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G-3 SECTION

FILE : G-3 AFHQ/131/1

3 March 1947

SUBJECT : Control of Production of Armaments in ITALY

TO : Chief, IMAS

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Reference IMAS/116/CS subject as above, 20 February 1947.

1. Effective upon ratification of the Italian Peace Treaty the Ambassadors of the four great powers in ROME will assume the responsibility for supervising the execution of the Peace Treaty.

2. The Italian Peace Treaty is expected to be ratified in the near future. Accordingly it is not considered that bringing technical experts out from England and the United States, which would be necessary should IMAS be charged with these functions, could be justified.

3. The responsibilities of IMAS and its sub-sections will therefore continue to be those exercised by the sub-commissions of the Allied Commission.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

T. S. AIREY,
Major General,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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K. C. COOPER*

K. C. COOPER,
Brigadier, G.S.,
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Al Signor Girotti per i suoi
favore avvenuto.

Con ossequi
Girotti Danti
Zurigo 26-2-1947

(S. Spantora)

Zurigo 26-2-1947



al Quartier Generale
Sella Forze Armate
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Vista mia sentenza
del Tribunale militare
territoriale di guerra di Bari
in data 9-12-1943 su mi
base una condanna
da questo Tribunale statami
per reato insubordinazione
e inganno, ritenuto che
sono io sempre militato
fino all'ultimo oriale
Volontario coll'ESERCITO
ALLEATO. Opiso che se ricorso
non feci per mia ignoranza,
mi sia annullata la sentenza

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 935.03

11 March 1947

SUBJECT: Clemency Petitions--Dante Cirotti.

TO : Chief, DMAS,
APO 794.

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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL IEE:

A.L. Hamblen, Jr.
A.L. HAMBLEN,
Colonel, C.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Incl: as above.

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G-3 SECTION

FILE : G-3 AFHQ/131/1 21 February 1947

SUBJECT: Abolition of Italian Military Affairs Section, AFHQ

TO : Chief, TMAS

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Reference: Letter G-3 AFHQ/131/1, "Establishment of TMAS", dated 26 January 1947.

1. In accordance with para 5 of the reference letter the Italian Military Affairs Section, AFHQ, is abolished as of 2359 hrs 15 March 1947.
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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

T. S. AIREY
Major General
Chief of Staff

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K. C. COOPER *[Handwritten signature]*
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 Italian Military Affairs Section
 APO 794

IMAS/116/CS

20 February 1947.

SUBJECT: Control of Production of Armaments in Italy.

TO : Chief of Staff, AFHQ, APO 512, U.S. Army.

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1. Paragraph 2 of FAM 711 authorizes the establishment of IMAS, to be charged with the control functions of supervision and direction of the Italian Armed Forces heretofore exercised by the Land, Naval and Air Force Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission and the control of the production of armaments.

2. Paragraph 4 of Acting Chief of Staff's letter, G-3 AFHQ/131/1 of 26 January states that "IMAS and its Sub-Sections will continue to operate in accordance with existing directives for, and practices of, the Service Sub-Commissions."

3. Since AFHQ Staff Memorandum No. 3 dated 31 January 1947 excludes from the responsibilities of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, AFHQ, control of the production of armaments in Italy, and since existing directives and practices of the former Service Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission did not include responsibility for Italian armament production control, instructions are requested as to whether this function should be assumed by IMAS. If so, it is recommended that this function be added to those of the Land Forces Sub-Section, with authority to co-opt services of the Naval and Air Forces Sub-Sections when necessary.

4. In this connection, it is the view of Director, Land Forces Sub-Section, with which I concur, that if the responsibilities of his Sub-Section are to include supervision and inspection of factories and arsenals, it may become necessary to augment the staff of his Sub-Section with personnel having technical qualifications beyond those at present available.

/s/ Elmer W. Stone

ELMER W. STONE
 Rear Admiral, USNR

Chief
 Italian Military Affairs Section

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18 February 1947

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SUBJECT: Coordination with US/UK Embassies.

TO : Major General E. H. Coulburn, DSU,
Director, Land Forces Sub-Section.

1. Although the detailed arrangements have not yet been made to give effect to the suggestion made in Acting SACMED's letter dated 12 February 1947 to the British and American Ambassadors, I think it would be helpful if you would send to both Embassies (in the case of the American Embassy it should be marked "For the Military Attaché") copies of all Land Forces Sub-Section monthly reports, and in particular a copy of your letter to AFHQ SD/109/1/LF of 13 February 1947 and Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC, letter SD/109/2 of 11 January 1947 which was addressed to General Headquarters G(SD).

/s/ ELLERY W. STONE

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief
Italian Military Affairs Section

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Mr. Byington, American Embassy
Mr. Malcolm, British Embassy

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IMAS/116/CS

15 February 1947.

SUBJECT: Coordination with US/UK Embassies.

TO : Director, Naval Sub-Section.
Director, Land Forces Sub-Section.
Director, Air Forces Sub-Section.

1. Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent by Acting SACMED to the American Ambassador, dated 12 February. A similar letter, appropriately modified in the first paragraph, has been sent to the British Ambassador.

2. Such letters were not forwarded to the Russian and French Ambassadors.

3. In order that appropriate working procedures can be established, you will be advised further of any arrangements which may be concluded pursuant to the last paragraph of the enclosed letter.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief
Italian Military Affairs Section

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INCOMING MESSAGE

Originalor's Reference: *FX 74908*
Date / Time of Origin: *FEB. 111555A*

Message Centre No: *252*
Date Time Rec'd: *FEB. 131030*
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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQEG
TO : AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS = MINISTRY OF DEFENSE LONDON FOR BGS = INFO:
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This is NAF 1277.

Subject is liquidation of Allied functions ~~with~~ after R plus 90 days.

1. Residual Allied function will exist after abolition of AFHQ as long as NTO and CMF are functioning these Allied duties can be performed by integrating G-5 Sections on a cooperative basis.

2. All residual Allied functions cannot be completed by R plus 90 days. The Allied Financial Agency (AFA) the Allied Supply Accounting Agency (ASAA) the Allied Forces Record Administration (AFRA) and the Historical Section AFHQ must complete their jobs after R plus 90 days.

In addition, it is anticipated that for an unspecified period after R day, a considerable volume of residual Allied business, which cannot be decentralised to Embassies or other National Agencies, will have to be transacted with Italian Government. Greater part of such business will be connected with Civil Affairs Matters.

3. It is proposed that a military liquidating Agency (MILA) be organised upon the disbandment of AFHQ to ensure the early completion of these functions. Although tentative agreement has been received that AFRA may function under the US/UK Embassies, believe that more effective and expeditious results will obtain if all residual functions are consolidated within a military organization under experienced supervision. Propose (A). That MILA shall be comprised of separate US and UK Military Units integrated where necessary and maintaining close liaison under co-equal Commanders who will report directly to War Department and War Office. Direct and intimate contact to be maintained with respective Embassies and their advice and guidance sought on all policy matters. It is clear however that Embassies are not equipped to take over supervision and control of these residual Allied functions and can in any case do so only if complete self sustaining staffs are furnished for various job.

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4. If MILA is approved, administration, status of individuals vis a vis Italian Government and maintenance of personnel will be taken up with us and also on national basis. There may however be certain expenses such as office space civilian employees, signal services and heat and light which are joint in nature and should be paid on a proportional basis. Excluding housekeeping personnel the combined initial strength of

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MILA will approximate 40 Officers 90 EM/OR and 25 WD civilian employees, of this total approximately 8 Officers 45 EM/OR and 20 WD civilian employees will be engaged on AFRA duties.

5. Probable all functions MILA except archives and microfilming will be completed within 6 months after R plus 90 days. Time to complete # tasks depends on CCS decision.

6. The proposal to organise MILA is agreed by CG MTO GOC in C CMF and by the US and British Embassies Rome. Early approval is requested in order that administrative details of national nature may be settled in time for MILA to come into existence at time AFHQ is abolished.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

13 February 1947

G-5: 900.40

SUBJECT: Coordination with US/UK Embassies.

TO : Chief,
IMAS,
APO 794.

The attached copies of letter, dated 12 February 1947,
from the Acting Supreme Allied Commander to the U.S. and U.K.
Ambassadors to Italy are forwarded for your information and
guidance.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

for A. L. Hameen, Major ASAC
A. L. HAMELEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Incl: as above

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12 February 1947

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

It is noted that, by Article 86 of the Italian Peace Treaty, you are charged, in concert with the Ambassadors of FRANCE and the USSR, with the implementation of the Peace Treaty, effective upon its ratification.

My present instrumentality, as Acting Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean, in enforcing the military terms of the Armistice, is the Italian Military Affairs Section (short title IMAS) of my headquarters. This section assumed the functions previously exercised by the Service Sub-Commissions, including the Allied Military Mission to the Italian Army (AMIA), of the Allied Commission upon the abolition of the latter on 31 January 1947.

This agency will be located in ROME in the premises formerly occupied by the Allied Commission.

In view of your ultimate responsibility I feel you might desire to be kept informed of any directives I should issue to the ITALIAN Government concerning the Italian Armed Forces. To this end you are cordially invited to have your representatives present at any meetings where such directives are transmitted to the ITALIAN Government. Information copies of any such directives transmitted by letter to the ITALIAN Government can also be furnished you should you so desire.

A copy of this letter is being given the Chief, IMAS, for his guidance. Should some arrangement such as the foregoing appear to be of value you are invited to have your representatives work out details of notification, and any other details, directly with him.

Sincerely,

JOHN C. H. LEE
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Acting Supreme Allied Commander

The Honorable James C. Dunn
United States Ambassador to Italy
American Embassy, Rome, Italy

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CC: Chief IMAS
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Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Acting Supreme Allied Commander

H.E. Sir Noel Charles, Bart, KCMG, MC
British Embassy, Rome.

CC: Chief IMAS
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IMAS/116/68

12 February 1947.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

With reference to my letter to you dated 31 January 1947, Ref: 2622/67/RU, I desire to avoid any misunderstanding which might arise from the language used in the penultimate paragraph of my letter. This paragraph begins, "Any military matters"

The word "Italian" should have been inserted before "military", in the same sense that it is used in the third paragraph of my letter as relating to the Italian Armed Forces.

Very truly yours,

J. S. Henry W. Stone

HENRY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief
Italian Military Affairs Section

Dr. Alcide DeGasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Rome.

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C-3 AFHQ/13111

26 January 1947

SUBJECT: Establishment of Italian Military Affairs Section
of AFHQ.

TO : Rear Admiral Ellery W. STONE.

1. Coincident with the abolition of the Allied Commission and its Service Sub-Commissions, including the Allied Military Mission to the Italian Army (MMIA), there is established, in ROME, the Italian Military Affairs Section (IMAS), AFHQ, of which you are designated Chief.

2. You will operate IMAS with the absolute minimum of Staff.

3. To assume the functions of the Land Forces (including MMIA), Naval and Air Forces Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission, there will be established the Land Forces, Naval and Air Forces Sub-Sections of IMAS, each under a Director.

4. IMAS and its Sub-Sections will continue to operate in accordance with existing directives for, and practices of, the Service Sub-Commissions. The relationship of IMAS and its Sub-Sections with AFHQ (and in the case of the Naval Sub-Section with the Allied Naval Area Commander (C-in-C MED)), the Italian Government and its agencies and with representatives of other Allied Nations will remain unchanged from those now obtaining with the Service Sub-Commissions.

5. One of your primary functions as Chief, IMAS, will be to plan for the early handover of the Sub-Sections complete with their then existing functions to AFHQ. This handover will be effected at the proper time pursuant to AFHQ instructions. Upon this handover IMAS will be abolished and the Sub-Sections will become Italian Land Forces, Italian Naval and Italian Air Forces Branches of AFHQ, respectively. They will then be answerable to SACMED through the appropriate General Staff Section of AFHQ, their relationship with Allied Service Commanders being unchanged from those of the Service Sub-Sections of IMAS.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MORGAN:

L.C. JAYNES,
Major General,
Actg Chief of Staff.

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