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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

IPW /1/9/38

22 November 1944

To: Regional Commissioner, Sicilia Region A.M.G.
(Attention : Public Safety Division)

Subject: Italian Paroled PW

Further to your letter dated 10th October 1944.

- 1/. I regret the delay in replying, but it was not until recently that the position has been clarified.
- 2/. The Italian Government has now been officially informed that the Paroled PW in SICILY are not considered as PW.
- 3/. There is no need for the personnel who went to their homes in the early stages of the Campaign to continue to report to the police.

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J.A. CAMPBELL
Lt. Colonel
Director WMD & IPW Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 C.M.F.
 WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB-COMMISSION

IPW/1/9/37

20 November 1944

To: Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.
 (Attention: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5).
Subject: Release of Italian Prisoners of War in Sicily.

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Reference your letter dated 17 November 1944

- 1/. The question of a reply to your cable was discussed on the telephone with Captain Blauthier when the subject matter of my letter to H.Q., A.A.I. was explained.
- 2/. In AFHQ letter CR/3823/G1 (B) dated 13 October 1944 signed by Brigadier Finlayson, a reply to our A/CC 383.6-1 dated 5 September 1944 was given.
- 3/. It was therefore presumed that no further action was necessary.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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 J.A. CAMPBELL
 Lt. Colonel
 Director WMD & IPW Sub-Com.

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3605ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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17 November 1944

SUBJECT: A/CC 383.6-1, dated 5 Sept. 1944. --(22)

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
Attention: Prisoner of War, S C
APO 394.1. Reference your cable 4360 of 5 October
and our F 38395. No reply has yet been received to
our cable referred to above.2. Your cable stated that the correspondence
was addressed to Hq. AAI and forwarded by them to
this Headquarters. No trace can be found here of its
receipt.3. We requested that copies be forwarded and
to date they have not been received.4. It is requested that copies of the above
correspondence be forwarded marked for my attention,
indicating what action is necessary, if any.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5.


 F. J. SLAUGHTER
 Captain, A.G.D.

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMED FORCES COMMISSION
APC 35A
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref :- D.O. 3.1/CA

25 Oct 44.

SUBJECT: Items of interest for inclusion in weekly
Sitrep from the C.A. Section.

TO: - C. of S. Section.

1. It is hoped that arrangements can be made to repatriate 11,745 refugee North from Sicily and Southern Region. They are agriculturists and are required to cultivate their land.

2. Palermo disturbances were directed against the Italian troops. 9 soldiers were wounded, 16 civilians killed and 101 wounded. Situation was at no time out of control.

3. Arrangements have been made for the rations of all Italian Public Safety organisations to be increased from the heavy workers' scale to the Italian army ration scale from the 1 Nov 44. It is hoped to arrange that the additional cost will not be borne by the personnel.

4. The central Directorate of prisons at Naples will be abolished on the 15 Nov 44 by agreement of the Ministry of Grace and Justice.

5. The election of a Rector for the University of Rome will take place in about three weeks time.

6. Secondary schools have held their examinations recently, and will open when available the first week in November.

7. From reports on the conditions of monuments in Greece it is possible to say that the museums and monuments have suffered practically no damage.

8. Representatives of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Typhus Control Unit began a tour of Northern Italy and Sicily during the past week to instruct the Medical Provinces in dusting technique for typhus control. Small amounts of DDT powder with dusting gun are being left in each province for emergency use. 1590

9. A school for instructing Italians in mine clearance has been opened in Pisa, and two more are in the process of being opened at Spoleto and Nettuno.

C.R. HODGSON, M.A. Major,
C. of S. Sec.
Dep. C. of S.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APC. 394

(Public Safety Division)

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FILE NO :

SUBJECT : Italian Paroled PW.

TO : War Materials Disposal and Italian P.W. Sub-Commission.

Ref ID: AEC 31-8-9
10th October 1944.

dated 3rd August and reply of 5th August = copies attached.

1. In para. 15, page 29 of the A.C.C. Monthly Report for August it is stated that "The repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War was increased and the release from P.W. status of approximately 65,000 paroled P.W. in Sicily was completed".

2. No further instructions having been received on this subject since the message of 5th August, information is sought as to whether the Italian Government have been informed that all paroled P.W. in Sicily are now at their disposal in which case presumably some general direction will be issued for the guidance of all concerned indicating whether or not such paroled P.W. should continue to report periodically to police.

Russell A. Snook
Russell A. Snook,
Lieut. Colonel,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

Nov 31, 1944

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Enclosures: as above.

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

Date : 3 August 1944
Classification : Confidential
Precedence : Priority ACC Region I (Hancock) RPS=47
Originated by : ACC HQ For Lush.
To :
Repeat for Info to :

REFERENCE RELEASE ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR NOW ON PAROLE EFFECTIVE
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OFFICIALLY INFORMED PD AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS
1 Aug ⑩a

INCOMING MESSAGE

Date : 5 August 1944 ACC Reference No. D/5/27
Classification : Secret
Precedence : Priority HQ ACC RPS 1385
Originated by : ACC Region I
To :
Repeat for Info to : *Not in file*

REF YOUR RPS 47 DATED 3 AUG. FORMAL NOTIFICATION NOT YET GIVEN
TO ITALIAN GOVT. NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN UNTIL INSTRUCTIONS
ARE ISSUED TO YOU

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H.Q. ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

IPW/1/9/32

12 October 1944

To: Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.
Subject: Release of Italian Prisoners of War in SICILY.

See enc 1-31-22

- 1/. With reference to the release of 65,000 Italians in Sicily from Prisoner of War Status. It has now been decided that if you so desire you may publish this fact.
- 2/. In order that there shall not be any misunderstanding regarding the general position of release of Prisoners of War the announcement should be made on the following lines:

"Some 65,000 Italian soldiers in SICILY who were never held in custody as Prisoners of War by the Allied Forces, but who for many months past have been working on their own lands and farms without restriction under a parole given to their own officers, have received confirmation from the Allied authorities that they are not considered as Prisoners of War."

The announcement should be made through the official press channels.

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J.A. CAMPBELL

Lt.-Colonel

Director WMD & IPW Sub. Comm.

Copy to:

Chief of Staff (2)
Political Section
Public Relations

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Notes from
B&P Record
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SUBJECT:- Release of Italian Prisoners of War in SICILY.ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.CR/3825/G1(Br).7 Oct 44.

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Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission.~~25~~
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Reference your A/CC 383.6-1 dated 5 Sep 44.

1. It is agreed that permission should be granted the Italian Government to announce to the public the fact that 65,000 Italian prisoners of war have been released in SICILY.

2. In order that there shall not be any misunderstanding regarding the general position of releases of prisoners of war it is suggested that the announcement should be made on the following lines:-

"Some 65,000 Italian soldiers in SICILY who were never held in custody as Prisoners of War by the Allied forces, but who for many months past have been working on their own lands and farms without restriction under a parole given to their own officers, have received confirmation from the Allied authorities that they are not considered as Prisoners of War."

A.M. Finlaison

A.M. FINLAISON..
Brigadier, A.D.A.G.(O).
for Major General,
DAG. G.1(Br). 1586

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24 September 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Lt. Col. Campbell.

SUBJECT : Paroled P.O.W. Records.

1. On arrival at Palermo I made enquiries at HQ Region I and found that the only person there who could give me any information regarding Paroled P.O.W. was Captain Manuel of Public Safety.

Captain Manuel was very obliging, but said that he could not add anything to the information he had already given to Headquarters ACC.

2. Authority for the issue of Parole cards was given by 7th and 8th Armies; 7th Army dealing with the West side of the island, 8th Army with the East side. C.A.O.s were responsible for the issues, and sending of the duplicate copies to HQ AMG. In 7 Army Area, C.A.O.s were too pressed to continue the issue of the cards. This work was then handed over in the main to POW camps themselves, and the duplicates henceforth were sent direct to various Carabinieri stations throughout the West half of the island.

Captain Manuel thinks that the cards may still be at these stations, but it would take about a month to call them in. Captain Manuel wished to know if he is to collect these cards.

3. A record of all Paroled PW was kept by the Provost Marshall of I.P.S. in Palermo, but unfortunately I.P.S. has been broken up and this record cannot be traced. Captain Manuel suggested that (1) The Provost Marshall may have taken the record with him to P.B.S. or (2) A duplicate copy was made and sent to NATCUSA.

4. As a last source of information Captain Manuel contacted Col Alberg, Liaison Officer to the Italian forces in Sicily. Col Alberg was no better informed on the subject but said that he had written to the following address in the hopes of obtaining the information required.

COMMANDING GENERAL

A.P.O. 534. U.S. ARMY.

(Attention PROVOST MARSHALL GENERAL)

S.O.S. Representative for P.W. Directory Service.

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5. Paroled PW are still reporting in Palermo, and whilst there, I visited the office set up by the Carabinieri for that purpose. Here they had a nearly complete nominal roll of PW who should report to this office but only 40% approx were still reporting.

6. With regard to the 8th Army Area (East half of the island) I visited 56 Area HQ - Catania, as No 1 District had been handling the matter of Paroled PW and might have passed their records over.

I contacted a Sgt GODDARD of "A" Branch, 56 Area, who produced all the Parole cards handed to them by No 1 District, plus a nominal roll which is attached.

As 56 Area are very shortly going to replace 57 Area - Naples, I arranged with Sgt Goddard that he takes the Parole cards with him to Naples where they can be collected if required. Sgt Goddard said that he would like to be notified in order that he may dispose of them.

7s/ *L. A. Starkey* Sgt.
Archives Section.

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No 369 Prisoner of War Camp
NOMINAL ROLLS OF SICILIAN POW FOR UNION PEOPLE FORCES AND SUBMITTED.

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| 2947 | Sott/Cep: | LAFATICA | COSIMO | MESSEINA |
| 27009 | Caporale Finanziere | CONSTANTINO | LEONARDO | MESSEINA |
| - | Soldato | COSTA | ANTONINO | MESSEINA |
| - | Cap/Mag: | CUCI | ANGELO | MESSEINA |
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| 35798 | " | TEMPLA | LUCIANO | MESSEINA |
| 26931 | Marin: | DISAZZA | GIOVANNI | MESSEINA |
| 56819 | " | LIDATA | GIUSEPPE | TRICE |
| - | Soldato | SARCOMA | PIETRO | TRAPANI |
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| 11176 | dis cd/Ptnr: | TARALIO | NATALE | CONTISO |
| - | Sergente | OTRIOLO | PLACIDO | MESSEINA |
| - | cd/Ptnr: | COSTANZO | PAOLO | BLANDAVILLA |
| 18224 | Soldato | LA SCALA | GIUSEPPE | MESSEINA |
| 10946 | Sergente | CA LIBERTO | DOMENICO | MESSEINA |
| 20944 | Soldato | LIDATA | SALVATORE | MESSEINA |
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| 75795 | " | RUBINO | ALFIO | MILONE |
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| 8991 | Cap/Mag: | MAROUSO | GIUSEPPE | MESSEINA |
| - | Soldato | PRINZIVALLI | ANTONIO | ROCCAMIERA |
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| 59931 | " | RAINDO | ELISIO | PIERRE |
| 355013 | Cap/Mag: | FURNARI | GIOVANNI | MESSEINA |
| 843307 | Iscrin: | TIAPANARO | TONIASO | PALERMO |
| 151464 | Soldato | MATISCOCCO | EPIPINTO | CONFURTE |
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| 3941 | Caporale Soldato | MAZZIO | PAOLO | PAICAMO |
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| 4528 | Marin: | " | SATTA | SALVATORE | MESSINA |
| 85246 | Soldato | " | ZUCCO | LORENZO | MESSINA |
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| 5521 | Soldato | " | MORACE | GIOVANNI | MESSINA |
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| 5456 | Sgt/magg: | " | CUTTILLI | PETRO | MESSINA |
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| 54226 | Soldato | " | CAPRI | AGOSTINO | CATANIA |
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| 74361 | 2o Cap | GLACOFIRO | MICELLE | CATANIA |
| 55675 | Sergt/liec | RAFFAZZO | MARLANO | MESSEINA |
| 25225 | 2o Cap | LEBO | CANDOLGO | FLORIDIA |
| 12474 | Soldato | GIANNI | SANTO | CATANIA |
| 7224 | Soldato | MICHLORISI | GEORGIO | MESSEINA |
| - | Caporale | CUTTERTO | SUITATORE | CATANIA |
| 81902 | Marin | GRAZIANO | GATTINO | MESSEINA |
| - | Soldato | FRENI | GIORGIO | MESSINA |
| - | Soldato | GRAVACIO | GTUS | CATANIA |
| 21013 | Marin | TURATO | LICELLO | MESSEINA |
| - | Soldato | MIRABELLA | SALVATORE | CRATIA |
| 29399 | Soldato | MET'ESARA | VITO | MISTRETTA |
| 6986 | Cap/Mag | DONATO | VERBO | MESSEINA |
| 71663 | Marin | CALFO | VERGIO | MESSEINA |
| - | Soldato | BATTIATO | ELPANTHE | CATANIA |
| 769 | Soldato | DONATO | PASQUELE | MESSEINA |
| 46229 | Soldato | SCRUGLI | GIUSEPPE | MESSEINA |
| 89306 | Marin | FERRARA | JARILIO | CATANIA |
| - | Soldato | ALANTIA | OMATIO | ZINA |
| 24020 | Cer/ralo | FERRERO | SALVO | MISTERIALICO |
| 18787 | Sergente | SEVERINO | SESTASTRATO | MISTERIALICO |
| - | Sergente | CARUSO | ATTUNTO | MISTERIALICO |
| 17458 | Soldato | SCITTO | ADDAIA | MISTERIALICO |
| 12675 | Soldato | ARENA | LETIZERIO | MESSEINA |
| 10945 | Soldato | SQUILLACI | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA |
| - | Soldato | CIOVENTI | FRANCESCO | MESSEINA |
| 4952 | Cap/lieg | BUSA | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA |
| 82150 | Marin | RAGUSA | GIUSEPPE | MESSEINA |
| 84643 | Sot/Cap | CONDORILLI | FRANCESCO | CATANIA |
| 33519 | Marin | MONGIORI | ANTONIO | CATANIA |
| 27605 | Soldato | LICANDRO | SANTU | RAGUSA |
| - | Soldato | POELLATO | FRANCESCO | CATANIA |
| 39116 | Sergente | MARINO | LETIZERIO | MESSEINA |
| - | Soldato | BATTA | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA |
| 32124 | Cap/lieg | BOSCHETTO | PAOLO | MESSEINA |
| - | Cer/ralo | MODICA | GIUSEPPE | LIPIARI |
| 13323 | Sergente | ITALIA | PAOLO | MESSEINA |
| 38594 | Soldato | FULANTE | PAOLO | SCACCIA |
| 23645 | Soldato | SOTTILE | PAOLO | MESSEINA |
| 107242 | Marin | CATANZARO | GIUSEPPE | MISTERIALICO |
| 72153 | Marin | DONATO | PATRICK | CAMPOROTondo |
| - | Soldato | PALLERI | SESTASTRATO | CAMPOROTondo |
| - | Soldato | SANTAGLI | MILTO | CATANIA |
| - | Soldato | CARUSO | CARUSO | CATANIA |
| 7 | Cer/ralo | BRUTO | BRUTO | CATANIA |
| 27429 | Coporale | CALABRO | CALABRO | CATANIA |
| 4026 | Marin | MIRATELLA | MIRATELLA | CATANIA |

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| Numero | Nome | Cognome | Qualifica | Sesso | Nazione | Città |
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| 71663 | Soldato | BATTIATO | | | CATANIA | |
| - | Soldato | DONATO | | | MESSINA | |
| 46289 | Soldato | SCRICCI | | | MESSINA | |
| 89306 | Marin. | FERRARA | | | MESSINA | |
| - | S. Uff.ato | AVANTIA | | | CATANIA | |
| - | Caporale | VERETTO | | | CATANIA | |
| 24050 | Sergente | SEVERINO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 18787 | Sergente | CARUSO | | | EINA | |
| - | Sergente | SCUTO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 17458 | Soldato | ARENA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 12675 | Soldato | SQUILLACI | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 10545 | Soldato | GIOVENTI | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Soldato | BUSA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 4952 | Cap/Mag | RAGUSI | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 84150 | Marin. | CONDORILLI | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 84643 | Sot/Cap | MONGIORI | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 33519 | Marin. | LICANDRO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 27605 | Soldato | POCILLO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Soldato | MARTINO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 39116 | Sergente | MODICA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Soldato | RAFFA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 32124 | Cap/Hag | BOSCHETTO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Caporeale | COSTA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Cap/Lagg | IELLA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 13323 | Sergente | FUMANTE | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 38594 | Soldato | SOTTILE | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 23645 | Soldato | CADANZARO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 107242 | Marin. | DONATO | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| 72155 | - | PALMIERI | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Soldato | SANTAGATA | | | MISTRELLANO | |
| - | Soldato | CARUSO | | | CAMPOROTondo | |
| - | Caporale | JIRICO | | | CAMPOROTondo | |
| 27429 | Caporale | CALAFATO | | | CAMPOROTondo | |
| 4026 | Marin. | MIRABELLA | | | CAMPOROTondo | |

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NO. 269 PRISONER OF WAR ON
WORLD WAR II OF SICILIANS FOR WHOM PAROLE FORIS ARE SUBMITTED

| No. | Rank. | Name. | Chr Name. | Private Adress |
|-------|-----------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 14663 | Sold: | GRECO VERRILLO | ANTONIO PIETRO ALFIO | CATANIA CATANIA S. PIETRO CLARENZA |
| | Ariero | CITARENZA | FRANCESCO SALVATORE | S. PIETRO CLARENZA |
| | Sold: | SQUILLACE | CARUSO | CAMPOROTONDO S. PIETRO CLARENZA |
| | " | PEZZINO | RICCINOSTO | CATAGIRONE |
| - | Caporale | DI ALLEGANDRO | LEONA DO | CATANIA |
| - | Sold: | BUSA | STEFANO SILVATORE | TERZIANTI FIUMERADDO |
| 46863 | Marin: | MARINO | LUCIO | ALCARA LIPARI |
| 85425 | " | VITALE | MARIO | ICELIA |
| 76453 | Gd/Finan: | PORZISI | GIUSEPPE | ALCARA LIPARI |
| 77930 | Sergente | LOVANO | PIRENTI | REGALBUTO |
| 13231 | Sold: | LOVANO | EUGENIO | Q. TAUZA CASTELMOLA |
| - | " | BERRAGALLO | GIORGIO | S. PIETRO CLARENZA |
| 84966 | Marin: | ARCIDIACONO | LUCI | CATANIA |
| | Sergente | SCAFIDI | GASTALDO | MESSINA |
| | Sold: | LOMBARDO | LUCA | ALIMARIA |
| - | Caporale | BASILE | PIRENTI | MESSINA |
| | Sold: | CULLOTTA | NICOLÒ | PIETRO CLARENZA |
| - | " | SANTUOCITO | UBERTO | CATANIA |
| 26491 | Marin: | PRINCIPATO | Domenico | MESSINA |
| 30544 | " | LICANDRO | VITERRADDO | CATANIA |
| 37376 | Sold: | MAISANO | SAPI | MESSINA |
| - | " | MINUTOLI | PIETRO | MESSINA |
| 59491 | Marin: | COSTANZO | FRANCESCO | MESSINA |
| - | Sold: | ZAPALA | GIOVANNI | CATANIA |
| 46407 | Marin: | FRENI | GUIGLIEMO | MESSINA |
| 50444 | Ariero | ASTENA | CRIZZIO | CATANIA |
| 75179 | Sot/Cap: | TORTORA | VINCENZO | ACIREALE |
| 323 | Caporale | GLACOPPO | ANTONINO | MESSINA |
| 83504 | Sold: | VILLAEDITA | MARIO | MESSINA |
| - | Ariero | PARTIA | AGOSTINO | ACIREALE |
| 35177 | Marin: | BUFFARDICI | SEBASTIANO | MESSINA |
| - | Sold: | SAVASTA | FRANCESCO | PALEO |
| 36335 | Marin: | LENCO | SALVATORE | MESSINA |
| - | Sold: | AGOSTINO | SANTI | MESSINA |
| 72320 | Marin: | GRECO | ANTONINO | MESSINA |
| 35535 | " | BATTILATO | PETERME | MESSINA |
| - | Sold: | SIACCHIS | ROMEO | MESSINA |
| - | " | ROMEO | VISICARO | MESSINA |
| 85001 | Marin: | PETERME | PETERME | MESSINA |
| - | Sold: | " | " | " |

TOTAL WORKING PARTY (Speres) - 40

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TOTAL WORKING HOURS (Spares) = 40

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NO 369 PRISONER OF WAR CAP.
ROSTI ROLL OF SICILIAN POW FOR WHICH PAROLE INCLUS ARE SUBSTITUTED

| Army No | Rank | Name | Chr Name | Private Address |
|----------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 50217 | 1o Capo; Cap/Mag; | ALFIERI BIONDO | ALESSANDRO TOMASSO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 5564 | Maresch; | PULIZI | VITO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 34415 | 3o Capo; Sgt/Mag; | PIDATELLA | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 373 | Sergente | SCLARONE | FRANCESCO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| - | 2o Capo; | PASALACUTA | ANTONIO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 48502 | 3o Capo; | PIGLIU | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 79437 | Maresch; | STUDOMA | LEONARDO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| - | Sgt/Mag; | ABRILA | Domenico | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 9227 | Sold; | LARCSA | GI SUPE | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 10102 | 2o Capo; | DONATO | FRANCESCO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 38435 | Sergente; | CALCARA | SAVATUCCIA | CASERTA VETRANO MESSINA |
| 21130 | " | SALPIETRO | LETTERIO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 4530 | Sold; | CORSARO | PETRO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| - | 2o Capo; | MANCUSO | JAKO | PALERMO MESSINA |
| 75313 | Sold; | MANCUSO | GIULIO | PALERMO MESSINA |
| - | Sergente | SIGCHIELLO | ANTONIO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 3694 | Maresch; | BOZZO | CRUELO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| - | Sgt/Mag; | GASTILUCMO | CARLO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 357 | Sergente | DIFERRERA | GAUTANO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 71470 | 1o Capo; | DONATO | GIOVANNI | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 4972 | Sgt/Mag; | CHIARAZA | PAOLO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 8614 | Sold; | ISOLA | DERUEDO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 3561 | Sergente | PIRETTA | PIERO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 531 | Sgt/Mag; | CERAVOLO | MICELLE | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 84077 | Marfin; | CIDI | CALOGERO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 7994 | Sgt/Mag; | CAPIZZI | VITORENZO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 25315 | Sergente | AVOLA | ANTONINO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 11312 | Sot/Cap; | SPUTTONE | MICHELE | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 19532 | Maresch; | RINDO | GIACINTO | CATANIA MESSINA |
| 30443 | Brig/Pin; | MESSINA | ANTONIO | VILLEFRANCHE TIRREIA |
| 51267 | Maresch; | D'ANCONA | PIETRO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 22320 | " | ACOLFO | PIETRO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 4692 | Sergente | LO GURZO | ANTONIO | MES. TINA MARIO |
| 18633 | 3o Capo; | BRUNO | MICHELE | TRAPANI MESSINA |
| 4522 | 2o Capo; | DE LUCA | ANTONINO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 5742 | Sgt/Mag; | BONACCISO | TONIASO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 41523 | Sold; | La MOTTA | STERIANO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 90822 | 3o Capo; | CORSARO | GIOVANNI | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 109 | Sgt/Mag; | LIONE | FILICE | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 5205 | 1o Capo; | ZANGI | ANTONIO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 20 Capo; | 2o Capo; | SCIABA | ERLADIO | CASTELNUOVO MESSINA |
| 3o Capo; | 2o Capo; | LAVAGNA | GASPARE | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 4592 | Sergente | RUBINO | LAOU | TRAPANI MESSINA |
| 2112 | Cap/Mag; | CAVAZZINO | Domenico | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 63830 | App/OCCR. | PINO | CAVALLARO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 2218 | 2o Capo; | CAVALLARO | SALVATI | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 9264 | Sergente | CAVALLARO | CAVALLARO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 5578 | Cap/Mag; | APP. OCCR. | CAVALLARO | MESSINA MESSINA |
| 7621 | | | | |

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| 3240 | Coro/Mag: | ZANGI | NICOLA | MESSINA |
| 81790 | Serbin: | LA TORRE | FRANCESCO | MES. INA |
| 55475 | Soldato | RODOLFO | CARMELO | MESSINA |
| 55218 | " | EONIA | ANTONINO | MESSINA |
| - | OLIVERI | " | GIOVANNI | MESSINA |
| 52290 | DE FRANCESCO | SALVATORE | DE FRANCESCO | MESSINA |
| 6895 | LENTO | GIOVANNI | FRANCESCO | MESSINA |
| 55417 | COSTA | FRANCESCO | FRANCESCO | MESSINA |
| 58684 | LIPINTI | AGOSTINO | AGOSTINO | MESSINA |
| - | PALITISANO | SANTERIO | SANTERIO | TERLIZZI TORRESE |
| 5321 | FULCI | SALVATORE | SALVATORE | MESSINA |
| 83627 | MAGNANZA | ANTONIO | ANTONIO | MESSINA |
| 5640 | PISCHIELLO | GIOVANNI | GIOVANNI | MESSINA |
| 35721 | Soldato | CANDELORO | CANDELORO | MESSINA |
| - | SPRIN: | ANDREA | ANDREA | ACIREALE |
| 121538 | SPRIN: | VINCENZO | VINCENZO | MESSINA |
| 33247 | " | GIUSEPPE | GIUSEPPE | MESSINA |
| 21263 | MANDINO | ANTONINO | ANTONINO | STRACUSA |
| 3372 | HD DELICATO | LETTERTO | LETTERTO | PATTI |
| - | PASSALACQUA | SALVATORE | SALVATORE | MESSINA |
| 81846 | MES. INA | ANTONINO | ANTONINO | MESSINA |
| 122552 | MINULOLI | FRANCESCO | FRANCESCO | TERLIZZI TORRESE |
| - | ADELTIO | ANGELETTI | ANGELETTI | MESSINA |
| 33749 | AVVIERE | PETRO | PETRO | MESSINA |
| 35595 | SERBIN: | GIOVANNI | GIOVANNI | CASTIGLIONE |
| 34724 | " | PIETRO | PIETRO | MESSINA |
| 5539 | Sergeante | D'ARBITO | D'ARBITO | MESSINA |
| 3537 | Caporale | TUBEROSE | LUCIANO | MESSINA |
| 23019 | Sgt/Mag: | VERRATO | VERRATO | MESSINA |
| - | Ced/Mag: | ALESSI | ALESSI | MESSINA |
| 5054 | Soldato | CAMMAROTO | CAMMAROTO | MESSINA |
| - | Sergerente | MARTINO | MARTINO | MESSINA |
| 4069 | Caporale | LETTINI | LETTINI | MESSINA |
| 35758 | Soldato | GIURRIDA | GIURRIDA | MESSINA |
| 12340 | SPRIN: | FORNARO | FORNARO | MESSINA |
| - | " | PIUCCIONE | PIUCCIONE | MESSINA |
| 3713 | Soldato | DISERZIA | DISERZIA | MESSINA |
| 25223 | Cap/Mag: | STATI | STATI | CATANIA |
| 8251 | SPRIN: | FELEBRA | FELEBRA | MESSINA |
| 100 | Ced/Mag: | VEROSO | VEROSO | MESSINA |
| 32659 | Carrabin | FORCIONE | FORCIONE | MESSINA |
| 1343 | Soldato | ALTARANDI | ALTARANDI | MESSINA |
| 2763 | " | RISITTO | RISITTO | MESSINA |
| 12624 | Sergerente | SALENONE | SALENONE | MESSINA |
| 19558 | 2° Capo: | CORSO | CORSO | MESSINA |
| 4269 | SPRIN: | COLOZZI | COLOZZI | MESSINA |
| 5403 | Soldato | AGNELLO | AGNELLO | MESSINA |
| 8350 | Sergerente | GIUSEPPE | GIUSEPPE | TERLIZZI TORRESE |
| 20485 | Soldato | OTERI | OTERI | MESSINA |
| - | Soldato | GALLITTA | GALLITTA | PALERMO |
| - | Soldato | EDDISPODI | EDDISPODI | MESSINA |

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| 32108 | Sgt/Kaj Sergente | MUSMECI CARUSO RAZITO SCUDERI D'LINE | VITALENZIO GLACCIO SAVATORE ANTONIO GIUSEPPE OLISCO GIUSEPPE | OATANIA CALTAGIRONIS PACHINA CATANIA MILITELLO CATANIA LSPICA PINSI CASTELLAMARE CULFO MESSINA S. ILTRO CLARENZA FRANCOFONTE TEMPI DI TERUSI ACICATENA MASCOLUCA VILVERDE CIMINIA ACIREALE NOVARA SICILIA TURRIGGITA LICATA PALERMO ACIREALE PALERMO GRANICHELLA CIMARLA GRANICHELLA CIMARLA CESARIO |
| " | Sergente | RABBITO | | |
| - | Sergente | SCUDERI | | |
| 16143 | Sergente | D'LINE | | |
| " | Sergente | SERRAO | | |
| " | Sergente | GERRATAWA | | |
| " | Soldato | BARTOLI | | |
| " | Soldato | MIRANDA | | |
| " | Caporale | CELENTANI | | |
| " | Soldato | NAVARRIA | | |
| " | Soldato | SCALIGE | | |
| " | Soldato | MURCHESSE | | |
| " | Soldato | VASTA | | |
| " | Soldato | PELLETORE | | |
| " | Soldato | TOSIO | | |
| " | Sergente | MORGALIO | | |
| " | Caporale | LEGHARDI | | |
| 42442 | Soldato | ROLEO | | |
| 1538 | Sergente | MCINDI | | |
| " | Soldato | CACI | | |
| 1002 | Soldato | COLLIETTI | | |
| 505 | Soldato | BONOMANO | | |
| 16383 | Soldato | OSI | | |
| " | Soldato | VISLOCCHIO | | |
| 10373 | Soldato | LA DELFA | | |
| " | Soldato | SPATARO | | |
| " | Soldato | GIACCIO | | |
| 40868 | Soldato | EPIANI | | |
| " | Sergente | | | |
| 10850 | Soldato | | | |
| " | Sergente | | | |

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| Army No. | Rank | Name | Citizenship Name | Private Address. |
|----------|----------|-----------|------------------|---|
| 4513 | Sergente | SABADILLO | DONACORSO | FIUEDDITSI ATELIC MILIO |
| - | Soldat | SPETTA | DI PASQUALE | FIUEDDITSI RAGUSA POZZALLO IGLIA |
| - | " | SCALA | MARINO | CATANIA |
| 65869 | Marin | SCALI | TESTA | MESSINA |
| 61712 | Sgt/Cap | SOLDAT | OLIVA | AOTREALE |
| - | Soldat | MARIN | TORRISTI | CATANIA |
| 55868 | Marin | AVIERE | MAUGERI | CATANIA |
| 5009220 | Ariere | SOLDAT | FUMIMENTI | CATANIA |
| 49154 | " | " | CONIGLIO | ACT S. ANTONIO |
| - | Sergente | " | MESSETTA | RAYMUSA |
| 45235 | 23572 | Caperale | LAGANO | STRACUSA |
| - | 45982 | soldat | GRIMOTTA | MESETTA |
| - | 12518 | " | TESE | LAREO |
| - | 12410 | Caperale | DISCA | MUSCETI |
| - | SCA, | soldat | CHIUDIO | CATANIA |
| - | 30722/43 | Sergente | CONFOLI | ICOMIA |
| - | 23350 | Marin | BARTIANA | AZZELLA |
| - | 62287 | Caporale | MACCARONE | INDIA |
| - | 1663 | Soldat | VALLARIO | AGRESAU |
| - | 48012 | " | DONACORSO | CATANIA |
| - | 16902 | Marin | LA GRANDE | ALOSTO |
| - | 50765 | Caporale | CARUFI | LAZELLIA |
| - | 72536 | Ariere | PAGLIO | PIANA DEL GRIGLIO |
| - | 25338 | " | STADARO | ROGALIELLA |
| - | - | Soldat | D'AGATA | CATANIA |
| - | - | Marin | MIGASCO | MODICA |
| - | - | Caporale | MICOLOSI | PIELMICO |
| - | - | Soldat | DI ROSA | CEUTEPPE |
| - | - | Marin | PARTINOCO | SCALICCI |
| - | - | Soldat | INCORVOLA | SCARZERA |
| - | - | Sergente | MARRA | PIAGLIA |
| - | - | Soldat | SALVATI | MARZIO |
| - | 7253 | Sergente | MAUGERI | ANEDO |
| - | - | " | PAITALATO | PIERLUISI |

(All above are from Box 7)

Total = 26

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NOMINAL ROLL OF SICILIANS IN THE VENICE PARADE POSES ARE SUBMITTED.

| Army No. | Rank | Name | Christian Name | Private Address. |
|----------|-----------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
| - 15650 | Soldat | SPANO | VINCENZO | PALERMO |
| - 17799 | " | IGNELLO | ISIDORO | ALLARIVA |
| - | Marin | GIORGIO | CALOGERO | CAMIGLIATI |
| - | Aviere | ARANCIO | LUCIO | CITANIA |
| - | Cap/Mag | FALCONERIA | GIOVANNI | CATANIA |
| - 47538 | Soldat | ELVISO | BIAGIO | MUSILERI |
| - 102084 | Sergente | GASTROLOVATI | GIUSEPPE | RANDAZZO |
| - 8245 | 2 Cap | TUDICO | SANTO | CATANIA |
| - 67096 | Sgt/Mag | III GIACOCO | GIOVANNI | ISPICA |
| - | 2 Cap | SUTTAIAROSA | ANTONIO | CATANIA |
| - 4060 | Soldat | CLICOTTA | GIUSEPPE | TURRILLI TURRILLI |
| - 26795 | " | PAZZI | IGNAZIO | SIRACUSA |
| - 1554 | Marin | ALDO | FRANCESCO | MESSETTA |
| - | Soldat | CARUSO | PONTIATO | CATANIA |
| - 71593 | " | LAZZA | GIOVANNI | MESSETTA |
| - 4405 | Marin | GIACOCCHIO | GIOVANNI | CATANIA |
| - 23783 | Soldat | CARULLO | COFFREDO | MESSETTA |
| - 9095 | Sergente | VALLETTI | GIUSEPPE | MESSETTA |
| - | Aviere | LATORGA | RICCARDO | ATOIA |
| - 47809 | Marin | CASTILLO | CARMELO | MESSETTA |
| - 41733 | " | ZAPPIAREC | FRANCESCO | PUNTO ZEPPOCLE |
| - 5954 | Soldat | RATILAI | GIUSEPPE | CALABRIA |
| - 4507 | Aviere | MARZIA | FRANCESCO | MESSETTA ? |
| - | Soldat | MELLO | SEZEDETTO | MESSETTA |
| - 8324 | Aviere | DE SALTO | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA |
| - 2743 | Soldat | MONACO SAM | SAVATORE | CATANIA |
| - | Marin | DE SANTO | CARLO | PIUEBREDDA |
| - 16745 | " | ELLO | ANTONIO | MESSETTA |
| - 46912 | Sergente | CUBBERA | GIUSEPPE | MESSETTA |
| - 36835 | Cap/Mag | CAVALLARU | FRANCESCO | RAJOLI |
| - | Soldat | LILLO | GIUSEPPE | ACTACIJA |
| - | " | SCOVETTA | MARIO | MESSETTA |
| - 31045 | Sergente | SCOVETTA | GIOVANNI | PALERMO |
| - 40027 | Cap/Mag | RUSSO | CICCIANI | CATANIA |
| - | Soldat | MUSIDAILA | ALFIO | MESSETTA |
| - | " | ZELLA | NICOLA | TRAPANI |
| - | Sergente | ZELLA | VINCENZO | PALERMO |
| - | Cap/Mag | FULTERINI | ALFIO | CAMPOROTONDO |
| - | Soldat | ZOLA | GIUSEPPE | CALABRIA |
| - | " | DI MAURO | FRANCESCO | CATANIA |
| - 53405 | Sergente | LICCISETI | PHILIP | ACIREALE |
| - 28972 | Marin | ZUCCARINI | CARMELO | CATANIA |
| - | Sgt/Mag | ZOLA | GIUSEPPE | MESSETTA |
| - 2737 | Soldat | FULTERINI | ANGELO | ADMIRALIA |
| - 31881 | Cap/Mag | ZOLA | FRANCESCO | PIEMONTE |
| - 35095 | Corporale | " | FRANCESCO | PIEMONTE |
| - | " | ZUCCARINI | ANGELO | PIEMONTE |
| - 42952 | Sergente | ZARA | GIUSEPPE | PIEMONTE |
| - | Soldat | ANTONI | ANTONIO | PIEMONTE |
| - 40811 | Marsci | CENCIO | FRANCESCO | PIEMONTE |
| - | Soldat | DENTATO | FRANCESCO | PIEMONTE |
| - 9903 | Capore | GRUTTA | FRANCESCO | PIEMONTE |
| - 1399 | Soldat | SANTANGELO | FRANCESCO | PIEMONTE |

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| 1354 | " | GIACCHIO | PAZZI | FRANCESCO | TIRIBINI TIRESE |
| 71593 | Marin | LAZZARI | FORTUNATO | STRACUSA | |
| - | Soldat | CERURO | GIOVANNI | MESSINA | |
| 4405 | " | LAURA | GIOFFREDO | CATANIA | |
| 23783 | Marin | GLIACCIO | GIOVANNI | CATANIA | |
| 9095 | Soldat | GUDDULLO | GIUSEPPE | MESSINA | |
| - | Sergente | VALERI | RICCARDO | AVOLA | |
| 47809 | Aviere | LOTURCO | CARLO | MESSINA | |
| 44735 | Marin | CASILIO | PRISCO CO | LORZO IMP.DOCILE | |
| 5954 | " | ZALVADARE | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA | |
| 4507 | Soldat | RAILLRI | FRANCESCO | MESSINA ? | |
| - | Artiere | LAZIO | EDUARDO | MESSINA | |
| 8394 | Soldat | RUELO | GIUSEPPE | LE SIDA | |
| 2743 | Aviere | MI SALVO | GIUSEPPE | CATANIA | |
| 16745 | Soldat | DUACERST | SANTAURO | CATANIA | |
| 46912 | Marin | DI BARTELLO | GIACINTO | PIU' FREDDA | |
| 3683 | " | RIKO | ANTONIO | MESSINA | |
| - | Sergente | GUZZETTI | GIUSEPPE | MESSINA | |
| 31045 | Cap/Mag | CA' LLAIO | FRANCESCO | LA MOCCA | |
| 40027 | Soldat | LTULIO | GIUSEPPE | ACTICATA | |
| - | " | ETTORE | ARIO | MESSINA | |
| 2328 | Cap/Mag | 32.32 ACT | GIOVANNI | PALERMO | |
| - | Soldat | RUSSO | GIACINTI | CATANIA | |
| 263 | Sergente | LAUDANIO | LIOTTO | MESSINA | |
| 54425 | Marin | ROBUTTO | NICOLA | TRAPANI | |
| 28972 | Sgt/Mag | MINNA | VINCENZO | CAPO ROTONDO | |
| - | Soldat | FULTON JEFF | ALFIO | CATANIA | |
| 2737 | " | ZONA | GIUSEPPE | MESSINA | |
| 31881 | Cap/Mag | DI LAUREO | MONZIO | CATANIA | |
| 85095 | Corporale | LUCCANTI | FILIPPO | ACIREALE | |
| - | " | LAUREA | GARIBIO | CATANIA | |
| 49552 | Sergente | ARO | GIUSEPPE | MESSINA | |
| - | Soldat | ANTI | ANTUZZIATI | S. MARGARITA | |
| 40811 | Marson | CLAUDIO | FRANCIS | MELISSITONE | |
| - | Soldat | DEBARO | ANGELO | MONICA | |
| 9903 | " | GUERRA | GIACOLO | SCADAFORA | |
| 1399 | Caporale | SANTANGELO | GIOVANNI | PATERNO | |
| - | Soldat | C. NUSO | LACIO | MESSERLA GIO | |
| - | Caporale | SCAGGIA | GIUSEPPE | PALERMO | |
| 8888 | " | CELLARIO | GIUSEPPE | PALAZZOLO | |
| - | Soldat | DAOLI | RATHODO | PIAZZA ARMERIA | |
| 84372 | Larsc: | LU | ALFREDO | MARSALA | |

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Total - 54

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17 SEP 1944

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A LAEE 162300H CG WMD MATOUSA NAGAP
 TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION MAIN
 GR 55 BT

RESTRICTED (.) ORIGINAL AND COPIES OF PAROLES OF PRISONERS
 OF WAR IN SICILY CMA REFERENCE YOUR ABLE CHARLIE CHARLIE THREE
 ANUGHT FOUR NINE CMA DATED ONE NAUGHT - SEPTEMBER FOUR FOUR CMA
 NOT LOCATED (DF 26299 PAREN SIGNED CG MATOUSA CITE NAGAP PAREN) RESULTS
 // WILLBE FORWARDED AN EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE OF FURTHER INQUIRY BEING
 MADE (.)

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 (Int) A/C 1568
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RESTRICTED
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION MAIN

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 24/17

FROM: NATUSA SIGNED CG

CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED

REFERENCE No: F 26299

PRECEDENCE: NONE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEP 162308B **OFFICE OF ORIGIN:** CITE: NAGAP

ORIGINAL AND COPIES OF PAROLES OF PRISONERS OF WAR IN SICILY, REFERENCE
 YOUR ACC 3049, DATED 10 SEPTEMBER 44, NOT LOCATED. RESULTS WILL BE FORWARDED
 AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE OF FURTHER INQUIRY BEING MADE.

Re 24

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DATE and Time of RECEIPT SEP 070730A

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SECRETALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: ACTION ACC MAIN, AAI INFO TO CG SOS, CG PBS, CG MAAF
 SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 12/16

FROM: CG NATUSA CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

REFERENCE No: FX 25629 PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 15/1828 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: NAGAP

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INVESTIGATION REVEALS THAT, REFERENCE FX 85761 OF 21 AUGUST, SICILIAN PRISONER OF WAR PAROLE CARDS WERE DISPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

- A. ISLAND BASE SECTION COPIES WERE DESTROYED ON CLOSING OF ISLAND BASE SECTION (INFORMATION FURNISHED BY PRISONER OF WAR DETAIL AT PALERMO)
- B. ONE COPY ISSUED EACH PAROLEE.
- C. INFORMALLY REPORTED THAT COPIES FURNISHED ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT SICILY WERE TURNED OVER BY ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT TO CARABINIERI IN DISTRICT OF PAROLEES RESIDENCE. IT WOULD APPEAR ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ACCESS TO THESE COPIES THRU ROYAL CARABINIERI

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 INFO A/CC
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DATE and Time of RECEIPT SEPTEMBER 16/0800

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: HQ ACC FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

INFO-ACTION

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 24/13

FROM: ACC REGION ONE

CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

REFERENCE No: RPS 53

PRECEDENCE: IMMEDIATE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 12/NFT OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: NONE

REB-134
 REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL 3050. COPIES OF PAROLE CARDS HANDED TO CARABINIERI AS
 AND WHEN RECEIVED FROM MILITARY ON PAROLE OF INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED. ORIGINALS
 HELD BY PAROLED POW THEMSELVES AND NO REPEAT NO COPIES WITH ALG/ACC. OTHER POW
 RECORDS REFERRED TO AS HELD BY IBS AND NUMBER ONE DISTRICT BELIEVED TO RELATE TO
 ALL POW PAROLED AND OTHERWISE

INFO-ACTION

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DATE and Time of RECEIPT SEPTEMBER 13/0445

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AG: REGION ONE

HQ AGO

GEORGE

THREE ZERO FIVE ZERO

PRIORITY

10 SEP 1944

WEDNESDAY

Encl (2) 19-18

YOUR CABLES IFS FIVE ONE DATED SEVEN SEPTEMBER NOT CLEAR ED AT WHAT DATE WERE COPIES OF PAROLE CARDS LANDED TO CABINMENT ED WERE ORIGINALS OR OTHER COPIES HELD BY YOU IF NOT DO YOU KNOW WHICH HQ HOLDS ORIGINALS ED PAREN TO AGO REGION ONE FROM AGO SIGNED STOOD PAREN OTHER PW RECORDS BELIEVED BY YOU TO BE WITH IFS AND NUMBER ONE DISTRICT DOES THIS REFER TO PW COOPERATORS AND THOSE IN PW CAMPS ED PLEASE TREAT AS URGENT AND SIGNAL EARLY REPLY

1564

L. T. HONDAKI
1st Lt. AGO
Adjutant

File
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Rec'D 1/9/24

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ACTION CG NATUSA INFO AMG CMA CG SOS NATUSA CMA AFHQ SIGNED STONE

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THREE ZERO FOUR NINE

PRIORITY

10 SEP 1944

INFO & REC SC

S/10 19

RE OUR TWO THREE ZERO THREE DATED TWENTY SIX AUGUST ED PARENT TO ACTION
CG NATUSA INFO AMG CMA CG SOS NATUSA CMA AFHQ FROM ACC SIGNED STONE PAREN
CAN YOU PLEASE NOW SAY IF ORIGINAL OR COPIES OF PAROLE CARD OR PW IN COUNTRY HAVE
BEEN LOCATED AND IF COPIES OR NOMINAL ROLLS CAN BE FORWARDED THIS HQ

1563

L.T. MONTANTE,
1st Lt. AGD
Adjutant

FILE 119

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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KP

TO: HQ ACC

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N10/8

FROM: ACC REG 1

CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

REFERENCE No: RPS 51

PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEP 7

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

Enclosure see (19) (18)

YOUR MESSAGE 2302 REFERS. COPIES OF PAROLE CARDS OF ITALIAN P.W.s PASSED BY AM, TO CARABINIERI STATIONS THROUGH THIS HQ OUTLINES WHERE HOLDER OF ORIGINAL RESIDES AND REPORTS. OTHER P.W. RECORDS BELIEVED IN POSSESSION MILITARY AUTHORITIES FORMERLY IBS AND NO. 1 DISTRICT

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(1)

U.S. ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ATO 324 U.S. ARMY
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB-COMMISSION

To : The Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission. W.D.A.P.W/1/9/21

SUBJECT : Release of Paroled Prisoners of War
in Sicily. 4th September 1943.

1. SUMMARY OF POSITION (9)

1. AFHQ message FX/7386 dated 51 July 44 stated that the release must proceed 51 July. Instructions on the subject of conveying to Italian Authorities that release had taken place would be issued later. (encl. 9)
2. Various cables were received and certain statements made which AAT did not agree with, and we were asked on 12 August by AAI not to take any action until we heard from them.
3. On 17 August, we received a letter from AAI, No. AAI/2074/21/A(C) dated 16 August (folio 16) which stated the Italians to be released were never recorded as PW in the terms of the Geneva Convention - never acquired PW status and therefore no material change in status on release (other than handing over of parole form and relieving the Allies of any responsibility towards them) would take place. It was considered that the Italian Government should be informed but that any publicity might have a psychological effect on cooperators and cause a request to be made by the Italian Government to consider them on equal terms. The suggestion was that no publicity be given to the release which should be effected merely by handing back parole forms.
4. ATO/ISA was asked by signal on 16 August for parole forms. They replied on the 22 August, stating that parole forms were held by ANCOT Sicily. (15)
5. On or about the 23rd of August we received a letter from ATO/ISA asking us to provide copies of the paroles, one copy having been given to each Prisoner of War and one copy having been given to ATO in Sicily. (17)

From different conversations I had with Colonel Hancock, Colonel Kirk and others it was obvious that there was a great deal of doubt about ANCOT ever holding copies of paroles. Going right back to the original conference on this subject which I had at P.Q., Brigadier Elsworth of AFHQ stated that the release had been proposed by TPS who wished to get rid of cards and records prior to closing down. (18) 1560

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(J.I)

I took action on 26 August as follows:

(a) Signalled Region I and asked if they held such records or had any knowledge of them. -18

(b) Signalled MACUSA stating that I understood records and parole cards were held by IBS. -19

No reply to either signal as yet received.

2. REQUEST BY ITALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRISONERS OF WAR.

6. General CAZZEZA on 3 September telephoned to me stating that he has been informed by the Italian Commander in Sicily that the paroled prisoners of war have been released and that he and the Italian Government would like to make it public as it would be beneficial at the present time to make such an announcement.

3. WANTS

7. It must be remembered that there are still approximately 700 Italian Prisoners of War cooperators in Sicily and that any announcements we permit the Italian Government to make should be worded in such a fashion as to cause no dissatisfaction to the cooperator Prisoner of War. I believe at the present moment the cooperators are happy in their own position.

8. The plain statement --- The allies have released in Sicily 65,000 Italians from Prisoner of War status. Those Italians have been working on their own land and farms for many months --- might be the best solution.

Capt Stone agrees that Italian Government should be told but to get
W.A.S. consent have showed G.A.T.
on a secret basis why we believed
this was sound while J.C. 5/8/45

J. A. Campbell
J. A. CAMPBELL,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
W.D. & I.P.M. Sub-Commission.

1559

ACC HQ REGION ONE

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TWO THREE ZERO TWO

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TWO SIX
AUGUST

WMD & IPW SG

NATOUSA STATES AND SICILY RETAINED COPY OF EACH PAROLE CARD OF ITALIAN
PAROLED PW PAREN TO ACC HQ REGION ONE FROM ACC PAREN PD PLEASE SIGNAL.
IF YOU HOLD SUCH RECORDS OR HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF SAME

1558

1st Lt. MONTANT

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ACTION CG NATOUSA INFO AAI CMA CG SOS NATOUSA CMA AFHQ

ACC

TWO THREE ZERO THREE

SECRET
ROUTINE

TWO SIX
AUGUST

(17)

WMD & IPW SC

REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL FX EIGHT FIVE SEVEN SIX ONE OF TWO ONE AUGUST
PAREN TO ACTION CG NATOUSA INFO AAI CMA CG SOS NATOUSA CMA AFHQ FROM
ACC PAREN PD UNDERSTAND THAT RECORDS AND PAROLE CARDS WERE HELD BY
 IBS AND SUGGESTION FOR RELEASE WAS MADE BY IBS SO THAT ALL RECORDS
 OF ITALIAN PAROLED PW PAREN OTHER THAN COOPERATORS PAREN COULD BE
 HANDED OVER PRIOR TO CLOSING OF IBS AT THREE ONE JULY ONE NINE FOUR
 FOUR PD NO TRACE CAN BE FOUND OF PAROLE FORMS AT HQ REGION ONE

Signed [Signature]

1557

1st Lt. MONTANT

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HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
 NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
 UNITED STATES ARMY
 ARMY POST OFFICE 730

383.6 (SSPMG)

19 August 1944

SUBJECT: Release of Prisoners of War.

TO : Deputy Chairman, Allied Control Commission, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Reference is made to AFHQ cable FX-70649, dated 10 July 1944, to the Allied Control Commission directing the release of prisoners of war paroled from United States custody in Sicily.

2. One (1) copy of the parole as issued to each prisoner of war was given to Allied Military Government in Sicily at the time of parole.

3. It is requested that the copy of these paroles given to Allied Military Government be forwarded to the Prisoner of War Information Bureau, APO 600, U. S. Army.

For the Commanding General:

VERNON W. RICE,
 Colonel, A.G.D.,
 Adjutant General

24 AUG 1944

A. C. G.

24/8/44
 File #9

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SECRET*W.M.D.-I POW*

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

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(17)

TO: ACTION CG ACC, CG AAT INFO: CG SOS MARCUSA, CG POC, US MACAF.

FROM: STICKED CG MARCUSA SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 53/21

REFERENCE No: TX 25761 CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: 211704Z PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CINE MACAF

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RESPONSIVE TO YOUR 1896, 16 AUGUST, NOMINAL ROLLS OF PAROLED ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR IN SICILY NOT AVAILABLE. AM OF IT SECRET RETAINED A COPY OF EACH PAROLE ISSUED WHICH CONTAINED DETAILED INFORMATION ON EACH PAROLEE. FOR PURPOSES REQUESTED IN YOUR CABLE DESIRE THAT AMG COPIES OF PAROLES BE DELIVERED TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IN LIEU OF NOMINAL ROLLS PT DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN ALL CONCERNED IS AUTHORIZED. INCLUDE THIS HQ AS INFORMATION ADDRESSING ON LITIGATION OF ACTIONS.

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7 AUG 1944
M. G. C.

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SUBJECT: - Release of PW in SICILY.

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

AAT/3074/21/A(0).

16 Aug 44

A.C.C. —

Ref AFHQ Sig Px 81216 dated 10 Aug. Encel (1)

1. The Italians to be released and who are the subject of the above signal were never recorded as PW, in the terms of the Geneva Convention and consequently never acquired PW status; there is therefore in fact no material change in their status on release other than the handing over of the parole forms and relieving Allies of any responsibility they may have had in connection with them.
2. On the other hand "Co-operators" are properly registered as PW and retain this status although they have signed parole forms which contain Inter alia an undertaking to obey orders and regulations otherwise their liberty may be affected.
3. It is considered that the proposed release may possibly have a psychological effect on co-operators and/or cause a request to be made by the Italian Government for them to be considered on equal terms.
4. It is further considered that it would be impolitic not to disclose our intentions to the Italian authorities, as the result of the information or release of the individuals concerned would undoubtedly reach them.
5. It is suggested therefore that the matter is fully explained to the Italian Authorities, particularly as regards the status of co-operators who must continue to be employed in their present capacity and status owing to their value to the war effort.
6. It is further suggested that no further publicity be given to this release which should be effected merely by handing back the parole forms to the Italian authorities.
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*Brigadier,
1 D.A.*

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1 D.A.*

TM/II.

Copy to:- AFHQ (G1 Br)

WV/14

12 August 1944

SPOKE to Col. Welch.

The co-operators in Sicily cannot be released. It is a misstatement to say they gave the parole to their own officers. The last para is also not correct as there still are cooperators in Sicily. Col. Welch will speak with Baradorf, A.F.H.Q. and ask that we take no action until we hear from him.

~~A. J. A. C.~~

Ask for list of names of repatriates.

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CG NATOUSA

ACC

ONE EIGHT NINE SIX

ONE SIX
AUGUSTSECRET
PRIORITY

W.M.D. & IPW SC

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REFERENCE YOUR SIGNALS NUMBER FX EIGHT ONE TWO ONE SIX OF ONE ONE AUGUST AND NUMBER LX THREE SIX SEVEN ZERO TWO OF ONE THREE AUGUST PAREN TO CG NATOUSA FROM ACC PAREN PD IT IS REQUESTED THAT NOMINAL ROLLS OF PAROLED PW IN SICILY RELEASED AS AT THREE ONE JULY BE FORWARDED PD IT IS NECESSARY THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAVE THESE PARTICULARS SO THAT THOSE MEN DUE FOR MILITARY SERVICE CAN BE DRAFTED AS NECESSARY AND THAT DESERTERS FROM ITALIAN NAVY MAY BE DEALT WITH

1553

1st Lt. MONTANT

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17 AUG 1944

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C.R. SEC

P.D. SEC

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FILE(2)
PLAT US CIPHER MESSAGE

POLIO NO 21109

12 AUG 44

TOO 1359B/12

TOR 0015B/11

FROM: SOS NATOGSA SIGNED LARKIN

TO: CG NATOGSA

INFO: RAI ACC HCC NORTH AFRICA DISTRICT

CC 56 BRITISH DISTRICT

ORIG NO: CITA SSGCT 451

IX-36702

ACTION

Encl(13)

PAGING REFERENCE TO NATOGSA CABLE TX-81216, DATED 70 AUGUST
 LAST PARAGRAPH OF ABOVE MENTIONED CABLE IS IN ERROR, AS THE
 POLICY OF ITALIAN FOR UNITS ARE PRESENTLY IN SERVICE 1625
 OF TRUCK COMPANY; 1 PLATOON, 7627 ON BAKSHE COMPANY, 7646
 OF SERVICE COMPANY. THE ABOVE UNITS ARE ATTACHED TO UNITED
 STATES ARMY AND WILL REMAIN SOLELY INDEFINITELY.

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CC: MACVUSA 2200 AMT ADD O&G NORTH AFRICA REPORT TO 56 BOMBING DISTRICT

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SUB INTELLIGENCE BUREAU

LIC-36702

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HE. QUARTERS
12 AUG 1944
A. C. C.

SECRET

INFO

CENS SECRET 402

MAKING REFERENCE TO MACVUSA CABLES EN-32216, DATED 10 AUGUST, LAST PARAGRAPH OF ABOVE
 MENTIONED CABLES RE: IN SIGHT, AS THE FOLLOWING MALIAN POW UNITS ARE PROBABLY IN
 BLOTTING ^{TRUCK} 7625 QUITTERESS COMPANY; 3 MEADON, 7627 ON BATTERY COMPANY; 7646 43 SERVICE
 COMPANY. THESE ABOVE UNITS ARE ATTACHED TO UNITED SOUTHERN NAVY AND WILL REMAIN SIDE BY
 SIDE INDEFINITELY.

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| PCAO | 9 | | Q | 2 |
| DAG | 1 | | ADC (L) | 4 |

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 AMMUN 300
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 POL SEC
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ACC, INFO CG AAI, ON SOS NATO, GOC NORTH AFRICA DIST, OC 56 AREA

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HEADQUARTERS

11 AUG 1944

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ROUTINE

CITE: NAGAP PHCOS

AUG 101130B

A. C. C.

ACTION

PURSUANT TO INSTRUCTIONS SAC THE FOLLOWING RESUME IS MADE OF CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING UP TO THE RELEASE OF ITALIAN POW'S PAROLED IN SICILY: BY CABLE NAF 712 30TH MAY 44 A MESSAGE WAS DESPATCHED TO COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFFS STATING APPROXIMATELY 62,000 USA CAPTURES AND 3950 BRITISH CAPTURES HAS BEEN PAROLED IN SICILY. MOST OF THEM SICILIAN AND THEN ENGAGED AGRICULTURAL WORK. IT WAS RECOMMENDED TO THE COMBINED COS BY SAC THAT THEY BE RELEASED BECAUSE OF THEIR DOUBTFUL ASSISTANCE TO THE WAR EFFORT AS POW OR AS PAROLES IN THAT THEY HAD NEVER BEEN ORGANIZED INTO WORK UNITS NOR HAD THEY EVER HAD ANY STATUS IN FACT EXCEPT AS POW. IN ADDITION NUMEROUS AND CONTINUOUS CASES WERE ARISING AS TO THEIR STATUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DRAFT INTO THE ITALIAN ARMY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRIAL OF CASUAL CRIMES AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR ECONOMIC CONDITION AND MEDICAL SERVICES. SO LONG AS THE TRANSFERRING (?) FROM BASE SECTION WAS IN EXISTENCE THESE PROBLEMS WERE MET BY THE LOCAL COMMANDER OR INDEFINITE CASES REFERRED ALLIED FORCE HQ FOR DECISION. IN BOTH INSTANCES IT WAS WASTEFUL OF ADMINISTRATIVE TIME AND EFFORT. BY CABLE FAN 369 COMBINED COS'S RENDERED AN AMDT AUTHORIZING ACTION TO MAKE RELEASE AS PRESENTED TO YOU IN OUR EX 70649 10TH JULY. *Endd* ACTUALLY NONE THIS PERSONNEL HAD EVER BEEN REPORTED TO THE PROTECTIVE POWER AND THE INTER-NATIONAL RED CROSS AS POW. THEIR PAROLE WAS GIVEN TO THEIR OWN ITALIAN OFFICERS AND THEY WERE FURNISHED WITH SLIPS OF PAPER SHOWING THAT THEY WERE PAROLED

*out substitute attached***SECRET**

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ACC, INFO CG AAI, CG SOS NATO, GOC NORTH AFRICA DIST, OC 56 AREA

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CITE: NAGAP FECOS

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FOLIO NO. 12067

ASKING AS TO THEIR STATUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DRAFT INTO THE
PACIFIC ARMY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR TOTAL OF CIVIL CRIMES AND
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR ECONOMIC CONDITION AND MEDICAL SERVICES.
SO LONG AS THE ISLAND BASE SECTION WAS IN EXISTENCE THESE PROBLEMS
WERE MET BY THE LOCAL COMMANDER OR INDEFINITE CASES REFERRED...
FORCES HQ FOR DECISION. IN BOTH INSTANCES IT WAS WASTEFUL OF
ADMINISTRATIVE TIME AND EFFORT BY CHIEF TAN 363 COMBINED OCS'S
RENDERED A DECISION ON AUTHORIZING ACTION TO MAKE RELEASE AS REQUESTED
TO YOU IN OUR FX 70649 10TH JULY ASSTULLY HOME THIS PERSONNEL HAD
EVER BEEN REPORTED TO THE PROTECTIVE POWER AND THE INTERATIONAL
REFUGEE STATUS AS POW. THEIR PAROLE WAS GIVEN TO THEM DURING OFFICES
AND THEY WERE FURNISHED WITH SLIPS OF PAPER SHOWING THAT THEY ARE
PAROLED POW. THEY HAVE NOW BEEN IN THIS STATUS FOR YEARS AND
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TO YOU IN OUR FX 70649 10TH JULY ACTUALLY NONE THIS PERSONEL HAD EVER BEEN REPORTED TO THE PROTECTIVE POWER AND THE WRIT OF BATION HAD BEEN ISSUED AS POW'S. THEIR PAROLE WAS GIVEN TO THEM ON 17TH JULY 1945. AND THEY HAVE TURNED OVER SLIPS OF PAPER SHOWING THAT THEY ARE FREE POW'S AND DRAFTS. THEY HAVE NOW BEEN IN THIS STATUS FOR SEVEN MONTHS AND OCCUPATIONS. THEY ARE CIVILIANS PURSUING THEIR NORMAL

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ROUTINE

AUG 10 1948

CITE: NAGAP FHCCS

PURSUANT TO INSTRUCTIONS SAC THE FOLLOWING RESUME IS MADE OF CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING UP TO THE RELEASE OF ITALIAN POW'S PAROLED IN SICILY; BY CABLE NAF 712 30TH MAY 44 A MESSAGE WAS DESPATCHED TO COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFFS STATING APPROXIMATELY 62,000 USA CAPTURES AND 3350 BRITISH CAPTURES HAS BEEN PAROLED IN SICILY. MOST OF THEM SICILIAN AND THEN ENGAGED AGRICULTURAL WORK. IT WAS RECOMMENDED TO THE COMBINED COS BY SAC THAT THEY BE RELEASED BECAUSE OF THEIR DOUBTFUL ASSISTANCE TO THE WAR EFFORT AS POW OR AS PAROLES IN THAT THEY HAD NEVER BEEN ORGANIZED INTO WORK UNITS NOR HAD THEY EVER HAD ANY STATUS IN FACT EXCEPT AS POW. IN ADDITION NUMEROUS AND CONTINUOUS CASES WERE ARISING AS TO THEIR STATUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DRAFT INTO THE ITALIAN ARMY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRIAL OF CASUAL CRIMES AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR ECONOMIC CONDITION AND MEDICAL SERVICES. SO LONG AS THE TRANSFERRING (?) FROM BASE SECTION WAS IN EXISTENCE THESE PROBLEMS WERE MET BY THE LOCAL COMMANDER OR INDEFINITE CASES REFERRED ALLIED FORCE HQ FOR DECISION. IN BOTH INSTANCES IT WAS WASTEFUL OF ADMINISTRATIVE TIME AND EFFORT. BY CABLE NAF 369 COMBINED COS'S RENDERED AN AMDT AUTHORIZING ACTION TO MAKE RELEASE AS PRESENTED TO YOU IN OUR FX 70649 10TH JULY. ACTUALLY NONE THIS PERSONNEL HAD EVER BEEN REPORTED TO THE PROTECTIVE POWER AND THE INTER-NATIONAL RED CROSS AS POW. THEIR PAROLE WAS GIVEN TO THEIR OWN ITALIAN OFFICERS AND THEY WERE FURNISHED WITH SLIPS OF PAPER SHOWING THAT THEY WERE PAROLED

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PARIS V. R. & I. IN FG PAR

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REFERENCE YOUR PK SEVEN SEVEN THREE EIGHT SIX DATED THREE ONE JULY
PAVED TO AFHQ FROM AGC PARIS PD REQUEST THAT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS RE
RELEASE BE FORWARDED EARLIEST POSSIBLE

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W.M.D. & I.P.W. S.G.

1st Lt. W.M.D.

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ACC FROM A-CC

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(WMD & IPW SC)

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REF YOUR RPS FOUR SEVEN DATED THREE AUGUST PD FORMAL NOTIFICATION
PAREN

TO ACC REGION ONE FROM ACC PAREN NOT YET GIVEN TO
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN UNTIL INSTRUCTIONS
ARE ISSUED TO YOU PD

ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER (2)
WMD & IPW SC

6/28/81 Cpt
for adjustment

IMPORTANT

FROM:

ACO DIRECTOR (HANCOCK)

TO:

ACO HQ FOR LASH

PPS 167

CONFIDENTIAL. REF RELEASE ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR ON PAROLE EFFECTIVE
THREE NO JULY EXPRESSED IN CABLE FROM AFHQ HAS ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BEEN
OFFICIALLY INFORMED. AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS

TO:

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(ACO) WMD-1 POW
(INFO) 9/1/44
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ACO 246.

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ACG HQ FOR WASH

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IMPORTANT

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 31 JULY REFERRED TO IN CABLE FROM API. HAS ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
 BEEN OFFICIALLY INFORMED. ARRESTING INSTRUCTIONS

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INFO TO MAIN AAI RPT AAI TO LT COL CRAPPELL

AFHQ SIGNED SIGNED FROM BRIGADIER ELSWORTHY
EX 77386

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CITE: FMAB

JULY 31/1611

HEADQUARTERS
1 AUG 1944
A. C. C.

ACTION

REFERENCE YOUR 1072 OF 28 JULY. SUBJECT DISCUSSED AT POLITICAL SUB COMMITTEE.
 DECISION REACHED THAT RELEASE MUST PROCEED ON 31 JULY. INSTRUCTIONS ON THE SUBJECT
 OF CONVEYING TO ITALIAN AUTHORITIES THE FACT THAT RELEASE HAS TAKEN PLACE WILL BE
 ISSUED TO YOU AFTER SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDERS POLITICAL COMMITTEE HAS CONSIDERED
 THE MATTER

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JULY 31/2145

TO: AFHQ (ACTION) AAF (INFO) (S)
 FROM: HQ AGC SOUTHERN COMMAND
 REFERENCE NO: ONE ZERO SEVEN TWO
 DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JULY 28 1400
 SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER NO:
 CLASSIFICATION: SECRET
 PROGRESSION: DOCUMENT
 OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

RE: OUR OWNERSHIP OF THIRTY NINE OF TWENTY JULY ~~RECORDED IN PAPER~~ AND MEETING WITH
 BRIGADIER HLOWORTH AT FILIPOT ED AS ARRANGED TO BRIGADIER HLOWORTH NO
 SATISFACTORIY ARRANGEMENT COULD BE WORKED OUT WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO RELEASE PW
 IN LABOR UNITS AND STILL TREAT THEM AS FREELY EMPLOYED ED BRIGADIER
 HLOWORTH AGREED THAT HE WOULD RECOMMEND DEFERRING FOR THE PRESENT RELEASE
 OF STILLIN PRISONERS OF WAR NOW AT THEIR HOMES ED PLEASE TELEGRAPH
 IMMEDIATELY IF RELEASE IS TO TAKE PLACE AS ORIGINALLY INSTRUCTED IN PW SEVEN
 ZERO SEE YOUR HIGH DATES: TWENTY JULY

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 28-1758 To AFHQ

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DRAFT.

To: A.P.M.Q.

Draft
By Campbell

Re. our 75 of 20 July 1944 and meeting with Brigadier Elsworthy at Pilo.

As explained to Brigadier Elsworthy no satisfactory scheme could be worked out with Italian Government to release P.P. W. and still retain them as presently employed. In Labour Units. Brigadier Elsworthy agreed that he would recommend, desiring, for the present release of Sicilian Paroled Prisoners of War now at their homes.

Unless instructions received by 30 July that release has to take place will consider release postponed and will take no action pending issue of new instructions.

or

Please telegraph immediately if release is to take place as originally intended.

Immediatly

Pt TX 306 X
Pl date 10/8/44

CC PPAI TAC HQ
" HQ

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BUINT.

To: A.P.M.C.

Re: War 723 of 20 July 1944, and meeting with Brigadier Mororthy at
Filpot.

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of new instructions.

GW

Please telegraph immediately if release has to take place or not.

MEETING AT HEADQUARTERS, A.A.I.

Present: Brigadier Elsworthy, G.1 B, A.F.H.Q.
Colonel Welsh, 'A' Branch, H.Q., A.A.I.
Lt.-Colonel Campbell, H.Q., A.C.C.
Subject: Italian Prisoners of War.

After discussing the question of the release of Paroled
Prisoners of War in Sicily Brigadier Elsworthy agreed that he would
advise that release of Paroled Prisoners of War in Sicily should
be deferred for the present. He explained that the proposal
originated from I.B.S. who wishes to get rid of cards and records
prior to closing down. It was suggested that the records could be
held by the Allied Control Commission. Lt. Colonel Campbell agreed
subject to confirmation.

Brigadier Elsworthy went on to explain that he was of opinion
that the Italian Government and High Commissioner for Prisoners of
War were not clearly in the picture on the subject of co-operators.
Italian Prisoners of War were no longer treated as prisoners - they
were in camps - in many cases alongside American and British troops.
They were free to go out and about and could have leave. They were
dressed as British and American soldiers and were only held on
Prisoner of War status for legal reasons. He asked that we study
two pamphlets which had just been issued 'Administrative Instructions
for Italian Prisoners of War' and 'Pay and Accounting Instructions
for Italian Prisoners of War'.

Brigadier Elsworthy suggested that the A.C.C. should send some-
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Brigadier Elsworthy also stated that the Combined Chiefs of Staff would not budge in the question of moving Prisoners of War all over the world as they wished - It was a question of labour pure and simple, and they intended to move them as they pleased.

Lt. Colonel Campbell suggested that permission should be given to A.C.Q. to explain this position to the Italian Government which he was sure would have better results than leaving them guessing and at the same time receiving information daily from Prisoners of War as to what was happening. Brigadier Elsworthy said it was a point which he thought should be considered and suggested that a representative of A.C.Q. should visit A.F.H.Q. at an early date and discuss any such questions. He, Brigadier Elsworthy was returning to England, but his successor could deal with this question.

Lt. Colonel Campbell suggested that the many small requests for repatriation submitted by the Italians should be granted and in this way help to keep the Italian Government quiet. He explained that the High Commissioner for Prisoners of War has made use of the agreement 'to release Prisoners of War of over 60 years of age and between 50 and 60 years in certain cases', and had passed the information on at an Italian Press conference, and an article had been published saying that the position regarding Italian Prisoners of War was improving and that the subject was having attention by the Allied Governments.

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REMARKS.

It would appear that the question of Prisoners of War for Italy is not yet dead. It is suggested that the Chief Commissioner discusses with Lt.-Colonel Campbell this and other points.

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 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 INCOMING MESSAGE

Don't let it get away

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*Col Campbell**(6)*

TO: ACTION ACC MAIN

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 9123

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED

CLASSIFICATION: ~~SECRET~~ SECRET

REFERENCE No: F 74404

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JULY 22/1853 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: FHCAB

End P & see footnote.

YOUR 739 OF 20 JULY. ERICADIER ELSWORTHY WILL DISCUSS THIS WITH YOU MONDAY.

CONTACT COLONEL WELCH AT AAT

HEADQUARTERS

22 JUL 1944

A. C. C.

I.E.

DATE and Time of RECEIPT JULY 23/0845

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION

REFERENCE YOUR FOX XRAY SEVEN ZERO SIX FOUR NINE OF ONE ZERO JULY CMA
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 ZERO SIX SIX OF ONE FOUR JULY PD I AM INFORMED THAT THERE STILL REMAIN
 PAREN TO AFHQ PAREN ACTION PAREN A&I PAREN INFO PAREN PAREN IN PRISONER
 OF WAR STATUS IN SICILY APPROXIMATELY TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO MEN ON PAROLE
 WITHIN UNITS AND SIX FIVE ZERO IN PRISONERS OF WAR CAMPS PD THE LATTER
 GROUP DID NOT VIOLATE ITALIAN LAW WHICH FORBIDS ANY CAPTURED SOLDIER TO
 GIVE PAROLE ON PENALTY OF COURT MARTIAL PD IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT TO
 LIBERATE THE PAROLE PRISONERS NOT IN UNITS WHO VIOLATED THE ITALIAN LAW
 AND TO CONTINUE AS PRISONERS OF WAR BOTH THOSE WHO DID NOT AND THOSE
 WHO ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE WAR IN LABOR UNITS WILL COMPLETELY WIPE OUT
 ANY FAVOURABLE ITALIAN REACTION HOPED TO BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THE GRANTING
 OF FULL LIBERTY TO ONE GROUP OF PAROLE PRISONERS PD STRONGLY RECOMMEND
 THAT A UNIFORM POLICY BE ADOPTED TOWARDS ALL PRISONERS OF WAR IN SICILY PD
 IT WOULD APPEAR PREFERABLE TO RELEASE ALL OF THEM FROM PRISONER OF WAR
 STATUS BUT TO CONTINUE AS LABOR COMPANIES THOSE NOW IN MILITARY UNITS PD
 AM CERTAIN THAT A SATISFACTORY SCHEME TO EFFECTUATE THIS CAN BE WORKED
 OUT WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD PARA IF THIS IS NOT APPROVED THE ONLY
 OTHER COURSE OF ACTION TO BE RECOMMENDED WOULD BE TO MAKE NO CHANGE IN
 THE PRESENT STATUS OF PAROLE PRISONERS PD TO DO OTHER THAN TO FOLLOW ONE
 OF THESE TWO ALTERNATIVES WOULD SEEM TO BE AN EMPTY GESTURE PD THEREFORE

RECOMMEND THAT PROPOSED RELEASE OF PAROLED PRISONERS OF WAR ONLY GMA
ON THREE ONE JULY BE DEFERRED PENDING FORMATION OF SCHEME FOR LABOR
UNITS TO BE FORWARDED BY THREE ZERO JULY PD AAI CONCURS ABOVE
RECOMMENDATIONS

DISTRIBUTION:

Sec. Gen.
Pol. Sec.
Adm. Sec.
Army SG
W.M.D.B.C.

AUTHENTICATED BY:

1st Lt. MONTANT

Above agreed to by telephone message Col. Welch "A" Branch AAI
Lt. Col. Campbell speaking - 1030 hours 20 July.

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D R A F T
TO: AFHQ (ACTION) FILPOT (INFO)
FROM: ACC ADVANCE

SECRET ?
ROUTINE?

REFERENCE YOUR FOX XRAY SEVEN ZERO SIX FOUR NINE OF JULY ONE ZERO CMA
FILPOT ABLE EIGHT SIX FOUR OF JULY ONE TWO AND YOUR FOX XRAY SEVEN
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RECOMMENDED IN VIEW FILPOT MESSAGE EIGHT SIX NINE THREE OF
ONE FOUR JULY PD METHOD FOR TAKING PRISONERS OF WAR IN ITALY AND
SICILY OUT OF PRISONER OF WAR STATUS WITHOUT INTERFERING WITH UNITS
~~See 4~~
AS ~~the~~ UNDER CONSIDERATION PD WILL FORWARD RECOMMENDATIONS EARLIES 1530
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 OF WAR BOTH THOSE MEN WHO DID NOT AND THOSE WHO ARE CONTRIBUTING
 TO THE WAR IN UNITS WILL COMPLETELY WIPE OUT ANY FAVOURABLE ITALIAN
 REACTION HOPED TO BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THE GRANTING OF FULL LIBERTY TO
 ONE GROUP OF PAROLE PRISONERS PD STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT A UNIFORM
 POLICY BE ADOPTED TOWARDS ALL PRISONERS OF WAR IN SICILY PD IT WOULD
~~APPEAR PREFERABLE TO RELEASE ALL OF THEM FROM PRISONER OF WAR STATUS~~
~~IF CERTAIN THINGS~~
~~AS LABOUR COMPANIES THOSE NOW IN MILITARY UNITS PD~~
~~IF THIS IS NOT PROVIDED~~
~~THE ONLY OTHER COURSE OF ACTION TO BE RE-~~
~~COMMENDED WOULD BE TO MAKE NO CHANGE IN THE PRESENT STATUS OF PAROLE~~
~~PRISONERS PD TO DO OTHER THAN TO FOLLOW ONE OF THESE TWO ALTERNATIVES~~
~~WOULD SEEM TO BE AN EMPTY GESTURE.~~
~~SECOND ALTERNATIVE STRONGLY~~
~~RECOMMENDED IN VIEW FILPOT MESSAGE EIGHT SIX NINE NINE THREE OF~~
~~ONE FOUR JULY PD METHOD FOR TAKING PRISONERS OF WAR IN ITALY AND~~
~~SICILY OUT OF PRISONER OF WAR STATUS WITHOUT INTERFERING WITH UNITS~~
~~AS ^{see 4} UNDER CONSIDERATION PD WILL FORWARD RECOMMENDATIONS EARLIES 1530~~
~~POSSIBLE~~

17/7/1943

*Theatre Command Directive
 Casualty Protection. PW and Lab units 31st be
 Detained Pending transfer of service. This can be worked out
 for Labor units to be forwarded by
 July 23rd*

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REF MY A 862 OF 12 AND FREEDOM FX 72066 OF 14 NOT TO DISTURB BUT CONVERSATION COULD + COL A REFERS.

1. RELEASE OF BRITISH CAPTURED PW RELEASED ON PAROLE OTHER THAN COOPERATORS INVOLVED.
2. PROMULGATION OF RELEASE MUST HOWEVER ALSO HAVE AT LEAST PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT ON COOPERATORS WHO ARE ALSO PAROLEMEN UNLESS CAREFULLY WORDED AND INCLUDES REFERENCE TO IMMEDIATE CALL UP FOR SERVICE IN ITALIAN ARMY. CAN RELEASE BE EFFECTED IN TERMS OF FREEDOM SIG FX 70649 OF 10 BY HANDING OVER NOMINAL ROLLS ON PAROLE FORMS TO LOCAL CIVIL GOVT AUTHORITIES.
3. REQUEST YOU EXAMINE BEST METHOD AND REPORT.

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15 July 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

The Supreme Allied Commander has instructed me to inform you that Italian Prisoners of War now on parole in the political environs of Sicily will be offered complete release effective 31 July 1944.

The Supreme Allied Commander has been authorized by the Allied Armies to take this action for the reasons:

- a. In order that such Italian National Prisoners may be returned to the full use of the Italian Government in Sicily for complete assimilation in furthering the war against the common enemy.
- b. As an earnest indication of the desire of the governments of the British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America to take every action compatible with their Government responsibility for the successful conclusion of the war and to alleviate the personal situation of Italian military personnel where practicable in pursuing these objectives.

It is requested that no publicity be given this matter as it is contemplated that release of publicity will be made through the Supreme Allied Command.

Yours very truly,

MILROY H. SPENCE
Captain, USMC
Acting Chief Commissioner

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22 JUN 1944.

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Yours very truly,

ELIERY W. STUNE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner
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His Excellency Ivano Borromi
The President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government

M. M. Murphy

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OUTLET TEL

TO FOLLOW
AS CARRIER ARRIVES INFOLIO 2095
16 July 44

TELE. AND SIGHTS ON TO DATE STATED

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 CAPTURED BY AIRCRAFT AT TIME OF INVASION, AND IT IS ALREADY CERTAIN OF PACIFIC WAR.
 THIS HAVE BEEN MADE SINCE.. A FEW WERE ENGLISH CAPTURES. THE POSITION OF SUGI
 HADN'T BEEN MADE THIS TIME ENEMY RECOGNIZED. AND SHOULD NOT BE COMPARED WITH THE
 CO-ORDINATES OR THE CO-ORDINATES STILL WAITING FOR STATUS WHICH WILL BE
 PUBLISHED, AND IT IS NOT PROPOSED TO RELEASE

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Yucca
16 July 44.

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CIME TRIMI. PLEASE SEE YOUR PX 707/0 OF 10 JULY RELEASE OF PAROLEE IN SICILY.
 AN EXAMINING INVESTIGATION YES A VIS LOUS OF VARIOUS PW UNITS AND WILL COMMUNICATE
 RESULTS. ALL IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATIONS FROM PREBOS' VIEW POINT ARE THAT CERTAIN UNITS SUCH AS
 DIVISION AND PROVOST CORPS MUST BE RELEASED IF NECESSARY AS ITALIAN MILITARY UNITS WHICH
 WILL PRESUMABLY BE THE STATUS OF PERSONNEL OR RELEASE. IN ANY CASE NOSE OF UNITS WILL
 HAVE TO BE APPROVED IF TOTAL RELEASE APPROVED BY CIVIL, LABOUR OR ITALIAN MILITARY
 WHICH WILL GRANT AUTHORIZATION OF ITALIAN LAW FOR GRADING ALLOWED. REQUEST ACC
 ACTION TO DETERMINE IF DEFERRED UNTIL SITUATION NORMAL. DO NOT FORGOT
 ALSO EXAMINING INVESTIGATION IN YOUR PX 707/0 OF 10

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YOU WILL INSTRUCT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, BASED ON ADVISED CHIEFS OF STAFF NO. 559, SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS: NOTE ONE. THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDERS INSTRUCT ME TO INFORM YOU THAT ITALIAN NATIONAL PRISONERS OF WAR ~~NOW~~ ON PARADES IN THE POLITICAL ENVIRONS OF SICILY WILL BE OFFERED COMPLETE RELEASE EFFECTIVE 31 JULY 1944. PARA 152⁵. THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER IS AUTHORIZED BY THE ALLIED ARMIES TO TAKE THIS ACTION FOR THE DUAL REASONS, FIRST, IN ORDER THAT THESE ENEMY MAY BE RETURNED THE FULL USE OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IN SICILY FOR COMPLETE ASSIMILATION UNLESS IN FURTHERING THE WAR AGAINST THE COMMON ENEMY, - SECOND, AS AN EARLY INDICATION OF THE DESIRE OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO TAKE EVERY ACTION COMPATIBLE WITH THEIR GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE WAR AND TO ALLEVIATE THE PERSONAL SITUATION OF ITALIAN MILITARY PERSONNEL WHERE PRACTICABLE IN PURSUING THESE OBJECTIVES. UNLESS PARA YOU WILL TAKE CARE THAT NO REFERENCE, EITHER FORMALLY OR INFORMALLY, IS MADE BY YOU CONCERNING THE QUESTION OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S RIGHTS OR STATUS AS A COBELLIGERENT OR JURISDICTION IN THE POLITICAL AREA INVOLVING THE DATE SET FOR RELEASE HAS BEEN INTEGRATED WITH THE CLOSING OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY ISLAND BASE SECTION IN SICILY, AND ADMINISTRATIVE DATA RELATIVE TO RELEASE OF INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED WILL BE CHARGED TO 152⁵ RESPECTIVE BRITISH AND UNITED STATES ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE CHANNELS. ANY QUESTION COMPOUNDED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT INCIDENT TURNS TO THIS WHOLESALE RELEASE OF PERSONNEL WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR ACTION. THIS IS NOT A PRECEDENT FOR FUTURE RELEASES NOR IS IT INTENDED TO BE

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CONFIDENTIAL BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT OTHER THAN AS STATED IN FORMAL
NOTIFICATION TO BE DELIVERED BY YOU. NO PUBLICITY IN THIS MATTER
WILL BE RELEASED EXCEPT THROUGH THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMAND.

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18 July 1943

10 July 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Italian Military Personnel Detained as Prisoners of War.

1. Under cover of your memorandum A/C 585.6 of June 26, you sent a copy of a note from the President of the Italian Council, requesting the views of the Allied authorities on Marshal BADOGLIO's representations of May 10 regarding the Allied policy of utilising Italian prisoners of war.
2. The Supreme Allied Commander directs that you reply to Signor BONOMI's note on the lines indicated in the following paragraph.

3. It is the policy of the Allied authorities to release from prisoner-of-war status and return to ITALY individuals with special qualifications, such as judicial or administrative experience, for service in specific positions for the direct furtherance of the war effort in ITALY. The Allied Governments have every desire to meet the wishes of the Italian Government in questions concerning prisoners of war, insofar as their responsibilities in regard to the prosecution of the war permit, as is evidenced by the release of more than 60,000 Italian prisoners of war who were on parole in SICILY. The general question of the utilisation of Italian prisoners of war in Allied custody is under constant study and the views of the Italian Government will be taken into consideration. There is, however, no intention at present of effecting a general release of Italian personnel from prisoner-of-war status.

J. A. H. Gammell
J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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British Resident Minister
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ACC HQ FOR LUSH

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REF RELEASE ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR ON PAROLE EFFECTIVE
31 JULY REFERRED TO IN CABLE FROM AFM & HAS ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
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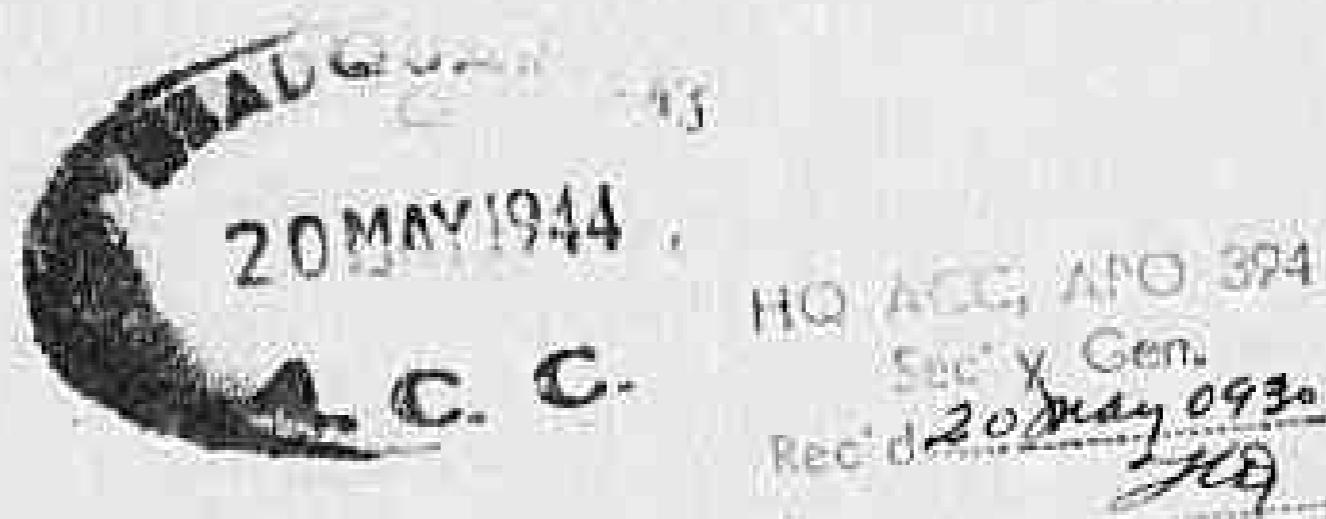
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PERSONAL FOR MASON MACFARLANE.
 YOUR MEMO NUMBER CC/G/243 DATED 28 APRIL. SAC HAS GIVEN CAREFUL
 CONSIDERATION TO GEN GAZZERA'S PROPOSALS AND IS AT PRESENT UNABLE TO
 AGREE TO IT Owing TO OPERATIONAL NECESSITY. PLEASE INFORM GEN GAZZERA
 ACCORDINGLY.

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

N. 219. Pol.

Cava dei Tirreni, 19 May 1944

Subject: Prisoners of war in Italy

To: General Noel Mason MacGrillane, Chief of A.C.C., Naples

Dear General,

no record I thank you for the contents received in ACC letter of 19th inst, ref
 S 436, with reference to individual liberation of Italian military men who
in S.C. files are still detained as prisoners of war by the Allied Authorities in Italy and
 whose liberation comes under compassionate grounds or military necessities
 for only the island of Sicily.

No record However the main general question that I have submitted in my letter
 No. 66 Pol., dated 19th of April, has not been solved, as regards the prison-
 ers of war still detained in Sicily. In their opinion the Royal Government,
 for some juridical, political and general reasons have considered urgent and
 necessary the liberation of all the military men. The military Italian
 Authorities will provide all the necessary measures, military and eventually
 political, that will be found necessary with a view to obtain the maximum of
 efficiency, from each one of them in the cooperation with the Allied cause.

CC/6/162 It has been noticed, without the necessity of making out a list of
 names, that according to a plan of individual liberation, as submitted in
 ACC letter No. 436, an unfair situation will result particularly for officers
 overaged, who are still fit and whose family are in normal condition.

637 C/6/162 Also remains unsolved the question of Italian military men detained as
 prisoners of war, and employed in Italy on behalf of the Allied Forces, and
 for whom you have reserved further communication in your letter F.M.L./rj dated
 29.5.44. The total liberation of these Italian military men and their organ-
 isation immediately after liberation by the Italian Military Authorities will
 not also be of any prejudice to the duties they are accomplishing, but would
 increase their efficiency, whilst from another hand a profitable repercussion
 of a political and moral order would result on the whole of the Italian
 population.

8/9 R/1 I take the liberty, dear General, to note that as far as these Italian
 military men, who are in Italy, are concerned it seems that there should not
 be any difficulty of juridical order, as you have mentioned for those who are
 in the United States or in Great Britain territories, and who will prevent
 them, there, from the cessation of prisoner of war condition.

I trust that you will be so kind as to obtain a favourable decision to
 this request.

Would you please accept my hearty respects.

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 /s/ The High Commissioner
 (General Pietro Gazzera)

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Ref. CC/G/ 243.

28th April, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters.
(ATTENTION: CHIEF OF STAFF)

1. I enclose herewith copy of a letter from General GAZZERA, Italian High Commissioner for P.W...

2. I have had the present situation regarding Italian P.W.s. in P.W. Camps in Sicily investigated and there are about 500 officers and 19,000 other Ranks in Camps at Catania, Syracuse and Palermo, or in hospitals.

3. My personal opinion is that it would be in every way an advantage to us to accede to General GAZZERA's suggestion and release these P.W.s. who would be taken over by the Italian military authorities.

4. I would be glad if you would let me know if you agree in principle, in which case I will go further into the question with the local authorities in Sicily and with the Italian Government.

5. The question of these Prisoners of War in Sicily arose during the recent P.W. agreement discussions and at that time Mr. MacMillan agreed with me that we would do well to cease to hold Italian P.W.s. in liberated Italy. I do not think that the fact that the Italian Government failed to accept the agreement need necessarily affect this question.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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Rec'd 1 Apr 1515

By 878

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31 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Prisoners of War on parole in Sicily.

TO : Chief Commissioner, ACC.

1. With reference to our conversation on Wednesday, the number of paroled prisoners of war in Sicily runs, I am informed, into many tens of thousands, so that I understand you will not be prepared to release them without a directive from higher authority. For your information, however, I set out below a short summary of the facts.

2. These men were members of the Italian Army whose homes are in Sicily. When taken prisoner there in July and August, they were released on parole and returned to their own homes. At first they reported at regular intervals to the CAO in their town or village, but later the records were turned over to the Carabinieri and it is unlikely that they now report to anyone.

3. Many of the men belong to age groups which are now being called up by the Italian Government and receive orders through the local Carabinieri to report to centers in the mainland. As they are forbidden under the terms of their paroles to leave the island, they are referring to IRS for instructions.

4. Difficulties also arise when these men commit ordinary criminal offences, for which the Italian Courts are not prepared to try them. IRS do not want to revoke their paroles and take the men back into POW camps as they have no means of enforcing disciplinary action against them and the prisoners now remaining in the camps are enjoying a position of privilege rather than the opposite. In practice the situation is that the paroled prisoner of war lives exactly the same existence as any other citizen but can commit crimes with impunity as nobody is in a position to punish him effectively.

5. IRS are very anxious to be relieved of the responsibility in respect of these paroles.

Spoke, to action.
Have decided on
what I shall
eventually do. Speak up John.

What does he definitely
recommend?

G. R. Wixton
G. R. WIXTON, Colonel
Chief Legal Officer.

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26 April 1944

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SUBJ/FCT: PW Camps in SICILY.

TO : Deputy Chief Commissioner.

Action

Mar 27 1944

The attached letter from the High Commissary for PW dated 29 March and translation is forwarded.

As it is a matter of high policy perhaps you might like to deal with it.

I have ascertained that PW camps are located in SICILY as follows:-

- a. Camp 222 Catania (det. 222 Siracusa).
- b. Camp 301 Palermo.
- c. Hospitals in:
 - (i) 56 Area.
 - (ii) 71 Garrison Area.
 - (iii) 40 Div. Area.

The numbers are as follows:

- a. Officers - 516
- b. O.Rs. - 12,947
- Total - 13,463

Lt. Col.

1 Incl. as above.

W. Ann Smith

~~Dy. Chief Commissioner~~

Please find out how on 1517 earth is has taken just on one month for Gazzera, letter to reach me." Mar 27 1944

TRANSLATION - No. 154 BONANNI

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW
File No. 34. POL.

DAVA DEI TIRPENI
MARCH 29, 19

SUBJECT: Camps for Prisoners of War in Sicily.

TO : A.C.C. SALERNO

In reference to my note No. 11 of the 18th of this month and to my letter No. 1/M of the 28th of the same month, I wish to inform the Commission that the Italian Government has learned that there are still some camps in Sicily holding Italian prisoners of war.

The Italian Government feels that this circumstance is not compatible with the cessation of the Status of occupation and the return of the Island to the Sovereignty of the Italian Government; it feels, moreover, that it undermines the prestige and authority of the government; the people's faith in the government is thereby shaken. The populace cannot understand the reasons for the continuation of the restrictive conditions imposed on these Italian soldiers, particularly at the same time that the privileges of liberty and social justice are granted to the people, and while the status of cobelligerency is being forever developed.

I feel therefore, my duty to call the attention of the Commission to this fact, and ask it to use its authority so that the prisoners of war may be freed and handed to the Italian military authorities.

The service that these Italian prisoners would render eventually can be given, and in a better measure, by regular Italian units formed, whenever necessary, with the same prisoners and employed, like the other Italian troops in the national territory, on a basis of cobelligerency.

My deepest thanks.

The High Commissioner
Gen. Pietro GAZZERA

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