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Italian Officers Reinstatement

MAR. - AUG. 1945

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Subject : Italian Officers - Reinstatements.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(N.M.I.A.)
ROME
A 308

28 Aug 45.

To : AFHQ.

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Capt. (Med) FUSOC Raffaele.

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Major General,
N.M.I.A.

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Subject : Italian Officers - Reinstatements.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
P O H E
A 308

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M.M.I.A.

rsic/jc *Card Please.*

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Subject : Italian Officers - Reinstatement.

Land Forces Sub Com. AC.
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME
A 308

23. Aug. '45.

To : Ministry of War.

Reference your 115916/1 dated 16 August '45.
110 10 30

Lt. Col. K. E. A. B. L. A., Artillery.

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Major General
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(M.M.I.A.)

Coordinated Maj. Bellis.

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Subject : Italian Officers - Reinstatement.

Land Forces Sub Com. AG.
(H.M.I.A.)
R G M H
A 308

23 AUG. '45

To : Ministry of War.

Reference your 118154/13 16 dated 18 August '45.
~~118200/1~~
~~118 10 10~~

Corrected by phone
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Capt. Maj. Officer P U & C O., Raffaele.

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with my son
1945
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H.M.I.A.

Coordinated by Colby.

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Translation

From M; of W.
To M.M.I.A.

A 315
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Ref. 110948/1
110 10 30
Date 16/8/45

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Subject Lt. Col. ISABELLA Arturo

We forward, for any necessary action by you, the request of the a/n officer's wife asking for her husband's freedom, at present in the P.O.W. camp Aversa.

DAK.

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See also Fo 15

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all Esc. cooperators & IFL Prisoners
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translation

TO THE PRIME MINISTER

ROME

I am the wife of Lt. Col. ISABELLA ARTURO son of Michele, born at Torino on the 1^o of April 1891.

My husband was captured by the Germans on Sept. II 1943 at the Terr. Defence HQ. Florence, where he was on duty. He had the luck not to be deported to Germany, but was ~~obliged~~ obliged to remain at his post. In order not to expose his family to the well known retaliations he had to submit ~~and~~ and remain on duty even when the Republican Gov. came, up to June 20 1944 the date on which he succeeded in obtaining his discharge (dated therefore after the liberation of Florence). In Aug. following he applied to the State authorities and from them obtained his normal discharge.

On the 27 Dec. 44, ~~thus~~ six months after the cessation of his services, he was declared P.O.W. by the F.S.S. and on Jan. 9/45 was taken to the Aversa 326 P.O.W. camp where he still is. The other officers who like him were on duty at the Regional HQ. Florence have not been detained.

On the 19/4/45 he was questioned by an agent of the Questura on behalf of the F.S.S. but ~~finding~~ finding nothing incriminating regarding my husband, he assured me that he would be freed as soon as possible. My only son, Aldo, of the 1922 class has been a prisoner in Algeria since II May 1943 (Camp V T.I. Costantina N° 16499)

Thus I am left alone. I am 50 years old and not in ~~very good~~ ^{very good} health. At present I live only by the allowance due to my husband ~~as~~ as Capt. in the A.R. [↑] and not as Lt. Col. as he really is. This ~~is~~ is a ridiculous allowance and insufficient to meet the high cost of living. My husband who is 55 years old resents the life and privations of a concentration camp.

With the end of the war I was hoping he would at once be sent home, instead he writes me that his freedom is still ~~along~~ along way off.

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I must add that my husband has never worried himself about politics and consequently has never been involved in any political activities.

He only joined the Fascist party in 1929 for employment reasons.

Up to date ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ no notification whatever has been given for the reason why my husband should be treated like this, therefore I apply to the ^{Public Security} ~~Public Security~~ that he may justly and humanly examine my case and send my dear husband home to me.

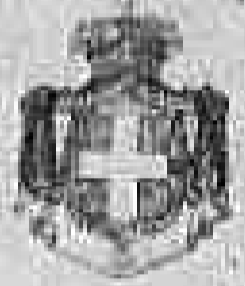
Florence, 3 July 1945.

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Adelaide Mantia Isabella)

Lungo I'Affrico 94 Florence.

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Roma 16 AGO 1949

Ministero della Guerra

- Gabinetto -

LA LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C. (AMIA)
R.O.M.

Divisione Leg.
Prot. 118948 11/11/48
110-10-30

Risposta al f. del
Div. Leg. N°

OGGETTO: cap. col. ISABELLA ARTURO.

Si trasmette, per il conto che co-
desta Sub Commission vorrà tenerne, una
domanda con la quale la moglie dell'uf-
ficiale in oggetto invoce la liberazio-
ne del marito, attualmente al campo pri-
gionieri di Aversa.

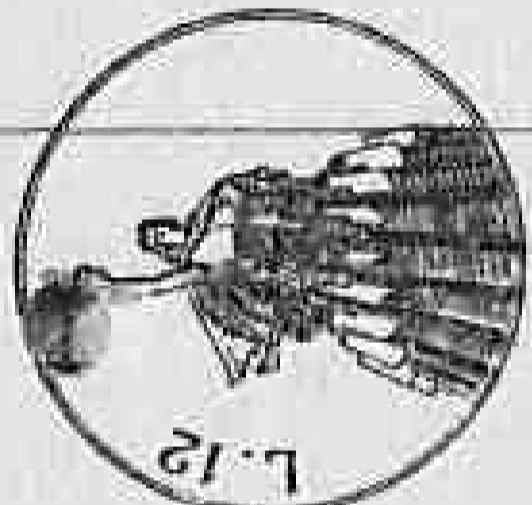
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IL CAPO DEL CABINETTO

TRANSLATION	
IN	Time <u>130</u>
	Date <u>18/8</u>
OUT	Time <u>12/5</u>
	Date <u>18/8</u>

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PREMIER A. DE GASPERI
MINISTRI
1943
10/7/43



ALLA PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

R O M A

Sono la moglie del Ten. Col. ISABELLA ARTURO fu Michele, nato a Torino IL 1° Aprile 1891.

Mio marito l'11 Settembre 1943 fu catturato dai tedeschi, presso il Comando della Difesa Territoriale di Firenze, ove prestava servizio, Ebbe la fortuna di non essere deportato in Germania, ma fu obbligato a rimanere nel suo ufficio. Per non esporre la famiglia alle ben note rappresaglie dovette sottomettersi e rimanere in servizio anche quando venne la repubblica, sino al 20 Giugno 1944 data in cui risuscì ad avere il congedo (data quindi anteriore alla liberazione di Firenze). Nell'Agosto successivo si presentò alle Autorità Regie e da queste venne regolarmente posto in congedo.

Il 27 Dicembre 1944, cioè dopo ben sei mesi dalla cessazione del suo servizio, fu fermato dalle F.S.S., dichiarato prigioniero di guerra ed il 9 Gennaio '45 portato al Campo Prigionieri di Aversa N°326, dove

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Eli altri Ufficiali che come lui prestarono servizio al Comando Regionale di Firenze non sono stati fermati.

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From M. of W.
To M.M.I.A.

Translation

A 308

Ref. II8I54/I.3.

II2+I7 I66

Date 13/8/45

Subject Capt. Med. Officer FUSCO Raffaele

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Will you kindly look into the forwarded copy of a report sent to the ~~Army~~ ^{Army} ~~President~~ by the father of the a/n medical officer, who is interned as P.O.W. (8I I. 409660 -P.W.C. 326-Naples (Italy)). We do not possess any information on the activities carried out by the officer after 8/9/43, owing to the fact that the a/n, captured by the allies after passing the fighting line, has not had the chance of ~~maintaining~~ stating his position to the Italian Mil. Authorities.

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Translation

COPY

MEMO FOR THE HEAD OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND MIN. OF THE INTERN

ROME

~~XXXX~~ Medical officer Capt; FUSCO Raffaele in Sept. 43 was on duty at the Ancona Mil. Hos.

He was invited together with another 31 officers of the garrison to join the Fascist Republican Government and while 30 of them accepted the invitation only Dott. FUSCO, in spite of threats of deportation to Germany absolutely refused.

In Feb. 1944 he was deported to Ferrara by the Germans, and then to Parma where, because of an epidemic amongst German soldiers they needed a medical officer, for which his deportation to Germany was put off.

In Nov. of the said year, Fusco, found the favourable moment, reached agreement with the partisans and helped by these, succeeded in passing the front and at once presented himself to the Pietrasantra Allied H.Q. then, without being questioned, was interned in the P.O.W. camp at Florence on the 12/12/44.

He was transferred on Feb. 2 45 to a fixed camp, where he is at present. Capt. FUSCO presented at the Aversa camp H.Q. a request to be interrogated, and to prove that above ^{attached} attached to the request the following documents:

- a) statement of the ~~XXXXXX~~ O.C. MIL. HOS. ANCONA
- b) " " " former " " "
- c) " " 4 N.C.O.'s of the " " "
- d) " " " CHAPLAIN " " "
- e) " " " National Liberation Committee of Osimo (Ancona)

Documents all certifying not only that FUSCO hated the Nazi-Fascists, but himself having refused the demands of the Germans and Gen. MONTAGNA? was badly treated and deported as above.

I am Dott. FUSCO's father and I ask:
Why my son is a prisoner? What crime has he committed? In what duty has he failed.

If he is guilty, I ^{his} father, ~~say~~ ^{say} severely punish him, but if he is innocent as shown above, sent him back to his old and sick parent. I apply therefore to the competent Italian Authority in order that they intervene and carry out justice.

Yours faithfully

father of the Capt. med Officer
Antonio Fusco.

See folio 20

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To/mi



Ministero della Guerra
Gabinetto

Divisione *Sec.*
Prot. N. 118154/I.3 Allegati 1
112.17.166

OGGETTO. Capitano medico s.p.e. FUSCO Raffaele.

Sec.
Risposta al Foglio del
D. n. *Sec.* 40

Ricevuto 13 AGO 1945

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

ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO - Gabinetto
(seguito foglio 117204/I/1 del 28 luglio 1945)

ROMA

Con preghiera di benevolo esame si trasmette copia di un esposto inviato al Presidente del Consiglio dal padre dell'Ufficiale medico in oggetto, che è internato quale prigioniero di guerra (81 I. 409660-P.W.C. 326 - Naples (Italy)).

Questo Ministero non possiede elementi sull'attività svolta dall'ufficiale posteriormente all'8 settembre 1943, dato che il medesimo, catturato dagli Alleati dopo passata la linea di combattimento, non ha avuto la possibilità di precisare alle Autorità Militari Italiane quale fosse la sua posizione.

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C O P I A

MEMORIA PER IL CAPO DEL GOVERNO ITALIANO E MINISTRO DEGLI INTERNI

R.O. Maresciallo. In custodia di

Il Capitano medico FUSCO Raffaele nel settembre 1943 prestava servizio presso l'Ospedale militare di Ancona.

Fu invitato assieme ad altri 31 ufficiali di quel presidio ad aderire al Governo Repubblicano Fascista e mentre 30 di essi aderirono all'invito il Dottore FUSCO soltanto, malgrado le minacce di deportazione in Germania, si rifiutò recisamente.

In febbraio 1944 fu dai tedeschi deportato a Ferrara, donde a Parma e colà, a causa di una epidemia verificatasi fra i soldati tedeschi, si ebbe bisogno dell'opera di un medico, per cui venne differito il deportamento in Germania.

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In data 2 febbraio 1945 fu trasferito nel campo di stanza, dove attualmente si trova.

Il Capitano FUSCO presentò al Comando del Campo di Aversa, domanda per essere interrogato, ed a prova di quanto sopra allegò alla domanda stessa i seguenti documenti:

- a) dichiarazione del Direttore dell'Ospedale militare di Ancona;
- b) " " ex direttore " " "
- c) " " di 4 sottufficiali " " "
- d) " " del cappellano " " "
- e) " " Comitato di liberazione nazionale di Osimo (Ancona).

Documenti tutti attestanti non solo che il FUSCO aborrisce il nazifascismo, ma egli essendo si rifiutò alle ripetute ingiunzioni teutoniche e del generale MONTANA, fu maltrattato e deportato come sopra.

Solo il padre del Dottore FUSCO e comando:

Perché mio figlio è prigioniero? quale mancanza ha egli commessa? A quale dovere ha mancato?

Se risulta colpevole, lo padre, dico panitelo severamente, ma se innocente come sopra è dimostrato, restituitelo al senito ⁴⁴ ~~63~~ ⁶³ oblio ed ammalato.

Ma rivolgo quindi alla competente Autorità Italiana perché intervenesse a far compiere atto di giustizia!

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Mi rivolgo quindi alla competente Autorità Italiana perchè intervenga a far compiere atto di giustizia!

Fiducioso ringrazio

IL PADRE DEL CAPITANO MEDICO
F.to Antonio Fusco

Vico Ritiro Purità a Foria 20 - N. A. P. O. L. I

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Subject : Employment - Italian Officers.

Land Forces Sub Comd, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A308

14 July 45.

To : Major GUIDO POLCE,
FRATOLA FELIGRIA (AQUILA)

Ref your letter dated 28 June 45.

1. All request for employment in the Italian Army should be forwarded to the Italian Ministry of War.
2. This HQ does not deal direct with individual applications.
3. Your application is returned herewith.

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

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Translation.
From M₂ of War
To: m. m. g. a.
Ref. 4/12083/Prot. 13
Dtd. 11 July 45.
Subject: M.T. Major (officer-reserve).

TRIFONI - Biagio.

Ref letter A308 of 17/6/45

M. T. Major (officer-reserve) Trifoni, Biagio,
with effect from to-day is discharged from the
service, ~~as instructed by~~ Circular No 4100/III/RP/GAB.
dtd 4 June 45, on account of having belonged
to the disbanded Fascist Militia (M.V.S.N).

The measure has been adopted ~~by~~ ^{in accordance} with
a general order which permits no exceptions.

See
K9 Pacini
NAC
16/7.
B/S. V. V. V.
Q.

For the Minister
Secy. Gen. J. Falugi



MB, me

Ministero della Guerra

ISTITUTO DI REFORME PENALI

Direz. Gen. Pers. Uff.

Divisione Mov* Ter. IV

Prot. N. 4/12083 Allegati

OGGETTO: Magg. Aut. Cpl. TRIFONI Biagio -

NELLA RISPOSTA CITARE SEMPRE CON ESATTEZZA LA DATA ED I NUMERI DEL PRESENTE FOGLIO

Roma: 10-7 1945 A

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION M.M.I.A.

SEDE

Risposta al f. del 17/6/945

Ter. Ter. N. A/308

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - GABINETTO -
(Rif. f. 8894/III/R del 22/6/945) SEDE

Il Magg. Aut. Cpl. TRIFONI Biagio in data odierna viene posto in congedo, a norma della circ. 4100/III/RP/Gab. datata 4/6/945, perche' ha appartenuto alla disciolta M.V.S.N.-

Il provvedimento e' attuato per disposizione di carattere generale che

TR non consente eccezioni.-

p. IL MINISTRO
(Gen. Div. G. Falugi)

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Subject :- Italian Officers - Reinstatement.

Land Forces Sub Comd. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
A 308.

29 June 45.

To :- Main H.Q. 8 Army, C.M.F.

Reference your M 9023A dated 4th April 45 and further to this
H.Q. letter A 308 dated 10th April 45.

BRUNO Fano.

Enclosed is copy translation of a letter received from the
Ministry of War concerning the a/n officer.

B. Fano
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

4461.

DSLG/prh.

Translation

From: M of W.
To: M M IA.

308

Ref: 114413/1/1. (11)
Date: 25th June 45.

Subject: Italian Officers - Re-appointment of.

Ref. A/308 dated 10/4/45. ^{de racial laws}
In accordance with ~~the~~ instructions, FANO
BRUNO son of ANGELO, was discharged, in January 1939 ^{held} from
the course of Reserve Officers ~~Course~~ which was being ~~conducted~~
at 31st Inf. Regt.

Contrary to what he states in attached
statement which is returned herewith, it is not possible that
later on, he might have been appointed Reserve 2/Lt. neither
it is possible for him to hold his rank at present
because, actually, no courses for officers are being held and
direct appointments are temporarily stopped.

The ~~App~~ ^{was granted an} ~~has been under the jurisdiction~~
~~of the laws, as a 2/Lt. w.c.f. 6 July 44, because he~~
was serving under the Allied Authorities.

G.F.

(Sgd) The Chief of Column

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Roma 25 GIU 1945

Ministero della Guerra
GABINETTO

ALLIED LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
N I R O N A

Divisione *Tez*
Prot. N. 114413/I/Allegato 1
115.18.1

Report del 10/4/1945
S. J. *Tez* 1A/308

OGGETTO ufficiali italiani - Reintegrazione

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Il giovane FANO Bruno di Angelo nel mese di gennaio 1939, in applicazione delle disposizioni razziali, fu dimesso dal corso allievi ufficiali di complemento che si svolgeva presso il 31° rgt.ftr. Contrariamente a quanto egli afferma nell'esposto che si restituisce, non è possibile che in seguito abbia conseguito la nomina a sottotenente di complemento. Nè avrebbe la possibilità di conseguirla ora, in quanto non vi sono attualmente corsi A.U.C. e sono sospese le nomine dirette. Il FANO è stato militarizzato al grado di sottotenente sotto la data del 6 luglio 1944, essendo in servizio alle dipendenze delle Autorità Alleate.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

Traslatum

[Signature]

M. 26/6

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FANO BRUNO

di Angelo e di Luzzatto Bianca, nato a Trieste il 4 ottobre 1919 ed ivi residente in via M.T.Cicerone N°10.

Studi compiuti: Assolto il Liceo Classico; iscritto alla R.Università di Firenze nel 1937; laureato in Giurisprudenza nel 1941.

Lingue straniere: Buona conoscenza della lingua inglese come pure di quella tedesca. Qualche conoscenza di francese.

Notizie Generali: Dal 1942 all' 8 Settembre 1943 consulente di diritto marittimo presso uno studio di Ingegneria Navale a Trieste. Lasciata Trieste il 9 settembre 1943 in seguito all' occupazione tedesca. Dopo un breve soggiorno nei pressi di Padova recatosi ad Assisi ed a Perugia. Arrestato dalla Polizia Fascista Repubblicana di Perugia il 26 Febbraio 1944 insieme ad altri componenti di un'organizzazione clandestina. Rilasciato dal carcere il 2 maggio, ma in seguito a rifiuto di arruolarsi nelle forze repubblicane fasciste rimesso in prigione. Scarcerato il 19 maggio 1944 ed inviato al servizio obbligatorio del lavoro.

Scappato dal battaglione lavoratori il medesimo giorno e ritornato ad Assisi. Ad Assisi fino al giorno della liberazione (17 giugno).

Appartiene alla razza ebraica ma di religione cattolica.

Servizio nell'A.M.G.: Entrato in servizio nell'A.M.G. il 6 luglio 1944 a Perugia con il Capt.A.A.Simpson. Fino al 3 Agosto a Perugia (A.M.G. Security branch); seguita sempre questo ufficiale a Casiglion Fibocchi e Laterina (Arezzo Province), Ostia Vetere e Cartocete (Pesare Province), Cattolica, Riccione e Viserba (Forli Province), Cervia (Ravenna Province). Dal 22 Ottobre 1945 si trova a Cervia.

G.S.I. (c.l.): Nominato sottotenente in data 28 gennaio 1945 ed assunto in forza dal nucleo "I" att. G.S.I.(c.l.) Eighth Army Main quale Italian Intelligence Liason Officer. Assegnato temporaneamente all'A.M.G. Cervia in attesa di disposizioni. Aveva già prestato servizio militare quale allievo ufficiale di complemento di Fanteria motorizzata alla Scuola Allievi Ufficiali di Napoli ma dopo 4 mesi ed 11 giorni di servizio collocate in congedo assoluto per motivi razziali (Gennaio 1939).

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SUBJECT : Discharge of Italian Officers.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E .
A 308
17, June 45.

TO : Ministry of War.

1. This H.Q.s has been informed that Major TRIFONI, Bragio is to be discharged from the Italian Army under provisions of circular 2800/EP/111/GAB. M.G. of 26 March, 1945.
2. Information that has reached this H.Q.s from Allied officers on the performance of the officer in question has been very gratifying.
3. Before taking any action, this Mission would like to have the opinion of the Ministry of War on the seriousness of the charge, and the ability of this officer and his usefulness to the Italian Army if retained.

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19/6

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Major General,
M. M. I. A. 4457

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Subject: Discharge of Italian Officer

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MMIA L.O.

c/o British Increment Fifth Army

510/14A

29 May 45

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Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
ROME.

Maggiore (Ant. Compl.) TRIFONI, Biagio.

1. The s/n officer, who commands 229 Ital Tpt Coy AC (Alias 1002 G.I. Coy), has received a copy of a communication from the War Ministry (n.2/11827 of 5 May 45, Direz. Personale) stating that he is to be discharged from the Army under Circular 2800/RF/III/Gab. M.G. of 26 Mar 45.

2. O.C. British Cadre has stated that he does not wish to have Major TRIFONI replaced because he is a highly efficient officer and has been very largely responsible for the reputation for good work which his unit has earned since Aug last year. In fact, he is considered essential to the continued efficiency of the company.

3. The circular cited by the War Ministry deals with the discharge of personnel with a record of Fascist sympathies, taking part in the Spanish Civil War, etc. Major TRIFONI, while admitting to have volunteered in Spain from anti-communist motives, denies having been pro-fascist, and states that he was ~~seen~~ vetted by CEESSA at FOGGIA early in July 44 and that in Sept of that year, the War Ministry recorded a negative finding in his case.

For your information, he attributes the War Ministry's action to an article which appeared in the Communist paper "RISCOSSA" of TERAMO (his home town) on 28 Apr 45, in which certain anonymous and uncomplimentary references were made to an "automobilistic Major who is fond of wars".

4. Will you please say if this is sufficient for you to take action on. If a staff request for the retention of Major TRIFONI's services is necessary, this could be obtained, although, in point of fact, it can only reflect the opinion of O.C. British Cadre.

Officer was Blacklisted for only 2 months. Request states that no person who has left the off. of the MVSNA may be an officer of the Army. Question will be taken if MMIA writes letter 14/6 PJP

Captn M

Capt.,
MMIA L.O.,
British Increment Fifth Army.

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MMIA L.O.,
British Increment Fifth Army.

VCJT/WMH

Capt. Pacini.

Please find out from War Min what is back of this and whether it should be reconsidered. Get me particulars and I will give a decision.

SP
Scarpilio 10

31 May

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Subjects - Italian officers - Reinstatement.

Land Forces Sub Comd. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O N E.
A 308, 19 May '45.

To : - Ministry of War.

Lieut BRASS Luigi.

1. Further to telephone conversation Capt PACINI ROMA and Lt. Col. SANBONE ROMA of 18 May, 1945, enclosed is a copy of a letter from Capt S. RUSSEL No 1 B.C.S.
2. As will be seen Lieut BRASS is blameless in the matter.

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Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to No 1 B.C.S. your 220/1 OF 18/5/45, refers.

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Subject:- Italian officers -- Reinstatement.

Land Forces Sub Comm, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
A 302. 13 May, 45

To :- Flag Liaison Officer
Italy. H.Q. Allied Comd.

Col. A. Allen Jones, D.S.O., M.C. 5/1

Reference your L 331/5 dated 4th, May 45 and further
to this H.Q. letter A.306 of 18 April 45. — 4

1. This question has been taken up by MIA Liaison
Officer with the Ministry of War.

2. It is considered that it would be advantageous
if Col. Jones submitted his appeal to the Ministry of War
in person and discussed the whole matter with Col. Lombardi.

3. Col. Jones appeal is therefore returned herewith.

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

Coordinated Maj. Baumann

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Copy to Min: of War.

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COLONEL A.A. JONES - RESTITUTION OF RIGHTS.

(Letter from Colonel A.A. Jones dated 24th April, 1945).

II.

No. FORAM.126-5.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY (ROME).

With reference to my Flag Lieutenant's telephone conversation with Lieutenant Commander Thomas on 21st April, forwarded herewith is a statement of claim made out by Colomello A.A. Jones, D.S.O., M.C. late of the Italian Army, addressed to the Minister for War.

2. As you are already aware, Colonel Jones has made valuable contributions to the Allied war effort ever since September, 1943, so that it is all the more unfortunate that his repeated requests for his case to be recognised by the Italian Government have met with no acknowledgment.

3. It would be much appreciated if you would forward the attached documents to the Military Mission to the Italian Army with the request that they urge the Minister to consider an early and favourable decision.

Northern Area,
Mediterranean.
At NAPLES.
1st May, 1945.



(Sgd.) C. AFFLETON

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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COLONEL A.A. JONES - RESTITUTION OF RIGHTS.

(Letter from Colonel A.A. JONES dated 24th April, 1945).

III. **A** A255

No. L.331/5.

MILITARY MISSION TO THE
ITALIAN ARMY.

The attached appeal for restitution of rights made by Colonel A.A. JONES, D.S.O., M.C., Italian Army, is forwarded with the request that his case may be referred to the Ministry of War.

ROME,
4th May, 1945.

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REAR ADMIRAL.

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Subject: Italian officers - Reinstatement

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
A308.
18 April, 45.

Flag Liaison officer, Italy.
H.Q. Allied Commission.

Col. A. Allen Jones, D.S.O., M.C.

Reference your L.331/5 dated 30 March and further to this H.Q. A/11 dated 4 April, 45.

1. Information has been received from the Ministry of War that this is not the first request they have received for an investigation to be made on behalf of this officer.
2. They state that they are unable to act in this matter until a proper application is made by Col. JONES, direct to the Ministry of War.
3. Will you please pass this information to Col. JONES.

W. P. Pickering
Major General.
M.M.I.A.

DSL/ptrh.

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Subject: Italian officers Re-instatement. (Col A. ALLAN JONES.)

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Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
A 308.

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17th, April, 1945.

To: MINISTRY OF WAR.

AD 226

Ref this HQ letter A/11 of 4th, Apl., 45.

May this HQ please be informed whether a reply may now be given to the above quoted letter.

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Copy to: Flag Liaison Officer,
Italy, HQ.A.C.

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

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Subjects: Italian officers - Reinstatement.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
A/308.

10 April, 46.

Ministry of War.

BRUNO, Fano.

1. Enclosed is a statement (original) received at this H.Q., concerning the above named individual, for your consideration.
2. No reply has been sent by this H.Q. to Mr. BRUNO.

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Major General.
M.M.I.A.

Copy main H.Q. 8th Army.
Your M/9023A of 4th, April refers.

DSLG/prh.

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SUBJECT :- Application for Employment with Italian FS.

Main HQ Eighth Army, COMF

M 9023 A

Apr 45

MMIA, Rome

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The attached application from BRUNO, Fano, for employment with Italian FS, is passed to you for consideration.

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Whelan
Brigadier,
DA & GIG, EIGHTH ARMY.
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Int. This is for you in the first place. Say what you want and it will (presumably) be done

"A" Branch

WJ
Col A
9 Apr

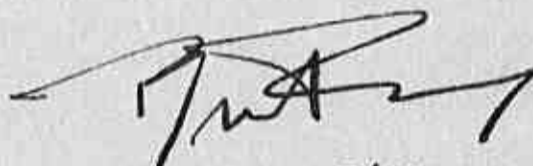
I thought we didn't consider individual cases. Surely Bruno applies in normal way to ~~WJ~~ W. I suggests he is kept on ice for It. F.S.S. if ~~WJ~~ accept him
5/9/45

March 11, 1945

Subject: Information; for G.S.I. (b)

To : Capt. ROBERTS
a/ S.C.A.F.O.
A.M.G. EIGHTH ARMY REAR

1. Herewith attached please find the informations as required by G.S.I.(b).
2. Thanking you in advance and sorry for all this trouble.



Brune Fane 2/Lt.

I.I.L.O.

Translation
BRUNO FANO

son of Angelo and Bianca Suggato, born at Trieste on October 4, 1919 with residence there at No. 10 Via M.T. Acerone.

Educational background: Graduated from "Liceo Classico"; was enrolled at the R. University of Florence, in 1937; took his law degree in 1941.

Foreign languages; has a good knowledge of English and German. Some knowledge of French.

General information: from 1942 to Sept. 8, 1943 served as adviser on maritime law with a firm of shipbuilding engineers at Trieste. Left Trieste on September 9, 1943 as a consequence of the German occupation. After a brief stay near Padova, went to Assisi and Perugia. Was arrested by the Fascist Republican Police at Perugia on February 26, 1944 together with other members of an underground organization. Was released from captivity on May 2nd but owing to his refusal to enlist in the Fascist Republican Army, was jailed again. Was freed on May 19, 1944 and drafted into the compulsory labor service. Escaped from the Labor Battalion the same day and returned to Assisi. Stayed at Assisi up to the date of liberation (June 17th). He is of Jewish race but his religion is Catholic.

Service with A.M.G.: Was employed by AMG, Perugia, on July 6, 1944, and worked for Capt. A.A. Simpson. Remained in Perugia (AMG Security Branch) until August 3rd; followed this officer to Casiglian Fibocchi and Laterina (Arezzo Province), Ostia Vetere and Cartoceto (Pesaro Province), Cattolica, Riccione and Viserba (Forli Province) and Cervia (Ravenna Province). Has been at Cervia since October 22, 1944. 4441

G.S.I. (c.l.): Was commissioned 2nd Lt. on January 28, 1945 and taken on strength by group "I" att. G.S.I. (c.l.) Eighth Army Main, as Italian Intelligence Liaison Officer. Was assigned temporarily to A.M.G. Cervia pending receipt of instructions. Had already served in the Army as officer candidate, Motorized Infantry Reinforcements, at the Officer Candidate School at Naples but after 4 months and 11 days of service was discharged for racial reasons. (January 1939).

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