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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
H.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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AFM 755/577

5 July 1946

Subject : Recalcitrant IPWs.

To : Brig. J.L.C. NAPIER, DAG
CHQ, C.M.F.

- 1/. Herewith translated copies of a letter received from the Italian Ministry of War (Cabinet).
- 2/. Gen. MANNERINI signed an agreement in behalf of Ministry of War on April 12th, 1946 to the effect that the recalcitrant PWs then in "B" Camp Taranto, were not to be released without the authorization of AFHQ.
- 3/. Authorisation is now requested.
- 4/. Will you please inform me of your action.

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J.E. REGIS, Lt.Col.
Chief
IPW Division

Incl. 2 copies of letter.

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TRANSLATION

FROM: M. of W.
TO : Capt. De Kasi.

REF:
DATE: 29 May 46

SUBJECT: Soldiers of South Tyrol classified
as "recalcitrant" interned in Laterina Camp.

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The Allied Authorities at Taranto forwarded to the Italian Authorities a nominal roll containing approx. 900 names of persons classified as "recalcitrant".

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Until this day, this Ministry, kept the promise made by Gen. MANNERINI to the Allied Authorities and thinks that the POW of the South Tyrol should not be released unless consent is given by the Allied Authorities.

Kindly informs us:-

- 1) Whether said interpretation is correct.
- 2) Whether the South Tyrol PWs handed over to the Italian Authorities must be considered at present as "recalcitrant" or whether, through circumstances, they have lost said classification hence becoming the full responsibility of the Italian Authorities.-

Sgd. TRINGALI
Maj.

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WAR DIVISION,

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Sgd. TRINGALI
Maj.



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GABINETTO

UFFICIO I

28 MAY 1946

Ministero della Guerra

Roma, 29 maggio 1946

OGGETTO: Alto atesini classificati "recalcitranti" internati nel campo di Laterina.

PROMEMORIA PER IL CAPITANO DE MASI

Allo scioglimento del campo "S" di Taranto, a richiesta del Gen. NAPIER venne sottoscritto dal Gen. MANNERINI, rappresentante del Ministero Guerra Italiano, un impegno secondo il quale i prigionieri consegnati in mano italiana con la qualifica di "recalcitranti" non potevano essere liberati senza il preventivo consenso del Quartier Generale Alleato.

Le Autorità Alleate di Taranto hanno consegnato alle autorità italiane un elenco di "recalcitranti" contenente circa 900 persone.

Successivamente, sempre con la qualifica di "recalcitranti" (non compresi però nell'elenco predetto), sono stati trasferiti alle Autorità Italiane circa 500 alto-atesini, attualmente internati nel campo italiano di Laterina, dei quali viene insistentemente richiesta la liberazione sia da parte delle autorità Vaticane che della Croce Rossa Internazionale.

Fino ad ora questo Ministero, interpretando letteralmente l'impegno assunto dal generale MANNERINI con le Autorità Alleate, ha ritenuto che gli alto-atesini dei quali si è avanti detto rientrino nella categoria di prigionieri che debbono essere liberati solo dietro consenso delle Autorità Alleate.

Si chiede;

- 1°) - se questa interpretazione sia esatta;
- 2°) - se gli alto-atesini consegnati alle autorità italiane debbano essere tuttora considerati recalcitranti oppure siano sopravvenute circostanze per le quali essi hanno perduto questa qualifica, rientrando quindi nella piena disponibilità delle Autorità Italiane.

Signed

TRINGALI

Major

[Signature]

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 Con molti condotti "recalcitranti"
 Tringali

TRANSLATION

246-22 to 3155/A2
 of 14 Jan 46

(original returned to 549 CMF
 25 March 46)
 Voting program for Germans of the South Tyrol, members of the Volkpartai Party, tending to obtain exercise of the right of self-assertion.

We believe to be different from what we wanted to appear in front of all: that is the English, Americans, etc.

It is moreover to be borne in mind that either our inclination and will has been constantly applied to the same direction.

In the years 1914-18, we participated in the war against Jugoslavia as "Good" Austrians. Under such circumstances we fought against the English, French, Russians, Italians, Americans, etc.

In the year 1939 we opted for German citizenship though uncoerced (as it is said to-day in Nuremberg of the Austrians), flatly Great German Reich.

We participated in the war against Poland to fight in action and in the underground against the English, French, Russians, Americans, etc. For these reasons we are convinced that we always fought against Democracy and against the freedom of others.

We are reminiscent that each one of us actively participated, in a different degree, in the recent war, which caused numberless dead, and at times in fierce reprisals against human beings of all nationalities.

We are proud that our organization (polizei) as well as our obedience in war were perfect which smashed any initiative of the partisans to resist in the Province of Trento. This resistance was crushed in the Province of Belluno and elsewhere either by our direct and direct contribution while it was averted from affirming itself in the Province of Tyrol.

It is our intention to belie the present history and also that of yesterday and to state that no English, American, French, Italian, Russian, Polish, etc. soldier lost his life at the hands of our sons, fathers or husbands, not even in this South Tyrol which did not know a concentration camp for so many persons doomed to an atrocious end.

It is ~~also~~ our intention to punish the Italians who always "betrayed" us, either spiritually and psychologically as well as materially in the years 1915-1918 and in September 1943.

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We are aware that it is fatal to those who attacked and lost pay the scot; this is what it is happening to the betraying Italians who are losing either their work and savings invested in Africa.

We definitely want to exercise the privilege of self-assertion as our Austrian neighbors, Tyrolese included, unanimously share this conviction, as they have recently voted 90% for the Austrian Volk- partai in the same guise in which they had voted 95% for Hitler in the previous elections who through no fault of ours is unable to be any longer the Fuhrer of all the World (History, the true history, must shut up).

Note of Translation Section: There are difficulties in under- standing the Italian letter due to the incorrectness of the language.

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Progetto di voto per i Sud Tirolesi tedeschi del partito Volkpartai, che vorrebbero chiedere l'esercizio del diritto all'autodeterminazione.

Premesso che noi siamo diversi da quelli che dal maggio 1945 abbiamo voluto apparire al cospetto di tutti: inglesi, americani, ecc.; considerato, che la nostra inclinazione e la nostra volontà sono state costanti sempre sulla stessa direttrice;

negli anni 1914-1918, come "buoni" austriaci, partecipando all'attacco contro la Jugoslavia, per combattere poi contro Inglesi, Francesi, Russi, Italiani, Americani, ecc.;

nell'anno 1939 per optare per la Germania di Hitler, se anche non costretti (come invece a Norimberga si dice oggi degli austriaci) ma perché lusingati dalla promessacci partecipazione alle glorie e alle ricchezze del grande Reich tedesco;

partecipando poi all'attacco alla Polonia per combattere, sui fronti e dietro i fronti, contro Inglesi, Francesi, Russi, Americani ecc.; noi pur consapevoli per tali fatti di avere sempre combattuto contro la democrazia e contro la libertà degli altri; 1)

purmemori, che chi più chi meno, abbiamo partecipato attivamente alla recente guerra (quanti morti!) ed anche talvolta a feroci rappresaglie contro esseri umani di tutte le razze; 2)

pur orgogliosi che la nostra organizzazione ("Polizei") e la nostra obbedienza in guerra sieno state perfette, tanto da stroncare qualsiasi iniziativa di resistenza partigiana nel trentino, dando man forte ad abbatterla nel Bellunese ed altrove, e addirittura a non consentirle la nascita nel Sud Tirolese;

vogliamo smentire la storia, anche quella di ieri, ed affermare che non un soldato inglese, americano, francese, italiano, russo, polacco, ecc. ha perduto la vita per mano dei nostri figli, padri e mariti, neanche in questo Sud Tirol, il quale non ha neanche albergato un campo di concentramento per tanti destinati ad una atroce fine;

vogliamo ancora: punire gli Italiani, che spiritualmente ed ideologicamente ci hanno "tradito" sempre ed anche a fatti così negli anni 1915-1918 come nel settembre 1943;

e pur consapevoli, che chi, attacca e perde, deve pagare, come tocca persino ai "traditori" italiani, che ci rimettono lavoro e risparmio investiti in Africa;

vogliamo esercitare il diritto di autodeterminazione,

tanto più che anche i vicini austriaci, nord Tirolesi compresi, sono tutti dello stesso nostro pensiero, avendo pur essi recentemente votato al 90% per il Volkpartai austriaco, come nelle elezioni precedenti avevano votato al 95% per Hitler, il quale non per colpa nostra non può più essere il Führer di tutto il mondo. (La storia, la vera storia, deve tacere!)-

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1°)- e contro il diritto dell'autodecisione degli altri, e guai agli "altri" come oggi insegna Norimberga, se noi avessimo vinto.

2°)- e che anche oggi, pur al corrente delle emergenze al processo di Norimberga, ci rammarichiamo di non aver vinto la guerra con Hitler!

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/11POL/2656

5 July 1946

SUBJECT : Report of functions and activities.

TO : Chief Commissioner IPW Division.

1. The undersigned was assigned to this office on the 20th June 46.

2. I did not have such time to familiarize myself with the general fonting and functions of the office, as Capt. DA NASI had already been posted away.

3. The first two weeks were devoted in clearing approximately 265 letter found pending. This involved a tremendous amount of work in tracing letters and files as far back as Nov. 45 and the handling of hundreds of cards, as a fair amount of the letters referred to 6 or 7 PWs in most cases.

Approximately 84 covering letters have been forwarded to various pieces, excluding a number of letters still awaiting reply from the Italian Government; such as Release of South Tyrolese, Germans, Austrian and other PWs.

4. Many a case required a considerable amount of research, prior communications back dated; few letters were found missing in the files.

5. Between myself and the Secretary, who was new to job, all pending correspondence has been cleared away and the office is now well under hand.

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M. V. Papani

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Capt. M. V. ZAMMIT
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14 MAR 1946

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Release of German PW's in Italy.

1. Reference is made to the Allied Commission's notes no. 687/15/EC, dated 18 February, and 687/28/EC, of 4 March 1946.

2. In the matter of the above mentioned subject the Ministry for Foreign Affairs beg^s to state:

- a) It is the Italian Government's firm standing that all German Prisoners -of-war now in Italy be repatriated to Germany and it is trusted that appropriate measures to implement and expedite such repatriation be put into effect by the proper Allied Military Authorities. Such Italian viewpoint is also motivated by reasons connected with public order and the country's very difficult food situation. Furthermore it may be noted that at present Italy is giving hospitality to too many foreigners and that - with very few exceptions - measures for the repatriation of Germans have been taken in all countries.
- b) The Italian Government is willing however to entertain single applications for the release in Italy of some German Prisoners-of-war providing each application is submitted to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs by the Allied Commission and bears the statement that the possible release is recommended by and in the interest of an Allied Authority. All pertinent facts and information must be supplied with the application and it is to be understood that, for reasons outlined in paragraph 3 below, no early reply may be expected from the Italian Government.
- c) Should each applicant's time for repatriation to ⁴⁷⁸⁹ Germany come before a reply is given, the fact that the Italian Government has not communicated its decision

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should under no circumstances cause a delay of the applicant's return to his country of origin. In such case the German PW concerned may be instructed to make a new application - through normal channels - once his release in Germany is effected.

3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs, while on the subject, wish to point out that, in view of the delicate nature of the question, every application, as under para 2 comma (b) above, has to be thoroughly processed and each individual case must be separately checked, investigated and screened: a matter involving a large amount of work and taking up considerable time before a final decision can be reached.

4. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has not failed to submit to the proper Allied Authorities the eight applications contained in note 243/EC (I) dated 23 November 1945. They have learned that additional applications have reached the Italian Government through different channels other than this Ministry (in this connection it is pointed out that it would be preferable that all correspondence on this subject be addressed only to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs). However the processing of such applications has not been completed thus far and a reply will be forwarded to the Allied Commission as soon as it becomes available to this Ministry.

Rome, March 11th, 1946

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Dear Sir,

first of all I want to thank Allied Military Government for the kind permission given to me to visit my countrymen in the different camps, thus enabling me to bring them religious comfort and help. On every occasion I called the attention of the prisoners to their duty to obey and to respect their superiors, and I am happy to say that this has been carried out to everybody's satisfaction. Everywhere I went, the Allied organs of control were full praise for the good behaviour of the South-Tyrolese. It will be known to you that when the Italians rioted in the "S" camp at Taranto, all the South-Tyrolese in that camp maintained perfect order and discipline among themselves. The Italians even tried force to intimidate them to help in defeating the Allied guards, and when they saw that the South-Tyrolese made not the slightest attempt to come to their aid they called them cowards, traitors and other things. But the South-Tyrolese kept calm and quiet, and though their good behaviour gave not the slightest help or encouragement to the rioters. They wanted to gain the respect of their superiors, which-I feel sure-they will get. This gives me courage to ask a great favour of the Allied Military Government, namely, to let these South-Tyrolese free.

Already towards the middle of April I was given hope that these South-Tyrolese POWs would be allowed to return to their families. I regret exceedingly that this hope has not yet been realized, the more so since even before being sent to the POWs camps these men had to suffer very much under Fascism and Nazism.

I feel quite confident that you will be willing to help those who are innocent and who most certainly are not criminals of war. Please allow me to present a few facts.

Ninety percent of the South-Tyrolese POWs in the Laterina camp are farmers. Of the remaining ten percent the great majority consists of sculptors of the Gardena Valley, the sculptures of which are worldrenowned. The rest consists of craftsmen, some students of theology and even one priest, a Capuchin Father.

One can hardly believe that all these men are criminals of war, and yet they are considered "recalcitrants", a qualification that causes serious consequences. I therefore am taking the liberty to call your attention to why and how these men, who are now suffering in camps, were forced to military service.

On January 6, 1944 the Oberster Kommissar der Operationszone Alpenvorland issued a decree by which the whole male population of the classes 1894-1926 residing in the province of Bolzano, Trento and Belluno had to do military service (paragraph 1 of the decree, of which I am enclosing a copy). That order included all the Italian citizens of these three provinces, without making any distinction between native Italians and "allogeni", that is, those naturalized in 1919 or born of naturalized parents. According to paragraph 4 of the said order,

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all those not answering the call to arms were to be punished with death, and their parents and next of kin were threatened with every severe penalty. In my quality as prison-chaplain of Silandro (Prov. of Bolzano) I had ample opportunity to witness that these sanctions were really carried out. The prisons were filled to capacity with South-Tyrolese who had not heeded the call to arms, and who were afterwards transferred to the concentration camps of Dachau, Buchenwald, and others. As chaplain I assisted at the execution of capital punishment (by shooting) of a certain number of South-Tyrolese, administering to them the last rites of religion.

There was no distinction made between South-Tyrolese and other Italians, and all were forced into formations of the SS or the auxiliary police-force, and there was no possibility of obtaining a transfer to one of the other formations of the Wehrmacht. However, although the native Italians who were serving in the same formations were discharged and sent home a year ago, the South-Tyrolese are still suffering in the POW camps. Many of them, after the general collapse of the German army, had already returned to their respective homes, but towards the end of May 1945 it was made public that a certificate of discharge was necessary, and that it could be received from the Allied Separation Center of Bolzano. These South-Tyrolese presented themselves voluntarily to the Allied Authorities, but instead of getting the certificate they were considered as prisoners and as such were sent to the POW enclosures. By now everyone of them has gone through at least seven different camps.

As already stated before, the release was promised for the middle of April, but up to this day they are still prisoners.

As a result of my continuous inquiries I got to know that the reason for this delay seems to be the "option", and I am now taking this opportunity to present a few facts about it.

The Fascist government of Mussolini wanted to evacuate the South-Tyrol of its South-Tyrolese naturalized citizens. To attain this end without arousing international public opinion, the first aim was to impoverish the people by heavy taxation (the province of Bolzano was, after Milano, the most heavily taxed province of Italy) and by taking away all possible means of employment, thus compelling the people to emigrate. Systematically the South-Tyrolese was dismissed or excluded from all public offices and jobs, which were given to Fascists who were brought up from Southern Italy. The houses of the farmers were frequently searched in a most vexatious way, the taxes raised to the extent of causing bankruptcy, and all that with the aim to compel them to go away. This sinister plan of the Fascists not having any quick and satisfactory result, Mussolini and Hitler came to an agreement: the option. A very subtle and diabolical program of propaganda was initiated on the Fascist as well as on the Nazi side, and everything was done to disorient and confound the South-Tyrolese. On the one hand the people were exasperated by the above described Fascist policy, and on the other hand the Nazis made great propaganda about the rumour that all those not voting for Germany would be evacuated from South-Tyrol, and that it was the intention of the Fascist

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government to send them to Southern Italy, Sicily and even Lybia. The Fascists on their side did nothing to refute this rumor. On the contrary, they corroborated such statements, thus engendering great perplexity for the South-Tyrolese. To opt for Italy meant the continuation of a life of misery at the complete mercy of the Fascist regime of the Alto Adige or to be evacuated to Southern Italy. To opt for Germany also meant to have to leave the South-Tyrol and to submit to a totalitarian and Nazi Germany. But the Nazis were not lacking in very appealing promises, and the definite execution of the emigration having been postponed because of the war, everybody entertained the secret hope that the final result of the war would be the downfall of both totalitarian governments, and that the subsequent situation would permit the South-Tyrolese to remain in their own little country without fear of further molestation.

Those who opted for Germany did not automatically become German citizens. They had to make expressed application for citizenship which the great majority did not do, for the following reasons. Because of their option for Germany, the South-Tyrolese came under special regulations, thus avoiding further Fascist injustice and oppression, and at the same time they were exempted from military service for Germany, not being full pledged German citizens. But the last hope broke down when, after September 8, 1943 the Germans completely disregarded the fact that the South-Tyrolese still in the country had in no way become German citizens, and compelled them to join the German army together with the native Italians and those who had expressly voted for Germany. It should not be difficult to visualize the resultant state of affairs and the psychological situation of the torured people. And yet this fact does not seem to be applied to the South-Tyrol. At least many Italian circles still keep them or want to keep them in force.

I should like to add that all the men at present in the camp at Interluna were forced to join the German police-formation (Polizei Regiment) after January 1944. The duty of these regiments was to keep order and discipline, and to protect the population from partisans and criminals. They were never employed against the Allies. The officers and leaders of these police units were all SS officers, and all the crimes attributed to the police regiments have been committed by these SS officers or real SS units, but not by the common soldiers.

It is my sincere hope that I have been able to persuade you that the above-mentioned South-Tyrolese POWs do not in the least deserve the qualification "recalcitrants" or any equivalent term, and I beg you to use all your influence in order that these unfortunates may soon be permitted to return to their families.

Sincerely yours

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P. Eusebius Duregger



PONTIFICAL COMMISSION FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE

Rome, May 30, 1946.

P. Eusebius Duregger, O.F.M. Cap.
 Delegate of the Holy See for
 PWs with acknowledgment by Gen.
 Allied HQ, Caserta.

ORDINANCE LEAFLET

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by the Oberster Kommissar for the Operationszone Alpenvorland
(Provinces Bolzano, Trento and Belluno)

(41) Ordinance

Pertaining to the supplement and carrying out of the ordinance about the performance of war-service in the Operationszone Alpenvorland (Provinces Bolzano, Trento and Belluno) of November 6th, 1943.

Paragr. 1

Par.1 of the ordinance about the performance of war-service in the Operationszone Alpenvorland of November 6th, 1943 will have the following composition:

All male Italian citizens of the annual sets 1894-1926 incl. who have their residence within the Operationszone Alpenvorland and are not just transients are bound to perform war-service in any of the following units: Organisation Todt (OT), Corps for the maintenance of order and safety in the Province of Bolzano (Sicherungs- und Ordnungsdienst SOD), Unit for the maintenance of order and safety in Trento (Sicherungsverband Trento SUT) and similar units, Police, Waffen SS, Army or units of the new Italian army.

The recruiting will take place according to requirements.

Paragr. 2

The registration, calling-up and the recruiting of those bound to perform war-service will be done solely by the office which is competent for the place of residence or abode of the man bound to perform war-service.

The local competent office for the Province of Bolzano is Bolzano, for the Province of Trento is Trento and for the Province of Belluno is in Belluno.

The calling-up offices will get their instructions from the Central Calling-up Office (Zentralmusterungsamt) in Bolzano.

Paragr. 3

The men drafted to perform war-service will receive the same pay and rations as the corresponding organisations in Germany.

This equalisation will also apply as regards to disciplinary and criminal law.

Paragr. 4

Whoever does not obey the order to appear for registration or for physical examination, or whoever does not obey the order to enlist or whoever evades the order by flight or by intentionally harming his health, or whoever attempts to evade will be punished with death. In lesser cases the punishment can be penitentiary up to ten years. Accessories to the crime will be given the same penalties.

Up to the apprehension of the persons accused of the action, or up to the apprehension of the cooperators, their relatives, i.e. the wife, the parents, the children above 18 years of age as well as brothers and sisters who are members of the same household as the

perpetrator or co-operator are liable to arrest.

Paragr. 5

For criminal procedures coming under Par.3, section 2 and par.4 the special court for the Operationszone Alpenvorland is competent, providing that not the Court-Martials or SS-Courts or Police-Courts are appointed as the competent courts.

Paragr. 6

The ordinance becomes effective on publication.

Bolzano, January 6th, 1943

Der Oberste Kommissar
signed: Franz Hofer

*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

6/1502/1159

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Release of Italian internee Nicolò PASSERIN D'ENTREVES.

1. Reference is made to the Allied Commission's note n° 1/11/1601 dated 27 July, 1945.

2. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs wish to thank the Allied Commission (War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission) for the steps they have kindly taken concerning the release of the Italian partisan Nicolò PASSERIN D'ENTREVES.

Rome, July 31st 1945



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File 1/11/1613

27 July 1945

1612
1611

To: Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War

Subject: Release of Italian POWs:
SCACCHETTI Augusto N°305793
Sold. BORRUSO Fabrizio N°64934

1/. This Headquarters has now been informed that, for security reasons, the release of both subject POWs cannot be granted.

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMB & IPOW S/C

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Application for release Italian PR.
78721/1/AG50. 18 July '45. 1/1.

G.H.Q., M.E.F.

Allied Force HQ G.I. (Br).

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PW No. 6493. Sold BOMUSO FABRIZIO.

1. Reference your G-1 (Br) 3355/12/A-2 dated 25th June '45 forwarding list of Italian PW required for employment by the Italian Government.
2. As BOMUSO is in a pro FASCIST and non co-operator camp it is regretted that, for security reasons, the release cannot be granted.

(Sgd.) M. NOBURY *Mld*
AAC,

General,
Commander-in-Chief.

Copy to:- Headquarters, Allied Commission, 1PW Sub-Commission, RAME.

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Release of Italian PW with specialist
Qualifications.

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G.H.Q., M.E.F.

Allied Force HQ G.I. (Br).

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P.W. No. 305793 SCAGNETTI AUGUSTO.

1. Reference your G-1 (Br)/3836/A-2 dated 30th June, 1945 forwarding the request of the Italian Government for the release of the above mentioned P.W.
2. As SCAGNETTI is in a pro FASCIST and non-co-operator camp, it is regretted that for security reasons, the release cannot be granted.

W. A. H. [Signature]
General,
Commander-in-Chief.

Copy to:- Headquarters, Allied Commission, 1 PW Sub-Commission, R.S.E.

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27 July 1945

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To: Ministero degli Affari Esteri - Rome
Subject: Release of Italian Internee
PASSERIN D'ENTREVES

Further to our IPW/1/11/1497-C of 12 July 45.

1/. This Headquarters has now been informed that
the subject internee has been released by the
American Authorities.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW S/C

See
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MT/vp

File 1/11/1513-A

7 July 1945

To: Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War

Subject: DE CIAMPIS Paolo, No. 69249
TUPANO Guido, No. 321752-D98

- 1/. PWIB, London, have now informed this Headquarters that they have no record of the above-named as prisoners of war.
- 2/. Have you any further information which might assist in tracing these men?



J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut Colonel
Director
WMD & POW S/C

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War Mobile Division
Italian Prisoners of War
HQ AC 304
Dated 10/11/45
No. 304

100 POL WMD & IPW 4091
 SUBJECT:- Release of Italian PW with Specialist Qualifications. 1513

Headquarters,
 Allied Commission.
 (IPW Sub Commission).

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

G1(Br)/3855/1/42.

3 Jul 45.

1. Reference your 1/11/754 of 27 February 1945 (List 1) this Headquarters letter of even reference dated 13 March, East Africa Command letter EAC/1316/CA of 29 March 45 and this Headquarters letter of even reference dated 15 May, FWIB LONDON, have informed this Headquarters that they have no record of :-

69249 De Campis Paolo
 or E21752-D98 Tufano Guido
 as prisoners of war.

2. Have you any further information which might assist in tracing these men ?

DATE. 6-7-45

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INITIALS. H.R.

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W.A.K. FINLAYSON,
 Major, D.A.A.G.,
 for Major General,
 DAG. G.1(Br) 777

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IPW/1/11/1497-C

12 July 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Internee
PASSEIRIN D'ENTREVES

TO : Ministero degli Affari Esteri.

1. Reference your 6/1630/743 of 9 June 45.
2. This Headquarters has now been informed that authority is granted for the release of the subject internee.

For the Chief Commissioner:


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS
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UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

In reply
refer to

AG 383.6/056 PW-0

4 July 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Internees

TO: Commanding General
MPOSEA POW Command
APO 88

1. Authority is granted for the release of PASSEVIN d'ENTREVES, Niccolo, 81-G-409521 R, presently interned at Prisoner of War Enclosure Number 326.

2. Necessary arrangements should be made with Allied Commission to effect release and this headquarters notified when release has been accomplished.

3. Records will be closed and necessary certificates issued.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL McRAHNEY:

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A. H. FUSE
Major, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

R. H. FUSE
Major, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl
Special Screening Report re:
PASSEVIN d'ENTREVES

Copy furnished:
ALCOM

DATE: 7-7-45

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INITIALS: H.R.

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File 1/11/1497-A

3 July 1945

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To: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Subject: Release of PASSERIN D'ENTREVES.

- 1/. This Headquarters is advised that a special screening has been requested for this subject, of which the result will be passed to you.
- 2/. We regret to inform that visitors are not allowed at this time owing to the congestion within camp.


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW S/C

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Wm. J. P.W.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 383.7-15

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28 June 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Passerin d'Entreves.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

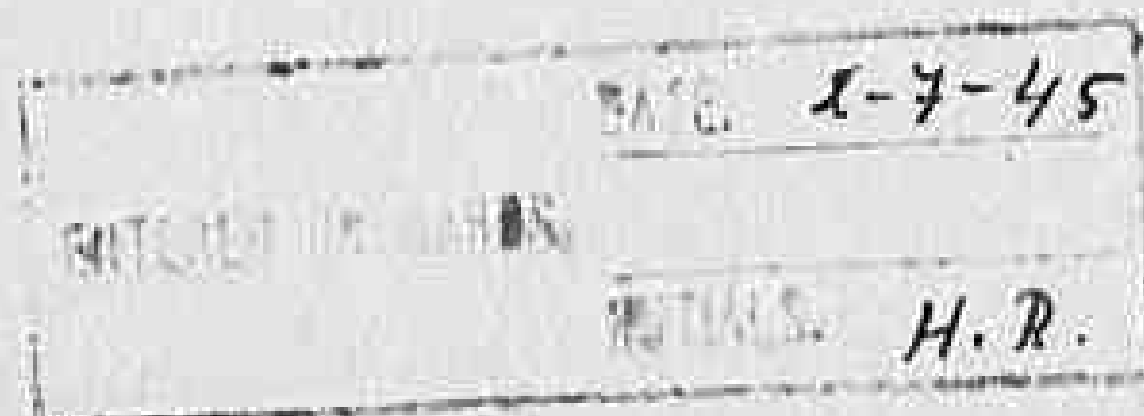
Reference is your IPW/1/11/1410 of 11 June.

1. This Headquarters is advised that a special screening board and recommendation of G-2 PBS has been requested for this subject, of which the result will be passed to you.

2. Visitors are not allowed at this time owing to congestion within camp.

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

C. J. MacNamara
C. J. MACNAMARA
Major P.C.



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File 1/11/1496-A

3 July 1945

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To: Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War
Subject: Release of Italian PWs - Carabinieri & Specialists.

- 1/. This Headquarters has now been informed by the War Office, London, that the South African Authorities have no objections to the release of the Italian PWs detailed in Appendix "A", but that the South African Authorities have raised objections to the release of the Italian PWs detailed in Appendix "B" as they are considered Fascists and non-co-operators.

[Signature]
J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW S/C

Encl.: Appendix "A"
Appendix "B"

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SUBJECT: - Release of Italian PW - Carabinieri & Specialists.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

21(Ex)/3846/42.

28 Jun 45.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
IFW Sub-Commission.

1496-A

Reference your 1/11/754 (Lists 1A and 1B) of 27 Feb 45 and 1/11/427 of 18 Jan 45.

1. This Headquarters has now been informed by the War Office, London, that the South African Authorities have no objections to the release of the Italian PW detailed in Appendix "A", but that the South African Authorities have raised objections to the release of the Italian PW detailed in Appendix "B" as they are considered Fascists and non-co-operators.

S. E. CONDRON
S. E. CONDRON, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, C.1(Ex).

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APPENDIX 'A'

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHRISTIAN NAME</u>
43548	Carab.	CIALDINI	Salvatore
334889	"	GURIZZAN	Marino
140134	Appun.	SARACINO	Francesco
197677	Brigad.	SAROTTI	Antonio
334884	Carab.	STAGNITTA	Francesco
71714	"	ZICOLELLA	Sabino
339167	V. Brigad.	MALASPINA	Giuseppe
EAF 10161	Carab.	PORRETTI	Francesco
334914	Brigad.	ARESI	Giovanbattista
334905	"	CAPITANIO	Ignazio
130757	V. Brigad	DELLA GATTA	Luigi
149528	Carab	VITTOLO	Ernesto
32715	Brigad	ASSENTATO	Antonio
339973	Carab	BANDIERA	Giuseppe
5166	"	DEL PICCOLO	Orfeo
334897	Brigad.	VIZZARI	Annunziato.
338687	Brigad	INDELICATO	Vittorio
94280	Carab.	BOTTAZZO	Amadeo
115890	Brigad.	CRISANTI	Francesco
114271	Carab.	MASCHERINI	Bruno
114686	"	ROBUSTELLI	Girolamo
144423	"	TERENZI	Giovanbattista
114403	"	TUCCITTO	Sebastiano
199549	"	VITALI	Vincenzo
95059	"	ROSATI	Quirino
168401	"	BONETTI	Iacopo
101707	Cap.	ROSSI	Giuseppe
198416	Sold.	MATTA	Giulio
378413	Brigad.	MAURO	Giuseppe
338695	V. Brigad.	RICCHIARI	Domenico
115592	Carab.	VISCA	Amerigo
125276	Sold.	COCCO	Giuseppe
185084	Sold.	PORCU	Nicolino
193585	"	MASCARUCCI	Indinio
279604	Cap.	SERTOLI	Oliviero
104077	Carab.	AUZAS	Giovanni
18773	"	TESTA	Domenico
168379	"	GRIMALDI	Vincenzo
158693	"	MESSINA	Francesco
EAF 62582	Sold.	LITTERA	Gesulino
8938	Carab.	CANNATA	Giuseppe
141619	Cap,	RIBACCHI	Pietro

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APPENDIX 'A' (Contd)

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHRISTIAN NAMES</u>
288971	Carab.	DI MEO	Armando
176809	Brigad.	GENTILIN	Vittorio
113940	Carab.	GRIECO	Sabino
35888	"	BACCINETTI	Vincenzo
334894	Brigad.	ROSATI	Ermino
176911	Carab.	BERNARDINI	Dante
62695	"	RUSSO	Sebastiano
102795	Cap.	BOTTINI	Libero
338505	Carab.	CACIOLI	Amadeo
340200	Sold.	BRUTU	PIETRO
339733	"	TRONCIA	Nicolino
157729	Carab.	APOILI	Calisto
98451	"	SERGIO	Antonio
288422	Sold.	MUSU	Pietrino

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APPENDIX 'B'NUMBERRANKNAMECHRISTIAN NAMES

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V. Brigad.
Brigad.
Carab.
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Serg.

EGIDI
ORRU
BALLATORI
BURSI
BUSCENI
SPEROTTI
COSSU
CARIGLIO
PAPOTTI
MOCCO
MONACO

Emilio
Giovanni
Umberto
Giuseppe
Rosario
Cirillo
Salvatore
Luigi
Vittorio
Vittorio (Fascist)
Saverio (Fascist)

DATE 2-7-48

SIGNED BY

H. R.

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IPW/1/11/1492A

3 July 1945

SUBJECT: Italian PW with Specialist Qualifications.

TO : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

1. This Headquarters has now been informed by the War Office, London, that the Australian Authorities object to the under-mentioned PW for service in an Italian Ministry as they are considered active Fascists:-

47232 S.Ten. GIACONA Salvatore
46352 Sold. PAU Efisio

2. However, PAU is eligible for repatriation on medical grounds, when shipping is available, and it would be appreciated if you would inform the appropriate Italian Authorities as above in order that they may take necessary action on his arrival in Italy.

3. The Australian Authorities have no objection to the release of 58549 Sold. LANGIU, Antonio.


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-4768

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SUBJECT:- Italian PW with Specialist Qualifications.

ARMED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

C1(Br)/3845/42.

28 Jun 45.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
IPW Sub-Commission.

Reference your 1/14/754 (Lists 1 and 1A) of 27 Feb 45,

1. This Headquarters has now been informed by the War Office, London, that the Australian Authorities object to the release of the under-mentioned PW for service in an Italian Ministry as they are considered active Fascists:-

47232 S. Ten. GIACOMA Salvatore
46352 Sold. PAU, Eusebio

2. However, PAU is eligible for repatriation on medical grounds, when shipping is available, and it would be appreciated if you would inform the appropriate Italian Authorities as above in order that they may take necessary action on his arrival in ITALY.

3. The Australian Authorities have no objection to the release of 58549 Sold. LANGIU, Antonio.

T.R. Church

T.R. CHURCH, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAC, C.1(Br).

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DATE	30/6/45
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File 1/11/1489-A

3 July 1945

To: Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War
Subject: 47142 Ten. Art. PESCATORI Carlo
47110 S.Ten. GAGLIANO Salvatore

- 1/. The War Office, London, have informed this Headquarters that there is an objection to the release of PESCATORI in order that he may serve in the Italian Army as he is considered a bad soldier and a Fascist. This man is, however, eligible for repatriation on medical grounds when shipping is available and it would be appreciated if you would please inform the appropriate Italian authorities of this man's political views in order that they may take necessary action when he returns to Italy.
- 2/. There are no objections to the repatriation of GAGLIANO.


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW S/C

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SUBJECT:- Application for the Release of Italian PW.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS,

GA(Br)/5855/6/A2.

25 Jun 45.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
IPW Sub-Commission. ✓

4742 Ten Art. PESCATORE, Carlo.

47410 S.Ten. GAGLIANO, Salvatore.

Reference your 1/11/094 of 17 Mar 45 (lists 2/1 and 2/3).

1. The War Office, London have informed this Headquarters that there is an objection to the release of PESCATORE in order that he may serve in the Italian Army as he is considered a bad soldier and a Fascist. This man is, however, eligible for repatriation on medical grounds when shipping is available and it would be appreciated if you would please inform the appropriate Italian Authorities of this man's political views in order that they may take necessary action when he returns to ITALY.

2. There are no objections to the repatriation of GAGLIANO.

T.R. CONERON
T.R. CONERON, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAC, C.1(Br).

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IPW/1488-A

30 June 1945

TO : Italian High Commission for Prisoners of War.

SUBJECT : Application for the Release of Italian PW.
Sold. MARGIANI, Antonio.

- 1/. Reference your 17022 of 23 January, 45.
- 2/. This Headquarters has now been informed by PWIB London that they have no record of the above-mentioned as a PW in British custody.

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WHD & IPW Sub-Com.

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WHD & IPW Sub-Com.
Lieut.-Colonel J.A. CAMPBELL
Director
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SUBJECT:- Application for the Release of
Italian PW.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
(IPW Sub-Commission).

C1(Br)/3855/2/A2.

25 Jun 45.

Sold. MARCHAL, Antonio.

Reference your 1/11/754 of 27 Feb 45 (list 1A).

1. This Headquarters has now been informed by PALE London that they have no record of the above-mentioned as a PW in British custody.

DATE 28/6/45

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W.R. CONNOR, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General, 4763
DAG, C.1(Br).

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IPW/1/11/1410-A

19 June 1945

SUBJECT: Release of interned patriot Niccolo PASSERINI
D'ENTRE VES.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
Att: G-5 Section.

1. An early reply to our letter IPW/1/11/1410
dated 11 June 1945 would be appreciated.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J.A.
J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WED & IPOW Sub-Com.

War Material Division
Department of War
Washington, D.C.

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Civil Affairs Branch,
H.Q. C.A. Command.
WAC/1318/334/CA.
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Rome 11th June 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for
Veterans and repatriated
N° 409487/RPCR

TO: The Allied Commission

R O M E

SUBJECT: A report of obtain the freedom of Serg. NICCOLO' PASSERIN
d'ENTREVES Cadet.

MEMORANDUM FOR COL. CAMPBELL

I forward you the following report for your examination regarding the case of the cadet who on presenting himself to the Allied Authorities as a partisan, was arrested and interned in Camp E. 326.

The Cadet in question is Serg. NICCOLO' PASSERIN D'ENTREVES of the R. Army, N° 81-409521 - H.U.S.P.W.E. 326, whose father has sent the attached report with a request for his release, here are the facts brief concerning him: after the 8th of September 1943.

- 1) at the conclusion of the armistice (8th September 1943) he was at school in Lucca.
- 2) on the 8th of September 4 ran away from Lucca and joined his family at Pistoia.
- 3) immediately afterwards to evade being enrolled into the republican army he escaped to the mountains.
- 4) on the 28th November 1943 he returned to Pistoia and was forced to return to the school at Lucca because, his family were menaced with reprisals if he did not do so.
- 5) in August 1944 he escaped and presented himself at the Partisan group "Prima".
- 6) from August 1944 to December 1944, he participated in numerous actions against the Germans.
- 7) in December he received orders to cross the lines for help and when on presenting himself to the Allies and confessing his activities, he was interned in Camp E. 326.

As results above, Passerin when presenting himself to the Allies

was a partisan who had already taken part in various actions against the Germans.

In consideration of what is written above I beg you to examine the possibility of releasing the individual in question. This information, I have received from the Ministry of War.

/s/ A. MANNERINI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

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IPW/1/11/1410

11 June 1945

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512
C-5 Section.

Subject : Release of interned patriot Niccolo PASSERIN d'ENTREVES.

1. The attached copy of a Memorandum No. 6/1630/743 dated 9 June 1945 from the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs is forwarded.

2. I shall be pleased if you will inform me as early as possible if the release requested can be arranged, and if the father of the PW referred to, may be permitted to visit his son.

For the Chief Commissioner:

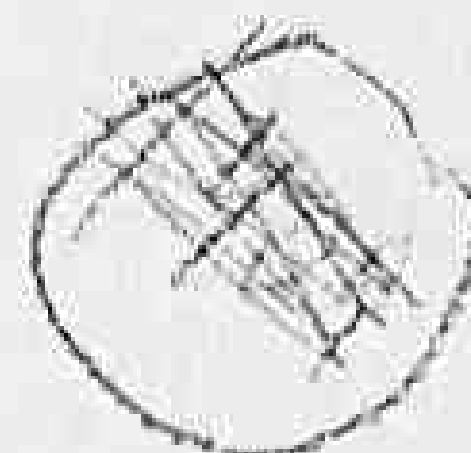
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J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub-Com

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/1630/743

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Interned patriot Niccolò PASSERIN d'ENTREVES.

Reference is made to this Ministry's Mem. 6/703/298 of March 8th. 1945 and following correspondence.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs while calling the closest attention of the Allied Commission to the case of Serjeant PASSERIN d'ENTREVES beg to submit to the competent Allied Authorities for consideration the following details:

1. The applicant belongs to a family of well-known anti-fascists, his father's brother is now the Prefect of the Province of Aosta.

2. Though it is true that from December 1943 to August 1944 Serjeant PASSERIN served in the Accademy of Artillery at Lucca with the Republican Army, it must be recalled that such a course of action was imposed upon him by the threat of grave retaliations against his family made to him by the Fascist police after he had remained in hiding from September to December 1943.

3. Subsequently he joined the "Pinna" Partisan group, commanded by Major Francesco Marra, at present Commander of the Carabinieri at Spezia.

This Officer, as well as the other members of the "Pinna" group can bear witness to Serjeant PASSERIN's activities with the Patriots.

4. Having subsequently crossed the lines, Serjeant d'ENTREVES was interned by the Allies "pending further information" in December 1944.

His present address is: 81/G/409521/H U.S.P.W. E.326 Naples.

5. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs, fully convinced of the perfect loyalty and patriotism of Serjeant d'ENTREVES, beg the Allied Commission to earnestly consider the possibility of granting his release which appears to be warranted by the Serjeant's conduct during the period of German occupation.

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6. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would furthermore be very grateful if the Allied Commission would grant Serjeant PASSERIN's father the authorization to visit his son.

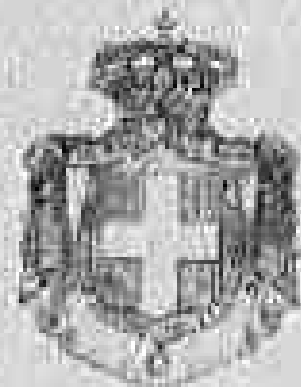
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Risposta al Foglio del
Dir. Se.

OGGETTO Istanza per ottenere la liberazione dallo stato di prigionia
del serg. Allievo Ufficiale Niccolò Passerin d'Entreves.

PROMEMORIA PER IL SIG. COL. CAMPBELL

Sottopongo all'esame di V.S., con preghiera di benevolo interessamento, il caso di un sergente allievo ufficiale che, presentatosi alle autorità alleate come partigiano, venne internato nel campo E 326.

Si tratta del sergente allievo ufficiale del R. Esercito Niccolò Passerin d'Entreves al n° 81-409521-H U.S.P.W. E.326 il cui genitore ha presentato l'unita istanza per chiederla liberazione e del quale riassumo brevemente le vicende dopo l'8 settembre del 1943:

- 1°) All'atto della conclusione dell'armistizio (l'8 settembre '43) era alla scuola di Lucca.
- 2°) L'8 settembre fuggì da Lucca, e raggiunse la famiglia a Pistoia.
- 3°) Subito dopo, per sottrarsi agli arruolamenti forzati nell'esercito repubblicano, si diede alla montagna.
- 4°) Il 28 novembre 1943, ritornato a Pistoia per vedere la famiglia venne costretto, sotto minaccia di rappresaglie ai famigliari, a ripresentarsi alla scuola di Lucca.
- 5°) Nell'agosto 1944 riuscì nuovamente a fuggire e si presentò al gruppo partigiano "Pinna".

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- 6°) Dall'agosto 1944 al dicembre 1944 prese parte a numerose azioni contro i tedeschi.
- 7°) Nel dicembre avuto ordine di passare le linee per rifornimenti, si consegnò agli alleati e dopo la confessione della sua attività venne internato nel campo E.326.

Da quanto sopra risulta che all'atto in cui il Passerin si presentò agli alleati era partigiano e come tale aveva preso parte ad una cruenta attività antitedesca.

In considerazione di quanto sopra, prego cotesta Sottocommissione di volersi compiacere esaminare la possibilità di liberarlo dallo stato di prigionia.

*La segnalazione mi è stata fatta
dal Ministero Guerra.*

IL GENERALE

CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO

(A.Mannerini)

A. Mannerini

Felcetti il 16 Febbraio 1945

Dichiaro per la verità io sottoscritto Morosi Marino
fu Ferdinando Carta di identità del Comune di Pistoia, residen-
te a San Giorgio (Pistoia). Quanto segue:

Io ero presente alla villa di Felcetti del Dott. Alberto Passa-
rin di Entreves quando a questa villa si presentavano più volte
dei militi per ricercare il da lui figlio Niccolò Passerin di

Entreves allievo della Accademia Militare di Lucca.

Questi militi in difetto di lui stesso avrebbero arrestato

ed incarcerato i di lui familiari. Potente il giovane Niccolò
posto in questa alternativa fu costretto a presentarsi a Lucca;
Egli partì ed in mia presenza mi disse che appena gli sarebbe
stato possibile avrebbe raggiunto le file dei partigiani.

Nel gennaio 1945 da un partigiano che per sbancamento aveva pas-
sato le linee seppimo in modo certo che il giovane Niccolò
aveva nell'agosto 1944 potuto realizzare il suo disegno

ed abbandonando il suo reparto aveva potuto raggiungere le for-
mazioni dei partigiani che operavano nella zona di Castelnuovo
Magra. Con quelle formazioni aveva preso parte a numerose aci-
oni contro i Tedeschi.

Questo per la verità

Morosi Marino fu Ferdinando.

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Io sottoscritto Sottotenente di Complemento BERTINI GIOVANNI di Raffaello
Carta di identità N° II.261961 rilasciata dal Comune di Pistoia
e residente a Pistoia Via Ventura Vitoni 15

dichiaro per la verità quanto segue:

Conosco da molto tempo il giovane Sergente All. Uff. Niccolò Passerin d'
d' Entreves di Alberto nato a Firenze e residente a Pistoia.
Egli era allievo ufficiale a Lucca e dopo l' armistizio Badoglio del
8 Settembre 1943 poté da Lucca , superando gravissime difficoltà da
te dalla caccia spietata dei Tedeschi che vigilavano treni e strade
ritornare in seno alla propria famiglia a Pistoia.

Nel mese di Ottobre avvennero arruolamenti e ree di nazifascistie
ed il Passerin d' Entreves ed io stesso ci siamo alla macchia sulle
montagne Pistoiesi. Ci rifugiammo ad Acqua vicino a Treppio presso
la famiglia di Iginio Giordani. Quivi rimanemmo circa due mesi.

Nel mese di novembre ci ricevevano tra mille difficoltà a rivedere sul
tuariamente la famiglia . Sappi in seguito che il Passerin aveva do
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più e più volte dei militi a ricercarlo per l' arruolamento forzato
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rato e sottoposto a chissà quali rappresaglie il proprio padre ed
i suoi congiunti.

Il giovane Niccolò appartiene a famiglia nota da lungo tempo per i
suoi sentimenti antifascisti , egli stesso sentimenti Niccolò più
volte li ha manifestati a me stesso , durante il periodo passato
con me alla macchia. Questo per la verità:

Esponente Benvenuto

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Indra 24 ottobre 1948

Indirizzo: Pistoia, Pistoia

Felceti Pistoia li 18 Febbraio 1945

Dichiaro per la verità io sottoscritto Dami Alfredo fu Crescenziano

Carta di identità N° 12.210.858 rilasciata dal Comune di Pieve
a Nievole, residente a Felceti Pistoia quanto segue:

Ero presente alla villa del Dott. Alberto Passerin d'Entreves
quando alla fine del mese di Novembre 1943 qui si presentarono
per ben due volte dei militi per rintracciare il giovane ~~Ma~~
Niccolò Passerin d'Entreves classe 1923 allievo della Accade-
mia Militare di Luoca.

I militi in difetto di lui stesso avrebbero preso il di lui
padre ed i di lui congiunti che sarebbero stati incarcerati e
come purtroppo avvenne per altre famiglie residenti in quei ~~gior~~
rai a Pistoia.

In Gennaio 1945 da un partigiano seppimo che il giovane Nicco-
colò aveva potuto nell'anno 1944, in agente raggiungere le
linee e le formazioni dei patrioti partigiani e che con quelle
formazioni aveva preso parte a numerose azioni contro i Tedeschi
Queste per la verità

Dami Alfredo fu Crescenziano.

Alfredo fu Crescenziano

Pistoia li 28 Gennaio 1945

Io sottoscritto Mantelassi Gino di Aggeo, nato a Pistoia nel 6 Giugno 1893, Carta di identità N° 26058 rilasciata dal Comune di

Pistoia addì 7 Agosto 1937 e validata successivamente dal locale Uff. della Questura dal Commissario Prefettizio in data 24 Ottobre 1944 domiciliato a Pistoia Via Antonelli N° 65, impiegato presso la Ditta

Remiti officina meccanica, dichiaro per la verità quanto segue:

Conosco ed ho conosciuto da molto tempo il giovane sergente

Niccolò Pastuerin d' Entraves di Alberto residente a Felceti Pistoia.

Questo giovane si era dimostrato sempre di sentimenti sinceramente democratici ed anti Tedeschi.

È costretto a Presentarsi a Lucca dove era allievo ufficiale perchè in difetto di lui stesso dai militi presentatisi alla di lui dimora avrebbero arrestato e portato in carcere i di lui famigliari.

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Egli più volte mi assicurò che appena gli sarebbe stato possibile avrebbe abbandonato il reparto per unirsi alle formazioni di Patrioti Partigiani che operavano in quella Zona.

Seppi che questo disegno gli era riuscito e che successivamente aveva preso parte a diverse azioni di guerriglia e sabotaggio contro i Tedeschi.

Rilascio questa dichiarazione per la verità perchè conosco e so che Giovanni Niccolò per i suoi sentimenti sinceramente democratici.

In fede Mantelassi Gino di Aggeo.

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In fede Mantelassi Gino di Aggeo.

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Rome 11th June 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for
Veterans and repatriated
N° 409487/RPCR

TO: The Allied Commission

R O M E

SUBJECT: A report ^{To} ~~of~~ obtain the freedom of Serg. NICCOLO' PASSERIN
d'ENTREVES Cadet.

MEMORANDUM FOR COL. CAMPBELL

I forward ~~you~~ the following report for your examination regarding the case of the cadet who on presenting himself to the Allied Authorities as a partisan, was arrested and interned in Camp E. 326.

The Cadet in question is Serg. NICCOLO' PASSERIN D'ENTREVES of the R. Army, N° 8I-409521 - H.U.S.P.W.E. 326, whose father has sent the attached report with a request for his release, here are the facts in brief concerning him: after the 8th of September 1943.

- 1) at the conclusion of the armistice (8th September 1943) he was at school in Lucca.
- 2) on the 8th of September 4 ran away from Lucca and joined his family at Pistoia.
- 3) immediately afterwards to evade being enrolled into the republican army he escaped to the mountains.
- 4) on the 28th November 1943 he returned to Pistoia and was forced to return to the school at Lucca because, his family were menaced with reprisals if he did not do so.
- 5) in August 1944 he escaped and presented himself at the Partisan group "Primo".
- 6) from August 1944 to December 1944, he participated in numerous actions against the Germans.
- 7) in December he received orders to cross the lines for help, and when on presenting himself to the Allies and confessing his activities, he was interned in Camp E. 326.

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As results above, Passerin when presenting himself to the Allies,

The undersigned Dr. Alberto Passerin d'Entrevès, residing in Felceti (St. GEORGE Pistoia) on behalf of his son, whom he begs may be released as soon as is possible; declares as follows:

His son, Serg. of Artillery (Cadet); Nicolo Passerin d'Entrevès born in Florence on the 1st of April 1923. Patriot and partisan of the 1st "Divisione Ligure Garibaldi", "Gruppo Pinna", "Jacobs", Commissary Marco Carpena, called "De Martano", said Division afterwards called the Garibaldina Brigade, (in line known as the "Ugo Muccini") passed the lines and the following is a detailed report of what happened to him.

He was a cadet at the Artillery Academy of Lucca from where on the 8th of September he escaped with great difficulty and returned to Pistoia.

As soon as he returned to Pistoia, the Nazi-Fascists began the enforced call to arms for the republican army and he, with 2nd Lieut. BERTINI Giovanni of Pistoia, took to the woods as is declared in enclosure n° 1; he remained on the mountains up to the 28th of November 1943: on returning to his family for a few days, he was forced by the black shirts (who had come many times to fetch him, and to put him in prison) to return to the Military Academy at Lucca, for fear of the reprisals menaced to his family, as is declared in paragraph 2 of above mentioned enclosure.

He left swearing that as soon as possible he would take to the mountains, which he did, for on returning which he was sent with his Unit to Castelnuova Magra, from there he contacted the Partisans and finally in August 1944 formed the Group "Pinna" Commanded by Major Maura Francesco C.C.R.R. He also gave valuable Military information to the "Pinna".

The first news received from him was brought by a Patriot Partisan, who on passing the lines arrived at Pistoia on the 12th January 1945, informing his family.

As soon as was possible the undersigned, went to Carrara and Sarzana to have precise information. The undersigned talked personally with (Federico) Commander of the Muccini "Brigade M. GALANTINI Piero, who at one time formed part of the same brigade, and these individuals wrote the statements herewith attached.

The undersigned also went to Spezia where he talked with Pinna and was informed that Nicolo Passerin d'Entrevès, had collaborated with the Partisans under the Command of Pinna and "De Martino" had taken part in numerous Military operations and sabotage against the Germans. He had received orders from the head of his Group to

cross the lines to obtain materials, had escaped by a miracle of being captured by the Germans and had finally found the Allies.

According to a letter from my son, it seems that at the concentration Camp he was interrogated and when he confessed that he had had to go back to Lucca, he was interned pending information, and that is in December 1944

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/s/ by the father of Nicolò Passerin d'Entreves:

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residing at present

Albergo Genio - ROMA - Via Zanardelli
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Gen. Chatham

Il sottoscritto Dott. Alberto Passerin d'Entrèves Ten. Col. d'artiglieria nella riserva R.E. domiciliato a Felceta (S. Giorgio Pistoia) nell'interesse del proprio figlio, per il quale invoca e fa viva istanza onde al più presto possa essere liberato e ritornare dopo tanto tempo in seno alla propria famiglia, dichiara quanto segue:

Il proprio figlio sergente d'artiglieria A.U. R.E. Vicolo Passerin d'Entrèves nato a Firenze il 1° aprile 1923, Partigiano partigiano della 1° Divisione Ligure "Garibaldi" Gruppo "Pigna", disassamento Iacoba, commissario Marco Capomonte "De Martano", ora successivamente chiamata brigata Gariboldiana di Liana "Ugo Lucchini", passò attraverso alle seguenti vicende che qui di seguito vengono succintamente esposte:

Ugli era allievo dell'Accademia d'Artiglieria di Lucca, ed dopo l'8 di settembre 1943, riuscì, dopo di aver superato gravissime difficoltà e pericoli, a ritornare a Pistoia. Appena ritornato in famiglia, incominciarono gli arruolamenti forzati dei nazi-fascisti, ed egli, insieme con il sergente di Fanteria Bertino Giovanni di Pistoia, si diresse alla macchia sulle montagne pistolesi, come da dichiarazione allegata N. 1. Passò sulle montagne fino al 28 novembre 1943. Ritornò per pochi giorni in famiglia, venne costretto da mil-

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Egli era allievo dell'Accademia d'Artiglieria di Livorno, ed dopo l'8 di settembre 1943, riuscì, dopo di aver superato gravissime difficoltà e pericoli, a ritornare a Livorno. Appena ritornato in famiglia, incominciarono gli arruolamenti forzati dei nazi-fascisti, ed egli, insieme con il sergente di Panteria Bartina Giovanni di Livorno, si diede alla macchia sulle montagne pistolesi, come da dichiarazione allegata N. 1. Rimase sulle montagne fino al 28 novembre 1943. Ritornato per pochi giorni in famiglia, venne costretto da militari che più volte erano stati a ricercarlo al proprio domicilio, e che in difetto di lui stesso, avrebbero arrestato, imprigionato, e sottoposto a chiassa quali rappresaglie i propri congiunti, a presentarsi all'Accademia militare di Livorno. Vedasi dichiarazione N. 2.

Egli partì, giurando che, appena possibile si sarebbe nuovamente dato alla macchia, pur di raggiungere le file dei patrioti. Così avvenne in seguito, perché, dopo un breve periodo di tempo passato a Lucca, egli fu inviato con il suo reparto nella zona di Castelnuovo Magra. Ivi giunto poté mettersi in relazione con i partigiani. Benché tenuto d'occhio dai suoi compagni, superate enormi difficoltà e pericoli, come egli stesso potrà confermare, nell'agosto 1944 finalmente raggiunse il Gruppo "Pinna" con il capo del Maggiore del CC. III. Maria Comm.

Francesco. Partì dal reparto portando seco la sola pistola, ma con un grosso corredo di preziose notizie militari che con precisione notificò a Pinna.

Le prime di lui notizie si ebbero da un partigiano partigiano che, avendo passato le linee per sbando, raggiunse Pistoia ed il 12 gennaio 1945, informò la di lui famiglia.

Appena cessate le limitazioni ai viaggi il sottoscritto si recò in questi giorni, personalmente a Carrara e a Sarzana, cioè nella zona di Castelnuovo Magra per precisare le informazioni a suo tempo avute sul di lui figlio. Potè conferire personalmente con (Federico) Comandante della Brigata "Ugo Miccini", Sig. Galantini Piero, cui a suo tempo aveva appartenuto il distaccamento di cui faceva parte il proprio figlio, e questi gli rilasciò l'attestato di appartenenza alla brigata "Miccini" del giovane Niccolò Passerin d'Entrèves che qui viene allegato.

In seguito il sottoscritto si recò pure a Spezia ove conferì con Pinna.

Si soppese così che il giovane Niccolò Passerin d'Entrèves

compagni, superate enormi difficoltà e pericoli, come egli stesso potrà confermare, nell'agosto 1944 finalmente raggiunse il Gruppo "Pinna" comandato dal Maggiore del CC.RR. Mario Comma. Francesco, partito dal reparto portando seco la sola pistola, ma con un cospicuo corredo di preziose notizie militari che con occasione notificò a Pinna.

Le prime di lui notizie si ebbero da un patriota partigiano che, avendo passato le linee per sbando, raggiunse Pinna ed il 12 gennaio 1945, informò la di lui famiglia.

Appena cessate le limitazioni al viaggi il sottoscritto si recò in questi giorni, personalmente a Carrara e a Sarzana, cioè nella zona di Castelnuovo Magra per precipitare le informazioni a sue tempo avute sul di lui figlio. Potè conferire personalmente con (Federico) Comandante della Brigata "Ugo Muccini", Sig. Galantini Piero, cui a suo tempo aveva appartenuto il distaccamento di cui faceva parte il proprio figlio, e questui gli rilasciò l'attestato di appartenenza alla brigata "Muccini" del giovane Niccolò Passerin d'Entrevès che qui viene allegato.

In seguito il sottoscritto si recò pure a Grezia dove conferì con Pinna.

Si seppe così che il giovane Niccolò Passerin d'Entrevès aveva, durante il periodo passato con i patrioti partigiani, con tutte le sue forze collaborato alle azioni del proprio distaccamento, e, sempre alle dipendenze di Pinna e di "De Mar-

tino, aveva preso parte a numerose azioni di guerriglia e ad atti di sabotaggio contro i tedeschi. Avuto ordine dal suo Capo banda di passare le linee per rifornimento, subi due terribili rastrellamenti da parte dei tedeschi e finalmente si potè costituire agli Alleati.

Secondo quanto egli stesso con una sua lettera dal campo di concentramento ci ha comunato, egli fu sottoposto, subito dopo di essersi costituito agli Alleati, ad interrogatori, ed avendo con loro delatamente esposto le sue vicende, non nascondendo di esser stato costretto con la forza a presentarsi a Lucca, venne internato "in attesa di informazioni" e ciò dal dicembre 1944.

Il cui indirizzo è ora il seguente:

Sergente R.E. Niccolò Passerin d'Entrèves N.

M. 81 - G - 409521 - H U.S.P.W. at E. 326 - Naples.

Di questo giovane di purissimi sentimenti democratici non sono testine a fare le seguenti persone:

S. Tenente Bertini Giovanni Via Ventura Vittoria N.5 Pistoia.

La famiglia di Iginio Gioffredi abitante a Trebbio sulle montagne Pistoiesi.

Dani Car. Alfredo, domiciliato a Pieve a Nievole e residente a Pistoia Pistoiesi.

Mantelassi Gino fu Aggeo Via Antonelli N. 65 Pistoia

Norzi Marino domiciliato a Pistoia Pistoiesi.

Marco Carpena detto "De Martini" di cui ex Commissario di banda residente a Sarzana.

La famiglia di Marco Carpena residente a Sarzana.

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dopo di essersi consultato agli Allati, ed interrogatori, ed avendo con lealtà dettagliatamente esposto le sue vicende, non nascondendo di esser stato costretto con la forza a presentarsi a Lucca, venne internato "in attesa di informazioni" e ciò dal dicembre 1944.

Il ci lui indirio è ora il seguente:

Sergente R.E. Niccolò Passerin d'Entrèves N.

N. 81 - G - 409521 - H U.S.P.W. E. 326 - Naples.

Di questo giovane di purissimi sentimenti democratici possono testimoniare le seguenti persone:

S. Tenente Bertini Giovanni Via Ventura Vittoni N.5 Pistoia.

La famiglia di Iginio Gioffredi abitante a Trebbio sulle montagne ~~Pistoiesi~~.

Dani Cav. Lirio, domiciliato a Pieve a Nievole e residente a Pistoia Felletti.

Mantelassi Gino fu Aggeo Via Antonelli N. 65 Pistoia 4744

Moresi Marino domiciliato a Pistoia Felletti.

Marco Carpana detto "De Martino" di ~~Livorno~~ ex Commissario di banda residente a Sarzana.

La famiglia di Marco Carpana residente a Sarzana.

Il Comandante del Gruppo "Pina" Mares. Maria Com. Francesco,

attualmente Comandante il Gruppo CC.M. della Spezia, nonché

un oroso e moltissime famiglie o persone residenti a Sarzana,

Caselmovo, e Pistoia dove il giovane Niccolò è molto conosciuto.

Il padre del giovane Niccolò

(Dott. Alberto Passerin D'Entrèves)

Albert Einstein

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E per all'Albergo Gemini - Roma.

Via Fanardelli - Telefono n. 52. 238

as a partisan who had already taken part in various actions against the Germans.

In consideration of what is written above I beg you to examine the possibility of releasing the individual in question. This information, I have received from the Ministry of War.

/s/ A. MANNERINI

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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

FILE : R-VIII/PS/9.5

3 June 1945

SUBJECT : Petition for release of P.O.W.

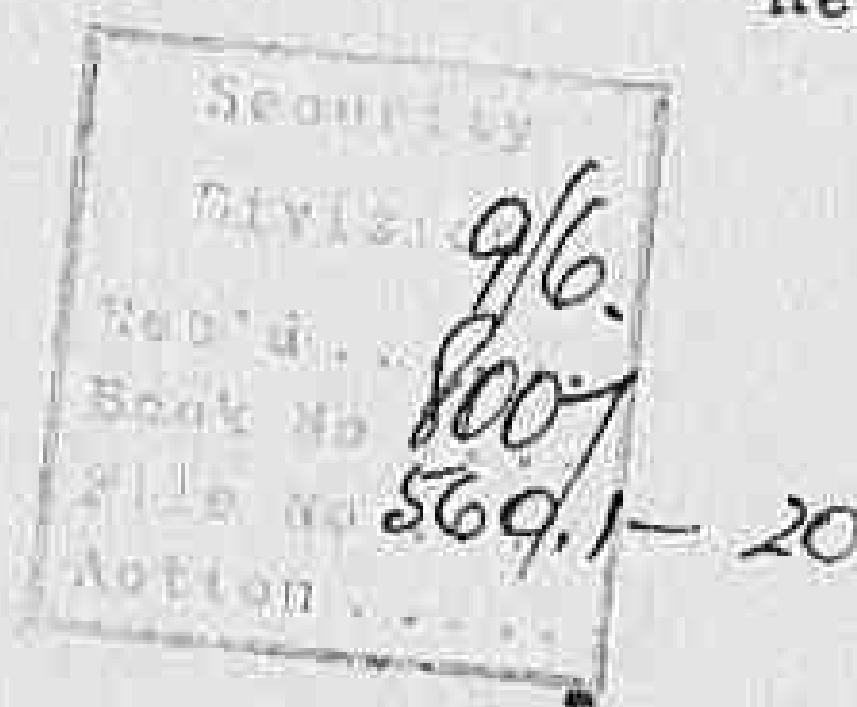
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, Public Safety
Sub-Commission - Security Division.

The attached letter and papers relative thereto, received from Dott. Alberto PASSERIN d'Entreves of Pistoia, seeking the release of his son Sergente R.E. Niccolò PASSERIN d'Entreves, N° 81 - G - 409521 - H., said to be wrongfully held as a Prisoner of War at the U.S.P.W.E.326 Naples are forwarded for onward transmission please.

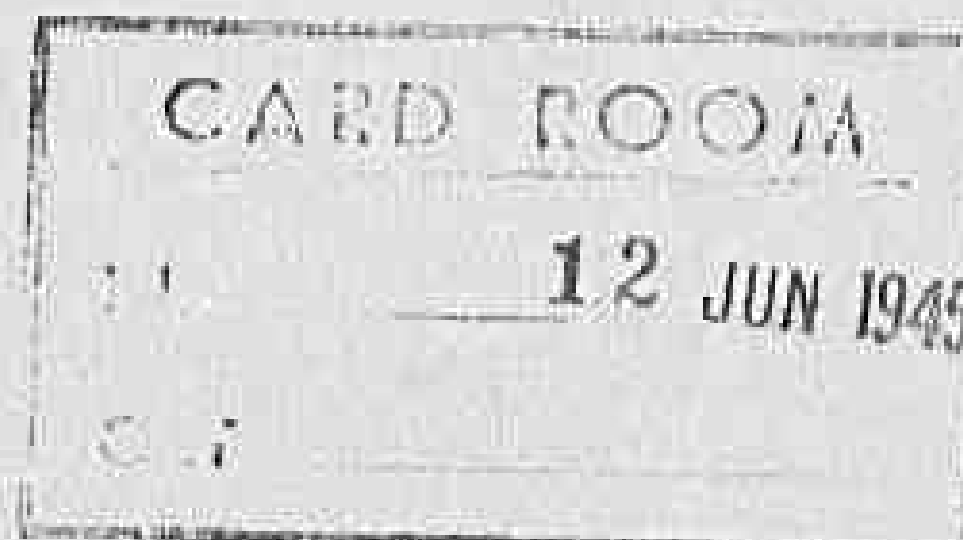
J.B. Foster Capt
F. G. GREEN
Major - G. L.,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

FGG/wg

5 Encl.



1 PW Sub Comm



See

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*1 PW
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*Al Comandante del A. M. G.
8^a Legione.*

Il Sottoscritto Dr. Alberto Passerin d'Entreves ten. Col. nella riserva R.E. domiciliato a Felceti (S. Giorgio) Pistoia, nell'interesse del proprio figlio, per il quale invoca, e fa viva istanza onde al più presto possa essere liberato, e ritornare dopo tanto tempo in seno alla propria famiglia, dichiara quanto segue:

Il Proprio figlio Sergente d'artiglieria R.E. Niccolò Passerin d'Entreves nato a Firenze il 1^o Aprile 1923, patriota partigiano della 1^a Divisione Ligure Garibaldini, Gruppo "Pigna", distaccamento "Jacobs" commissario Marco Carpena detto "Da Martino", era Brigata Garibaldina di linea "Ugo Muccini" passò attraverso alle seguenti vicende che qui di seguito vengono succintamente esposte:

Egli era allievo dell'Accademia d'artiglieria di Lucca, e dopo l'8 settembre 1943, riuscì, dopo di avere superata gravissima difficoltà, a ritornare a Pistoia.

Appena ritornato in famiglia, incominciarono gli arruolamenti forzati dei maschi fascisti ed egli, insieme al sottotenente di fanteria Bartini Giovanni di Pistoia, si diede alla macchia sulle montagne Pistoiesi, come da dichiarazione allegata N°1^a. Ritornato per pochi

giorni in famiglia, venne costretto da militi che più volte erano stati a ricercarlo al proprio domicilio, e che in difetto di lui stesso avrebbero arrestato, incarcerato, e sottoposto a chiassa quelli repressi e propri congiunti, a presentarsi all'Accademia Militare d'artiglieria di Lucca. Vedesi dichiarazioni N°2.

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del proprio figlio, per il quale invece, e fa viva istanza onde al più presto possa essere liberato, e ritornare dopo tanto tempo in seno alla propria famiglia, dichiarare quanto segue:

Il Proprio figlio Sergente d' artiglieria R.E. Niccolò Passerin d' Entrevaux nato a Firenze il 1° Aprile 1923, Patriota partigiano della I^a. Divisione Ligure Garibaldini, Gruppo "Pinna", distaccamento "Jacobs" commissario Marco Carpena detto "De Martino", ora Brigata Garibaldina di linea "Ugo Muccini" passò attraverso alle seguenti vicende che qui di seguito vengono succintamente esposte:

Egli era allievo dell' Accademia d' artiglieria di Lucca, e dopo l'8 settembre 1943, riuscì, dopo di avere superato gravissime difficoltà e pericoli a ritornare a Pistoia.

Appena ritornato in famiglia, incominciarono gli arruolamenti forzati dei nazi fascisti ed egli, insieme al sottotenente di fanteria Bartini Giovanni di Pistoia, si diede alla macchia sulle montagne Pistoiesi, come da dichiarazione allegata N°1^a. Ritornato per pochi

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Egli partì, giurando che appena possibile si sarebbe recato in montagna dato alla macchia, pur di raggiungere le file dei patriotti. Così avvenne in seguito, perché, dopo un breve periodo di tempo passato a Lucca, egli fu inviato col suo reparto nella zona di

Castelnovo Magra. Qui vi giunto poté mettere rsi in relazione con i partigiani. Benchè tenuto d'occhio dai suoi compagni, superate enormi difficoltà e pericoli, come egli stesso, se interrogato potrà affermare, nell'agosto 1944 finalmente raggiunse il Gruppo di Patrioti "Pinna" comandato dal maggiore dei Carabinieri Reali Marra con. Pian cesco. Parti del reparto portando seco la sola pistola, ma con numero so comodo di preziose notizie militari, che puntualmente e con precisione notificò a Pinna.

Le prime notizie di lui si ebbero dal patriota partigiano Luigi Rolfe di Andrea, nato ad Ameglia (Spezia) il 9/6/21, il quale, avendo passato le linee per sgombramento poté raggiungere Pistoia il 12 Gennaio 1945 ed informare la di lui famiglia.

Si sapeva che Niccolò Passerin d'Entreves aveva con tutte le sue forze collaborato alle azioni della propria Parca e, sempre alle dipendenze di "Pinna" e di "De Martino" aveva preso parte a numerose azioni di guerriglia e di sabotaggio contro i Tedeschi. Avuto ordine dal suo Capo Banda di passare le linee per rifornimento, soccorchiato dai Tedeschi, subì due terribili rastrellamenti da parte dei gli stessi, e finalmente poté costituirsi agli alleati.

Subdue interrogatori, ed avendo con lealtà dettagliatamente esposto tutte le sue vicende non nascondendo di essere stato costretto con la forza a presentarsi a Lucca, venne internato "in attesa di informazioni" nel Dicembre 1944.

Il di lui indirizzo è ora il seguente:

enormi difficoltà e pericoli, come egli stesso, se interrogato potrà affermare, nell' agosto 1944 finalmente raggiunse il Gruppo di Patrioti "Pinna" comandato dal maggiore dei Carabinieri Reali Maria comm. Fian cesco. Partì dal reparto portando seco la sola pistola, ma con numero so corredo di preziose notizie militari, che puntualmente e con precisione notificò a Pinna.

Le prime notizie di lui si ebbero dal patriota partigiano Luigi Rolla di Andrea, nato ad Ameglia (Spezia) il 9/6/21, il quale, avendo passato le linee per abundantemente poté raggiungere Pinna il 12 Gennaio 1945 ed informare la di lui famiglia.

Si seppe che Niccolò Passerini di Entreves aveva con tutte le sue forze collaborato alle azioni della propria Banda e, sempre alle dipendenze di "Pinna" e di "Da Martino" aveva preso parte a numerose azioni di guerriglia e di sabotaggio contro i Tedeschi. Avuto ordine dal suo Capo Banda di passare le linee per rifornimento, accerchiato dai Tedeschi, subì due terribili rastrellamenti da parte degli stessi, e finalmente poté costituirsi agli alleati.

Sublue interrogatori, ed avendo con lealtà dettagliatamente esposto tutte le sue vicende non nascondendo di essere stato costretto con la forza a presentarsi a Luoca, viene internato "in attesa di informazioni" nel Dicembre 1944.

Il di lui indirizzo è ora il seguente:

Sergente R.E. Niccolò Passerini di Entreves
N° 81-0-409521-H U.S.P.W. E. 326 NAPLES.

Di questo giovane di purissimi sentimenti democratici, possono testimoniare le seguenti persone:

Sottotenente Bertini Giovanni Via Ventura Vittoni 5 Pistoia.

Dani Cav. Alfredo, domiciliato a Pieve a Nievole e residente a Felceti (S. Giorgio) Pistoia.

Morosi-Marino, domiciliato a Pistoia Felceti.

Marco Carpena di lui ex Commissario di Banda, residente a Sarzana redattore del Giornale dei Patrioti della 5^a e 8^a Armata.

Il comandante del Gruppo patrioti "Penne", cioè il Maggiore dei Carabinieri Reali Marra comm. Francesco, attualmente comandante il Gruppo C.C.

Reali della Spezia, nonché numerose altre persone, residenti a Sarzana Castelnuovo, e Pistoia.

Il Padre del Patriotta e Partigiano Niccolò Passerin

Doti. Alberto Passerin d'Entreves

Doti. Alberto Passerin d'Entreves

Pistoia li 1^o Giugno 1945

Si allega attestato rilasciato dalla Brigata Gariboldiana
di nome "Lupo Mussini" Documento 203.

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BRIGATA GARIBOLDINA DI LINEA
"Ugo Mucini"

Si dichiara che il patriota PASSERIN D'ENTREVES Niccolò
di Alberto cl. 1923 ha fatto parte della Brigata
Garibaldi d'assalto "Ugo Mucini", distaccamento "Jacobs", nel
periodo dal agosto al dicembre 1944.

In tale epoca, a seguito di forte azione di rastrellamento
nemico, passava le linee.

Ha no fatto parte oltre linea della ricostituita Brigata
Garibaldina di linea "Ugo Mucini" con impiego sul fronte tirre-
nico.

Sarzana, 27/1/ 1945

IL COMANDANTE DI BRIGATA
(Galantini Piero)
(Federico)

Galantini Piero
Federico 4739

Di chi ampono N.L.:

Io sottoscritto Sottotenente di Complemento BERRINI GIOVANNI di Raffaello
Carta di identità N° II.26196T rilasciata dal Comune di Pistoia
e residente a Pistoia Via Ventura Vitoni N°5

Attesto per la verità quanto segue:

Conosco da molto tempo il giovane Sargento All. Uff. Niccolò Passerin di
d' Entraves di Alberto nato a Firenze e residente a Feltre Pistoia.
Egli era allievo ufficiale a Lucca e dopo l' armistizio Dodeglio del
8 Settembre 1943 poté da Lucca , superando gravissime difficoltà da
te dalla caccia spietata dei Tedeschi che vigilavano treni e strade
ritornare in seno alla propria famiglia a Pistoia.

Nel mese di Ottobre avvennero arruolamenti e razzie di neofascisti
ed il Passerin d' Entraves ed io stesso ci demmo alla macchia sulle
montagne Pistoiesi. Ci rifugiammo ad Acqua vicino a Treppio presso
la famiglia di Iginio Gioffrè. Qui vi rimanemmo circa due mesi.

Nel mese di novembre ci recavamo tra mille difficoltà a rivedere sal
tuariamente la famiglia . Seppi in seguito che il Passerin aveva do
vuto presentarsi alle armi e lasciare la famiglia essendo stati
più e più volte dei militi a ricercarlo per l' arruolamento forzato
perchè in difetto di lui stesso avrebbero preso, arrestato , incarce
rato e sottoposto a chissà quali rappresaglie il proprio padre ed
i suoi congiunti.

Il giovane Niccolò appartiene a famiglia nota da lungo tempo per i
suoi sentimenti antifascisti , egli stessi sentimenti Niccolò più
volte li ha manifestati a me stesso , durante il periodo passato
con me alla macchia. Questo per la verità:

Documenti / See last page

8 Settembre 1943 rotè da Incece, superando gravissime difficoltà dovute alla caccia spietata dei tedeschi che vigilavano treni e strade ritornare in seno alla propria famiglia a Pistoia.

Nel mese di Ottobre avvennero amuolamenti e razzie di nasifascisti ed il Passerin d' Entraves ed io stesso ci demmo alla macchia sulle montagne Pistoiesi. Ci rifugiammo ad Acque vicino a Treppio presso la famiglia di Iginio Gioffraj. quivi rimanemmo circa due mesi.

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Il giovane Niccolò appartiene a famiglia nota da lungo tempo per i suoi sentimenti antifascisti, egli stesso sentimenti Niccolò più volte li ha manifestati a me stesso, durante il periodo passato con me alla macchia. Questo per la verità:

Indice di 24 ottobre 1944

Indice di 24 ottobre 1944

Di chi risponde n. 2.

Felice Pistoia 18/2/1945

Lettera per la Vostra in sottoscritta Lami Alfredo
Carta d'identità n. 12. 240.858. rilasciato dal Comune
di Pisa a Michele, residente a Felice Pistoia quanto segue
Ero presente alla Villa del Dottor Alberto Pasetti di Entracci
quando alla fine del mese di Novembre 1943. quasi si presentavano
per bene due volte molti carabinieri per rintracciare il
Giuseppe Niccolò Pasetti di Entracci. classe 1923. allora
della accademia Militare di Lucca.
Il militi in difetto di lui stesso avrebbero preso il di lui
padre che sarebbe stato in carcere come fu tratto
anche per altre famiglie in quei giorni a Pistoia.
Per data 12 Gennaio 1944. Lami sopra un partigiano
che aveva attraversato le linee di combattimento e che
era stato di passaggio alla Villa, che il giorno
Niccolò aveva fatto nell'anno 1944. raggiungere
le formazioni dei partigiani e con quelle
formazioni aveva combattuto contro i tedeschi
questo per la Vostra.

Lami Alfredo fu Cresenziano

Felceto Pistoia
18 Febbraio 1945

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Dichiaro per la verità io sottoscritto allora chiamato
Fu Ferdinando, carta di identità
rilasciata dal Comune di Pistoia
residente a San Giorgio Pistoia, quanto segue:
io ero presente alla villa di Felceti
San Giorgio Pistoia quando a questa villa
proprietà della Signora Anna Passerin
Dentrevan si presentarono alla fine del
mese novembre 1943 dei militi Carabinieri
i quali più volte ricreperono il giovane
piccolo Passerin Dentrevan allievo
della Accademia Militare di Lucca.
Detto Giovane fino a tale epoca
siera rifugiato sulle montagne pistoiensi
per sfuggire allo arruolamento.
i militi in mia presenza dichiararono
che in difetto lui stesso avrebbero
proceduto all'arresto di lui padre
per evitar questo il giovane piccolo
dovette seguire i Carabinieri e
presentarsi a Lucca.
Sappiamo nel Gennaio del 1945
da un Partigiano chiamato Luigi Polla

affrosi affarino

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AP 391
The Department of War Sub-Commission
Disposal and
12 JUN 1945

IPW/1/11/1337

28 May 1945

1337-B
(F)
1383-A

SUBJECT: Release of Italian PW for Service with the Italian Forces.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.
(Att: G-1 (B))

Reference your G-1 (B)/3863/42 dated 22 May 1945.

1. I would refer to HQ, AC letter CC 091.711 dated 10 June 1945, para. 2.
2. It is requested that if further consideration cannot be given to the repatriation of No. 81512 Capt. LEVET, Polici, Camp No. 26, Bombay, India, that a confidential report on his case be forwarded to me.
3. This officer has been asked for by the Italian Government and the Vatican, who both vouch for his non-political tendencies, and unless I am in a position to explain the situation, the question of his release will again be opened by the Italian Government and the Vatican.
4. I would point out that I am assured that he had very little leaning towards fascism, and I have a list of all officers held in India, setting out those who were anti-Allies or fascists, those who were not fully co-operative, and those who were prepared to co-operate and accept present conditions in Italy. Captain LEVET's name appears in the last list.
5. It is therefore recommended under the now prevailing conditions, that GHQ, India be requested to repatriate Capt. LEVET at an early date.

For the Chief Commissioner :

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,

WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

4737
B/F 8/6/45
g/c.

POL *WMD & IPW*
 SUBJECT:- Application for Release of Italian PW.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

1388
G-1(2P)/3863/A-2

2 Jun 45

Commander in Chief,
 INDIA.

81512 Cap. LEVIE Poliel.

Reference your 40076/11/PW1(2) of 8 May 45 and this Headquarters letter of even reference dated 22 May 45 to Headquarters, Allied Commission, IPW Sub-Commission (copy to you).

1. Headquarters, Allied Commission have now written to say that the Italian Government and the Vatican, who both vouch for the non-political tendencies of the above mentioned PW, have requested his release, and they feel that unless they are in a position to explain the situation, the question of release will again be raised.

2. It would be much appreciated if you would forward to this Headquarters a confidential report on this man in order that Allied Commission may be informed of the security objections against his release.

W.A.K. Finlayson

W.A.K. FINLAYSON,
 Major, D.A.A.C.,
 for Field Marshal,
 Supreme Allied Commander,
 MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE.

ENC/ER. MUL

Copy to:- Headquarters, Allied Commission, (IPW Sub-Commission).
 (Your IPW/1/11/1337 of 28 May 45 refers.)

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 DATE 6/6/45
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LEVET Felice

- File 1/7/333 - 6th List of 25 POWs, for whom repatriation
27/XI/44 is requested. Lemet's name included from
Italian High Commissioner to Allied Commis-
sion.
- " 1/7/337 - from Allied Commission to Allied Force
27/XI/44 Headquarters, G-I (Br) forward his a name
on a list a request for repatriation of
POW for Italian Armed Forces necessities.
- " 1/11/678 - inf. ETA 17 Feb. 46, from G-I (Br) to
16/II/45 Allied Commission.
- " 1/11/723 - conf. arrival at Taranto on 17/II/45
22/II/45 to Italian High Commissioner from Allied
Commission.
- " 1/II/837 - from Allied Commission to G-I (Br) asking
10/III/45 if the shipment arrived and for the pre-
sent location of Capt. LEVET.
- " 1/II/905 - from G-I (Br) confirm. that he was incl.
28/III/45 in nominal Roll for repatriation.
- " 1/II/1350-A-from G-I (Br) inf. that he will not
22/V/45 be available for release for security
grounds.
- " 1/II/1350 -to Italian High Commissioner from Allied
30/V/45 Commission informing as above.
- " 1/II/1368 -From G-I (Br) to Allied Force Headquarters
2/VI/45 asking for confidential report on him.
- " 1/II/1388- to G-I (Br) recommending his repatriation.
28/V/45

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POL

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PWs

Rome, 20 April 1945

No. 12673/Pol/C-9

To: Allied Commission, ROME

Subject : Surplus Italian population in Eritrea.

Reference your letter IPW 1/3/551 B dated 14 April 1945.

The question referred to in above mentioned letter has today come before the Ministry of the Navy and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

You will be informed in due course of the answer from said Ministries.

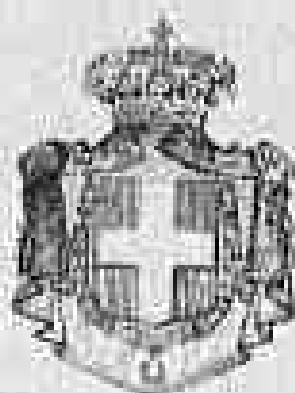
THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

a/ Gen. P. Gazzera

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*L'Alto Commissario
per i prigionieri di guerra*

N.1267/Pol/C-9 1^a prot.

Roma, li 20 aprile 1945

O G G E T T O : Ecce'enza 1^a popolazione italiana in Eritrea.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione p.^a 5.

R O M A

Risposta lettera n. IPW/1/3/531 B in data 14 c.m..

In data odierna si è interessato alla questione
il Ministero della Marina e il Ministero degli Esteri.-

Sarà nostra cura comunicare la risposta dei summen-
zionati Ministeri a questa Commissione Alleata non appena
sarà pervenuta.-

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO

Alajma

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

JB/WSW

G-5: 383.6

14 April 1945

SUBJECT: Utilisation of Italian Service Unit Personnel
(PWs in US Custody), for Mine Clearance.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Provost Marshal General (US) AHFQ has raised the question as to whether the above-mentioned personnel might be used for mine clearance:

- a. on a voluntary basis,
- b. after having received thorough training by US Army mine clearance experts, and
- c. under the control of Peninsular Base Section, US Army.

2. It is desired that the views of the Italian Government be ascertained.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

JB
JULIUS BYLES,
Major, F. A.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512
1091-4730

FILE

BEA/et

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File 1/11/1082

16 April 1945

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject : Release of Italian POWs=Specialists and Miners.

1/. Reference our first list of Specialists and Miners forwarded to AFHQ on 15 February 45.

2/. This Hq. has now been informed that the following have been requested for repatriation:

372554 Capt. BREVAGLIERI A.
358455 S/Ten. BISI G.
410001 Capt. MARELLANO A.
60132 Ten. SERRATO G.

358800 S/ten. BENNINCASA R.
307243 S/ten. CANCI P.
356375 S/ten. NAPOLI R.
334065 Sold. DESSI G.

3/. The following have already been repatriated:

MASS. FERRINI A. 12 Feb. 45

363702 LMA Giuseppe

4/. The remaining POWs shown on list 1 as being in MIDDLE EAST are at present employed in the Middle East and are not available for transfer.

all on cards

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WWD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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SUBJECT:- Release of Italian PW - Miners.

ITW 5122
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3855/2/G1(Br). 1019

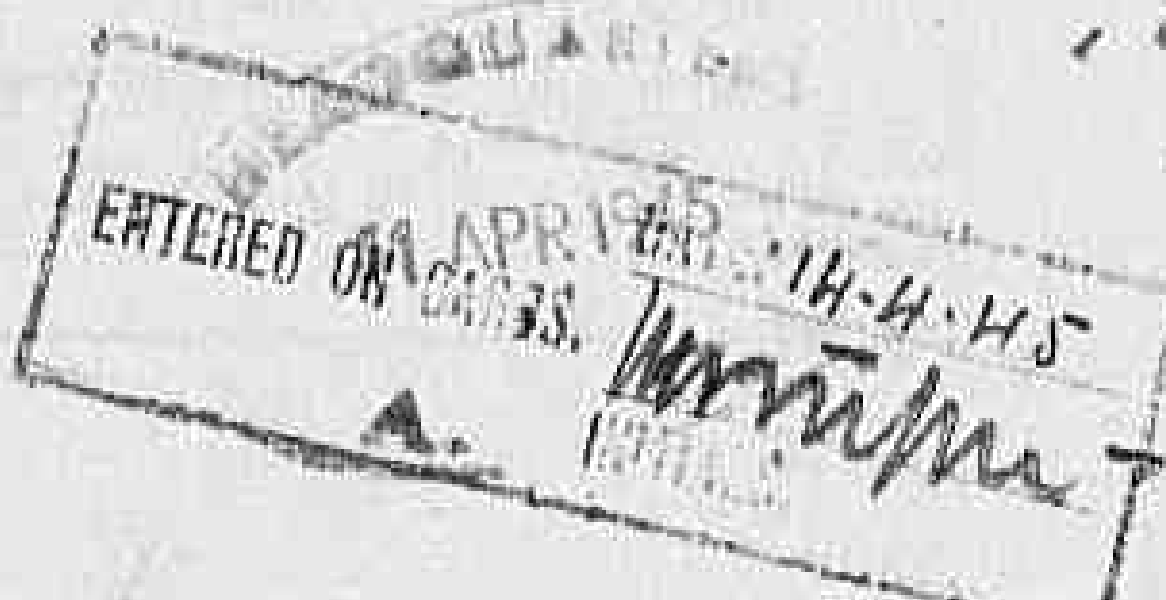
10 Apr 45.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission.
(IPW Sub-Commission).

1. Reference your 1/11/754 of 27 Feb 45 (List 1A refers). See 674
2. This Headquarters has now been informed by GHQ, MEF. that the under-mentioned two PW have been transferred from MIDDLE EAST as follows:-
- No. 334065 DESSI, Giovanni was transferred to UK on 20 Oct 44.
- No. 363702 ENA, Giuseppe has already been repatriated to ITALY.
2. The remainder of the PW shown on list 1A as being held in MIDDLE EAST are at present employed in the MIDDLE EAST.
3. The request for the release of DESSI, Giovanni has been conveyed to the War Office LONDON.

TRC/MG

Copy to:- G-5.



Oct. 1082
Submitted to IHC

T.R. CONDRON, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G-1(Br).

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SUBJECT:- Applications for the Release of Italian PW
with Specialist Qualifications.

1 PW
Pol (1077)
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

GR/3855/1/G1(Br).

10 Apr 45.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission.
(IPW Sub-Commission).

Reference your 1/11/754 of 27 Feb 45 (List I refers). See 674

1. This Headquarters has now been informed by GHQ, MIDDLE EAST FORCES that there is no objection to the release and repatriation of the six under-mentioned PW and arrangements are being made accordingly, ETA to be notified in due course :-

372554 Capt.
358455 S/Ten
410004 Capt.

BREVAGLIERI.A.
BISI.G.
MARZIANO.A.

358890 S/Ten. HENNINCASA. R.
307243 S/Ten. GANCI.P.
356375 S/Ten. NAPOLI.M.

2. Ten, SERRATO is interned in EAST AFRICA and the request for his release has been conveyed to that command.

3. Magg. FERRINI.A. was repatriated on 12 Feb 45.

4. The remaining PW shown on list I as being in MEF are at present employed in the MIDDLE EAST and are not available for transfer.

TRC/MG



T.R. CONDRON, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G-1(Br).

Copy to:- G-5.

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To IHC

DATE. 18-4-45
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/et

File 1/11/1063

12 April 1945

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject : Release of Italian POWs: Chaplains.

- 1/. Reference your N°30830 of 26 March 45.
- 2/. The enclosed copy of our 1/11/622 of 12 February 45 clearly indicates that all Italian Chaplains in U.S. and British custody are at present needed to service Italian personnel.
- 3/. In the light of this recent ruling from AFHQ we regret that no action can be taken at this time relative to the repatriation of these POWs.

[Signature]
J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

Copy to: Gen. Mannerini,
Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated POWs
(your N°405249/RPCR of 29 March 45 refers)

Encl.: 1, as above.

2 APR 1945

see 1037
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Tel. 478797

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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AGR/104.3

4 April 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoner-of-War - 421628 TRAVAGLIONI Dino.

TO : WMD & IPOW Sub-Commission

1. Re your letter dated 31 March 1945 File 1/11/1001.
2. Request additional information as to policy of repatriation of Italian POWs needed for essential civil work. Is it not possible to repatriate an individual who is already employed, and what are the types of work involved that prevent repatriation?

Leland G. Allbaugh
LELAND G. ALIBAUGH
Director

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DATE. 4-4-45
ENTERED ON CARDS. <i>Mmm</i>
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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

1038

NSC/2016
2 April 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners of
War Sub-Commission, Hq. AC.

Subject: Release of Italian Naval Personnel.

1. With reference to attached letter CR/3845/GI(Br) dated 8 March 1945, the letter to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, mentioned in paragraph 2 was referred to this Sub-Commission. A reply was sent on 1st March 1945, stating that the Ministry of Marine had been requested to forward all repatriation requests through the Navy Sub-Commission which would act as the screening agency. It was pointed out that it is not possible to give numbers likely to be required within the next six months, as lists are only compiled as and when personnel are necessary for some specific purpose to assist in the war effort.

2. Regarding the list of 108 POWs referred to by GI(Br), this was originally the 125 POWs covered by our letter NSC/1466, dated 9th January addressed to you intimating that there was no objection to the request for repatriation.

W. H. Harris

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

See 298
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no action

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SUBJECT:- Italian PW - Release of Italian Naval Personnel.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3845/G1(Br).

8 Mar 45.

Headquarters,

Allied Commission (IPW Sub-Commission).

329619 Surgeon Lieut. Comdr. GASPERINI Carlo Gasperino.

1. Reference your 1/11/735 of 23 Feb 45.
2. Following the receipt of your 1/11/394 of 15 Jan 45, forwarding a list of 108 PW whose release has been requested by the Italian Ministry of Marine, this Headquarters wrote to C - in - C MED on 2 Feb 45 (AFHQ Ref CR/3821/G1(Br)) requesting information on the following points regarding the large numbers of Italian Naval personnel PW whose release was requested, from time to time, by the Italian Naval Authorities:-

- (a) Whether all the officers and men demanded are really needed for employment in the Italian Navy.
- (b) What are the approximate total numbers of:-
 - (i) Officers by ranks.
 - (ii) Petty Officers.
 - (iii) Ratings

likely to be required within the next six months.

- (c) Would it help if the opinion of the British Naval Liaison Officer was received with each application.

3. No reply has yet been received from C - in - C MED and this Headquarters has been informed that the necessary information has not yet been received from the Naval Liaison Section in ROME.

4. Pending receipt of a reply to this letter, no further action is being taken in connection with the PW on the above mentioned list.

5. GASPERINI was included in this list.

David B. Davis

T.R. CONDRON, ~~7-9-45~~
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G.I.(Br).

TRC/ER.

Copy to:-

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TRC/BR.

Copy to:- C - in - C MED.

TJR, COMPROV 47235,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G.I(Br).

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Rome 3rd April 1945

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRISONERS OF WAR
N° 1012/Pol/C.14 di Prot.

TO: The Allied Commission
R O M E

SUBJECT: Italian Officers who desire to work in Camps 5A. & 5B at
Myrtleford (Australia).

In order that your Sub Commission may take the matter up with
the competent authorities we would inform you, that following
our letter N° 686/Pol. dated the 4th of March 1945, we have re-
ceived further information on Officers in Camp 5A & 5B, who also
desire to work and receive payment for said jobs

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Thanking you

/s/ HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRISONERS OF
WAR
Gen. P. GAZZERA

see 1/11/720
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6 APR. Wrong reference: no action taken.
(initials)

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*L'Alto Commissario
per i prigionieri di guerra*

Roma, 11 3 Aprile 1945

N° 1012/Pol./C-14 di prot.

OGGETTO : Ufficiali italiani che desiderano lavorare, nel campo
5A e 5B di Myrtleford (Australia).

Alla
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione P. di G.

R O M A

A seguito del foglio n. 686/Pol. in data 4.3.45.

Ci risulta che anche nei campi 5A e 5B di Myrtleford (Australia) ci sarebbero numerosi ufficiali desiderosi di essere impiegati in un lavoro retribuito.

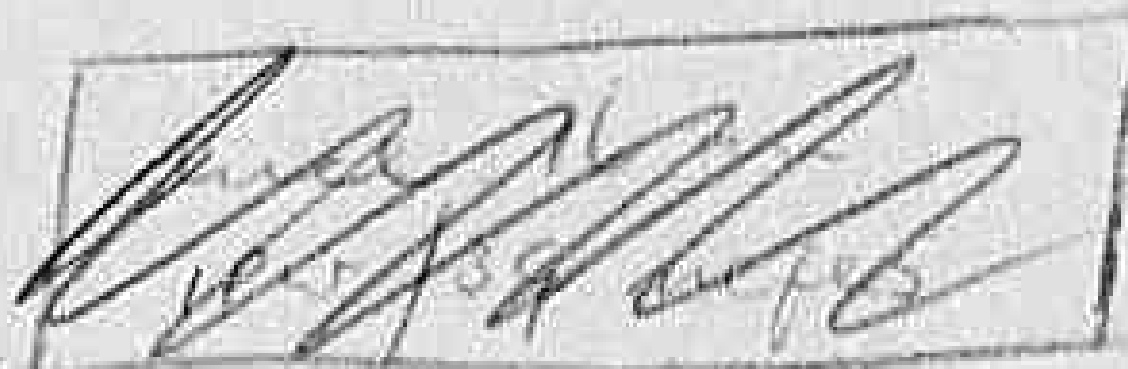
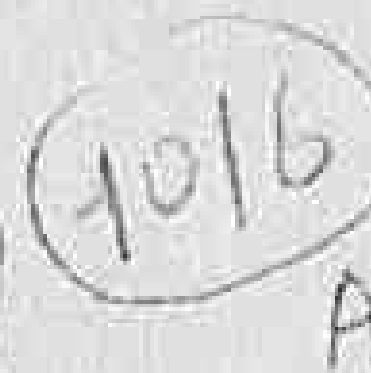
Si prega codesta Commissione Alleata di ^{volere cortesemente} interessare le competenti Autorità perchè vogliano esaudire il desiderio di detti ufficiali.

Si ringrazia sin d'ora.

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO

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IPW/39/165 April 1945

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SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian PW from Middle East.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.
(Att: G-1(B))Reference my 4229 dated 26 March 1945 and your
GR/3821/1/G.1(B) dated 2 April 1945.

1. There are numerous questions in connection with Italian Prisoners of War in MIDEAST which I consider can best be cleared up by discussion at CHQ, MIDEAST.
2. They concern the question of repatriations from that country especially of Carabinieri, and further of Italian Prisoners of War who disembark in Egypt en route for Italy, and who in every case do not arrive in Italy.
3. The questions are general, and in the main, concern the attitude towards Italian Prisoners of War, which at least from the political angle, does not appear helpful.
4. I feel certain that a discussion on the subject would be of great assistance, and would help to clear up many points; and where for military reasons, release of Prisoners of War cannot be granted, the information and explanations received would be of great assistance to me in handling the question with the Italian Government.

For the Chief Commissioner :

Incl 1/11/1016 refs.J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,
WMD & IPOV Sub-Com.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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G-5: 014.33-105

19 March 1945

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Italian Medical Personnel.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission.

Reference your IPW/1/11/799 of 5 March 1945.

South Africa has been asked to send any available surplus Medical Officers to Italy for service with Italian Government.

As soon as a reply is received you will be informed.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

O. Grant
O. GRANT,
J. Comdr.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. ARMY
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/gt

File 1/11/838

10 March 1945

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject: Application for release of Italian POWs-Carabinieri.

- 1/. Reference your N°16609 /1/G/2B of 9 January 45.
- 2/. General Headquarters, Middle East Forces now informs that all members of the Italian Carabinieri in the Middle East are at present carrying out their full duties, and are essential to the security and discipline of all co-operator units, and the question of their release cannot at present be agreed.
- 3/. For your information.

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMED & IPOW Sub-Comm.

Copy to: Public Safety Sub-Commission, ALCOM
Attention Col. Chapman

(Your AC/14601/6/PS of 26 Nov.44)

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See 829
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SUBJECT:- Application for Release of Italian PW -
Carabineiri.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3846/G1(Br).

7 Mar 45.

Headquarters, Allied Commission.
(IPW Sub-Commission).

Reference your 1/11/427 of 18 Jan 45. see 204-252-396-668

1. This Headquarters has been informed by GHQ MET (that all members of the Italian Carabinieri in the MIDDLE EAST are at present carrying out their full duties, and are essential to the security and discipline of all co-operator units, and the question of their release cannot at present be agreed.)

TRC/JM

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to IHC. copy to
armad. command Public Safety
- s/c.
T.R. COMPTON, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

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8 MAR 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/gt

File 1/11/812

7 March 1945

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512 U.S. Army
G-5 Section, attention Maj. Driffield White.

Subject : Requests for Work assignments-Italian POWs in TEXAS.

- 1/. Reference your G-5: 385.6 of 19 February 45.
- 2/. The Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War has sent us the following pertinent paragraph from the report of Dr. Roth:

" Third visit to the PW Camp at Hereford (Texas).
The above mentioned Camp was visited for the third time on the 12th of February 1944.

Quite a large number of Italian officers would like paid work: amongst these officers are engineers, technicians, mechanics, chemical specialists etc. To date the American authorities have announced no decision on this matter.

Signed: Dr. Rolf W. Roth"

- 3/. Please note that Dr. Roth's visit took place more than an year ago.

For the Chief Commissioner:

WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW

N.686/Pol.C.=15 di prot.

Rome, March 4th 1945

TO: THE ALLIED COMMISSION. IPW SUB-COMMISSION. ROME.

SUBJECT: Italian Engineer Officers in Camp Hereford (Texas).

Reference your letter IPW/I/II/720, dated the 22nd of February 1945.

The following is a copy of a paragraph in the report of Dr Rolf W. Roth, relative to the officers who are P.O.Ws' in Camp Hereford (Texas).

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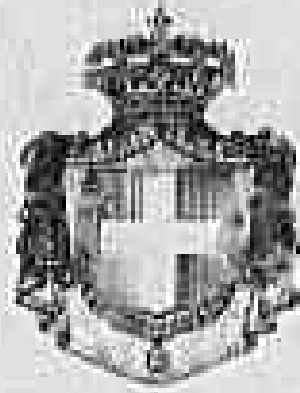
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General P. GAZZERA.

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*L'Alto Commissario
per i prigionieri di guerra*

Roma, li 4 Marzo 1945

N° 686/Pol./C-15 di prot.

OGGETTO : Ufficiali italiani ingegneri nel campo di Aerford
(Texas).

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione per i P. di G.

R o m a

Riferimento suo foglio IPW 1/11/720 del 22 feb-
braio 1945.

Si trascrive qui di seguito il periodo della re-
lazione del dr. Rolf W. Roth relativo agli ufficiali pri-
gionieri di guerra nel campo di Aerford (Texas) :

"Terza visita al campo per p. di g. di Hereford (Texas)

Il summenzionato campo venne visitato per la terza vol-
te al 12.2.1944.

..... omissis

ESPOSTI. Un notevole gruppo di ufficiali italiani deside-
rebbe eseguire un lavoro retribuito; tra questi si tro-
vano numerosi ingegneri, tecnici, meccanici, chimici ecc.
Le autorità Americane, fino ad oggi, non si sono ancora
pronunciate in merito.

..... omissis

28.2.1944

Dr. Rolf W. Roth "

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO 4714

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 383.6

21 February 1945

SUBJECT: Liberation of Italian Prisoners of War in French hands.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Attached are copies of memoranda reference 358/MI/2 and 371/MI/2 of 22 and 28 January respectively received from the French Military Mission to this H.Q.
2. After full consideration at this H.Q. it has been agreed that requests for liberation of Italian Prisoners of War in French hands should be transmitted by the Italian authorities to the French diplomatic representative in Rome and should not be channelled through this H.Q. for negotiation.
3. It is requested that you will inform the Italian authorities accordingly and ensure that all future and outstanding cases are dealt with accordingly.
4. It will be appreciated that, after agreement has been reached between the Italian and French authorities for the liberation of specified Italian Prisoners of War, the Allied transport to be used for the move to Italy will have to be bid for in the normal way and will be dependent on availability. This should be made clear to the Italian authorities together with the fact that the Allied authorities must reserve the right to refuse transportation for those Italians whose return to Italy might be against the Allied interests on security grounds.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

Incls: 2
as above.

24 FEB 1945

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TRANSLATIONFRENCH MILITARY MISSION TO I.M.

28 January 1945

2nd SECTION

No.371/M.I./2

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Military Chaplains.

REF : Note No.000.3 (It) of 4 January 1945.

1. Further to the above quoted note, the Chief of the French Military Mission has the honour to inform the Allied authorities that the Chief of General Staff of National Defense considers that the request for the repatriation of the Italian Military Chaplains presented by the Italian High Commissioner of Prisoners of War is inopportune and unjustified.

2. In fact, the number of prisoners already repatriated to Italy is, in spite of the allegations of the High Commissioner for Prisoners of War, insignificant and the Chaplains will certainly serve a more useful purpose in the POW Camps in French North Africa where there is still a great number of prisoners.

3. Finally, as it has already been indicated in para 5 of note No.358/M.I./2 of 22 January 1945, the Chief of the General Staff of National Defense has laid down that all questions relating to repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War in French hands will be henceforth submitted by the Italian Government to the French Diplomatic Representative in Rome.

/s/ IAPAAA

Chief of the French Military Mission
to A.F.H.Q.

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Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Committee
War Materiel Disposal (M.D.)

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TRANSLATION

French Military Mission, AFHQ
2nd Section
No 358/2.1/2

22 January 1945

MEMORANDUM TO LIAISON SECTION

SUBJECT: Liberation of Italian Prisoners of War

Reference: Letter No 2036 DM/AF.3.8 of 9 December 1944

1. On several occasions this Mission has received through Liaison Section, AFHQ, various requests for the liberation of Italian Prisoners of War held by the French authorities.
2. The Chief of Staff of National Defense, to whom these requests had been submitted, had made it known by letter quoted above, copy of which was passed to Liaison Section on 15 January 1944, that he did not for the present find himself in a position to give such requests favorable consideration.
3. The question was re-submitted to the Chief of Staff of National Defense in connection with the request for the liberation of Colonel LAPARCA who had been the subject of a request from the Italian Government to the Allied Commission for Italy. This request was passed to the Mission on 18 December 1944 under cover of letter No. 091.711.16-5.
4. General Juin, Chief of General staff of National Defense, has just stated in letter of 13 January 1945 the case of Colonel LAPARCA had been passed to the French Diplomatic Representative in Rome and that all requests for the liberation of Prisoners of War held by the French authorities which the Italian Government might be desirous of presenting to the French Government should henceforth be presented by the Italian Government to the French Diplomatic Representative at Rome.
5. It therefore appears that requests of this nature which might reach the Allied Commission for Italy should in the future be transmitted to the French Diplomatic Representative at Rome by the French Representative with Allied Commission.

Colonel LAPARCA
Chief, French Military Mission, AFHQ

By order: Major LAMSON

JAS:jab

/s/ LAMSON

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: IPA/1/11/799

5 March 1945

Subject: Repatriation of Italian Medical Personnel.

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.
(Attention: G-5 Section.)

1. A scheme for the improvement of Italian medical services has recently been put into operation, which combines the hospital accommodation of the following organisations.

- (a) Italian Red Cross.
- (b) The Sanita Militare.
- (c) Del Sovrano Militare Ordine di Malta.

2. Between them, 17 hospitals are to be run conjointly, with accommodation for 8,000 patients. Allied Commission are giving help by providing medical supplies etc.

3. At a meeting held recently at the Ministry of the Interior many points were raised and discussed regarding the organisation and administration of these hospitals.

4. The most urgent demand made was for extra medical staff, of which there is a great shortage in ITALY at the moment. General Garzera, the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War states that in South Africa there are 300 Italian medical officers to take care of 40,000 Prisoners of War. If this is correct, perhaps some of these Doctors could be repatriated to help in these hospitals.

5. Could the authorities in South Africa be approached and asked if they would agree to the repatriation of any Italian medical officers surplus to their needs.

6. Your views on this matter will be appreciated.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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G-5: 014.33

27 February 1945

SUBJECT : Requests for repatriation of civilians
from Italian High Commissioner for PW.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
(for IPW Sub-Commission).

Reference your IPW 1/11/331 dated 5 January
1945 and AFHQ memorandum CR 3836/01(Br) of 25
February 1945.

Included in lists of PW for whom repatriation
is requested have been civilians, civilian internees
and evacuees. The use of the term PW in these cases
is causing confusion between East Africa, London and
here. Consequently it is requested that the Italian
High Commissioner be asked to indicate in his lists
where possible those persons who are not in fact PW
in the generally accepted sense of the term, and,
further that all such cases should be screened into
categories by you before onward submission here.

For your information no Italian PW are held
in Southern Rhodesia but only civilian evacuees
ex-Occupied Territory (i.e. Displaced Persons). All
Italians with registered numbers prefixed by letter
"E" held both in East Africa and Southern Rhodesia
are civilians.

for Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5,

has been forwarded to the
War Relocation Authority and
the War Relocation Authority

A CH

O. GRANT,
J. Comdr.

Copy to: G-1(Br).

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FILE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/gt

File 1/11/754

27 February 1945

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512 U.S. Army
Attention G-1(Br).Section.

Subject : Repatriation of Italian POWs.

- 1/.Reference your CR/3855/G1(Br) of 23 February 45.
- 2/.We regret the typing error which resulted in a total of 25 names actually in U.S.custody,being listed as in British custody.
- 3/.These names have been stricken from the lists re-transmitted herewith.
- 4/.They will be submitted to G-5 Section.

For the Chief Commissioner:

B.A.
J.A.CAMPBELL
Lieut.Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

Encl.: Lists,as above.

War Material Disposal and
Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission
APO 394
Director
Log No

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From : Lt-Col. A.S. Barsdorf,
A.A.G., G.1 (Br) A.2.,
Allied Force Headquarters.

CR/3855/G1 (Br).

23 Feb 45.

Dear Campbell

With reference to your letter 1/11/674A dated 15 Feb 45 enclosing Lists Nos. 1, 1/A, 1/B of PW for repatriation.

After you went and saw Major Driffield-White after the meeting held on 30 Jan, we agreed that there was no objection to lists of PW known to be in British hands being forwarded direct to this Section for action, with a copy to G-5.

Unfortunately the lists you now forward contain names of PW who cannot possibly be in British custody on the information available. For example, List No. 1 contains the names of 10 PW stated to be in the U.S.A. and a further fourteen who have U.S. registration numbers. List No. 1/B shows one PW whose location is stated to be NEW YORK.

I am sure you will agree that only lists showing PW in a British Command and with a British registration number should be sent to G-1(B): it was agreed at the meeting that G-5 would be the co-ordinating Section in all cases where different detaining powers were involved.

It was agreed with you in the past that nominal rolls would show PW on separate lists for each holding country. The object of this was to save time and labour here, as copies could be passed straight on without retyping. Although this is not specifically mentioned in the minutes of the meeting, it would be appreciated if you would continue to do this in future.

In order to get the new procedure off on the "right foot" I would be very grateful to you if you would sort out these lists and resubmit them according to the above formula.

Yr sincerely

As. Barsdorf

To : Lt-Col. J.A. Campbell,
Director,
WMD & IPOW Sub Commission,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/gt

File 1/11/720

22 February 1945

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject : Italian officers and engineers in the camp at AERFORD
(Texas)

1/. Reference your No.437/Pol/O.15 of 7 February 45.

2/. In order that the request may be sufficiently substantiated
it is desirable that a copy of the report by Dr. Rott on
which the request is based should be available for forwarding
to th War Department. Could this please be furnished.

Bess
J/A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

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WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
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G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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G-5: 383.6

19 February 1945

SUBJECT: Requests for Work assignments - Italian
POWs in TEXAS.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission.

1. Reference is made to letter 1/11/636
of 13 February 1945 enclosing request from Italian
High Commission for PWs.

2. In order that the request may be
sufficiently substantiated it is desirable that a
copy of the report by Dr. Rott on which the request
is based should be available for forwarding to the
War Department. Could this please be furnished.

for Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

W. Driffeld White
W. DRIFFIELD-WHITE,
Major.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BBA/gt

File 1/11/636

13 February 1945

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512, U.S. Army
Attention C-5 Section.

Subject : Request for work assignments for Italian POWs in
Aerford Camp (Texas).

1/. Forwarded herewith translation of a request from Italian High
Commissioner for Prisoners of War for attention and action.


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

Encl.: as above.

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War Material Disposal and
Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission
HQ APO 394
Quartermaster
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Rome 7th. February 1945 (632)

High Commission for It. PW
R. 437/Pol/C.15
di Port.

To the Allied Commission
Sub-Commission for Italian PW
Rome

Subject: Italian officer and Engineers in the Camp at Aerford
(Texas)

In a visit made to the above mentioned camp by Dr. Rolf W. Rott of the Swiss Legation in Washington D.C. it results that in this camp are interned numerous officers, mechanics, engineers and architects, who desire to work in their various capacities. As it is contemplated in the Geneva Convention, that on the request of officers to work (attention article 27) it can be accorded, we beg this Allied Commission to interest the Superior Authorities that these officers may be granted their request.

Thanking you

signed. High Commissioner

General P. Gazzera

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L'Alto Commissario

per i prigionieri di guerra

N. 437/182/1815 al prot.

O E C E T T O : ufficiali italiani, ingegneri, nel campo di Aersard (Texas).--

Roma, li 7 febbraio 1945

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Settecommissione per i p.d.g.

R O M A

Da una visita fatta dal Dott. Rolp W. Rott della Legazione Svizzera di Washington al campo in oggetto è stata rilevata che in detto campo sono internati numerosi ufficiali ingegneri, chimici, meccanici, architetti, ecc. che desidererebbero eseguire un lavoro retribuito inerente alla loro professione. Visto che anche la Convenzione di Ginevra prevede di far lavorare gli ufficiali, se questi lo richiedono, (vedi art. 27) si prega codesta Commissione Alleata di intercedere le competenti autorità perchè vogliano esaudire il desiderio di detti ufficiali.

Si ringrazia sin d'ora.--

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO
(Generale Pietro Carnevali)

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MINISTRY OF WAR CABINET
103775

CR/IG
Rome 9th February 1945

To: the Command of the Allied Commission
Sub Commission for Italian Prisoners of War
and WMD Sub Commission.

Reference your letter IPW/1/11/173 dated the 4th December 1944.

The soldier Saracena Giuseppe on the 27th of July 1944, escaped from the transit camp of Roccaforzata on August the 16th of the following month, he was denounced at the Military Tribunal at Taranto, for desertion and of having stolen Military Materials from the Military Administration.

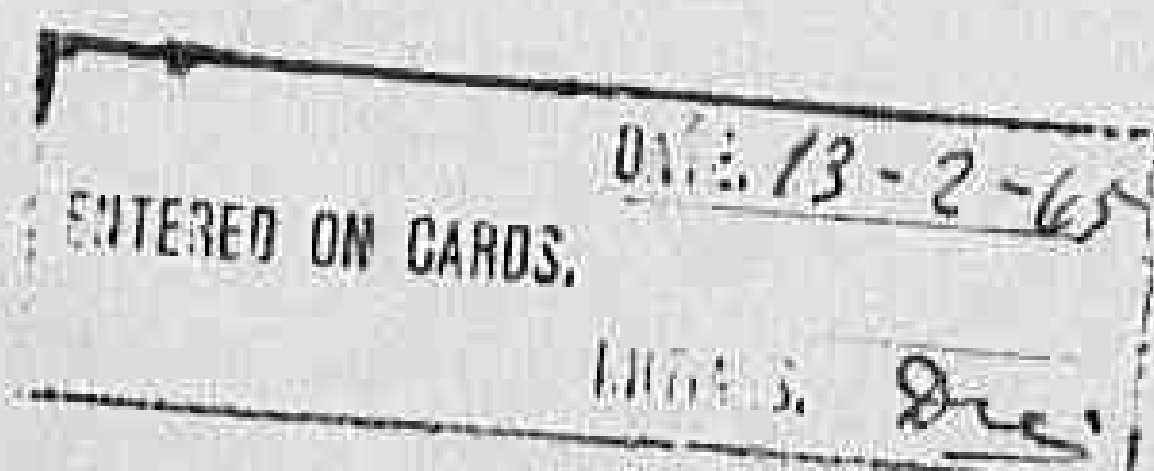
On the following 7th of October Saracena reported at his Camp and was transferred to Depot N. 47 at Lecce to await trial, but on the 31st of the same month he again escaped. We have informed the CC.RR. of this matter and they are searching for him.

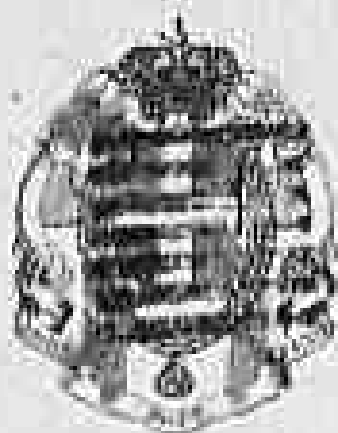
/s/ HEAD OF THE CABINET
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Information only.

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Prot. N. 103775 / 1 Allegati
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Roma,

9 FEB 1945

Risposta al f. del

Dir. Sec. 1^a

OGGETTO: Soldato SARACENA, ex prigioniero guerra NA/T 36381

M COMANDO COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

Sottocommissione materiali bellici e Prigionieri guerra italiani

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Il soldato SARACENA Giuseppe il giorno 27 luglio 1944 si assentò arbitrariamente dal Campo sosta e contumacia di Roccaforzata.-

In data 16 agosto successivo, venne quindi denunciato al Tribunale Militare di Guerra di Taranto, per diserzione e sottrazione materiali dell'Amministrazione Militare.-

Il giorno 7 ottobre il SARACENA si ripresentava al campo e dopo pochi giorni fu avviato al deposito 47° ftr. in Lecce in attesa del giudizio.-

Ma il 31 ottobre s.a. il SARACENA si allontanò nuovamente.- E' stata interessata l'arma dei CC.RR. per la ricerca del militare.-

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DEL GABINETTO*Stubuf.*

10P W/9788

SUBJECT:- Release of Guardia di Finanza.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3846/G1(Br).Headquarters,
Allied Commission.
-----7 Feb 45.

1. It is noted that the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War has stated that there is a need for Guardia di Finanza Prisoners of War to be released to fill the ranks of this Force, and applications received from you have been forwarded to other Commands to assist this object.
2. It is observed, however, that the proportion of Officers, many of whom are senior officers, whose release is requested far exceeds that of other ranks. In the last list received, that under reference 1/11/403 dated 16 Jan 45, the proportion was thirty seven officers to fifteen other ranks.
3. It is requested that you will confirm the need for this proportion of officers.

ASB/wd.

A.S. BARSDORF, Lt. Col., A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1.(Br).

Action: See 1/11/625

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

1/11/625

12 February 1945

To: Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.
(Att: G-1 (Br), Lt. Col. Barsdorf).

Subject: Release of Guardia di Finanza.

1. With reference to your letter CR/3846/G1(Br) dated 7 February 1945.

2. This matter has been discussed with General Gazzera, the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War, and the large proportion of officers, for whom repatriation has been requested, would appear to be quite in order for the following reasons.

a) Whilst the Guardia di Finanza is a military organization, its chief function is the collection of taxes, and the majority of its members are officers.

b) It is possible to fill vacancies for the other ranks from men already in Italy, but this is not possible in the case of the officers, who, in most cases have had many years experience, and might be classed as specialist.

3. It is requested that the repatriation of the POW in question be approved.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel 4698
Director
WMD & IPW Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

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File 1/11/ 622

12 February 1945

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.
Subject : Repatriation of Military Chaplains.

- 1/. Reference your No. 15186/1/ of 24 November 1944.
- 2/. Ten. Capp. CARUSO Amedeo was repatriated to Italy on the 17th December 44.
- 3/. It is regretted that the repatriation of the 3 following chaplains cannot be agreed at this time:

Ten. Capp. CASTELLI	Renato
" " GRAFFINO	Luigi
" " TOSCO	Aristide

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- 4/. We have to inform you that "all Italian ~~chaplains~~ U.S. and British custody are at present needed to service Italian personnel. At such future time however, when they become surplus immediate steps will be taken to effect their repatriation.

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GT.

J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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By: [illegible]
Date: [illegible]
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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
G-1 Division
APO 512

31 January 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: G-1 (3), PMG, G-5, US Poled

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

1. At the present time Italian prisoners of war who fall under the three general categories as listed below are eligible for repatriation.

a. Sick and wounded, and those who are 60 years of age or over, and those who are 50 years of age and have been confined for 2 or more years (which policy was approved and directed by GCS).

b. The so called compassionate cases; usually where the wife or head of family of PW dies or is seriously ill leaving destitute or minor children who cannot be cared for by others.

c. Those prisoners of war whose repatriation will contribute to the war effort. Those whose release is requested by a U.S. or British agency or those requested by and through the Allied Commission to serve directly in or in one of the agencies of the Italian Government.

2. Recently there have been occasional requests for the release of Italian PW's initiated by large corporations in Italy proper, or the islands, for some of their key personnel. These cases are for certain PW by name, such as the case in which the Bank of Sicily requested repatriation of one of its former clerks, now an Italian officer PW.

3. It is believed that, in view of the surplus Italian officer PW's we have on our hands and the occasional surplus (or those who can be spared) of enlisted men PW's falling within this type of case, repatriation ought to be granted. Theoretically the return of such a PW to such a business, although only directly helping that private business, indirectly helps the Italian Government by putting its private business in operating condition.

4. Confirming the decision reached at a meeting held in the office of G-1(a) on 30 January, it was agreed by G-1(B), G-2, G-3, Allied Commission, PMG and Liaison -

- a. That this policy is APPROVED and such PW's can be released.
- b. That this policy not be publicized.

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c. That Allied Commission (WHM & IPW Sub-Com) will thoroughly screen each application prior to forwarding to G-5; that the IPW actually fulfills the aforementioned requirements.

M. G. WHITE
Major General, USG
A. C. of S., G-1

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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G-5: 014.33-82

7 February 1945

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Military Chaplains.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
(for WMD and IPW Sub-Commission).Reference your 1/11/175 dated 5 December
1944,

Ten.Capp. CARUSO was repatriated on 17
December 1944, but it is regretted the repatriation
of the other three chaplains at this time cannot
be agreed.

It is requested that the Italian Government
may be informed (that all Italian chaplains in U.S.
and British custody are at present needed to service
Italian personnel. At such future time however, when
they become surplus immediate steps will be taken
to effect their repatriation.)

for Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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J. Comdr.



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G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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G-5: 014.33-82

7 February 1946

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For Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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O. GRANT,
J. Comdr.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/gt

File 1/11/557

5 February 1945

To : Headquarters, Southern Region, ALCOM.
Attention Regional Commissioner

Subject : Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

1/. Reference your R/3546 of 1 February 45.

2/. Application for the repatriation of specialists Italian POWs may be directed to this Sub-Commission giving the following identifying data:

- 1) Name
- 2) Rank
- 3) POW No.
- 4) POW Address
- 5) Date & Place of capture
- 6) Year of birth
- 7) Position he will occupy

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3/. The position to be filled must be of direct benefit to the Allied cause; there must be a guarantee that the position will be held for at least six months; qualifications of the POW for the position in question must be verified by a staff officer of a regional office or a Sub Commission of the Allied Commission.

4/. A letter of application for the repatriation of an Italian POW specialist meeting with these requirements will be sent forward to higher authority.

5/. In all cases when priority is requested this must be substantiated by detailed reasons therefore.

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J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
APO 394

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R/1546

1 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission.
Civil Affairs Section.

1. I have received from time to time a number of inquiries in respect to the return to Italy of Italian prisoners of war. I gather that there is some provision whereby prisoners of war, who are specially required for a particular post in Italy, may be applied for and will be repatriated as a measure of priority.

2. Will you please let me have the necessary information.


J. K. DUNLOP
Brigadier
Regional Commissioner.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW
Military Section

File No. 15275/1

Rome, 26 January 1945

To : Allied Commission,
ROME

Subject : Soldier SARACENA Giuseppe.

Reference your letter IPW/11/(number illegible) dated the 18th of Nov. 44

The Military Command of Taranto has informed us that the soldier SARACENA Giuseppe has been denounced to the Military Tribunal of War at Taranto, for having deserted, and stolen material from the Military Administration.

s/ for the HIGH COMMISSIONER
Gen. Vincenzo Dapino

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L'Alto Commissario
per i prigionieri di guerra
- Ufficio Militare -

Roma, 26 gennaio 1945

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

R O M A

N° 15275/1 di prot.

OGGETTO: Soldato SARACENA Giuseppe. -

Riferimento foglio PW/11/ ? in data 18 novembre 1944.

Il Comando del Presidio Militare di Taranto ha comunicato che
il soldato SARACENA Giuseppe è stato denunciato al Tribunale Milita-
re di Guerra di Taranto per il reato di diserzione e sottrazione di
materiali dell'Amministrazione Militare.

p.L'ALTO COMMISSARIO
IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE
(Gen. Vincenzo Dapino)

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WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

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File 1/11/507

29 January 1945

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject : Military Hospital for POWs at Siracusa.

Att 498

1/. Reference your N° 280 Pol/D-2 of 25 January 1945.

2/. Please be assured that as soon as this office is informed of the results of the plan underway for the repatriation of Italian Sanitary Personnel, you will be advised.

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J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IPON Sub-Comm.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW
Military Section

File No.280 Pol/D-2

Rome, 25 January 1945

To : Allied Commission,
ROME

Subject : Military Hospital for POWs at Siracusa.

The Military Command of Sicily (Liaison Office with the British 204th Sub Area) has informed the British District No.3 in answer to the request for the liberation of the POW personnel from the hospital of Siracusa, has communicated to the Command of the 204th Sub Area as follows:

- a) All Italian Sanitary personnel still POWs have been put on ^{an} list and put at disposition of the Command of the F.F.A.A. Allies in Italy who will decide on how to employ them.
- b) At the above mentioned Command they are studying a plan for the repatriation of the Italian Sanitary personnel, who are POWs and the way of satisfying and surmounting the organic difficulties of the various Italian Units; acting groups, Co-operator Groups - (Transport Companies' pioneer groups etc. etc.) groups for the S.I.

I beg this Allied Commission to furnish me with details on this subject.

Thanking you

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER
s/ Gen. Pietro Gazzera

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To I.H.C. 29 Jan

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Roma, 25 gennaio 1945

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*L'Alto Commissario
per i prigionieri di guerra*

UFFICIO MILITARE

N° 28088/P-2 di Prot.

OGGETTO: Ospedale Militare p.d.g. di Siracusa.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

Sottocommissione per i p.d.g.

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Il Comando Militare della Sicilia - Ufficio Collegamento con la 204 Sub Area Britannica - ha comunicato che il Distretto Britannico N° 3 in risposta alle richieste di liberazione del personale dell'Ospedale Militare p.d.g. di Siracusa ha comunicato al Comando 204 Sub Area quanto segue:

- a) = tutto il personale di sanità italiano, ancora p.d.g. è stato riunito in un unico ruolo e messo a disposizione del Comando FF.AA. Alleate in Italia, che ne deciderà l'impiego;
- b) = presso il sopradetto Comando Alleato è allo studio un piano per la ripartizione del personale di sanità italiano p.d.g. in modo da soddisfare le esigenze organiche delle varie unità italiane: reparti operanti, reparti cooperatori ( compagnie trasporti, pionieri, ecc. ), reparti per la S.I. =

Prego codesta Commissione Alleata di voler cortesemente fornire chiarimenti in merito. 4686

Ringrazio sin d'ora.

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO  
(Generale Pietro Gazzera)

*P. Gazzera*

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
G-5 Section  
APO 512

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G-5: 383.6

21 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Release of Italian P.W.s

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to letter RPS/383.6 of 10 July 1944 (believed to have originated in Sicily Region) requesting release of certain Prisoners of War.

2. Instructions for release of the undermentioned were issued in the appropriate quarters in respect of the under mentioned:

|                        |         |             |
|------------------------|---------|-------------|
| PALMERI, Salvatore     | Lt.     | 81-I-48184  |
| TRISTANO, Giuseppe     | Capt.   | 81-I-50157  |
| ALBERTI, Domenico      | Lt.     | 81-I-341828 |
| PANISCALCO, Carlo      | Lt.     | 81-I-47536  |
| BONGIARDINA, Vincenzo  | Capt.   | 81-I-50376  |
| BONANZINGA, Bartolomeo | 2nd Lt. | 81-I-48262  |
| CINISRELLA, Oscar      | 2nd Lt. | 81-I-48334  |
| DUCA, Carmelo          | Pvt.    | 81-I-54168  |
| PATRICOLO, Cesare      | Lt.     | 81-I-50687  |
| CIOFALO, Saverio       | Lt.     | 81-I-14502  |

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It is understood that these subjects have already arrived in Italy.

3. It is notified for information that personnel assigned to Italian P.W. service units in France are necessary for the operation of those units in ETOUSA and cannot be released except for medical reasons.

4. The possibility of exchanging officers in service units in order to meet special requirements of the Italian Government is being explored.

DATE. 24-1-45  
ENTERED ON CARD.

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

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22 JAN 1945

Copy to: G-1.

W. DRIFFIELD-WHITE,  
Major.

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*Sand Forces.*  
Subject:- Repatriation of Protected Personnel. *8219* *(462)*

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

*Amide Pore*  
*Sub Comm*  
CR/3025/G1(Br).

Headquarters,  
Allied Commission.

17 Jan 45.

1. Numerous applications are being received for the repatriation of individual doctors and chaplains held as PW in many parts of the British Empire.
2. With a view to the reduction of the clerical work involved at this and other Headquarters, applications of this nature will in future be considered at this Headquarters and, where necessary, forwarded to other Commands at monthly intervals only. It is therefore requested that any such applications received by you may in future be held pending until the end of each month, when particulars of all cases arising during the month should be submitted together.
3. It is, however, pointed out that under the provisions of the International Convention for "the Amelioration of Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field" all Protected Personnel not required for the care of sick and wounded prisoners of war are repatriable as soon as the military situation permits. There is, therefore, now no prospect of more than a very small number being held surplus and available for repatriation.

HDH/HW.

*as above*  
*Decr*  
A.S. BARSDORF  
Lieut-Colonel, A.A.G., 4684  
for Major General,  
DAG, G.1(Br).

*IPW*  
*1/11*

POLITICAL SECTION, A.C.ROUTING SLIP18/1/45  
(Date)

TO

CHIEF COMMISSIONER

CHIEF OF STAFF

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ECONOMIC SECTION

AIR SUB-COMMISSION

COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION

DISPLACED PERSONS AND

REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

☒ ITALIAN P. of I. SUB-COMMISSION

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PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION

EMILSON DIVISION

CIPHER SECURITY MISSION

FOR Appropriate Action

☒ " Info and Retention/Retention

" Approval and Return

" Comment and Return

See Mr. SCHOTT'S/HOPKINSON'S/  
WILFORD'S Remarks

REMARKS:

Ref: P/394/385

15 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Carabinieri from Switzerland.

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

1. Reference the Ministry's Memorandum No. 6/1107/467 dated 24 November 1944.

2. The appropriate Allied Authorities have decided that the repatriation of the Carabinieri from Switzerland may be effected provided the Swiss Government will agree to their release.

3. It will be for the Swiss authorities to suggest conditions under which the release will be granted and terms of subsequent employment may figure in those conditions.

4. It is considered that the Italian Government should approach the Swiss Government on the question of release.

5. Upon the receipt by Political Section of the information that desirable release has been agreed to, as well as an indication of the conditions thereof, the appropriate Allied Authorities will be requested to execute their agreement to arrange for the repatriation.

For the Chief Commissioner:

WILLIAM W. SCHOTT  
Vice President, Political Section

C-0-I-1

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND  
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMO

IPW/1/11/351

9 January 1945

To: Chief of Staff.

Subject: Repatriation of officers and specialists Prisoners  
of War needed for reconstruction of Italian Army.

Reference attached translation of letter received from  
the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

- 1/. I have spoken to M.M.I.A. who state that they are in agreement and that these specialists are definitely required for duty in connection with the Combat troops of the Italian Army.
- 2/. If you agree that the matter be referred to higher authority I suggest that as the Prisoners of War asked for may have to come from different Theaters that the matter should be discussed with G-1 (A) and G-1 (B) at A.F.H.Q.
- 3/. There are a considerable number of Prisoners of War in India who are not employed and repatriations from that country may be agreed to more readily than from countries where Italian Prisoners of War are being used as co-operators.
- 4/. I also understand from G-1 (A), A.F.H.Q. that there are a number in America they would like to return to Italy.
- 5/. There are a number of problems which will require study and discussion.

*J.A. Campbell*

J.A. CAMPBELL  
Lieut.-Colonel  
Director  
WD & IPW Sub-Com.

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Encl. Ltr No. 16359/Mil  
of 30 Dec 44.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND  
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

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File 1/11/288

23 December 1944

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512, U. S. Army  
Attention G-5 Section.

Subject : Request for repatriation of Italian POW Military  
Chaplains.

See 271

- 1/. Reference our IPW 1/11/177 of 5 December 1944.
- 2/. We are to-day in receipt of CR/3025/G1(Br) of 20 Dec. '44 in which we are informed that there is no record of the Italian Chaplains referred to in NORTH AFRICA as in British custody.
- 3/. It is precisely because we were not sure in whose custody these POWs were held that the enquiry was directed to your office instead of to G-1 (Br) Section.
- 4/. Please forward this request to the British Section of your Headquarters.

For the Chief Commissioner :

CJP

J.A. CAMPBELL  
Lieut.-Colonel  
Director  
Wmd & IPW Sub-Comm.

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War Materials Disposal and  
Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission  
APO 394  
Dec 23 1944  
J.A. Campbell  
Director

SUBJECT:- Italian Protected Personnel.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3025/G1 (Br).

20 Dec 44.

Headquarters,  
Allied Commission.  
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1. Reference your 1/11/47 dated 5 Dec 44.
2. No record is held of the Italian Chaplains referred to in NORTH AFRICA as in British custody. It is thought that the locations given are of French PW Camps.

HHH/wel  
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H.D. HARPER, Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for Major General,  
DAG, G.1 (Br).

H.D. Harper Coll 4680

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND  
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB-COMMISSION

BSA/ep

File 1/11/225

14 December 1944

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject : Request for repatriation of Military Chaplains.

- 1/. Reference your H<sup>o</sup> 15186/I of 24 November, we have to-day been informed by Allied Force Headquarters as follows : "All surplus Italian Protected Personnel in British custody in this theatre have now been repatriated and it is regretted therefore that the application in respect of the Chaplains stated to be at Algiers cannot be considered".
- 2/. We have further been informed that subject to security screening the request for the release of Monsignor TROSSI, will be submitted to East Africa Command".

*CS*  
J.A. CAMPBELL  
Lieut.-Colonel  
Director  
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

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SUBJECT:- Repatriation of Italian Protected Personnel.Headquarters,  
Allied Commission.HEADQUARTERS  
11 DEC 1944

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3025/G1 (Br).

9 Dec 44.

1. Reference is made to your 1/11/176 dated 5 Dec 44.
2. All surplus Italian Protected Personnel in British custody in this theatre have now been repatriated and it is regretted therefore that the application in respect of the Chaplains stated to be at ALGIERS cannot be considered.
3. Subject to security screening, the request for the release of Monsignor TROSSI, will be submitted to East Africa Command.

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H. J. Harper Capt

H. D. HARPER, Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
for Major General,  
DAG, G.1 (Br).

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| DATE: 13/12/44              |
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394, U. S. ARMY  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

File 1/11/179  
5 December 1944

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.  
Subject : Request for the repatriation of 16 Military Chaplains.  
1/. Reference your 15186/1/ of 24 November, the request for the repatriation of the 16 Military Chaplains referred to in your letter, has to-day gone forward to Allied Force Headquarters.  
2/. We will keep your office informed of any subsequent action on this group.

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

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1/. Reference your 15186/1/ of 24 November, the request for the repatriation of the 16 Military Chaplains referred to in your letter, has to-day gone forward to Allied Force Headquarters.

2/. We will keep your office informed of any subsequent action on this group.

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J.A. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel

Director WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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 APO 394, U. S. Army  
 WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

File 1/11/177

5 December 1944

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512, U. S. Army  
 Attention Q-5 Section.

Subject : Request for repatriation of Military Chaplains.

1/. The Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War has forwarded to this office a request from the Ecclesiastic authorities asking the repatriation of the following 7 Italians POWs :

Monsignor TROSSI Giuseppe Camp 352 East Africa Command  
 Lt. Capp. SFRANELLI Francesco Kasba Tadla Morocco  
 Lt. Capp. VENERONI Pietro Tunis  
 Lt. POMPILO Enrico Benghazi ( Algeria )  
 Lt. Capp. ROSSO Giovanni Clauzel  
 Lt. Capp. GHERARDI Nello Carnot  
 Lt. Capp. PAPA Tommaso Archibisporio Algiers.

2/. The High Commissioner for Prisoners of War desires to know if these Chaplains may not now be considered surplus in North Africa, considering that so many sick and wounded Italian POWs have been repatriated from that area.

3/. If the services of these Chaplains are no longer required this Sub Commission urgently recommends their repatriation in order that they may minister to the needs of sick and wounded repatriated Italian POWs.

J. A. CAMPBELL  
 Lt. Colonel

Director WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
 APO 394, U. S. ARMY  
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File 1/11/176

5 December 1944

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512, U. S. Army  
 Attention G-1 (B) Section

Subject : Request for repatriation of Military Chaplains.

1/. The Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of war has forwarded to this office a request from the Ecclesiastical authorities asking the repatriation of the following 6 Italian POWs:

|                             |                              |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Monsignor ROSSI Giuseppe    | 352 Camp East Africa Command |
| Lt. Capp. AZZOCCHI Luigi    | Camp 211 Algiers             |
| Lt. Capp. GIGLIOLI Luigi    | " "                          |
| Lt. Capp. LUCCHINI Pietro   | " 625                        |
| Lt. Capp. PIRAINO Liberale  | " 610                        |
| Lt. Capp. MORVILLO Antonino | " 208                        |

2/. The High Commissioner for Prisoners of war desires to know if these Chaplains may not now be considered surplus in North Africa, considering that so many sick and wounded Italian POWs have been repatriated from that area.

3/. If the services of these Chaplains are no longer required this Sub Commission urgently recommends their repatriation in order that they may minister to the needs of sick and wounded repatriated Italian POWs.

J. A. CAMPBELL  
 Lt. Colonel

Director WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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Copy to : AFHQ, attention G-5 Section.

to this office a request from the Ecclesiastic authorities asking the repatriation of the following:

|                           |                  |          |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------------------|
| Monsignor TROSSI Giuseppe |                  |          | 352 Camp East Africa Command |
| Lt. Capp.                 | AZZOCCHI Luigi   | Camp 211 | Algiers                      |
| Lt. Capp.                 | GIGLIOLI Luigi   | " "      | "                            |
| Lt. Capp.                 | LUCCHEINI Pietro | " "      | 625                          |
| Lt. Capp.                 | PIRAINO Liberele | " "      | 610                          |
| Lt. Capp.                 | MORVILLO Antonio | " "      | 208                          |

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3/. If the services of these Chaplains are no longer required this Sub Commission urgently recommends their repatriation in order that they may minister to the needs of sick and wounded repatriated Italian POWs.

J. A. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel  
Director WND & I2W Sub-Comm.

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Copy to : AFHQ, attention G-5 Section.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

File 1/11/175

5 December 1944

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512 U.S. Army  
Attention G-1 (A) Section.

Subject: Request for repatriation of military Chaplains.

1/. The Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War has forwarded to this office a request from the Ecclesiastic authorities asking the repatriation of the following 4 Italian POWs Chaplains:

|                            |          |      |
|----------------------------|----------|------|
| Ten. Capt. CASTELLI Renato | Camp 131 | Oran |
| Ten. Capt. CARUSO Amedeo   | "        | "    |
| Ten. Capt. GRAFFINO Luigi  | " 176    | "    |
| Ten. Capt. TOSCO Aristide  | " 140    | "    |

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2/. The High Commissioner for Prisoners of War desires to know if these Chaplains may not now be considered surplus in North Africa, considering that so many sick and wounded Italian POWs have been repatriated from that area.

3/. If the services of these Chaplains are no longer required this sub Commission urgently recommends their repatriation in order that they may minister to the needs of sick and wounded repatriated Italian POWs.

J. A. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel  
Director WMD & IPA Sub-Comm.

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Copy to : AFHQ, attention G-5 Section

## HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB-COMMISSION

IPW/1/11/174.

4 December 1944.

To: Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject: Private SARACENA ex. PW NA/T 36381.

1. Further to my letter IPW/11/102 dated 18 November 1944 in relation to the above-named soldier.

2. I have forwarded copies of the correspondence to General Oxilla at the Ministry of War, asking him to deal with the case.

CL  
J.A. CAMPBELL,  
Lieut.-Colonel,  
Director,  
WMD & IPW Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION ON  
AFO 394  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB-COMMISSION

IPW/11/173.

4 December 1944.

To: Ministry of War, Italian Government,  
Rome.

Subject: Private SARACENA ex. PW NA/T 36381.

1. I enclose herewith copies of correspondence in relation to the above-named soldier.
2. This correspondence was forwarded in error to the High Commissioner for PW.
3. Will you please take action with this man as suggested in para. 5 of my letter ref. IPW/11/102.

*CL*

J.A. CAMPBELL,  
Lieut.-Colonel,  
Director,  
W.D. & H.W. Sub-Com.

Encls: 5.

H.C. 70 Sub-Area letter 70SA/116/58/A dated 27 Sept. 44.  
Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/11613 dated 15 Nov. 44.  
W.D. & H.W. Sub-Commission letter IPW/11/102 dated 18 Nov. 44.

do. do. IPW/11/173 dated 4 Dec. 44.  
Italian High Commissioner for PW letter 15275/502.1 dated 28 Nov. 44.

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Subject: Private SARACENA ex. PW NA/T 36561.

1. I enclose herewith copies of correspondence in relation to the above-named soldier.
2. This correspondence was forwarded in error to the High Commissioner for PW.
3. Will you please take action with this man as suggested in para. 5 of my letter ref. IFW/11/102.

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J.A. CAMPBELL,  
Lieut.-Colonel,  
Director,  
WFO & IAW Sub-Com.

Encs: 5.

H.Q. 70 Sub-Area letter 70SA/118/50/A dated 27 Sept. 44.  
Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/11613 dated 15 Nov. 44.  
WFO & IAW Sub-Commission letter IFW/11/102 dated 18 Nov. 44.  
do. do. IFW/11/174 dated 4 Dec. 44.

Italian High Commissioner for PW letter 1527/Sec.1 dated 28 Nov 44 672

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*See 101, 102, 169, 174*

COPY

Subject: Ex PW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

70SA/II8/58/A

OC Transient Camp. CATANIA.

1. Reference conversations Captain Holland - Captain Macgregor and attache correspondence relating to the above-named Italian ex POW, which is returned herewith.
2. As a result of further enquiries it appears that he was on of a party of POW sent from 212 POW Camp to TARANTO as a volunteer for work in the Naval Dockyard; for which purpose he was released from POW states.
3. Soon after his arrival at TARANTO he absented himself (approx 25 June 44) to visit relatives in Sicily, and having done so surrendered himself to the Italian Military Police on 9 Sept. 44.
4. He should now be released from close arrest and arrangements made in conjunction with HQ Movements Sicily for his return as early as possible to TARANTO where he should be instructed to report to the Officer in charge of the Naval Dockyard.

Sgd.....

Major  
DAA & QMG  
HQ 70 SubArea.

in the field.  
27.9.44

Copies to: HQ Movements SICILY  
MOIC Naval Dockyard TARANTO

EX POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA

(DAA & QMG 70 Sub Area's letter No. 70SA/II8/58/A  
of 27th September 1944).

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OFFICER TARANTO & ADRIATIC, LIAISON ITALY (ROME)  
Copy to: - MARINARSEN, TARANTO).

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Submitted for such action as you may consider necessary.  
Taranto, 7th October 1944

for

F.K. Woolcover  
Commodore Superintendent.

## HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/11618

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC  
To : War Materials Disposal & Italian PW Sub-Commission,  
Hq, AC.

Subject: Ex POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

1. A copy of DAA & QMG HQ 70 SubArea letter 7OSA/118/58/A of 27 September 1944 and Commodore Superintendent, Taranto 2nd Endorsement No. 3/B/932 of 7 October 1944 in connection with the subject Ex POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA is forwarded herewith for appropriate action in the event it is determined to take disciplinary action on account of his unauthorized absence from the Naval Dockyard, Taranto.

H. W. ZIROLI  
Commodore, U.S. Navy  
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.

Copy to:  
Commodore Supt. TARANTO  
DAA & QMG HQ 70 Sub Area  
O/C, Transient Camp, Catania.

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5 DEC 1944

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 594, U. S. Army  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

BEA/ep

File 1/11/171

4 December 1944

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512 U. S. Army  
Attention G-1 (A) Section.

Subject : Request for issue of specialist certificates to Italian  
POW Doctors. *enc 164*

- 1/. The Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of war has forwarded to us a request from Doct. H. W. de Salis, Delegate in Italy of the International Red Cross Committee, asking that the present procedure for issuing specialist certificates to Italian POWs Doctors in India be extended to other areas where Italian POWs are now held in custody.
- 2/. A copy of Doct. de Salis's letter is enclosed.
- 3/. May we please have an expression of opinion from you on this proposal so we may forward it to the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of war.

*CLP*  
J. A. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel  
Director WMD & IPW Sub-Comm.

Copy to : AFHQ attention G-1 (B) Section.

Enclosures : 1 copy of letter from Doct. de Salis.

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An/ne

Rome, November 28th 1944

High Commissioner for PW  
Military Office

File No. 15275/Sez.I

Subject: Private Saracena ex PW NA/T 36381

To : Allied Commission IPW Sub Commission Rome

Reference letter IPW/11/102, dated November 18th 1944.

I beg you to let me know what kind of duty Private  
Saracena had to perform according to his repatriation.

We asked about it to Military Garrison Command in  
Taranto so that we would be able to take the necessary pre-  
cautions for the above-mentioned private whose repatriation  
was unknown to us.

for the High Commissioner  
The General Secretary  
General Vincenzo Dapino

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See 101, 102, 173, 174.

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An/Be

Roma, 28 novembre 1944

*L'Alto Commissario*

*per i prigionieri di guerra*

15275

UFF. MIL. N. Sez. I<sup>a</sup>

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA  
Sottocommissione p. di G.

ROMA

OGGETTO: ex p. di G. NA/T 36381 sold. SARACENA.

RIFERIMENTO foglio IPW/11/102 del 18 volg. mese.

Si prega di voler comunicare quale incarico il soldato SARACENA doveva assumere in dipendenza alla sua liberazione dalla prigionia.

Sono state chieste informazioni al Comando Militare di Presidio di Taranto in merito a quanto segnalato per poter adottare i richiesti provvedimenti nei confronti del su citato militare, del cui rientro non si aveva ancora avuto notizia.

per l'Alto Commissario  
il Segretario Generale  
(Generale Vincenzo Dapino)

*[Handwritten signature]*

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW

Rome, 24 November 1944

File No. 1989/Pol/O.9

To : AC. ROME

Subject : Release of medical certificates to PW

The Red Cross International Committee has informed us that the proposal made by its delegate in India to the British Authorities in India, to release to all the Italian doctors PW who have given for more than one year their help as specialists in the Hospitals for PW, a certificate testifying their activity, has been well accepted and will be soon realized.

This certificate will allow the above doctors to obtain a title as specialist after their repatriation.

I beg the Allied Commission to inform the superior Authorities of this proposal and recommend them to adopt this provision in favor of the specialist doctors still detained as PW in the Camp and Hospitals of the United Nations.

I thank you.

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
s/Gen. Pietro Gazzera

Inclosed a copy of the communication sent from the International Red Cross.

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RED CROSS INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

General Direction of the Delegation in Italy

Rome, 7 October 1944

To : ITALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW, Piazza Indipendenza 6 - Rome  
 RED CROSS, PW OFFICE, Via Puglia 6 - Rome

Subject : Note of Geneva about release of certificates to doctors PW

Our Delegation in India having stated that many Italian doctors had acquired a good experience with their activity as specialists in PW hospitals, has advised the interested Authorities to release to all the doctors who have been working for more than one year, a certificate showing the activity done. This certificate will allow them to obtain a title as specialist after their repatriation.

Our Delegation informs us that the suggestion, of particular interest for the above doctors, has been well accepted and will be soon realized in India.

Our Delegation has also prepared that these certificates will be made in 3 copies, signed by the S.M.C. doctor or by another doctor, if possible a specialist, both Italian, and eventually by the S.M.C. doctor or by a third Italian doctor.

To the concerned doctor will be given the original certificate, one copy will remain to the Italian S.M.C. Doctor, the third copy will be sent to the Delegation to be transmitted to the Sanitary Service. The certificates concerning doctors who have been transferred from India to some other place, will be forwarded to them.

As this proposal is of undoubted advantage for a great number of doctors who were prisoners for many years, we beg you to let it know to the Authorities with which you are in contact, recommending to adopt this provision in favor of the doctors specialists whom they detain.

s/ Doct. H.M. de Salis

Chief of Delegation in Italy of ICRC

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L'Alto Commissario  
per i prigionieri di guerra

Roma 24 novembre 1944

N. 1989 prot/Pol. /C-9

Oggetto : Rilascio di certificati medici a prigionieri di guerra

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

R O M A

Il Comitato Internazionale della Croce Rossa ha comunicato che la proposta avanzata <sup>del suo delegato indiano</sup> alle Autorità Britanniche in India di rilasciare, a tutti i medici italiani prigionieri di guerra che hanno prestato per più di un anno la loro opera come specialisti negli ospedali per prigionieri di guerra, un certificato attestante l'attività svolta, è stato bene accolto e troverà una pronta realizzazione.

Tale certificato permetterà ai predetti medici di ottenere un titolo di specialista dopo il loro rimpatrio.

Si prega codesta Commissione Alleata di voler portare tale proposta a conoscenza delle Superiori Autorità raccomandando di adottare questo provvedimento in favore di medici specialisti tuttora detenuti qui tra i prigionieri di guerra nei vari campi e negli ospedali dei prigionieri di guerra delle Nazioni Unite.

Si ringrazia.

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO  
(Generale Pietro Gazzera)

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N.B. - Per chiarezza si unisce copia della comunicazione pervenuta dalla Croce Rossa Internazionale.

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## COMITE INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX ROUGE

Direction Générale des Délégation en Italie

Réf : S/Ro/175/mg.

Rome, le 7 ottobre 1944

ALTO COMMISSARIATO PER I PRIGIONIERI DI GUERRA  
Piazza Indipendenza, 6R O M AUFFICIO PRIGIONIERI CROCE ROSSA ITALIANA  
Via Puglie, 6R O M A

OGGETTO : Nota di Ginevra in merito a rilascio di certificati a medici prigionieri.

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"La nostra Delegazione in India avendo constatato come numerosi medici italiani avevano acquistato una buona esperienza grazie alla loro attività come specialisti negli ospedali di prigionieri di guerra, ha consigliato le Autorità interessate che a tutti questi medici che abbiano esercitato più ~~più~~ di un anno, venga rilasciato un certificato attestante l'attività svolta. Tale certificato permetterà loro di ottenere un titolo di specialista dopo il loro rimpatrio.

La nostra Delegazione ~~del rimpatrio~~ ci comunica che questo suggerimento, di particolare interesse per i detti medici, è stato bene accolto e troverà una pronta realizzazione in India.

La nostra Delegazione ha proposto inoltre che tali certificati vengano compilati in tre copie conformi, firmate dal medico primario e da altro medico, di preferenza specialista, ambedue italiani, e eventualmente dal primario inglese o da un terzo sanitario italiano.

Al medico interessato verrà rilasciato il certificato originale; una copia resterà nelle mani del primario italiano, mentre un'altra copia verrà rimessa alla Delegazione per essere trasmessa al Servizio Sanitario. I certificati destinati a medici che siano stati trasferiti dall'India altrove, saranno spediti agli interessati.

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Essendo tale proposta di indiscutibile interesse per un gran numero di medici che si trovano prigionieri da diversi anni, Vi preghiamo di portarla a conoscenza delle Autorità con le quali siete in rapporti, raccomandando di adottare questo provvedimento in favore di medici specialisti che esse detengono".

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F.to Dott. H.W. de Salis

Capo delle Delegazioni in Italia del  
C. I. C. R.

Mr. H. W. de Salis  
Chief of the Delegations in Italy  
of the C. I. C. R.  
Rome, Italy  
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1 December 1944

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WMD & IPW SUB. COMM.

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO  
CWO, U.S.A.  
Asst. Adjutant

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW  
Military Office

ROME, 30 Nov. 1944

TO: Allied Commission, Rome.

File No. 15322

Subject: Repatriation of PW from Middle East.

Reference your letter No. 1/11/143 dated 28 November  
1944.

We accept the repatriation of the six soldiers of the  
Italian Royal Air Force <sup>mentioned</sup> ~~as~~ in the letter to which we answer.

THE GENERAL SECRETARY

sgd. (Gen. Vincenzo Dapino)

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Room 24

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Ref. 997/36/008

Tel. 478808

29 November 1944

SUBJECT: Signora FELICI.

Tm MARIO FELICI

TO : Col. Charles ROBERTI,  
Regional Commissioner,  
Lazio-Umbria Region.

1. Reference your PW/593 of 15 Nov and PW/418 of 21 Nov (Public Welfare) Signora FELICI's letter has been transmitted to her husband by official channels through the P/W Sub Commission.
2. With regard to Dr. Felici's repatriation, it is possible to ask for him to be repatriated as a doctor provided a special request is made for him to fill a specific appointment in Italy in connection with the war effort. The request for his repatriation should come through the Italian U.C. for P.W. and should not be made to this office unless he is required for a special job in connection with A.C. activities. I.P.W. co-operators who are fully employed in connection with the war effort in another theatre will not be repatriated under ordinary circumstances.
3. In connection with an allowance for his wife all I.P.W. co-operators in British hands can now make allotments to their families in Italy.
4. To implement paragraph 2 of Major Stewart's letter to you of 12 September I would be pleased if you would inform the Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer of the British Military Administration, Tripolitania with regards to this position.

H. Nassim Khan

Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

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Copy to: PW &amp; IPW Sub Commission. ✓

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW  
Military Office

File No. 15186/1/

Rome, 24 November 1944

To : IPW S/C, A.C.-- ROME

Subject : Request for repatriation of Military Chaplains.

The Ecclesiastic Authorities ask this High Commission to take an interest in the repatriation of 15 Military Chaplains, whose names are on the inclosed list.

I beg the Allied Commission to kindly examine this request, considering that the Military Authorities also are very interested in this matter.

In consequence of the decrease in the number of PW in all the camps in North Africa after the repatriation of sick Italian soldiers, and the dissolving of many hospitals, the above mentioned Military Chaplains appear to be surplus.

May I, at this time, call to your attention the possibility of repatriation of Chaplain Inspector Mons. Giuseppe Trossi, PW No. 64705 - Camp 352 - East Africa Command - taken as a prisoner in A.C.I. (Italian East Africa), who is more than 50 years old and is in poor health.

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
s/ General Pietro Gazzera

A list is inclosed.

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*L'Alto Commissario  
per i prigionieri di guerra*

Roma 11 24 Novembre 1944

UFFICIO MILITARE

N° 15186 /I~/

OGGETTO : Richiesta rimpatrio di cappellani militari.

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

Sottocommissione per i Prigionieri  
di Guerra

R O M A

A seguito di vive premure rivolte a questo Alto Commissariato dalle Autorità ecclesiastiche si richiede il rimpatrio dei 15 cappellani di cui all'allegato elenco.

Si prega codesta Commissione di esaminare benevolmente la richiesta che è anche caldeggiata dalle Autorità Militari.

In conseguenza del diminuito numero di p. di g. nei vari campi del Nord Africa a seguito degli avvenuti rimpatri di militari italiani in gruppi di ammalati e dello scioglimento di numerosi ospedali, i cappellani indicati nell'elenco allegato risulterebbero esuberanti alle necessità attuali.

Con l'occasione prego di prendere in benevolo esame la possibilità di un sollecito rimpatrio del Cappellano Ispettore Mons. Giuseppe TROSSI - P.O.W. n° 64705 - Campo 352 - East Africa Command - fatto prigioniero in A.O.I., che ha oltrepassato i 50 anni di età, ed è in cattive condizioni di salute.

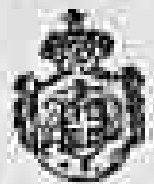
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(Generale Pietro Gazzera)

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Allegato : 1 elenco.

*Aut. inv. 11/11/44*

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Roma 11 30 novembre 1944

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L'Alto Commissario  
per i prigionieri di guerra  
UFFICIO MILITARE

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

ROMA  
-----No 15322 Prot. I<sup>a</sup>

OGGETTO: Rimpatrio di prigionieri dal Medio Oriente.

Riferimento foglio 1/11/43 del 28 corrente.

Si accetta il rimpatrio dei sei militari della Regia Aeronautica indicati nel foglio al quale si risponde.

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE  
(Generale Vincenzo Depino)

*Depino**see 143*

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Col. Campbell spoke with Col.  
Gripps, Civil Affairs Section re  
entire matter of judicial <sup>appeal</sup> ~~appeal~~ <sup>appeals</sup>,  
Col. Campbell asked that Major  
Palmieri write us an urgent  
~~matter~~ letter for presentation by  
Col. Campbell to AFHQ.

30 Nov. 44

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

BSA/ep

File 1/11/145

28 November 1944

To : Air Forces Sub Commission, A. C. ,HQ.  
Attention S/LDR. J.WALTON

Subject : Request for the repatriation of six Italian AF POWs.

1/. Reference your AFSC/R/901/2/P4 of the 23rd. November 1944,  
we have to-day initiated action for the repatriation of  
the six members of the Italian Air Force referred to in  
your letter.

*see 142-143**CSB*

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

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

BSA/ep

File 1/11/143

28 November 1944

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject : Request for the repatriation of Italian Air Force POWs.

- 1/. We are in receipt of a request for the repatriation of the following six members of the Italian Air Force, now in the Mid East : <sup>see 142</sup>

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Lt. Pilot TROIANO Antonio          | Camp N° 310 |
| 1° Aviere Arm. FRONTEDDI Antonio   | " " "       |
| 1° Aviere Mont. BLANGIARDO Alfonso | " " "       |
| 1° Aviere Gov. DE VITO Nunziante   | " " "       |
| Aviere Scelto FIORIN Elio          | " " "       |
| Aviere Gov. GROSSI Amerindo        | " " "       |

- 2/. If we do not hear to the contrary from you within the next five days we will assume that the Italian Government will accept the repatriation of this group.

CJP.

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

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C. Rome  
 To : War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners of War Sub Comm.  
 Date : 23rd November 1944  
 Ref. 1 AFSC/R/901/2/24.

IAF PRISONERS OF WAR

see 143-145

Enclosed herewith copy of translation of letter 13533/969/  
 /Coll, dated 21st November 1944, received from the Italian Air  
 Ministry, for information and necessary action.

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 from G.I.B.  
 action 1/17 589

*J. Walton*

25 J. WALTON, S/LDR,  
 ALM VICE MARSHAL,

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AIR VICE MARSHAL,

AIR OFFICER COMMANDING.

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*Carda done 27/11/44*

FROM : ITALIAN AIR MINISTRY

TO : AFSC A.C. ROME

REF. : 13533/969 Coll

DATE : 21 NOV. 1944

I.A.F. MILITARY PERSONNEL INTERNEES IN N. 310 P.O.W. CAMP.

Lt Pilot Troiano Antonio escaped by Lero, on the 16th Nov. 1943 with an hydroambulance, was captured in the sea and reft in the Coo Castle by the Germans, escaped again from there, reached Turkish territory, the 7th May 1944, after many vicissitudes, then reached Siria where he presented himself to the British Command of Aleppo, and was sent to N° 310 P.O.W. Camp where he is still at present.

2. In the same Camp are the following personnel who reached Siria from the Aegean isles, through Turkish territory:

1° Aviere Armiero PRONTEDDIN Antonio

1° Aviere Montatore BLANGUARDO Alfonso

1° Aviere Governo DE VITO Nunziante

Av. Scelto TROIANI NINO

Aviere Governo GROSSI Amerindo

3. Your Sub-Commission is kindly requested to take an action in order to obtain their liberation.

d'ordine

P. II. CAPO DI GABINETTO t.a.

L'UFFICIALE SUPERIORE ADETTO

(T.Col. A. Cassinotto)

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the Coo Castle by the Germans, escaped again from there, reached Turkish territory, the 7th May 1944, after many vicissitudes, then reached Siria where he presented himself to the British Command of Aleppo, and was sent to N° 110 P.O.W. Camp where he is still at present.

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(T.Col. A. Cassinerio)

*Alle*

Per l'Ufficio di Gabinetto  
 L'UFFICIALE SUPERIORE ADDETTO  
 (T.Col. A. Cassinerio)

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## HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394, U.S. ARMY

WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

IW/102

18 November 1944

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject: IN 20 IG/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

- 1/. The above IN was released from 242 IW Camp during June 1944 for special work in Toronto Dockyard.
- 2/. Upon after his arrival he absented himself to visit relatives in Sicily and only surrendered himself to the Italian Military Police on September 24th 1944.
- 3/. It was stated very clearly that when IN were repatriated to fill special appointments that steps should be taken to see that those IN did not actually comply with the terms of repatriation.
- 4/. You will understand that if IN who are repatriated to fill certain appointments behave in this manner it will be extremely difficult to make other repatriations under similar conditions.
- 5/. It is therefore suggested that very strong action be taken in regard to the disobedience of this particular IN.

C.D.

J.A. GARDNER

Lt. Colonel

Director WD &amp; IW Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1161B

15 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.  
To : War Materials Disposal & Italian  
PW Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.  
Subject: Ex POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

1. A copy of DAA & JMG HQ 70 Subarea letter 70SA/118/53/A of 27 September 1944 and Commodore Superintendent, Taranto 2nd Endorsement No. 3/3/932 of 7 October 1944 in connection with the subject Ex POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA is forwarded herewith for appropriate action in the event it is determined to take disciplinary action on account of his unauthorized absence from the Naval Dockyard, Taranto.

*H. W. Ziroli*  
H. W. ZIROLI,  
Commodore, U. S. Navy,  
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.

Copy to:  
Commodore Supt., Taranto  
DAA & JMG HQ 70 Subarea  
O/C, Transient Camp, Catania.

ref. 102

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Ziroli N.

COPYSubject: EX POW NA/T 36381 Sold SARACENA.

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708A/118/58/A.OC Transient Camp, CATANIA

1. Reference conversations Captain Holland - Captain Macgregor and attache correspondence relating to the above-named Italian ex POW, which is returned herewith.

2. As a result of further enquiries it appears that he was one of a party of POW sent from 212 POW Camp to TARANTO as a volunteer for work in the Naval Dockyard; for which purpose he was released from POW status.

Soon after his arrival at TARANTO he absented himself (approx 25 June 44) to visit relatives in Sicily, and having done so surrendered himself to the Italian Military Police on 9 Sept 44.

3. He should now be released from close arrest and arrangements made in conjunction with H. Movements Sicily for his return as early as possible to TARANTO where he should be instructed to report to the Officer in charge of the Naval Dockyard.

Sgd. ....

Major,  
DAA & JIG  
HQ 70 Subarea.

In the Field.  
27.9.44

Copies to:- H. Movements SICILY.  
NOIC Naval Dockyard TARANTO.

EX POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

(DAA & JIG 70 Sub Area's letter No. 708A/118/58/A  
of 27th September, 1944)

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OFFICER TARANTO & ADRIATIC, LIAISON ITALY (ROME).  
py to:-MARINARSEN, TARANTO).  
(over)

**SUBJECT:--Release of Italian Prisoners of War for Service  
under the Italian Government.**

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Headquarters,  
Allied Control Commission.

OR/3821/G1(Dr)

7 Oct 44

1. The present procedure, under which applications come from several sources, has proved unsatisfactory for the following reasons:

- (a) Where a prisoner of war's services are requested by more than one authority, it is difficult to assess which request should have priority.
- (b) There have been allegations that prisoners of war released are not being employed on the tasks for which their release was requested.
- (c) Requests are now reaching this Headquarters from private industrial concerns in ITALY.

2. It has therefore been decided that no releases will be authorised by this Headquarters unless they have your prior approval.

3. Those requests coming from the Italian Naval Mission in ALGIERS may be regarded as somewhat exceptional, as they are often required to provide at short notice seamen to complete crews on ships working for the British Ministry of War Transport. A pool of suitable approved personnel is retained for release to them at short notice. Nominal rolls in duplicate of all such personnel will therefore be submitted to this Headquarters: one copy will be forwarded to you for prior approval. They will show besides name, rank, and number of each man, whose release is requested, particulars of trade qualifications and the job he is required to fill. To prevent any interruption in the present system of releases for urgent requirements at short notice, all such releases taking place within one calendar month from the date of this directive will be authorised without your prior concurrence, but nominal rolls submitted will be forwarded for your information.

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A.S. BARSDORF, Lt. Col., A.A.G.,  
for Major General

*admitted h.c.*

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for Major General,  
DAG, C.I.(Br).

Copy to: Headquarters, North Africa District (2)  
No. 2 District.  
No. 3 District.

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Naval Liaison Officer (Italian) (3)  
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,  
Air Force Sub-Commission.

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DAG, G.I.(Br).

Copy to: Headquarters, North Africa District (2)  
No. 2 District.  
No. 3 District.

G.5.  
Naval Liaison Officer (Italian) (3)  
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission.  
Air Force Sub-Commission.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR IW

3 October 1944

No. 8049/MIL/I

TO: A.C.C., Rome

Subject: Repatriation of sanitary personnel.

Many of the families of the Italian Prisoners of War belonging to the Sanitary Personnel, officers, non-commissioned officers and soldiers, ask with insistence for the repatriation of their relations.

According to the agreements made between the Royal Italian Government and the British one (Verbal Note of the Embassy of the U.S.A., No. 2020 of March 13th 1941, Verbal Note of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 31.08099-33 of April 14th 1941, Verbal Note of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 31.08767-39 of April 23rd 1941, Verbal Note of the Embassy of the U.S.A. No. 2230 of June 4th 1941, Verbal Note of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs No. 31.13923-56 of June 25th 1941), this Italian High Commission is of the opinion that the necessary number of doctors and sanitary personnel should remain with the Prisoners of War so as to assure the sanitary service to the Camps, to the Labour-Units and to the Hospitals where Italian Prisoners of War are recovered.

In those camps where there is superfluous number of doctors and sanitary personnel (f.i. India) this High Commissioner begs the A.C.C. to have the superfluous personnel repatriated.

For the doctors-officers we would prefer to have them repatriated with the preference to:

- The age.
- The length of captivity.
- The particular situation of the family.
- The condition of health.

Thanking you beforehand while waiting for a courteous answer

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
General Pietro GAZZERA

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*Appointed from  
10th 10th 1944*

10th 10th 1944

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PW

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*L'Alto Commissario  
per i prigionieri di guerra*

Roma, li 3 ottobre 1944

N° 8049/Mil./I

OGGETTO : Rimpatrio personale sanitario.  
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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

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Molte famiglie di p.g.italiani appartenenti al personale sanitario, ufficiali sottufficiali e soldati, chiedono con insistenza il rimpatrio dei loro congiunti.

Giusta gli accordi a suo tempo intervenuti tra il R. Governo italiano e quello britannico (Nota verbale dell'Ambasciata S.U.d'America n.2020 del 13.3.1941, nota verbale del Ministero Affari Esteri n.31.08099-33 del 14.4.1941, nota verbale del Ministero Affari Esteri n. 31.08767-39 del 23.4.1941, nota verbale dell'Ambasciata degli S.U. d'America n.2230 del 4.6.1941, nota verbale del Ministero Affari Esteri n. 31.13923-56 del 25.6.1941) questo Alto Commissariato è del parere che con i p.g. debba rimanere quel numero di medici e personale sanitario necessario e sufficiente per assicurare il servizio nei campi, presso i reparti di lavoro e negli ospedali ove sono rivoterati i p.g.italiani.

Per quelle località ove si riscontra un numero di medici e di personale sanitario esuberante (esempio India) questo Alto Commissariato rivolge preghiera a codesta Commissione Alleata affinché il personale superfluo venga ammesso al rimpatrio.

Si prega di voler considerare titoli di preferenza per il rimpatrio per gli ufficiali medici :

- l'età;
- l'anzianità di prigionia;
- le situazioni particolari di famiglia;
- le condizioni di salute.

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Nel ringraziare si resta in attesa di un sortese cenno di riscontro in merito.

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO  
(Generale Pietro Gazzera)

*P. Gazzera*

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
G-5 Section  
APO 512

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G-5: 383.6-2

21 August 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian POW with Special qualifications.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

1. Your letter of 17 July on the above subject (A/CC 091.1) is recalled. *Encl 8*

2. It is agreed that the procedure whereby you will send here lists of individuals desired should be followed. It is of course to be understood that military considerations are paramount and personnel required for POW service or administrative units who cannot be replaced by other prisoners of war will not be released. *see*

3. G1(B) and G1(A) here were asked some time ago to make a survey of prisoners with legal qualifications. Replies have now been received from G1(A) so far as Atlantic Base Section and Mediterranean Base Section are concerned and copy letter of 30 July from ABS and copy list supplied from MBS are attached in duplicate. Will you please say which of the personnel there listed you would like to be repatriated. It will be seen that the following on your list of 26 July are included in the MBS list as available for repatriation and G1(A) are being asked to arrange this:-

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| NOBILE   | Ettore ✓    |
| SCUDERI  | Giuseppe ✓  |
| VEUTRO   | Vittorio ✓  |
| Scibilia | Salvatore ✓ |
| Tolomeo  | Paolo ✓     |
| Occello  | Ignazio ✓   |
| Randi    | Michale ✓   |

*Encl 12 see 11a*

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

Incls:  
as above



*T. B. Jackman*  
Lt. Colonel

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HEADQUARTERS, AFS,  
OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL,  
APO 750

30 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Release of Italian PW for Appointment to Judicial Offices.

TO : Provost Marshal General, SOS MATOUSA, APO 750, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with letter, your headquarters, dated 17 July 1944, above subject, the following named Italian Service Personnel in this Area Section appear to have qualifications for judicial offices:

CAPT. FISCARELLI, GASTANO, 81-1-50404 6000 Military Police Co.  
Judge, Grade 6.

CAPT. ACCIARDI, JAMBO SERRAVALLO 81-1-50919 Hq & Hq Service Co., 7006  
Sgt. Bn. -  
Assistant Judge.

TECH. AMISTANI, ELIO, 81-1-51161 Hq & Hq Service Co.,  
7203 Engr GS Sect.  
Assistant Judge.

TECH. BICCOLIATO, SALVATORE, 81-1-89645 Co. B, 7201 Port Bn.  
Assistant Judge.

TECH. TIVONE, GIANFRANCO, 81-1-51367 Hq & Hq Service Co.,  
7006 Engr Bn.  
Assistant Judge.

2. All are available for release.

For the Provost Marshal:

/s/ CHARLES E. KENNEDY,  
/t/ CHARLES E. KENNEDY,  
Captain, GS,  
I/N Division.

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| Name                    | SSN        | Unit     | Rank   | Home address                                                | Post in which qualified                                                                 |
|-------------------------|------------|----------|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Elletti Paolo           | 81-1-51488 | Co D 684 | S.Ten. | Via Silvio 34<br>Pisticci (Matera)                          | Uditore giudiziario<br>Tribunale-Regoli                                                 |
| Bruno Santi Giuseppe    | 81-1-51601 | Co D 634 | Ten.   | S. Caterina Viller-<br>mosa (Coltannaselle)<br>Via Dante 32 | Segretario R. Procura<br>Grado X                                                        |
| Andazzo Alessandro      | 81-1-50626 | Co D 684 | Ten.   | Catania-Via Battisti-Primo Cancelliere diri-<br>N. 3        | gante-Grado IX                                                                          |
| Iaccoppelli Tiziano     | 81-1-51269 | Co D 634 | S.Ten. | Genova (Roma) Cor-<br>no V. Emanuele 74                     | Cancelliere Grado III                                                                   |
| Marcolle Luigi          | 81-1-50713 | Co A 684 | S.Ten. | Catania-Via Giuseppe<br>po Verdi 67                         | Giudice Aggiunto Tribu-<br>nale Catania Grado IV                                        |
| Scipilia Salvatore      | 81-1-50463 | Co E 754 | Capt.  | Avola (Siracusa)<br>Via V. Emanuele 110                     | Protono dirigente Posia<br>Protona S. Teresa di Nive<br>(Messina) Grado VII             |
| Gennaro Salvatore       | 81-1-50676 | Co B 754 | Capt.  | Marsala (Trapani)<br>Via Salomone<br>Isola 97               | Protono Cancelliere diri-<br>gente P. Procura Maxara<br>del Vello (Trapani)<br>Grado IX |
| Tolomei Paolo           | 81-1-50492 | Co C 724 | Capt.  | Reggio Via Dante 52                                         | Cancelliere Capo Tribunale<br>la Ragusa Grado VIII                                      |
| Ciavillaro E. suo Paolo | 81-1-50758 | Co E 754 | S.Ten. | Palermo Piazza C. Gio-<br>vanni 29                          | Uditore giudiziario Pe-<br>luso Grado X                                                 |
| Tramonte Stefano        | 81-1-51392 | Co A 724 | Ten.   | Barl Via Principel<br>Anedea 53                             | Vice Protono P. Procura<br>Barl Grado IV                                                |

| Name                | ISM        | Unit                | Rank    | Home Address                                                | Position which qualified                                                            |
|---------------------|------------|---------------------|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Marino Giovanni     | 81-I-50572 | Co A 78n            | Ten.    | Catolico Franco                                             | Primo Viceconsole di Vi-<br>monte 2. Procura Catolico<br>ca Escalor Grado IX        |
| Randi Michele       | 81-I-50569 | Co A 78n            | Ten.    | Palermo Via Niceto<br>Gerardi 25                            | Segretario di Tribunale<br>Militare Grado X                                         |
| Occhio Ignazio      | 81-I-50574 | Co A 68n            | Ten.    | Palermo Via Cardina-Garcelliere Tribunale<br>la Toscana 21  | Militare Palermo Grado X                                                            |
| Nigido Alfonso      | 81-I-50564 | Co B 68n            | S. Ten. | Via del Mulo Torre Sostituto Avvocato di<br>Piero (Messina) | Stato di Seconda classe<br>Grado VII                                                |
| Landi Guido         | 81-I-50585 | Co F 68n            | Ten.    | Perli Via Capucini<br>ni 72                                 | Sostituto Avvocato di<br>Stato di seconda classe<br>Grado VII                       |
| Monaco Aldo         | 81-I-40748 | 7117 288n<br>Co P1. | Ten.    | Roma Via Peruvia 1                                          | Uditore Giudiziario T. I.<br>onale di Roma Grado X                                  |
| Soudari Giuseppe    | 81-I-50468 | Ital Tr Bn          | Capt.   | Termini Imerese<br>Palermo 6 Via S<br>Francesco             | Judge (Giudice presso il<br>Tribunale civile)                                       |
| Mauro, Vittorio     | 81-I-55231 | Ital Tr Bn          | Capt.   | Viaccia 30 Via<br>Vittorio Emanuele                         | Judicial Clerk<br>Sostituto Procuratore militare<br>di 3 class                      |
| Mortolan, Antonio   | 81-I-48974 | 7004 Adm Co         | 1st Lt. | Venezia 1145 Via<br>S. Silvestro                            | Judicial Clerk (Segretario<br>Procura Generale del Re<br>Corte di Appello) Grade II |
| Modile, Ettore      | 81-I-50407 | Co D 7024 Bn        | Capt.   | Via G. Sinisi 1.<br>Palermo                                 | Judge - grade 7                                                                     |
| Lombardo, Salvatore | 81-I-50252 | 7015 Base Dep<br>Co | 2nd Lt. | Via Pte. P. P. P.<br>ta Comiso (Messina)                    |                                                                                     |

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| Name              | ISH         | Unit                    | Rank    | Home address                                       | Position in which qualified                                                                                    |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Enrico Centorella | 81-1-51085  | 7007th Eng Bn 1st Lt.   |         | Pinerolo (Torino)<br>Piazza Vittorio<br>Veneto n.5 | Assistant Judges - Pinerolo                                                                                    |
| Enrico Mosca      | 81-1-302492 | 7007th Eng Bn 5th.      |         | Murce (Fari)<br>Via S. Giovanni<br>N. 16 Pinerolo  | Judicial Clerk (Grade II)<br>Villa del Nuovo (Rome)                                                            |
| Aleone Corti      | 81-1-43320  | Has Co 76th<br>Port Bn  | 2nd Lt. | Palermo Via<br>Calderai 5                          | Judicial Clerk Grade II                                                                                        |
| Tripepi Silvio    | 81-1-46429  | 7004 Port Bn            | 1st Lt. | Rossio Calabria Via<br>del Pittagori 6             | Assistant Judge (Vice Pretore)<br>in Italian Judiciary system.                                                 |
| Pascoli, Bruno    | 81-1-40121  | 7302 Q' Serv<br>Bn      | 1st Lt. | Perugia Corso<br>Vittorio Emanuele III<br>49       | Vice-Procuratore della<br>Pretura di Montona (Circondario<br>di Casodistria, Corte d'Ap-<br>pello di Trieste). |
| Falco Luigi       | 81-1-49110  | 30 D 76th Q' Serv<br>Bn | 1st Lt. | Roma, Naples.                                      | Assistant Judge in Cassino                                                                                     |

H.Q. ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

ASC/1/11/10

22 July 1944

To: High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject: Request for employees of various State Administrations who are at present Prisoners of War.

Reference your 1146/Mil/C.2 dated 29 June 1944. *Encl 2a*

- 1/. Permission has now been given to submit lists of Prisoners of War for repatriation who are required to fill appointments as ~~under~~, in State Departments, such as,-

Civil Service  
Treasury  
Banking institutions  
Law Courts.

*See Encl 8*

- 2/. I have informed Allied Force Headquarters of my intention to forward three lists of two hundred names to include Civil Servants of all grades down to 8 or 9 and I shall therefore be pleased - if you are in accord with this procedure - if you will forward me the first list of two hundred names as early as possible.

*JAC*  
J. A. CAMPBELL  
Lt.-Colonel

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Army Sub-Commission  
Allied Control Commission  
D/O ASC/1/11/9  
19 July 1944

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Dear

*Gen. Gazzera*

You remember I spoke to you regarding the list of names of prisoners of war sent to me by General Infante for repatriation in connection with judicial appointments. *Encl 4a*

I am holding this list up at present and shall be pleased if you will let me know if you wish me to ask for any of the prisoners of war mentioned.

I hear that permission has been granted for lists of names of prisoners of war for repatriation to fill administrative appointments in Government Departments etc. I shall be writing you officially in due course.

Yours,

*for*

TO: General Pietro Gazzera,  
High Commissioner for  
Prisoners of War.

*Given to Gen. Gazzera 19/7/44*

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A/CO 091.1

17 July 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War with  
Special Qualifications.

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

1. Reference is made to your letter on same subject of 6 July 1944.
2. Your offer to repatriate specially qualified prisoners of war is particularly welcome since great difficulty is being met in finding suitable men to fill appointments in the various civil ministries and state agencies. Sufficient men are simply not available in Italy.
3. Rather than send a special mission to North Africa to select suitable PW's - a method which would probably be clumsy in practice - it is now considered that quicker results could be obtained by the submission of lists of men who are known to be suitable for such posts.
4. In conjunction with the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War we are now compiling three lists of two hundred names each. These lists would include civil servants of all grades down to class 8 or 9. They will shortly be forwarded, and your assistance is most earnestly requested to facilitate their speedy repatriation - or, alternatively, to inform us quickly of those cases which prove impracticable.
5. In the meantime a shorter list is being forwarded giving the names of prisoners suitable to fill judicial appointments. Owing to the number of cases which we are now handing over to be dealt with by the civil courts, it is essential that a further large number of judges be made available to the Italian Government.

For this list, therefore, we ask your immediate attention.

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WILFRED W. STONE  
Captain, USAR  
Acting Chief Commissioner

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cc: PW Section (Army S/C) ✓  
Administrative Section

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
G-5 Section  
APO 512

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6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War Having  
Special Qualifications.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

End (5)  
Attention is drawn to your cablegram W 197 of 13 May 1944, proposing the release of selected Italian prisoners of war found suitable for judicial office, and to the favorable reply conveyed in our F 50856 of 26 May. This Headquarters is prepared similarly to repatriate such Italian prisoners of war as may, by reason of Civil Service, Treasury, or banking experience, be found particularly useful at this time to the effective functioning of the Italian State. You are therefore requested to consider this proposal in the light of anticipated needs and, if it seems desirable, to include in the party which you propose to send to this Headquarters a representative of the Italian Government qualified to make a discriminating selection of such personnel. It is of course to be understood that each case will be considered on its merits, and that a prisoner of war would be released only if he was found to have outstanding ability for the public service. This Headquarters, moreover, would not be prepared to release any prisoner of war holding a key position in a P of W Service unit.

End (6)

/s/ Charles M. Spofford  
/t/ CHARLES M. SPOFFORD  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5

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Approve proposal in your M 197 of 13 May, limited however to those not required for present P/W service units. suggest that, to screen for professional attainments and attachment to United Nations, party might include civil judicial officer in addition to General Traina and a discriminating representative of Allied control commission.

Desirable you communicate in advance statement of prerequisites, in order that G-1 may make survey and complete list of persons available.

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

AS YOU KNOW CMA ONE OF MY PRINCIPAL DIFFICULTIES IN THE JUDICIAL FIELD LIES IN THE INADEQUATE SUPPLY OF ITALIAN JUDGES AND LEGAL OFFICERS PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR MGS FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I UNDERSTAND THAT A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER COULD BE FOUND IN THE RANKS OF PRISONERS OF WAR HELD BY US PD PARA TWO PD IF YOU CAN OBTAIN SANCTION I WOULD LIKE TO SEND GENERAL TRAINA CMA WHO IS APPROXIMATELY JAG OF ITALIAN ARMY CMA TO NORTH AFRICA IN THE FIRST INSTANCE TO SEE WHAT PERSONNEL IS AVAILABLE PD HE WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN OFFICER OF ACC PD PARA THREE PD GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD LET ME KNOW EARLIEST POSSIBLE YOUR REACTIONS TO THIS PROPOSAL PD IT IS VERY NECESSARY TO EXPLORE EVERY POSSIBILITY OF FINDING REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE ITALIAN JUDICIARY AS THE PROBLEM WILL INEVITABLY BECOME ACUTER THE MORE TERRITORY WE TRANSFER TO ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE  
Lieutenant-General,  
Chief Commissioner.

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The High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Cava dei Tirreni

File No. 1146/mil/C.2.

29 June 1944.

TO: A.C.C. Salerno.

SUBJECT: Request for employees of various State Administrations who are at present POW.

1. The Royal Government has need of a certain number of soldiers at present POW, who were formerly employees enrolled in the various Civil Ministries and State Agencies, and who are indispensable for the re-organisation and operation not only of the ministries themselves but also of all such administrations as Prefectures, Municipal Councils, Schools, Hospitals, technical offices of the Civil Engineers, Law-Courts and Preture, Railways, Post & Telegraph Offices, forestry and mining, sanitary and veterinary services in the various provinces, bank institutes, labour offices, itinerant agricultural officials, etc.  
  
The present situation is indeed difficult because the number of officials at present available is far below ~~that~~ the actual necessities of the territories liberated, owing to the fact that many were interned by the Germans. This situation, which is already harmful, will gradually grow worse as other territories are released from German hands.
2. In the name of the Royal Government I therefore beg the A.C.C. to authorise me to present a list of requests for repatriation of prisoners of war, for civil requirements, as is being done now to meet military requirements.
3. I would be grateful if, should this proposal be accepted, the A.C.C. would let me know as soon as possible the *MANNER* regarding the number of lists which I can present for these civilian requirements, the number of prisoners which may be contained in each list etc.

I thank you in advance.

The High Commissioner.

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L'Alto Commissario  
per i prigionieri di guerra  
n. 1145/Mil./G.2 di prot.

Cava dei Tirreni, 29 giugno 1944.

O G G E T T O : Richieste di funzionari delle varie amministrazioni dello Stato presentemente prigionieri di guerra.

*Requests from employees of various  
State administrations who are now POW*

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO  
S A L E R N O

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1. Il R. Governo ha necessità di poter disporre di un certo numero di militari, attualmente prigionieri di guerra, già funzionari di ruolo dei vari Ministeri Civili e degli Enti parastatali, che sono indispensabili per la riorganizzazione ed il funzionamento non solo dei Ministeri stessi, ma anche di tutte le amministrazioni periferiche (Prefetture, Municipi, Scuole, ospedali, uffici tecnici del genio civile, Tribunali e Preture, ferrovie, poste e telegrafi, demanio forestale e delle miniere, servizio sanitario e veterinario nelle varie provincie, istituti bancari, uffici del lavoro, cattedre ambulanti dell'agricoltura, ecc.).

La situazione attuale risulta assai difficile perchè i funzionari di ruolo presentemente disponibili, tenuto presente che moltissimi sono stati internati dai tedeschi, è di gran lunga inferiore alle reali necessità del territorio liberato. Tale situazione, che già si ripercuote dannosamente sul paese, andrà aggravandosi maggiormente mano a mano che si libereranno dai tedeschi nuovi territori.

2. A nome del R. Governo prego perciò codesta Commissione Alleata di Controllo di autorizzarmi a presentare liste di richieste di rimpatri di prigionieri di guerra, per necessità civili, analogamente a quanto si fa ora per far fronte a necessità di carattere militare.
3. Sarò grato se accogliendo questa proposta, codesta Commissione Alleata di Controllo, vorrà, con ogni possibile urgenza, farmi conoscere le modalità circa il numero delle liste che posso presentare per queste necessità civili, il numero di prigionieri da comprendere in ogni lista, ecc.

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Ringrazio anticipatamente.

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO  
(Generale Pietro Gazzera)

*P. Gazzera*

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