanto deve versare la Spagna è di proprietà dei Combattenti di quella guerra.=

Bisogna tener presente che molte vedove già sono cadute nell'abbiezione vendendo la propria carne per vivere, che molti ciechi di guerra chiedono l'elemosina per le strade e per ai caffè, che molti invalidi trascinano con i loro malanni di città in città in cerca di lavoro e vivono di elemosine

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e molti sono già morti per mancanza di aiuto e di assistenza.

Questa è la nostra Patria oggi, per opera di alcuni rinnegati!..

Bisogna tener presente pure che i Combattenti Italiani nella Guerra di Spagna non sono stati mai dei "mercenari" come vuole far credere alcuna qualche carne venduta all'estero, perchè il GOVERNO ITALIANO, rifiutò per i Suoi soldati il premio di ingaggio e il premio di smobilitazione, che se la Spagna sarà costretta a pagare all'Italia le spese di aiuto, dovrà tenere presente di detrarre anche i premi suddetti, oltre l'importo delle relative pensioni ai Mutilati e agli Invalidi di guerra o l'equipollente in caso di liquidazione definitiva.

Mi rivolgo all'Alto Consesso de l'Organizzazione delle Nazioni Unite, perchè intervenga in favore dei Combattenti Italiani, oggi che la politica della Spagna è all'ordine del giorno e per chiarire pure le cause ed i responsabili di questa ingiustizia commessa dal Governo Provvisorio italiano a carico dei Combattenti della guerra di Spagna.

Indirizzo la presente all'Ambasciata di Spagna, perchè si consigli col Governo Spagnolo sul da farsi del contenuto della nota.

In fine ho indirizzato la presente alle Forze Politiche sane del Paese, sicuramente di avere l'appoggio incondizionato e la considerazione piena e solidale, in quanto i Partiti in indirizzo amano e desiderano ardentemente e chè la Patria Italiana risorga democraticamente rinnovellata e smacchiata da tante ingiustizie commesse perchè dettate da odi, rancori e vendette, come lo stanno a dimostrare le vicende dall'8 settembre 1943 ad oggi.=

Brindisi, li 14 Maggio 1946

CAV. MONTEMURRO Domenico fu Vittorio
Invalido della Guerra di Spagna di 5ª Categoria,
già della Brigata "Freccie Azzurre" sul fronte di
Abdalusia nella guerra di Spagna 1936-1937.=
Brindisi
Via S. Barbara, 8

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Brindisi, li 14 Maggio 1946

Domanda Assistenza

S.7. MONTRUSSO Domenico fu Vittorio
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Brindisi
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Subject : Claim for pension.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.I.L.), R O I E.
Serial 439069 Entry 300.

A 212

5 June 46.

To : PILATO, Amalia Vedova BARTOLO.
Via Sala. Pelln 30.
Caltanissetta,
SICILY.

Your letter has been received by this HQ and forwarded to the Ministry of War.

Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

12.30

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Subject : Claims for Pension.

Land Forces Sub Comm. Ad.
(N.M.I.A.), N.O.S.E.
Vol: 40308, Art:500.

A 212 ✓

3 June 46.

To : Ministry of War.

The attached application for pension has been sent to this HQ and is forwarded to you for any action you deem necessary.

J D Stocker
Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

/E.g.

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Lord Louis's MMID (6)

Summary-translation

TO : Admiral Stone,
Chief Combined Staff,
Allied Headquarters.

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FROM: Pilot Hamlett (ex. 14 Det. 10),
Via Sqn. Tally No,
Castelfaadilla,
MMID.

The mother, a poor war widow who has so far received no pension and has been allowed to provide for her boys for some fortnight, is unable to give out her ration weekly which is not sufficient to live on.

22 May 1944.

Augustus Hamlett
3/6

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Subject : Refund of Cash to Sgt. STANISIC ILJIAI. Yugoslav citizen.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.
Tel: 489081 Ext:380.

A 212

27 May 46.

To : GHQ., CMF.

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Ref your 3373/A-2 dated 17 Dec 45 and our A 255 dated 12 March 46.

1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of a statement made by CC.RR. Capt.LOGRAND Giuseppe who commanded the POW Camp at BAR (Antivari) for certain periods prior to the armistice.

2. Would you inform this HQ if it is considered any further enquiries should be made in the matter?

V.D.Stocker
for Major-General,
M.M.I.A.

/E.E.

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TRANSLATION

FROM : N. of W.
TO : N.W.I.A.

REF: 76E/N
DATE: 17/5/46

SUBJECT: Jugoslav subject STANISIC ILJIA: application for the returning of money.

With reference to letter A/255 dated 22 December 1945 and filling our promise laid down by the letter 53/N dated 10 January last we enclose a copy of the report made by RR.CC. Captain LOGRANO GIUSEPPE who during two different periods has been the interim commander of POW. Camp at Bar (Antivari).

It appears from a/m report that a booklet was given to the Camp internees which recorded all the withdrawals.

This pointed out, and in view of the fact that Mr. Stanisic is not possessing any document proving his application, this Ministry regrets that it cannot achere to the request of the a/m.

Sgd. PELLIGRA
Gen.

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Letter to
GHQ with copy
of Lograno's letter
Tos. 2075

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Roma, 17 Maggio 46

Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
UFFICIO COMMISSARIATO DI AMMINISTRAZIONE

Alla Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (S.M.I.A.)
R O M A

Posizione 7 - 3ª Fascicolo 3°
Prot. N. 2655/46 Allegati

Riferirsi al foglio del
Div. Sez. N.

Oggetto: Subito ingresso STATUTO Italia: Eventuale ratificazione Armi.-

Con riferimento al foglio R/255 del 22 dicembre u.s. ed a seguito della riserva fatta con la nota 1.51/7. del 10 gennaio u.s. mi trasmetto copia della relazione presentata dal capitano del T.S.C. Longhi Giuseppe e dei due tenenti periti, in tenuta al comando interrale del gruppo F.A. di Bari (Adriatico).

Da tale relazione risulta che agli interrali del C.A. è veniva allegato un libretto in base al quale effettuavano i rilevamenti.

Ciò posto ed in considerazione che la SUB LSIC non è in possesso di alcun documento rilevante che convalidi la sua domanda, questo Ministero è spiacente di non poter aderire alla richiesta dell'interessata.

P. IL MINISTRO

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

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TRANSLATION

FROM: Capt. CC.RR. reserve LOGRAND GIUSEPPE.

TO : M. of W.

SUBJECT: Jugoslav citizen STANISIC JULIAI.

With reference to letter 633 dated 26/4/46 of your Ministry, I inform you that during April 1943 I was not the commander of the Antivari (Montenegro) concentration Camp, but I was O.C. of the 3 Coy.- 9th Bn. CC.RR. stationed at Antivari.

I am sure however that, when (on June 1943) I assumed the interim command of that Camp, on my taking command, I noticed that the Camp cash contained some hundreds thousands lire, withdrawn from the internees.

However, whilst in my office, there were recorded the relative notes proving the handings in made by the internees; these also had a book in which both monthly payments, and withdrawals were registered and each entry was signed by the paying officer and the office record was signed by the person concerned.

The Jugoslav citizen Stanisic must therefore have his book, in which the withdrawals and payments must be recorded, and if on the contrary, any statement of his is ~~intended~~ false.

I was interim commander at the Camp during June and July 1943 and then a CC.RR. Major, took command, whose name I have forgotten and who having reported sick at the begining of September, was again substituted by me as camp interim commander.

At the end of September 1943 when I had to hand over the Camp to German Command, a regular and scrupulous

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handing over of all the money of the internees, who then amounted to 2000 men and women, was made.

During the months that I was in command, several transfers of internees from Antivari to Italy took place and they were not only paid to the full amount due on their leaving, but a CC.RR. Officer who was in charge of the escort of the convoy, personally confirmed to me that no claims whatever were made by the internees leaving.

The request, therefore, of the Stanisic has no foundation and by his request he is acting in bad faith.

Lecce May 2nd 1946
Piazzetta Sillo 16

The Capt. CC.RR. reserve,
discharged
(sgd. Longrad Giuseppe)

P.S. The C.C. of the Antivari Camp before me, was the CC.RR. Maj. NAGGI, who handed the Camp to me.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione gen. Servizi cons/ ed amm/vi
Div. I.S.P. . Sezione 3ª

R O M A

O G G E T T O: Deputato parlamentare ITALICO ALIMIA.

In relazione al foglio di codesto Ministero N.633 del 25 aprile 1944, comunico che nell'aprile 1943 io non comandavo il campo di concentramento di Antivari (Montenegro) ma bensì la 3ª compagnia dell'IIº Battaglione Carabinieri con sede in Antivari.

Ho già fatto presente nel modulo che, allorchè, nel mese di giugno 1941 mi venne affidato il comando del campo, nel consegnarmi le varie mansioni che alla guardia del campo erano legate, e cioè di sorvegliare gli internati, ritirare gli ordini, ecc.

Però mentre nell'articolo si erano le relative norme che prevedono i versamenti effettuati da coloro che erano in possesso di un libretto, nel quale venivano segnati dai rimanenti che i prelevamenti mensili e poi si riportava sempre nel libretto l'importo venuto appunto da tutti dell'articolo stesso, e alla fine l'importo venuto appunto la cifra dell'importo.

Il comandante del campo doveva perciò essere in possesso del libretto sopra indicato, dal quale risultano i versamenti e prelevamenti da lui effettuati, in caso contrario ogni sua affermazione deve essere ritenuta falsa.

Io fui comandante interinale del campo nei mesi di giugno e luglio 1943 poichè venne trasferito un maggiore dei carabinieri del quale ad oggi il nome, che mandarono al posto di attendere le novità sostituire ancora nel comando. Verso la fine del settembre 1943 allorchè dovetti consegnare il campo al personale tedesco, si fece subito eseguire e scrivere esattamente di parte le somme degli internati che allora raggiungevano le 2000 persone fra uomini e donne.

In quei mesi del mio comando, vi furono parecchi prigionieri di internati da Antivari in Italia, ed essi non solo

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[illegible]

M. [illegible] però in [illegible] non [illegible] per, [illegible], [illegible] il [illegible] di [illegible] [illegible], nel [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] del [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] di [illegible], [illegible] il [illegible].

Però nostra [illegible] vi erano [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] effettuati [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] di [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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Subject : MARCON Antonio former Italian soldier

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

A 212

19th Mar. '46.

To : Ministry of War

1. Ref attached communication.

2. It would appear that this is a matter which the Italian Government should handle for this HQ knows of no gratuities being given by the Allies to former Italian soldiers for their service in the Italian Army.

R.C. VAN KIRK, Major,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
VENEZIA

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VILLA TAVERNA
PREGANZIOL
NEAR TREVISO

A-212

13 March 46

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
Land Forces Sub Commission

SUBJECT : Petition by Ex-Cooperator

FILE NO : CLO/V/CL/80

The attached petition is passed to you for your attention. It is regretted that the writer's address is not known.

Address on letter is given as:-
Via Aleardi, 8, MESTRE.

W.M. HARRISON, Major
for Chief Liaison Officer.

Encl.(1)

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TRANSLATION.

FROM : MARCON ANTONIO

TO : HQ 86 AREA

Venice, 5 March 1946

I am the ex co-operator MARCON Antonio fu Benedetto, class 1907 - resident at Mestre - Via Aleardi 8.

I was called up in 1942 and sent to the Arty. Regt. of Treviso.

Then I was attached to the Commando del Raggruppamento in Sardinia.

When the allied troops landed the garrison was taken prisoner. But instead of being interned in a concentration camp, many of us volunteered and the 511 Battaglione Gruppo Guardie was formed and attached to the 5th Army, with which we served during all the campaign. I was discharged on the 30/5/945.

Being poor and without any property, and with a large family to feed, I dare to beg your HQ to grant me a prize for good services rendered to the Allied Army.

I thank you for all that you will do in my favour to soothe the discomfort of unemployment - and the hunger of my family.

(signed) MARCON Antonio

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Subject: Distribution of Clothing

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Signor E. Fabbri,
406 Via San Vitale,
Bologna, Italy, CMF.

2 Nov 46

1. Reference your recent letter in which you stated that an issue of [illegible] was made to demobilized soldiers by the Allied Commission through the local Italian Commission and that you had served in the British Army and were enclosed.

2. Will you please notify this office of the name of the Italian Commission (and location of his unit) by whom the clothing was distributed.

R. Leigh Capt

[illegible] Captain
Officer i/c Legal Record Office CMF.

Envelope to be addressed "Officer in Charge
Non-British Records Branch"

Copy to: Military Liaison to Italian Govt,
APO 394 CMF.
(Reference 1/047 and 4 Nov 46 refers.)

No action
JAG
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