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ADMINISTRATION OF PATRIOTS IN
MILITARY GOV'T TERRITORY
JUL. 44 - APR. 45

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<u>8 Dec</u>	② For free little in this. It is merely a covering letter to our new (old) directive in this regard may require some alteration but I hardly think it worth while, as our new directive + appendices will be cover all ground. Agreed P.M. / 8 Dec.	619

Ref : 160/PAT.

14 April 1945.

SUMMARY OF DUTIES OF PATRIOTS BRANCH

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

1. The aim and object of all factions dealing with Patriots in liberated Italy is to disarm and return them to normal civilian life with as little delay, disillusionment and friction as possible.
2. For this purpose reception stations are established where Patriots are received when they first come through the line, and where they are fed and clothed, and then assisted to return to their homes and find employment. This necessitates provision of staff (Allied and Italian) and supplies of all types.
3. The responsibility for Patriot problems falls into three phases
 - (A). In territory controlled by the army - responsibility rests with armies.

The duties of Patriots Branch in this phase are

 - (i) to liaise with armies - keep in touch with them policy plans and for handling of patriots;
 - (ii) To train Allied and Italian Officers for spearhead Patriot work with armies.
 - (B). In AMG territory - responsibility rests with the Italian Government (Ministry of Occupied Italy), as advised by A.C.

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 - (i) To advise AC. on all Patriot matters;
 - (ii) To implement policy agreed and issue instructions to AMG/AC officers in the subject;
 - (iii) To coordinate policy, so that the change over from phase A to phase B takes place as smoothly as possible.
 - (iv) To liaise with the Ministry of Occupied Italy on matters of policy

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 - (iv) To liaise with the Ministry of Occupied Italy on matters of policy and the implementation of this through Italian Government channels;
 - (v) To obtain information through S.O. (M) Liaison Staff on Patriot matters in N. Italy for the guidance of AMG officers, and to supply S.O. (M) Liaison Staff with details of AMG policy to transmit to their representatives in the North.
 - (vi) To control and check broadcasts to Occupied Italy.

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(C). In Italian Government Territory responsibility rests with the Italian Government (High Commissariat for Veterans).

Patriots Branch must liaise and coordinate policy for this phase with the Italian Government.

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Local Govt. S/C.

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14 Nov 44

An AppreciationPATRIOTS

Reference General Instructions on the Administration of Patriots in AMG Territory - 30/1/PAT dated 18 July 1944.

1. It would appear that we are likely to have large numbers of various Patriots and so-called Patriots to deal with viz:-

(i) Those, who come through our lines because of winter conditions, shortage of supplies etc., who must be regarded as "displaced persons" requiring rehabilitation.

(ii) Those, that during an advance may be found in areas in or near their homes and who will require to be cared for until they are able to resume normal life.

(iii) Those, who have either directly or indirectly assisted the Allied cause by caring for Allied personnel in enemy occupied territory.

(iv) Those, of non-Italian nationality (Volksdeutsche and other deserters from the German Army, Yugoslavs, Cossacks etc.) who have operated as Partisans and who should be regarded as "displaced persons" requiring repatriation.

2. It should be recognized and appreciated that the true Italian Patriot usually has some definite reason or conviction for being a Patriot, representing an interest of concern to the Italian nation.

Therefore, it would seem advisable that the Italian Government, under Allied direction, should accept the responsibility for Italian Patriots as soon as reasonably possible.

3. It is suggested that the transition period from Allied to Italian responsibility be divided into four phases as follows:-

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(Memorandum for Civil Affairs Section)

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS IN DECREE NO. 158 OF 5 APRIL 1945

OBJECT : ASSISTANCE TO PATRIOTS ON LIBERATED ITALY

Art. 1 - Abolishes the old National Commission ^{and} Patriot Office for liberated Italy.

Art. 2 - Makes (a) Ministry of occupied Italy responsible for the assistance to Patriots in advanced areas under A.M.G.

(b) High Commissariat for Veterans responsible for assistance to Patriots in all other territory in liberated Italy.

Art. 3 - Institutes a Commission in Rome to deal with the recognition of ranks to Patriots according to their merits and describes the composition of the Commission.

Art. 4 - Institutes a Commission in Rome for the scrutinizing of the recommendations for awards and pensions.

Art. 5 - Places the Commission under the jurisdiction of the Presidency of the Council.

Art. 6 - Provides for all information concerning Patriots in occupied Italy or recently liberated Italy to be transmitted by the Ministry of occupied Italy in agreement with Ministry of War to Secretariat Office of the Commission.

Art. 7 - States that whenever necessary local Commissions may be instituted with some duties as outlined in Arts. 3 and 4 and ruled by Art. 5.

Art. 8 - Provides for appeal being made against decisions concerning recognition of qualifications and rewards, to another Commission in Rome.

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- Art. 11 - Makes the Decree Law on the day following the publication.

NOTE - This Branch has no reasonable excuse for excluding any of the provisions of the Decree from present and future implementation in any territory.

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<u>Phase I</u>	<u>Responsible Authority</u>
(i) Concentration	Security Organisations (operational - ESO/CIC)
(ii) Screening	ditto (operational/non- operational)

<u>Phase II</u>	
(i) Housing (temporary)	Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Comm. in conjunction with Italian Government
(ii) Feeding	
(iii) Clothing	
(iv) Control	

Phase III

Employment (temporary) Italian Government

Phase IVFinal Rehabilitation/
Repatriation ditto

4. (i) In setting out the phases mentioned above it has been borne in mind that AC or AMG should not become more involved in the handling of Patriots than is absolutely necessary. 834

(ii) It would appear that the SCREENING of Patriots may call for a larger number of personnel than at present envisaged, and it would seem imperative to set up a Patriot Screening Agency on an Italian/Allied 50/50 basis.

(iii) In considering the temporary HOUSING of Patriots it is thought that their status becomes that of "displaced persons", and as they represent being associated with Refugees separate accommodation in special Patriot camps is called for.

(iv) The FEEDING arrangements would apply as for Refugees but that Patriots get smaller rations than Prisoners of War should, however, be **AVOIDED**.

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(v) It is suggested that the Italian Government be encouraged to call for Women Volunteer Services for the welfare of Patriots as regards CLOTHING etc.

(vi) Italian military or civilian personnel, preferably former leaders of Patriot bands who are acquainted with the particular requirements should be entrusted with the CONTROL of Patriot camps.

Immediate action is called for in respect of Records of Service, Employment registers, Recommendations for Key positions etc.

(vii) On the basis of the foregoing a pool would be created from which labour would be available for temporary EMPLOYMENT- (Erection of camps, WD Commitments, AMG Requirements etc.).

(viii) It is assumed that Patriots will take (in theory) precedence over "Non-Patriots", but final REHABILITATION will apply to all and sundry under direction of UNRRA and/or Italian Government.

5. It is suggested that an amended plan be put into operation at once if grave difficulties, complications and mismanagements are to be avoided.


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Rec'd 130 Pms To Local Govt. 7

Subject: Disarmament of NOV. 4th Fifth Army
SOGA IV Corps and Patriots Reg (AR).

Circle "Patriotism, Army
the Allied Forces in Italy
2804 P. 69

To: DOD

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1. After consultation with (Gone)(B), Col. Mayo, on the subject of Patriots, it was definitely established that these operations can now using Patriots for information tests and that even are important subjects involving leader cooperation are planned, a grant and there active efforts in our part in responsibility. Col. Mayo considers that the problem is the matter is not resolved with an adequate solution and that additional steps should include the following:

2. The establishment of centers for Patriots where they are located or Patriots are not on subjects or individual persons.

3. Careful and consistent administration at these centers.

4. In connection with the above, the greater part of the 13 Nov meeting in the office of the Patriots' main representative (Admiral) in Florence.

There, arranged for a talk with Major Mayo, gave to Col. Mayo, SOGA IV, it developed that most of the immediate activity of that Branch was to be involved with the gathering of "information" as to conditions in Italy, organized Italy. While this may be very important, it involves mainly the collection of work of the staff. The information received by G One (B) is the actual information relied upon operationally and that is not expected by Patriots' Branch information, for obvious reasons. (G One (A) gets daily reports by an already established representative for one thing.) This work would be carried forthwith, to allow the representative and his staff to deal with what appears to be the real problem, the actual dealing with the physical bodies of the Patriots after they come through the lines and cease to be of direct value operationally.

5. At the same time, the matter of Patriots was discussed at some length with Major Mayo, the responsible officer at that headquarters. It was ascertained that Mayo feels he can cope satisfactorily with the number up to 3,000 within his area and does not expect any great difficulties unless the numbers under control by G One (B) (30,000) actually increase. He agreed in that case that the following would be of great help:

6. Centers operationally located, preferably south of the ARMO, safety for Patriots.

7. An authorized increase in stations to provide Patriots with essentially the same quantity and quality of food as is now being given to them (Gone).

8. That plans are not be expected in the present operations as to destroying the Patriots and dealing with them immediately, including supervision within the area.

9. That Patriots (through Patriots' Branch) administer their own investigations on the details and administration.

10. Major Mayo pointed out the desirability of having legitimate Patriots in the area and that Patriots themselves, and not political appointees, should

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2. The conclusion was that the situation at the 13 Nov meeting in the area of the "hot" area was representative (admitted) in essence. There, except for a brief time before noon, there was no activity of the French group. It developed that most of the immediate activity of the French group was directed toward the gathering of "information" as to conditions in the area. While this was a very important, it was not really the main work of the day. The information received by the 13 Nov (13) in the actual information relied upon immediately and that is not suggested by Detachment's French information for obvious reasons. (C) The (13) gave daily reports by an orally established representative for one thing. This was done by a Frenchman, to allow the representative and his staff to deal with what appears to be the real problem, the actual reality, with the physical bodies of the Patriotes. They came through the line and came to be of direct value operationally.

3. At the 14 Nov, the action of Patriotes was disrupted at some length with Major HINDI, the responsible officer at that time. It was mentioned that HINDI feels his own core satisfactorily with the number up to 3,000 within his area and does not expect any great difficulties with the situation under control by C Ops (13) (30,000) actually correct. He stated in that case that the following would be of great help:

a. Getting systematically located, preferably north of the line, solely for Patriotes.

b. An authorized increase in numbers to provide Patriotes with a sufficient the core quantity and quality of force as in the being given to the (French).

c. That the 14 Nov not be controlled in its present operation as to restricting the Patriotes and holding with them initially, including operations within the own area.

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d. That Patriotes (through Patriotes French possibly) and under their own intelligence as to actual and additional.

4. After the 14 Nov, the the administration of having legitimate Patriotes expected to deal with Patriotes themselves, and not without appropriate consultation from HINDI. He suggested also that in connection with a "hot" area, the immediate surveillance, the latter be discussed by the matter with the IV Corps for his reactions.

5. On the 14 Nov at IV Corps the overall problem was discussed with Colonel HINDI, HINDI IV Corps and his assistant is HINDI, who deals personally with the Patriotes set up with that Corps. These operations are fully aware of the importance of fair dealing with Patriotes, and the necessity of differentiating their treatment from that of the "hot" area. The deployed troops and changes concerning their plan for the "hot" area group involve feeding and housing at HINDI and HINDI but cannot extend in those places beyond a very short time (14 hours). Thereafter it was contemplated dealing with them through displaced persons activity.

they must rely on discipline. Various sub-Commission members (time to keep the treatment "different" than that given the people usually handled by that group.

6. Col. WALKER agreed that rear installations within relatively easy transport distance, solely for Patriots would be an ideal solution, and in this comparison the terms (areas) of WIA, MIA and KIA, were considered as possible sites.

7. Col. WALKER raised another serious problem, that of handling Patriots wounded. At the present the Patriots wounded in this area are treated when found at some hospital (usually) for a period up to a week, then they are sent to civilian hospitals. There, the difference in treatment and in waiting (despite attempts to supply these Patriots with a little extra in the way of food) causes even dissatisfaction. You know as well as soldiers and in a civilian hospital and then you put us in a civilian hospital which does not treat us well. In addition we have a statement made by one wounded Patriot as moved. Col. WALKER would like to see this altered.

8. At the Corps is now also pointed out that any "legitimate fighting" Patriots would be permitted to have anything to do with the treatment of Patriots. Various Patriots apparently have no standing whatever with these of the north and it was suggested that all appointments made to any Central Committee for Patriots be made solely on the recommendation of Patriot groups (not) through the Army.

9. The question of food again came up. Col. WALKER expressed the hope that various equipment and actual supplies be given to permit Patriots on a basis at least equivalent to POW treatment. In practice, in the forward areas Patriots are actually fed very well but this is not authorized and as long as it is being done, and as long as we use these people operationally something should be done to legalize the practice and standardize it.

10. It was also pointed out that the Patriots encountered are for the most part in dire need of clothing and shoes. Col. WALKER stated that stock piles at such centers as might be set up, would be of the greatest value to the existing of people.

11. Criticism of the method of setting business premises on the part of our "publicity" was set. Col. WALKER said that Patriots were in asking for things they have been promised and he has never been informed even as to what is being promised. He suggested that all orders be given of any material made either by payment of broadcast so they can at least enter some in advance as to what anything may not be available.

12. In conclusion it seems fairly certain to us that the Patriot French should actually get something in a movement with the blessing of all, GDS, and the British should carry the following points:

a. Rehabilitation and improving the operation of strategically located Patriot Centers where Patriots can be housed and fed for periods up to 30 days.

b. That various Reconnaissance (actual ex-fighters) be established at such centers to administer the Centers (with Patriot endorsement from the inhabitants of the centers) and to

- 1. Recruitment for the Armed Forces in Italy
- 2. Rehabilitation the groups
- 3. Organize "free" groups
- 4. Arrange "training" to further disarmed Patriots from those who after 30 days will return with locally at night.

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8. At all times it was also pointed out that the "Hospitality Nightingale" Patriotes must be permitted to have anything to do with the Government of Italy. "Hospitality Nightingale" have no standing whatever with those of the north and it was suggested that all communications made to any Central Committee the Patriotes be made solely on the recommendation of Italian Branch (SAC) through the Italian.

9. The question of food again came up. Col. WALSH expressed the hope that written permission and actual supplies be given to permit Italian Patriotes at least equivalent to 20% standard. In practice, in the forward areas Patriotes are actually fed very well but this is not authorized and as long as it is being done, and as long as we use these people operationally something should be done to legalize the practice and standardize it.

10. It was also pointed out that the Patriotes expected arms for the most part in dire need of clothing and shoes. Col. WALSH stated that stock piles of such articles as might be set up, would be of the greatest value to the raising of morale.

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12. In conclusion it seems fairly evident to me that the Italian Branch should actually get something in a magazine which with the blessing of SAC, SAC, and the Italian should carry the following points:

1. Rehabilitation and improvement of the position of militarily wounded Italian Branches where possible by the Italian and Red for periods up to 30 days.

2. That Italian Branches (actual no-fighters) be established at such centers to administer the Italian (with Italian participation from the inhabitants of the centers) and to

3. Establish the Italian Branches in Italy

4. Rehabilitate the Italian

5. Organize "ghost" groups

6. Arrange "fighting" to destroy Italian Branches or those who enter 30 days with Italian and locally or fight.

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7. Establish a ration scale for these centers to compare favorably with that for the Italian.

8. Arrange for wounded Patriotes to be treated in military hospitals until they do not require further hospitalization.

9. Establish stockpiles of clothing and shoes at these centers (through Red Cross, private charity and more impartially through SAC).

10. Patriotes Branch should be furnished a clear directive giving them power to organize and operate these centers.

11. It is suggested that Major DEAN, the SAC of the Italian Branch be appointed to deal with the actual establishment and operations involved, subject to

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supervision by Civil Affairs Section HQ AAI. This officer ... the present knows of no officer who has equivalent experience in establishing working relationships, and his previous SAC experience plus his present situation make him a logical appointee. For liaison work with the AAI, however, it is suggested that an officer of tact and diplomacy be appointed as liaison officer in the team to be used.

It is further recommended that all Puerto Rican representatives be selected by representatives of the AAI, and that these be approved by various branches and HQ AG, and that any Central Agency operating under the control of AG be made up of Puerto Rican and AG political personnel and staff.

Finally, it is recommended that all agencies on priority to those in the West be moved to the West so that the Puerto Rican team will be able to meet regularly for the AAI.

Robert L. Connel

Robert L. Connel,
SAC, Puerto Rico, AAI.

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 HEADQUARTERS WICUSA, APO 512, 3 December 1944.
 TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, APO 464.

1. The instructions contained in letter Headquarters Allied Control Commission, Re/30/1/PAT, subject: "General Instructions on the Administration of Patriots in Military Government Territory", dated 18 July 1944, authorized the SCAG Fifth Army to furnish rations and POL to Patriot Representatives.

2. Although the foregoing does not authorize the issue of rations or POL to Partisan representatives from United States Army Stocks, it may be expedient as an operational necessity to make such issues and to request repayment from AMG, Fifth Army.

By command of Lieutenant General McARMY:

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cc to:
 Hq A.C., Rome
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DASIO: Ltr Hq 5th Army, AG 400.34-2, dtd 1 Nov 44,
 subj: US Administrative Channels.

ALBERT W. KARR,
 Captain, AGD,
 Asst Adjutant General.

Hq. A.C., Rome

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15 November 1944

SUBJECT: Memorandum.

PATRIOTS

From day to day the political situation with regard to the Patriots grows worse. Despite all the efforts of Allied Propaganda the Partisans are so ill provided for that they arrive in Florence and other towns dispirited, ill fed, ill clothed and demoralized.

It is only natural that the genuine Patriot who has fought and suffered for many months at the instigation of Allied Propaganda should expect material support and encouragement when he comes through the lines. As it is, most of the men refuse to work not so much because they are not prepared to do so as because they feel that their dignity as fighters for their country is being impaired. Also they refuse to join the Italian Army because they believe, rightly or wrongly, that the Senior Officers are imbued with Fascist principles and they have no confidence in their military capacities. The present situation is grave and most competent observers agree that unless radical measures are taken there is the greatest danger of anarchy in this country.

It would seem most urgent therefore to establish a well coordinated organization for the rehabilitation and welfare of the Patriots. It should be possible to form teams of competent Officers to receive them when they pass through the lines, to look after their immediate well being and to draft them into civilian work before they become demoralized.

It is clear that to clothe and feed these Partisans will be a great problem and it is also obvious that if these men are not clothed and fed they may present a still greater problem, both now and for years to come.

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Their services, if used, could prove of the greatest value in such military necessities as the reconstruction of roads and railways and the clearing of mines. If the rebuilding of roads is considered, the potential requirement of labour is infinitely greater than can be supplied from this source alone.

Now these Patriots will, if handled properly, work and work willingly. The problem is a psychological one - they will not if they are allowed to remain under their own leaders and their own formations but they must be made to feel that the salvation of their country is a patriotic action and that still as it were: front line soldiers contributing to war effort.

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SUBJECT: Treatment of Patriots

30 Nov. SECRET

Adv Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.

16/E (Ops)

5 Dec 44

No 2 District

Ref your letter No. 2224/1 CSI(b) dated 23 Nov.

1. It is appreciated that the rehabilitation of patriots in NW Italy will present considerable problems. It is therefore very necessary that everyone concerned with the administration of newly liberated territory should fully understand what has already been agreed on the procedure to be adopted. If the Resistance Group movement is handled with tact and firmness, and if their treatment is uniform, these difficulties can be overcome.
2. A number of Resistance Groups have been built up in NW Italy through the agency of No. 1 Special Force and OSS during the past year. These groups represent all shades of political feeling, but can be said to be bound together in common action by their desire to rid their country of the Germans and the Italian Fascist element. During the last six months great strides have been made in unifying control over the various groups. The Committee of National Liberation has emerged in Milan with sub-committees in all the sizeable towns in Northern Italy. The Committee of National Liberation is believed to exercise general control through its sub-committees over all the resistance movement in Northern Italy. The military leader of the Committee of National Liberation is a senior Italian general.
3. There are already many British and American liaison officers with the more active resistance groups in the field and their number may well be increased before NW Italy is liberated. These officers have all been briefed as to the action required by resistance groups and their leaders when their territory is liberated.
4. Dealing with patriots as they pass into liberated territory is no new problem. Although all possible assistance and encouragement has been given to Italian citizens to take up arms and help to liberate their country, as soon as they pass into liberated territory patriots are required to change their status from being armed citizens to peaceful citizens and to conform with the laws in force in liberated Italy.
5. It follows therefore that Patriot groups in liberated Italy will not be employed in combat against the enemy. It is realised that this ruling cannot be hard and fast, as patriots in the front line, as they are overrun, continue to fight and have been useful in obtaining intelligence, leading patrols etc. However, as soon as practicable, they pass to the control of Allied Military Government for rehabilitation. Attached is a general instruction on the administration of patriots in Military Government territory, drawn up by the Allied Commission, from which it will be seen that the responsibility for the rehabilitation of patriots is an AMG and not an Army concern.

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5. It follows therefore that Patriot groups in liberated Italy will not be employed in combat against the enemy. It is realised that this ruling cannot be hard and fast, as patriots in the front line, as they are overrun, continue to fight and have been useful in obtaining intelligence, leading patrols etc. However, as soon as practicable, they pass to the control of Allied Military Government for rehabilitation. Attached is a general instruction on the administration of patriots in Military Government territory, drawn up by the Allied Commission, from which it will be seen that the responsibility for the rehabilitation of patriots is an AMG and not an Army concern.

6. To recognise some patriot groups and not all as auxiliary fighting units in liberated territory would have political repercussions. On the other hand there is no objection to ex-patriots being employed under AMG in many different civil capacities. This is to be encouraged as far as possible in recognition for their Patriot services.

7. From the above it will be seen that:

- (e) The surrender of arms by the patriots is a pre-requisite for peaceful administration under AMG, and all military authorities are responsible for doing all they can to assist in this matter. ✓
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 - (c) Should trouble break out between rival patriot groups, the occurrence must be treated as a civilian disturbance and dealt with accordingly.
8. Close liaison must be maintained between HQ No 2 District and the Regional Commissioners for North West Italy and the Patriot Branch of the Allied Commission, over this complex problem if avoidable mistakes are to be prevented.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section

Ref: 30/1/PAT

18th July 1944

SUBJECT: General Instructions on the Administration of Patriots in Military Government Territory.

TO: Distribution Below.

1. The handling of patriots is a difficult problem which will increase in complexity as the advance continues and the patriots increase in numbers and achieve more successes. Their rehabilitation in liberated territory is an added burden to GAO's in Armies and Provincial staffs, but it is a duty which must be carried out with firmness and sympathy and with the knowledge that success or failure in this matter may have wide repercussions in this and other territories.

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7. Patriots will be unwilling to hand in arms but the preservation of law and order precludes the existence of irregular armed bands in liberated territory: the law demands their surrender and they must therefore be tactfully told to obey the law.
8. After months of guerilla warfare it will be hard for patriots to settle down to normal life. To encourage rapid return to their ordinary vocations will be one of the most difficult duties of the local committees who, like AMG officers

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and Italian officials, must deal with the patriots not as wise men but with sympathy and gratitude. It should at all times be remembered that an unemployed patriot is not only a disgrace to the community but a menace.

9. While it is desirable to leave the rehabilitation of patriots to the Italians themselves, in the form of local committees, CAO's and especially Provincial Officers in the later period of occupation, remembering that they have fought for the Allies, should ensure that they are given a square deal.

10. 20,000 posters have been sent to AMI 5 Army and 30,000 to AMI 8 Army. These should be displayed immediately after liberation of territory and the attention of all patriots drawn to them. The contents of the poster will also be broadcast locally by RMB and will be published in Italian newspapers.

11. In order to show appreciation of individual effort certificates of merit have been prepared for issue to every individual patriot vouched for by the local patriot leader. Certificates will be endorsed by the recognised patriot leader and by an Allied officer (e.g. the CAO). If for any reason the patriot leader wishes to remain anonymous his signature can be replaced by a pseudonym or signed by another patriot representative. Posthumous certificates may be awarded to next-of-kin. In special cases letters of thanks by Corps or other senior commanders may be sent to towns or villages who collectively and actively have aided the Allied cause.

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16. These representatives draw pay from their own organisations. They should be housed and rationed and supplied with POL by AMG (DAMG, AAI is sending instructions to Armies HQ to this effect).

17. Distribution of these representatives is as follows:-

- 4 to AMG 5 Army;
- 6 to AMG 8 Army, of whom 2 are for POL Corps.

Cars may be requisitioned for them locally.

18. When these patriot representatives enter new areas with CAO's it is suggested that they should set up a special patriot office and produce for the CAO a complete list of patriots in the area in order that certificates may be issued and plans made for their re-employment.

19. These representatives should also be of assistance in setting up the more permanent communal committees whose duties will be to organize the re-employment and dispersal of patriots on the lines set out in the attached appendix.

20. Patriot leaders should be encouraged to prepare lists of their groups and reports on their operations previous to Allied occupation.

21. Patriots must hand in their arms (including hand grenades and bombs). No other reason need be invoked except that the law requires the surrender of arms. At the same time peremptory orders in the first instance should be avoided.

22. Arms should be handed over normally to CAO's and Allied officers and a receipt should be signed by these officers or patriot leaders. Carabirieri or other patriots may be used to receive and guard surrendered arms and great care should be taken with regard to storage, especially of bombs and grenades.

23. Surrendered arms will as far as possible be removed to central points whence some of them will be taken over by No. 1 Special Force who need them for further operations. It is important that the Patriot Branch, AOC, should be notified of the location of arms and stores, numbers of arms, and be given a general picture of the position including estimated number of arms still unsurrendered.

24. Yugoslavs are urgently required for operations in their own country and special arrangements should be made to send them South as quickly as possible through the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.

(Sgd) NORMAN E. FISHER,

Colonel,
for Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

LPO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section

Ref/30/8/PAT

24 July 1944

SUBJECT: Re-employment of Patriots.

1. This directive is issued after agreement with H.Q., A.A.I. and is for the guidance of A.M.C. officers in connection with appendix 'A' of the General Instruction for the Administration of Patriots in Military Government Territory reference 30/1/PAT dated 18 July 1944.
2. It should be used as a basis for discussion with Area Commanders, Town Majors, Engineer or other Military units and Labour Officers who, other things being equal, should be asked to give priority for employment to genuine Patriots with certificates. C.A.O's. should be instructed to get in touch with the nearest Labour Officers (D.A.D.L. or S.L.C.O.) as soon as possible and give them the names of suitable Patriots who can be used as civilian workers.
3. Some Patriots may be taken for special operations, some will be disposed of locally, some will move to or have to be transported to a distance for re-employment and some foreigners e.g. Yugoslavs will be despatched through the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission. There will, however, remain a hard core of say 30% over whom a good deal of trouble may have to be taken and the following suggestions for their re-employment are approved in principle by A.A.I. and the other authorities concerned.
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 - (c) Employment by Engineer or other military units for urgent work on bridging, road repairing, dock clearance and military repair work as soon as an area has been liberated.
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- (h) The problem of training and providing de-mining squads in back areas is being considered.

4. The problem of paying and feeding Patriots who are employed in some of the manners suggested above should be studied. Full instructions for feeding civilians employed on military duties are given in "Instructions Regarding the Employment of Civilian Labour (Italy and Sicily)". For issue of U.S. rations to civilians see NATOUSA circular No. 14 dated 4 February 1944.

(Sgd) NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel
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Executive Commissioner.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Military Personnel from Newly Occupied Italy.

Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ MEIA
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23 Jul 44.
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Ministry of War

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A.C.C. Patriots Section.
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HQ ACC

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(sgt) L. BROWNING
Major General.
Army Sub-Comm. A.C.C.

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Appendix "A" to 39/1/PAT dated 18 July 1944

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FORMATION OF COMMUNAL COMMITTEES FOR RE-EDUCATION
AND DEFENSE OF PATRIOTS.

1. (a) The Committee will be formed and exist at Commune level only in the first instance.

(b) Subject to local conditions a suggested form of committee is as follows:-

Sindaco (or Commissario Prefettorio) to preside;
four or more representatives chosen by and from the patriots;
two members of the Giunta Comunale if formed as such or otherwise
two well known and respected local residents.

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Lists prepared by patriot leaders together with any other relevant information which may be required will be made available to the Committee.

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SUBJECT: Treatment of Patriots

Adv HQ No 2 District, CMT

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HQ 441

23 Nov 44

1 It appears most probable that the question of the treatment of Patriots is going to be a serious problem in NW Italy, and guidance as to the policy to be adopted is requested.

2 There would appear to be two alternatives :-

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3 From reports from other countries as well as from Italy it seems probable that large numbers of Patriots will not voluntarily lay down their arms; it is, moreover, possible that fascist guerrilla groups may be operating in the territory.

Should trouble break out on our L of C between the fascist armed groups and Patriots or between rival Patriot groups is it the policy to stage a military operation to disarm them? If so an adequate military force will be essential to have any hope of success in implementing this policy.

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To Patriots Branch

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With regard to feeding and clothing these volunteers if it is to be done it should be done well. If these contingents are fed and clothed properly much material will be involved but still far less than would have to be supplied to labour units of the Allied Forces.

Some observers maintain that if these Patriot formations remain intact they may eventually be used for subversive or political action. The answer, I think, is that if you give an Italian work, food and a few cigarettes he is easily contented; and in any case after a few weeks of employment the militant ardour of these Patriots will tend to disappear.

With regard to Patriots that wish to go home it is essential that they should be repatriated quickly before they have time to cause trouble and so that they may help in the reestablishment of the normal life in this country.

Really the Patriots who arrive in Unoccupied Italy have had no organized and effective welcome from their fellow-Italians. It should be possible to establish canteens and welcome centres where they may be made to feel that their past efforts have been appreciated; already in Florence a committee of Italians has been formed to collect clothes and money for the Patriots. Given the right stimulus and support such committees could be formed elsewhere.

To sum up the present situation once more, the Patriots feel that they are uncared for, unwelcomed and that they have been made the tools of Allied Propaganda. Already there are many hundreds of them wandering about unemployed in the cities of the war zone. Whether they are to be blamed or not for refusing to work under present circumstances is irrelevant. If present conditions are allowed to continue they will prove a formidable obstacle not only to the resettlement of Italy but to the resettlement of Europe as a whole and will form an easy prey to almost any kind of subversive activity.

For the Patriot problem is one that has to be solved in every country which has fought against Germany.

Anthony Meyer 586

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PATRIOT BRANCH
(ADVANCE DETACHMENT)
APO. 394.

Date 11 November 1944

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To :

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PATRIOTS.

Reference General Instructions on the Administration of Patriots in AMG territory - 30/1/44 dated 18 July 1944.

1. It would appear that we are likely to have large numbers of various Patriots and so-called Patriots to deal with viz:-

(i) Those, who come through our lines because of winter conditions, shortage of supplies etc, who must be regarded as "displaced persons" requiring rehabilitation.

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HANDING OVER NOTES ON THE PATRIOTS BRANCH

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to be brought up to full strength; secondly, arrangements will have to be made at once to send forward to Regional H.Q.'s all the patriot representatives for whom the Regions have asked. Most of the patriot representatives are already in place, and I do not think it will be wise to allow any of them to come back to ROME since the problem of collecting them and moving them forward again will be very difficult to overcome. The I.N.P.C. have agreed that they are prepared to give them their full pay of 200 Lira per day while waiting for North Italy to be liberated.

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We have written to Regions IV and V that we expect them to have finished their patriot business almost immediately. In this connection I have asked the V.P. to send a letter to Regions IV and V calling for a report on the rehabilitation of patriots inside their respective regions, but excluding ROME.

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7. Outstanding Problems.

I have three problems which I consider need special watching in the immediate future.

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Employment agencies must be found for Regions in the north. These employment agencies must not only find out from local industries what jobs are available, but must examine the list of patriot bands and fit suitable patriots into the right jobs. Each Provincial Commissioner should, I feel, have an agency attached to him. I have asked the I.N.P.C. to put up a proposal on these lines.

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Rome, September , 1944

To the "Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri"
Patriots' Central Commission
Patriots' Office

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Subject: General directives.

In order to render more effective the collaboration between the Patriots Branch and the above Office and taking into consideration the fact that all matters must be handled through the Patriots Branch, the following urgent points to be dealt with are:

1. The collecting of the reports about the Patriots' activities and the compilation of the "Story" of the Patriots for each Region and Province, respectively;
 2. The collecting and listing of the names of the genuine Patriots and of the founders of the movements and leaders of the Bands. The lists ("ruolini") of the genuine Patriots of the respective area must be available to each Regional and Provincial Command;
 3. Inquiries and information concerning the Patriots;
 4. The allowances of rewards to the Patriots and to their families;
 5. The identification and the notification of the genuine Patriots, to be appointed as representatives for various duties, according to the requests issued by this Patriots Branch;
 6. The granting of transport to the Patriots selected as representatives and entrusted with various duties;
 7. The compilation and the keeping of the records of the meetings of the Patriots' Central Commission.
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Further more, that Office is requested to submit proposals about the administration and the payment of the representatives now collaborating with A.M.G. It would be opportune if the payment were to be carried out through the Regional Commands. Finally, as the creation of a "Patriot Committee" for the town of Rome has been decided upon that Office is requested to communicate to the Patriots Branch prior to their nomination the names of the members of the Committee.

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23 Jul 44

To: LIST II.

1. This H.Q. instruction reference Oa/200 of 29th June, 44, gave details of the policy to be adopted in dealing with Partisans (now to be called Patriots). The following additional information is given for the guidance of C.I.O.s in handling Patriots.

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3. As stated in the instruction, the representatives of the Italian patriot organisations have now arrived and have been placed under the direction and control of Corps A.M.G.I.O.s, two in each Corps area. These two representatives will work together as a team, one representing the military Partisan group, and the other the group organised by the Comitato de Liberazione.
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EMPLOYMENT LOCAL PATRIOT LEADERS.

6. The C.A.O. should utilise the services of local patriot leaders to carry out the policy contained in the instruction OA/200 of 29 June, 44 and which includes the following:

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- (ii) The preparation of nominal rolls of genuine local patriots. The names of any patriots who wish to volunteer for the Italian Army will be annotated on the nominal roll.
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- (iv) Assist the C.A.O. in dealing with any local members of patriot bands and in the posting of proclamations etc., addressed to the patriots.
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 - (iv) Lists prepared by the patriot leaders together with any other relevat information which may be required will be made available to the committee.

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SERVICE WITH THE ITALIAN ARMY.

9. Patriots who wish to volunteer to join the Italian Army and whose names on the nominal roll have been annotated accordingly, should be warned that if accepted they will be sent back to collecting points for service with the Italian Army, as required by the Army. There is no guarantee that the volunteer will be accepted or when he will be called.

YUGO-SLAVS.

10. Yugo-Slavs are urgently required for operations in their own country and arrangements should be made to send them south as quickly as possible through the Displaced Persons Organisation.

W. J. M. A. L. K. S. T. A.

Staff Capt.
for Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.C. Eighth Army Main.

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Col. McGarry, District Branch, (S.C. A.M.C. Sect) H.Q., A.C.C.
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH
APO 394

Ref/30/35/PAT

30 August 1944

SUBJECT : Administration of Patriots.

TO : Avv. V.S. Moretti,
Associazione Partigiani D'Italia,
Lungotevere Castello 2,
Roma.

1. Col Mc Carthy has asked me to reply to your letter of 26 August. General instructions were issued as long ago as 18 July dealing with the administration of patriots in Military Government territory. A patriot was defined as a person who has carried arms in the ranks of genuine fighting bands, who has engaged in sabotage, or who has secured important military information to the benefit of the allied war effort.

2. I must thank you for your interesting letter, but you will see that there is no occasion for a Commission to be appointed to formulate the conditions necessary to qualify as patriots. There is no intention of forming any such commission.

P. H. Magnus

Sir P.H. MAGNUS,
Major,

for Col. C.D. Mc Carthy,
Patriots Branch.
R.C. & M.G. Section.

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Maj. DRAGE			
Capt. SALVADORI			
Cpt. S.A.			
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2nd October 1944.

SUBJECT: Partisans.

TO : See Distribution.

Considerable experience has now been gained in dealing with Patriots and on the whole this problem is being very satisfactorily handled by C.A.O.s. However, while there is no desire to limit the discretion of officers in solving individual problems, there are two points on which a uniform procedure must be adopted.

1. Certificates.

In order to maintain the value of the certificates in the eyes of the Patriots themselves and of the local population their issue should be strictly limited to persons who have definitely borne arms against the Germans. While it is impracticable to lay down a hard and fast rule that no certificate will be issued unless the recipient has previously handed in a weapon, nevertheless this principle should be borne in mind at all times. There have been too many instances in the past where the number of certificates issued has been entirely out of due proportion to the number of weapons collected.

2. Handing in of arms.

Although results vary widely this is in general very unsatisfactory; there are many instances in which the number of weapons handed in is but a small fraction of the quantity which the partisans themselves admit to possessing. Moreover there is evidence that partisans are being advised by political organisations to retain their arms and the presence of armed hooligans throughout the country is causing grave concern to the Italian Government and Allied Authorities.

For these reasons a firmer attitude must be adopted. All persons who have wilfully concealed weapons will be charged under the terms of Proclamation Number 1. C.A.O.s are reminded that cases involving a serious flouting of the orders contained in the Proclamations can and should be remanded for trial by a Superior Court, which has the power to impose severe penalties. Where however a C.A.O. considers that a greater deterrent effect can be obtained by a speedy trial of offenders by Summary Courts he should impose an adequate sentence. In this connection attention is drawn to Article 26 of the A.C.C. Consolidated Instructions for the holding of Military Courts, Section 3 of which states that the power to suspend sentences will only be used in exceptional cases and that the reason for the suspension will in every case be noted on the record of the trial. To have been a Partisan does not of itself constitute an exceptional case.

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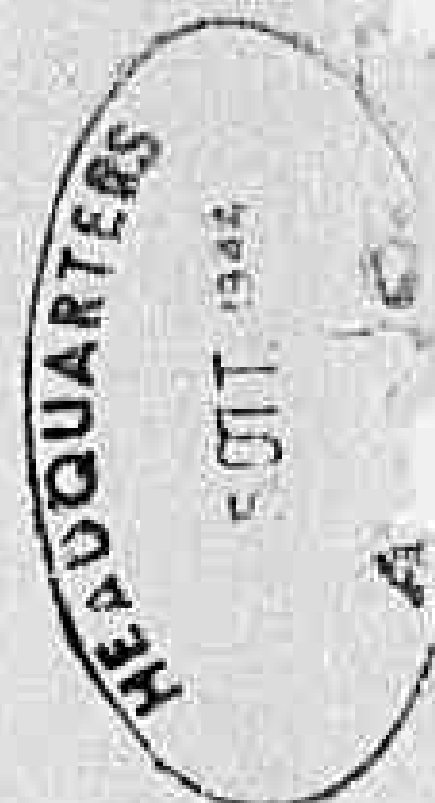
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Chief of Staff,
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ASSOCIAZIONE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

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Roma, li 26 Agosto 1944

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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
DI CONTROLLO - PATRIOTES BRANCHE
COL. MAC CARTY
Via Veneto (Palazzo Corporazioni)

R O M A

Sig. Colonnello,

Apprendo che sta per essere nominata una commissione alla quale sarà devoluto il compito di formulare le norme necessarie a qualificare "i partigiani".-

In merito mi prego comunicarle il testo dell'art. 2 dello Statuto della nostra Associazione.-

" Partigiano:

E' il cittadino che ha preso parte attiva nella lotta clandestina contro il nazi-fascismo, consapevole che l'azione militare non è fine a sè stessa, ma che alla liberazione del Paese deve seguire la sua rinascita.-

" Partigiano è pure il cittadino che è stato condannato, imprigionato o "deportato dai tedeschi o che abbia subito processi, per avere favorito e ten "gibilmente collaborato con i partigiani, in armi, affermando la propria fede contro il nazi-fascismo.-"

Queste norme vanno integrate con quelle più rigorose applicate dalla Commissione di Controllo, alla quale è devoluto il compito di esaminare le domande degli aspiranti all'Associazione Partigiani d'Italia.-

D'altra parte nell'interesse degli stessi Partigiani e della Nazione, la quale dovrà, inevitabilmente, fare assegnamento sopra di loro in un prossimo domani, è indispensabile che la individuazione sia fatta con scrupolo ed onestà, al di sopra dei partiti.-

Io mi permetto di richiamare la Sua attenzione sul fatto che soltanto dalla selezione rigorosa, per la quale Lei sarà chiamato ad esprimere i criteri, può derivare all'Italia un grande bene.-

La compagine dei Partigiani può offrire al nostro Paese un elite di co
raggioli, di patrioti, di uomini che hanno dato la prova di essere liberi, sui
quali potrà farsi assegnamento nell'ora tragica in cui viviamo e nelle torbi
de giornate che si preparano per l'Europa.-

Gli elenchi dei partigiani forniti da individui o da partiti, quando non si tratta di nuclei a carattere militare, sono sospetti. Chi conosce le origini del nostro movimento sa le difficoltà che s'incontrano nella identificazione dei componenti ^{le} vere bande combattenti.- IL SEGRETARIO GEN.

II SEGRETARIO GEN.

(Avv. V. S. Moretti) (1)

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ASSOCIAZIONE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

Rome, 26 August 44

To the Allied Control Commission
Patriots Branch
Col. Mc Carthy
Rome

Dear Colonel:

I learn that a Commission is about to be appointed which will have the task of formulating the conditions necessary to qualify "as partisans".

In this connection I beg to advise you of the text of art.2 of the Statute of our Association:

"Partisan:

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These provisions are integrated with those more rigorous applied by the Control Commission, which has the task of examining the applications of the would-be members of the Associazione Partigiani d'Italia.

On the other hand, in the interest of the Partisans themselves, and the Nation which inevitably will have to call upon them in the near future, it is indispensable that the specification be made with conscientiousness and honesty, above partisanship.

I beg to call ~~XX~~ your attention to the fact that only from strict selection, for which you will be called upon to express the criteria, can Italy gain a great benefit.

The brotherhood of Partisans can offer to our Country an elite of courageous patriots, men who have given proof to be free, who can be counted upon in the tragic hour in which we live and in the turbulent days which are ahead for Europe.

The rosters of patriots furnished by individuals of parties, when not nuclei of military character, are open to suspicion. ~~He~~ ^{He} ~~Howe~~ knows the difficulties of the difficulties which will be met.

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THE SECRETARY GENERAL 574

(Avv.V.B. Moretti) -

SEEN.	INITIALS.	DATE.
Col. MC CARTHY		
Maj. M. S. J.		
Mr. DRAGE		
Mr. FIVE-DOR		
Mr. A.		

/s/

Handwritten notes:
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ASSOCIAZIONE PARTIGIANI D'ITALIA

Rome, 26 August 44

TO: Allied Control Commission
Patriots Branch
Col. Mc Carthy
Rome

Dear Colonel:

It is with great pleasure that I express to you the satisfaction which has been caused in our Association upon reading the declarations which you made in the Control Commission in regard to Partisan activity.

Your words serve to ~~incite~~ ^{write} even more our brave comrades across the line and influence them to devote themselves completely to the cause of liberty, and giving to the Allies proof of the ~~strong~~ ^{genuine} sentiments of Italians, who did not want war, of which unfortunately they must bear the consequences, because Fascism wanted it thus.

Our Association asks nothing outside of that it be placed in ~~position~~ condition to operate in the fields which will permit it to offer greater aid to the Allied armies.

What ~~writes~~ ^{writes} the British Press, in regard to the trip of Mr. Churchill to Italy, lets us hope that soon we will be enabled to demonstrate what is our true desire and what ~~our~~ ^{are} aspirations.

Kindly accept the expression of my esteem and that of my comrades.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL

(Avv. V.S. Moretti)

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Sig. Colonnello,

E' con grande piacere che Le manifesto la soddisfazione che ha provato la nostra Associazione nel leggere le dichiarazioni da Lei fatte nella Commissione di Controllo in merito all'azione dei partigiani.-

Le sue parole servono ad incitare maggiormente i nostri bravi compagni del di là delle linee e li invitano a consacrarsi interamente per la causa della libertà, dando agli Alleati la prova del sentimento vero degli Italiani, che non vollero la guerra, della quale disgraziatamente debbono sopportarne le conseguenze perchè così ha voluto il fascismo.-

La nostra Associazione non chiede nulla all'infuori che la si metta in condizione di operare nei campi che le permetteranno di offrire agli Eserciti Alleati maggiori sussidi.-

Ciò che scrive la stampa Inglese, a proposito del viaggio del Sig. Churchill in Italia, ci fa sperare che presto ci sarà offerto il modo di dimostrare qual'è il nostro reale desiderio e quali le nostre aspirazioni.-

Voglia accogliere l'espressione della stima mia e dei miei compagni.-

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

(Avv. V.S. Moretti)

V. Moretti

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH
APO 594

CURRENT PROBLEMS

(A) PROBLEMS FOR THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.

1. Institution of a Patriot Commission for Italy.
2. Patriot Committee for Rome.
3. Nomination of truly representative Patriot Representatives.
4. Keeping a check on names and performances of genuine Patriots and seeing that they have employment.
5. Providing Patriot Branch with information.
6. Collect money for Patriot needs, such as pay and salary for Patriot Representatives, compensations for Patriots and provision of food, clothing and cigarettes to fighting Patriots pending their employment.
7. Provide transport and drivers for Patriot Representatives.

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1. Collection of stories for propaganda purposes and we should like to send Press Representatives up to witness the distribution of certificates.
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2. Formation of an Italian Patriot Committee and prodding of it to see that it functions.

(D) PROBLEMS FOR INTELLIGENCE SECTION OF PATRIOTS BRANCH.

1. Information to AMG of Armies and Regions concerning composition of forward bands etc.
2. Information regarding Po flooding, sea flooding and pump station preservation.
3. Information regarding Prefects and prominent men in present occupied area.

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4. Statement on damage to be avoided - this may need a special committee of Italians.
5. Collect reports weekly from Patriot Representatives and Band Leaders (through Armies and Regions) and examine and pass to Italian Government for their need.

(E) PROBLEMS FOR PROPAGANDA SECTION OF PATRIOTS BRANCH.

1. Collect news from all Regions/^{and} all sources. Collect good stories and statistical data.
2. Produce anti-Roche and anti-Fascist propaganda.
3. Give news to patriots of what is happening through P.R.O., P.W.B., B.B.C. broadcasts to civilians, leaflets and press.

(F) PROBLEMS FOR ~~13~~ SECTION OF PATRIOTS BRANCH.

1. Look after problem of returning volunteers.
2. Investigate question of providing patriots with food, cigarettes, clothes and boots.
3. Keep up to date lists of Italian officers for special jobs.

22 August 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION IX
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Patriots Br. 261
- 98293

Ref/RIX/25/HQ

9 August 1944

SUBJECT: Patriots.

TO : R.C. & M.G. Section, Headquarters, A.C.C.

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1. This memorandum is submitted pursuant to oral instructions of the Executive Commissioner at the meeting of Regional Commissioners held at Headquarters, AAI on Wednesday, 2 August 1944.
2. Region IX is, of course, not yet operational, and has had no field experience with the Patriot problem. The ideas expressed herein are entirely abstract and based on principle rather than first-hand experience. They are, in fact, largely a mere statement of the personal views of the Regional Commissioner.
3. It is our opinion that the "General Instructions for Administration of Patriots in Military Government Territory", 30/1/PAT, 18 July 1944, as supplemented by (1) Appendix "A" thereto, (2) letter 23 July 1944 from Army Sub-Commission, ACC (MMIA) to the Italian Ministry of War, subject "Italian Military Personnel from Enemy Occupied ITALY", (3) letter "Re-employment of Patriots" Ref/30/8/PAT, dated 24 July 1944, and other subsequent correspondence, very satisfactorily state and implement a sound policy for the treatment of the Patriot problem. This seems to be generally accepted, but as a result of recent and current dissatisfaction of certain Patriots with the treatment accorded them it has been proposed that certain modifications be made in the plan.
4. The principal point of contention seems to be the provision of paragraph 2(c) of the letter of 23 July 44, above referred to, that "those (Patriots applying for admission to the Italian Armed Forces) accepted will be given a pass authorizing them to be passed back through refugee channels to the nearest Italian enlistment center for immediate enlistment." It is said that Patriots thus far encountered by the Army object to being shipped to the rear areas through refugee channels and insist that as "fighting men" they should be given preferential treatment and accommodations.
5. Region IX disagrees with this contention and feels very strongly that to accede to it would only serve to create new and

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even more troublesome problems.

6. We feel that it would be outrageous morally, and unsound from the standpoint of policy, to accord these civilian irregular "Patriots" (regardless of their bona fides, which certainly are not always beyond question) special treatment over their civilian compatriots, loyal hard-working, Italian soldiers, and even American and British enlisted men. "Hard cases make bad law". Granted that the Patriots may be troublesome at the present time, and that it would be easier to mollify them temporarily by giving them the type of special treatment they request, it is submitted that the eventual result would only be further demands to which it would be more difficult than ever not to accede.

7. The present policies regarding Patriots as laid down in the letters referred to, are sound and should be adhered to. If it is true that psychological warfare agencies have misled the Patriots and continue to do so, then certainly any further such misleading and baseless representations should be discontinued. To fulfill such extravagant and improvident promises will solve no problems and lead only to more demands and further aggravation.

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ALFRED C. BOWMAN, Lt Col,
Regional Commissioner.

14 AUG Recd

Subject: Patriots.Main H.Q., A.M.G.
Eighth Army.

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29 Jul 44

A.M.G.L.C.
13 Corps.

I saw two Patriot Liaison Officers yesterday morning and they took up with me certain points.

1. They enquired as to whether they were only to go to places designated by the Corps Liaison Officer and not to wander round by themselves. I told them that they were to go only where they were told by the Corps Liaison Officers, who would put them into the places

- (a) Where there was patriot trouble
- (b) Where there were large bands of patriots
- (c) Where patriot bands had done particularly good work so that they could express thanks for the good work done.

2. I instructed them that they themselves should not make up lists of patriots for the purpose of giving certificates or of joining the Italian Army, but they should make the patriot leaders who are appointed by them, or who are already existing, do it for them.

3. In regard to those places where there are patriots but which they have not been to, I am arranging with Colonel McCarthy that Patriot Liaison Officers should be attached to Provincial H.Q. so that they can work in the back-areas and cover the ground not previously done by the Corps Patriot officers.

4. They ask what action they should take when they discover hoards of arms which had not been turned in. I told them that they must immediately report this to the Corps Liaison Officer who will take necessary action.

5. They spoke about those patriots who might volunteer to join the Italian Army, but who they themselves did not consider worthy of a certificate. I instructed them in these cases that those patriots whom they consider not fit for certificates but who still want to join the Italian Army should be made up on a separate list, with an annotation to say that they had not been given certificates.

6. I asked them about their own personal wants and as to whether they were being well looked after, and they expressed great satisfaction, excepting that they would be grateful if something could be done to enable them to obtain cigarettes, soap etc. In this connection will Corps Liaison Officers please endeavour to draw M.A.A.F.I. rations for their patriot officers.

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7. In connection with para 1 (c) it is most important that where patriots have done outstandingly good work that this should be recognised.

8. They enquired about their private mail and I informed them that any letters they wish to write to their families should be handed to the Corps L.Os who will transmit them through this H.Q. back to Rome. Conversely I have asked Colonel McCarthy to make arrangements so that letters from their family can be sent through Rome up to this H.Q. for onward transmission to them.

9. They were worried about the condition of their transport, and asked whether anything could be done in regard to obtaining tyres, particularly jeep tyres. I informed them that this was practically out of the question, but I see no reason why if their transport breaks down on them, they should not be able to requisition civilian cars for their purpose, providing the requisition is done in a proper manner.

Copy to: A.M.G.L.O. 10 Corps.

C.O. A.M.G. 2 Pol Corps.

Patriot Branch, H.Q. A.C.G.

(S.C. & H.C. Section)

Prof. ...
Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.G. Eighth Army Main.

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMED SERVICES COMMISSION
H.Q. & H.C. SECTION
POLITICAL BRANCH
200 304

3rd August 1944

Ref. 30/202

Subject : Instruction for Feeding Patriots.

To : H.C. 405 Regions.
A.H.C. 5 & 8 Divs.

With reference to the Conference held at A.H.C. advanced H.C. on 30 July, the matter of feeding Italian Patriot volunteers on their way south from the forward areas to the Italian Army recruitment centres has been agreed. These volunteers, before they are enlisted in the Army, will be fed on the refugee scale.

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M. S. Zuck
H.C. 405
POLITICAL
Executive Commissioner

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It appears that the Italian Ministry of War is taking steps towards the establishment of a Committee which should deal with question arising from the Patriot problem.

The idea being put forward is that the Italian Government should entrust the administration of Patriots in liberated territory to a Commission including Gen. GILLES, Military Under-Secretary of State at the Ministry of War, Mr. PALERMO, Civilian Under-Secretary of State at the same Ministry and a representative of the COMANDO SUPREMO-31M.

The probable background of this movement is the following:

According to a decision taken on July 3rd, A.C.C. Patriots Branch deals with the Patriots through the COMANDO BANDE (Italian Army) and the GIUNTA MILITARE (C.L.M.). The head of the Command Bande is Lt. Col. BERNABO' and the chairman of the GIUNTA MILITARE happens to be Dr. BAUER. It appears that the Comando Supremo has little sympathy for the Comando Bande and that the Communist Party has even less sympathy for Dr. BAUER.

The result of this lack of sympathy is a combination between General GILLES (COMANDO SUPREMO) and Mr. Palermo (Communist Party) against Messrs. Bernabo' and Bauer.

The conflict between Comando Supremo and the Communist Party on one hand and the Comando Bande and Mr. Bauer on the other hand is only an example of the attempts being made at present by different groups to obtain control over the Patriots both in liberated and in Occupied territory

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

5th Aug. 1944

Subject : Patriots .

To : Mr. Minifie , P.W.B.

Reference our conversation of 3 August 1944 , please
find enclosed basic material concerning what Allied Authorities
are doing for Italian Patriots .

B. L. Drago
Major,
Patriots Branch.
R.C. & M.G. Section.

Encl.: 1 Patriot Postcard
I " " Certificate N.III
Minutes of Conference 3 July 44
30/1/PAT of 18 July 44.
PMB/RI/62 of 4 July 44.
G/19 of 33 July 44.
30/8/PAT of 24 July 44.

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SUBJECT:- Patriots.

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Adv Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.

16/3/G(Ops)

TO: Patriot Branch, H.Q., A.C.C.

*Discussed ahead
at OAH meeting*

1. It has recently been reported from a very reliable source that two bands of partisans in the general area NORTH of AREZZO refused to co-operate with our forward troops on the grounds that they were dissatisfied with the treatment they could expect to receive on our side of the line. It is undoubtedly already well known to you that news of the treatment of refugees and partisans travels very quickly to NORTH ITALY; to such an extent, in fact, that it is not uncommon for a refugee to come through the lines and apply for admission to a specified camp which has been recommended to him.

2. The main grievances of the partisans referred to were apparently:-

- (a) The demoralising delay which they believe some of their fellow-partisans had been subjected to between being accepted for the Italian Army and actually being absorbed into it.
- (b) The fact that no distinction was made between them and ordinary refugees as far as accommodation and transportation are concerned.

2 Aug 44
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John H. Tiede, Col., GSC
Brigadier General Staff.

Copy to:- Main HQ Eighth Army.

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SUBJECT: Patriot

TOP SECRET

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ MILIA.

ROME.

G/19
1 AUG 44.

Political Section, ACC (Mr. CACCIA)
Patriots Branch, ACC (Col. MCCARTHY) ✓

copy to: AAI (Ops) E

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Ref attached, the origin of which I cannot trace: .

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P. Brown

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TRANSLATION.

In its meetings of Saturday 15th and Monday 17th, the Council of Ministers has heard the Minister of War's account of the military effort of the Country for participation in the war.

The Minister has made references to the present state of the Army, to the problem of cadres, and to the necessity of an epuration and selection, to the admission of the volunteers in the ranks of the Army and also to the necessary liaison between the Army and the bands of patriots.

The Council has approved the account of the Minister of War and has encouraged him to proceed with his effort.

The Council interpreting the feelings of the country, and trusting the Allies for overcoming every difficulty of material order, which mark the limits of the deployment line of Italian troops, has examined the concrete forms for intensifying the contribution of our arms to the war of liberation.

The council has decided to make use of the spirit of voluntarism so widely spread in the country, and especially ardent in the regions which get freed by and by, to put at the disposal of the aims of the common cause the greatest possible number of fighters.

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SUBJECT: Authority for Promotion and
Awards to Partisans.

TOP SECRET

Adv Headquarters
Allied Armies in Italy. 25

115/G(Ops)E.

COPY

To: Major B. Ashford Russell.
No. 11 (U) Section.

Please refer to your No. 0192/1 dated 16 July 44.

With regard to the award of promotions and decorations to Partisans by individuals and isolated groups, it is the ruling of this Headquarters that such practice would be undesirable. It is believed that if this authority were granted it would usurp the functions of the existing official Italian Army. This decision is based upon the following factors: -

- a. We would be storing up trouble for the future, as some bands would thus be afforded some degree of official recognition not extended to others.
- b. The bands, which are of different political beliefs, might interpret this authority as discrimination, which might well engender internal dissention within the whole Partisan movement.
- c. If this authority were granted it would tend to emasculate present arrangements made for newly liberated parts of Italy.

Briefly stated our policy is that we are extremely grateful to the good work being done by the Partisans but, of necessity, there can only be one official Italian Army. As a corollary of this, all promotions and awards must emanate from the Italian Army.

30 Jul 44.
JHR/WJH

copy for M.M.I.A.

copy to 5-c.

s/d John H. RIEFE, Col. G.S.C.
for Lieut General.
Chief of General Staff.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OUTGOING MESSAGE

TO: AMG 5 ARMY AND EIGHT ARMY HQ REGION FIVE RC REGION EIGHT RC REGION NINE

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FROM: ACC MAIN CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

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New file.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

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Ref/30/20/PAT.

29 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Employment of Patriots.

TO : Colonel O'Dwyer, Economics Section.

1. In Col. Mc Carthy's absence I wish to make the following points. The policy of Allied Control Commission in the matter of according preferential treatment to Patriots for employment, is contained in para 2 (a) of Appendix "A" to the R.C. & M.G. Section's directive dated 18 July 1944 (reference 30/1/PAT). A copy of this directive is attached.
2. It is here stated that "preference may be given to patriots in providing employment".
3. It is clear that in construing or in applying this statement a reasonable measure of discretion must be allowed.
4. Other things being equal it would seem equitable to make it possible for proved patriots to be given a certain preference for jobs but it is obviously no part of the policy of Allied Control Commission that the best man available should not be appointed.

P.M. Magnus

SIR P.M. MAGNUS,
Major,
for C.D. Mc CARTHY,
Colonel,
Patriots Branch.
R.C. & M.G. Section.

FMN/FRS.

Copies to:- Colonel Bain.
F.R.O.

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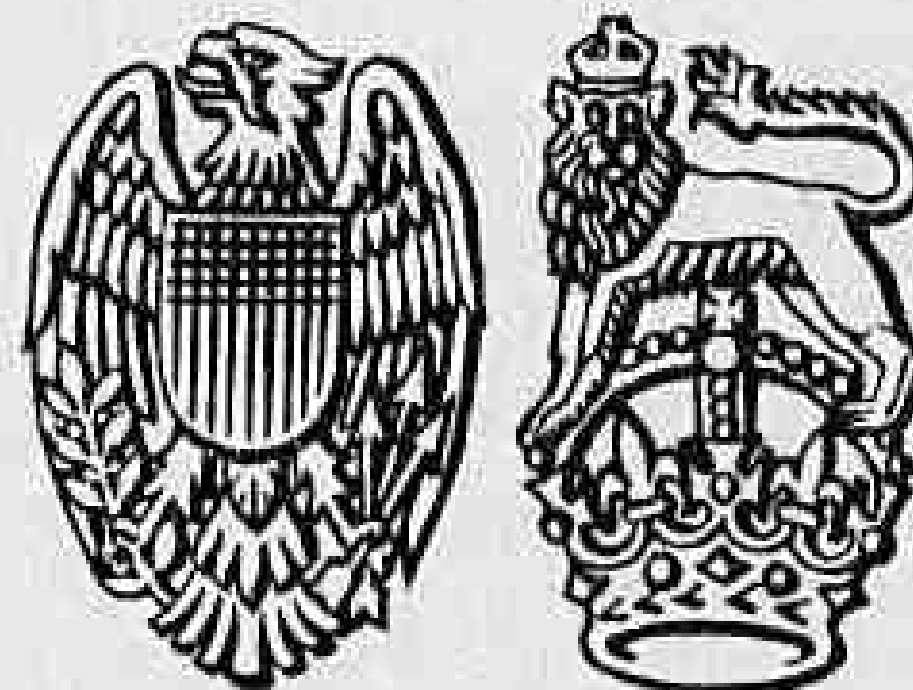
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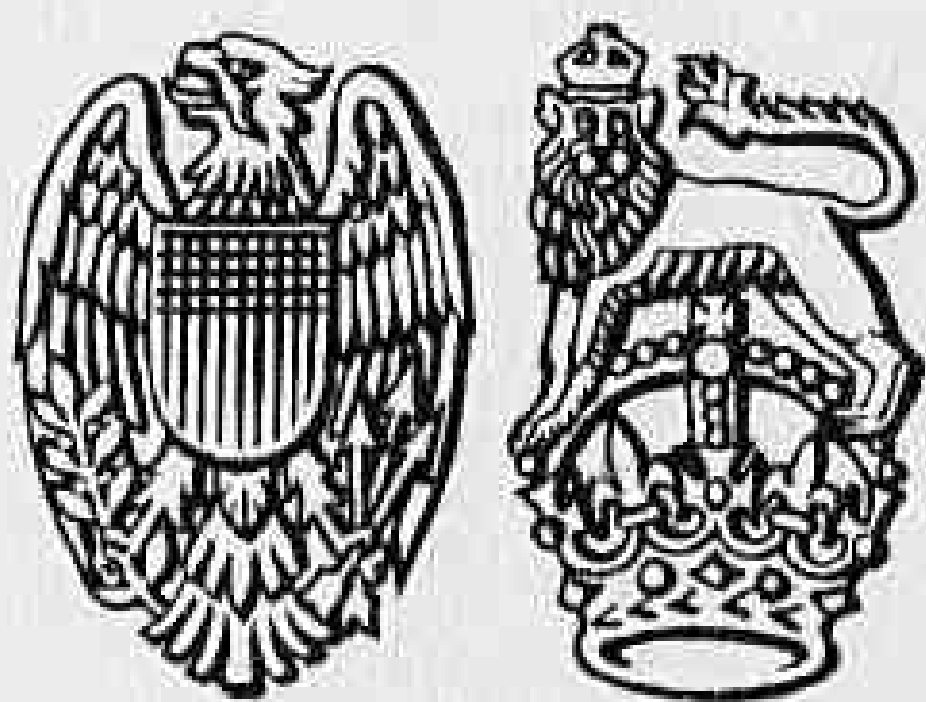
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HEADQUARTERS
AUG FIFTH ARMY
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23rd July 1944.

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SUBJECT: Patriots.

TO : See distribution.

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(b) To facilitate the absorption of demobilised Patriots into the ranks of the community. In this connection it is pointed out that an unemployed Patriot is not only a potential social menace but should be felt as a blot on the conscience of patriotic Italians.

(c) To prepare lists of Patriots who should receive the Certificates of thanks and organise the distribution of these certificates.

(d) To prepare a statement of the achievements of the local Patriot group, copies of which will be sent on by the CAO to higher Headquarters.

These committees will be set up as soon as possible.

3. The Certificates of thanks (copy attached) will be held by Corps SCMOs and Provincial Commissioners, from whom they can be obtained by CAOs. They will not be issued indiscriminately by CAOs but only on the recommendation of the communal committee. It is suggested that the presentation of them to the Patriots could be made on the occasion of a small formal ceremony.

Attention is directed to the need for two countersignatures on each certificate, one that of the CAO, the other that of the Patriot leader. Leaders wishing to preserve their anonymity will be allowed to do so and may countersign with a code name.

Communal committees will keep records of the issue of certificates and nominal rolls of the recipients.

4. Italian representatives of the principal Patriot organisations have been attached to Corps SCMOs and will be available for large towns in future. Their advice and help will be widely used and they should be utilized to relieve CAOs of as much detailed work as possible. Other representatives can be procured by this Headquarters if desired. These representatives are entitled to Allied rations, POL etc.

Although these representatives will be primarily interested in their own two organisations the (Italian Army and the CLN) they can be used to help handle other organised bands and they must be made to take an interest in bands of other organisations which come under the definition outlined in para. 1 above.

5. Proclamations signed by General Alexander, thanking the patriots for their good work, which were brought up by these Italian representatives, will be posted immediately following the occupation of all places in which Patriots are found. Stocks of these Proclamations are in the hands of SCMOs.

6. Arms handed in by Patriots will be centralized by SCMOs and Provincial Commissioners and the location of these central armouries reported by them to this Headquarters, which will arrange for their collection for re-use behind the enemy lines.

7. Yugoslavs are urgently required for duty in their own country. They should be evacuated through the Displaced Persons Group under command of the Refugee Field Section of this Headquarters.

8. Italians who wish to join the Italian Army will be sent to Provincial HQ thence to such places as may be laid down by Allied/Italian military authorities. It is hoped that Italian Army representatives will soon be in action in Provincial Headquarters.

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E. R. MAYNE,
Colonel, U.D.F.,
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25 July 1944.

PROPOSALS FOR THE ASSISTANCE TO THE PARTISANS.

1. As the Army has temporarily provided for the faithful officers, the Italian Government ought to do the same for all State employees and also for the under officers and soldiers who kept themselves hidden or refused to obey.
2. A moderate money reward to the demobilized men of the bands.
3. The families of the fallen partisans ought to get a pension, like the families of the soldiers fallen at the front or a lump sum.
4. The Allies could take care for the immediate distribution of comfort articles, food and clothing.
5. The above mentioned should be added to the provisions for the re-employment of the patriots. Such provisions could be enlarged (also in agreement with the Italian Government) and be widely applied. This is the form of assistance which is more fit to the dignity of a fighting soldier.
6. It is necessary to solve the problem of the transportation to their homes and fields of those patriots of South Italy who desire to return to their work and to their ordinary vocations in their family and in social life.
7. Local employment where they are demobilized and particular assistance to the patriots of still by the enemy occupied Italy is recommended.

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File 33

23 JULY 1944.

NOTES ABOUT ASSISTANCE TO PATRIOTS BY THE COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE
NAZIONALE (C. L. N.)

1. The C.L.N. has never had central funds, common to the various parties.
2. The parties have distributed for their own account assistance means, either through their central management or through their local officials. Such expenses were not entered by the C.L.N. It will be our care to collect from the various parties all data about the assistance.
3. Such assistance was carried out especially in the form of food, lodging and clothing, so that also an approximate estimate is extremely difficult and the representatives of C.L.N. do not consider opportune to present conjectural or forged figures.
4. For guidance we can set two examples:-
 - (a) The Patriots depending on C.L.N. of the three regions : Marche - Umbria - and Abruzzo could perhaps be estimated in certain periods at about 4000. Costs for their assistance for a month can be estimated at about 5 to 7 millions.
 - (b) Average Patriot forces in Rome connected with U.L.N. are presumed to have been 7/8000 to a maximum of 12000. They lived mostly at their home for some time. Later on they were hidden and fed privately by parties' members. It is probable that the expenses for the patriots, living out of their home in Rome, have run about an important figure, which could also attain 12/15 millions monthly.
5. We wish to point out the fact that nearly all patriots are today unemployed or only temporarily employed for some occasional work.

For C.L.N.
(sgd) Dr. Giuliano Treves.

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- (a) The Patriots depending on C.L.N. of the three regions : Marche - Umbria - and Abruzzo could perhaps be estimated in certain periods at about 4000. Costs for their assistance for a month can be estimated at about 5 to 7 millions.
- (b) Average Patriot forces in Rome connected with C.L.N. are presumed to have been 7/8000 to a maximum of 12000. They lived mostly at their home for some time. Later on they were hidden and fed privately by parties' members. It is probable that the expenses for the patriots, living out of their home in Rome, have run about an important figure, which could also attain 12/15 millions monthly.

5. We wish to point out the fact that nearly all patriots are today unemployed or only temporarily employed for some occasional work.

(sgd) Dr. Giuliano Treves.
for C.L.N.

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HEADQUARTERS

ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 39

1047/4/91

5 Jul 44

Supply of Food to Italian Civilians

This instruction cancels HQ AAI letters 1047/4/Q dated 24 May 44 and 20 Jun 44 respectively.

1. Authority is given to provide food, as hereafter provided, during each shift of eight hours or more for Italian civilians performing heavy labour for the benefit of the Allied Forces. The authority is applicable to civilians employed directly by the Allied Army, Naval and Air Forces and by contractors on their behalf and industry operating for the Allied Forces.

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3. (a) In consequence of the two basic Ration Scales for civilians now applicable in Italy, it is necessary to have two different scales for the Midshift Meal and Supplemental Rations. These have been calculated so that the sum of the Basic Scale plus Supplemental rations are the same irrespective of the part of Italy in which the worker is employed. Given below are the details for Midshift Meal and Supplemental Rations for:-

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ITEMS	NORTHERN		SOUTHERN	
	SCALE A	SCALE B	SCALE A	SCALE B
PART I				
Midshift Meal (to be served on the job)	1 lb 6 ozs	1 lb 6 ozs	1 lb 6 ozs	- 6 ozs
Bread	0.8 ozs	0.8 ozs	0.8 ozs	0.8 ozs
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Fresh Vegetables	6 ozs	6 ozs	6 ozs	6 ozs
Dehydrated Soup	0.8 ozs	0.8 ozs	0.8 ozs	0.8 ozs
PART II Supplemental Ration Cards entitling worker to weekly rations of				
Bread	-	-	-	770 grams
Pasta	700 grs	350 grs	150 grs	-
Dehydrated Soup	200 grs	-	200 grs	-

(b) It is expected that the boundary will move NORTH as the advance continues and notifications will be made as and when this occurs.

ENTITLEMENT

5. The following personnel will be entitled to food and supplemental ration cards according to Scale "A" and "B" above :-

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(a) Scale "A" for labour engaged on heavy work employed by the Allied Armed Forces either :-

- (i) Directly
- (ii) By contractors and/or industries who in turn are employed 100% by the Allied Armed Forces.
- (iii) Heavy railway workers.

(b) Scale "B"

- (i) For labour engaged on heavy work employed by contractors who are employed less than 100% by the Allied Armed Forces, e.g. Public Utilities.
- (ii) Labour employed on heavy work working for the war effort, other than in (a) and (b)(i) above.

Each type case of heavy workers claiming entitlement to scale "B". rations will be presented to HQ AOC for a decision as to whether these heavy workers will receive the entire "B" Ration Scale or any portion thereof. In determining this, AOC has agreed to be guided by the following priorities :-

PRIORITY I - Public Service workers in electric power, gas, water and communications.

PRIORITY II - Heavy workers employed by other contractors working less than 100% for the Allied Armed Forces.

- (c) Labour employed, other than stated in paras 5(a) and (b) above, is NOT entitled to any other additional food or supplemental ration cards.

- (d) Office employees are NOT entitled to either Scale "A" or "B" rations.

ISSUES TO CONTRACTORS

- 6. It is necessary that the issue of food and supplemental ration cards to labour employed by contractors and industry working for the Allied Armed Forces be strictly controlled. In order to ensure that:-

- (a) only bona fide employees performing heavy work are fed,
- (b) food is furnished and supplemental ration cards distributed on proper scale,
- (c) food leakages do NOT exist.

Authority for such issues and distribution will be granted only to Army, Base Section, District, Area or equivalent commanders. Before granting this authority such commanders will satisfy themselves that the issue will be properly controlled by the employing service.

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7. The officer responsible for placing the contract or arranging for use of industry will ensure that :-

(a) contractors and firms working for the Allied Armed Forces deduct from the wages of their employees the amounts prescribed in para 10 hereof.

(b) a deduction is made on invoices rendered equivalent to the deduction from employees wages in respect of food.

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PROVISION OF SUPPLIES.

8. (a) The provision of flour element for the bread referred to in para 4 Part I will be an AOC responsibility under central arrangements. Bread making ingredients other than flour will be provided by AOC on demand, when available, in the same manner as flour. There may be initial difficulties in the supply of certain items, in which case the supply of bread will be left to the discretion of the Army, Base Section, District, Area or equivalent commander. Baking of the bread will be the responsibility of the Services. Detailed issues of flour made from service stocks will be replaced by HQ AOC. For this purpose Army, Base Section and District or equivalent commanders will present a consolidated monthly total of the amount issued to HQ AOC who will arrange immediate replacement.
- The dehydrated soup will be supplied by AOC. If service stocks are used, replacement will be in the same manner as for flour.
- (b) The supply to the normal civilian channel of the food referred to in para 4 Part II will be the responsibility of HQ AOC.

FRESH VEGETABLES.

9. Provision of fresh vegetables will be the responsibility of the Services from local resources under existing arrangements, requirements being demanded and accounted for by the Service concerned through regular channels.

PAYMENT.

10. (a) There will be deducted from daily wages an amount equivalent to the cost of the food furnished under para 4 Part I. This amount will be as follows :-
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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1 lb Bread | 2 lire |
| 6 ozs Fresh Vegetables | 4 lire |
| 0.8 ozs Dehydrated Soup | 1 lire |
- (b) The whole or any part of the midshift meal may be issued at the discretion of commanders referred to in para 3. In all such cases the cost of the components so issued will be prescribed as in para 10(a).
- (c) Every effort must be made to make the full scale ration available where local conditions make it desirable.

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$\frac{1}{2}$ lb Bread	2 lire
6 ozs Fresh Vegetables	4 lire
0.8 ozs Dehydrated Soup	1 lire

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EFFECTIVE DATE.

12. This instruction will become effective from date of receipt.

For: [Signature]
Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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CG Allied Garrison	(6)	57 Area	(6)
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

Ref/30/9/PAT.

26 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Re-employment of Patriots.

TO : Distribution Below.

1. Further to para. 4 of this office directive under reference 30/8/PAT dated 24 July 1944.
2. The problem of feeding civilians is now detailed in HQ. AAI. Administrative Instruction No. 39 dated 5 July 1944 which cancels previous instructions.
3. One copy of AAI. Instruction No. 39 is attached for each of the first seven addressees on the distribution list below.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref/30/8/PAT.

24 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Re-employment of Patriots.

TO : Distribution Overleaf.

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 - (f) Employment by Area Commanders and Town Majors as watchmen.
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 - (h) The problem of training and providing de-mining squads in back areas is being considered.
4. The problem of paying and feeding Patriots who are employed in some of the manners suggested above should be studied. Full instructions for feeding

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civilians employed on military duties are given in "Instructions Regarding the Employment of Civilian Labour (Italy and Sicily)". For issue of U.S. rations to civilians see MATOUSA circular No. 14 dated 4 February 1944.

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NORMAN E. FISKE.

Colonel.
Norman E. Fiske
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel from Enemy Occupied Italy.

Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
Main H.Q. MMIA
ROME.

23 Jul 44. 6/19

Ministry of War

Copy to: HQ AAI

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" " " 5 Army
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A.C.C. Patriots Section.
Army Sub-Comm. ACC.
Air Forces Sub-Comm. ACC.

HQ ACC
Army Sub-Comm LO.
1 District.
2 District.
3 District.
5 Corps HQ.

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3. Other men of military age, including Patriots and volunteers who have not been accepted for immediate enlistment, will remain as civilians until called upon to register (or re-register) for service in the ordinary way.

(sgd) L. BROWNING.
Major General.
Army Sub-Comm. I.C.C.

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Adv Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.SUBJECT: Administration of Patriots by
AMC and ACC10/1/0(025)'B'

20 July 44

TO : No 1 Special Force - 033

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22 Jul

The attached mimeographs should be of interest to you. Please follow these provisions in regard to status of patriots following repatriation, particularly during recruitment of agents and direct communications with Partisan bands. In other words don't extend glowing promises which ACC and AMC cannot fulfill.

In addition I have some large posters dealing with this subject which might well be sent over and posted in enemy territory, particularly in those areas which we may reasonably expect to possess in the near future. I'll discuss these with your Liaison Officers during their next visits here.

John H. Hise
JOHN H. HISE,
Col., U.S.C.

✓ Copy for Col. McCarthy, ACC

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ MEIA

ROME.

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20 Jul 44.

Dear McCarthy

Ref. paras 2 (c) and (d) App. "A" of Executive Commissioners,
30/1/PAT dated 18th July -

1. I send you two copies of my G/19 dated 3 June and S.D. 1005 dated 22 June. These two letters make the Army side of this patriot question clear. I don't know if all the members of your patriot organisation realise our situation in this matter and you may think it worth while to explain to them.

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Col. C.D. MCCARTHY,
Patriots Branch,
A.C.G.

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SUBJECT: Italian military personnel from enemy occupied ITALY.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILLE (LECCE)
G/19
3 June 44.

Ministry of War.
copy to: HQ AAI

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Adv HQ Army Sub Commission, SALERNO.
Army Sub Comm. LO NAPLES.
5 Army.
8 Army.

HQ ACC.
Army sub comm. LO 1 District.
2 District.
3 District.
5 Corps HQ

1. The following categories of Italian military personnel may fall into our hands as a result of successful operations: -

- (a) Men in uniform who are being treated initially as enemy prisoners of war in the ordinary way.
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- (c) Men of military age, liable to service in the Italian Army but who do not voluntarily come forward.

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6. In giving detailed orders to effect this, the Ministry of War will ensure that men are not amassed at depots to the detriment of working units. As far as possible numbers for discharge from units concerned should be selected in advance. Replacements should be assigned to these units before being granted leave from refugee camps and ordered to report direct to their units at the end of their leave. The corresponding number of men should then be immediately discharged.
7. A copy of orders issued by Ministry of War to give effect to the above directive will be sent to MMIA.

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s/d L. BROWNING.
Maj. Gen.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

MESSAGE FORM

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To : Rome Area Command for ACC Rome for PISLEY.
rptd: Minister for War: Chief of Staff SMRE
ACC for Public Safety.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 30/1/PAC.

18th July 1944.

SUBJECT: General Instructions on the Administration of Patriots in
Military Government Territory.

TO : Distribution Below.

1. The handling of patriots is a difficult problem which will increase in complexity as the advance continues and the patriots increase in numbers and achieve more successes. Their rehabilitation in liberated territory is an added burden to CAO's in Areas and Provincial staffs, but it is a duty which must be carried out with firmness and sympathy and with the knowledge that success or failure in this matter may have wide repercussions in this and other territories.

2. Patriots, although mostly Italians, may be of any nationality, and are defined as being those in the ranks of genuine fighting bands who have carried arms, engaged in sabotage or secured important military information to the benefit of the Allied war effort.

3. The following directions contain the main principles of the agreed policy with regard to patriots and all the procedure to put that policy into effect. Instructions for dealing with all those who have helped Allied Prisoners of War are being issued separately.

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5. Patriots come under the aegis of AMG officers whose duty it is to see that the metamorphosis from military to civilian status takes place with the minimum of disillusionment. To this end representatives of patriot organisations have been sent to Army AMG's and Italian committees with strong patriot representation will be set up in the local governments of liberated territory. It is extremely important that while order is to be maintained and arms have to be surrendered, patriots should be treated with great tact and sympathy in order to avoid antagonism and discouragement which would become known and have an adverse effect upon patriots still operating against the enemy. Leaders of patriot groups should be thanked by AMG officers for the assistance which they have rendered to the Allies and told to convey to their groups the Allied appreciation of their efforts.

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7. Patriots will be unwilling to hand in arms but the preservation of law and order precludes the existence of irregular armed bands in liberated territory; the law demands their surrender and they must therefore be tactfully told to obey the law.

8. After months of guerrilla warfare it will be hard for patriots to settle down to normal life. To encourage rapid return to their ordinary vocations will be one of the most difficult duties of the local committees etc., like AMG officers

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and Italian officials, must deal with the patriots not as a nuisance but with sympathy and gratitude. It should at all times be remembered that an unemployed patriot is not only a disgrace to the community but a menace.

9. While it is desirable to leave the rehabilitation of patriots to the Italians themselves, in the form of local committees, CAO's and especially Provincial Officers in the later period of occupation, remembering that they have fought for the Allies, should ensure that they are given a square deal.

10. 20,000 posters have been sent to AMG 5 Army and 30,000 to AMG 8 Army. These should be displayed immediately after liberation of territory and the attention of all patriots drawn to them. The contents of the poster will also be broadcast locally by PWB and will be published in Italian newspapers.

11. In order to show appreciation of individual effort certificates of merit have been prepared for issue to every individual patriot vouched for by the local patriot leader. Certificates will be endorsed by the recognised patriot leader and by an Allied officer (A.C. the CAO). If for any reason the patriot leader wishes to remain anonymous his signature can be replaced by a pseudonym or signed by another patriot representative. Posthumous certificates may be awarded to next-of-kin. In special cases letters of thanks by Corps or other senior commanders may be sent to towns or villages who collectively and actively have aided the Allied cause.

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17. Distribution of these representatives is as follows:-

- 4 to AMG 5 Army;
- 6 to AMG 8 Army, of whom 2 are for Pol Corps.

Cars may be requisitioned for them locally.

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18. When these patriot representatives enter new areas with CMOs it is suggested that they should set up a special patriot office and produce for the CMO a complete list of patriots in the area in order that certificates may be issued and plans made for their re-employment.

19. These representatives should also be of assistance in setting up the more permanent communal committees whose duties will be to organize the re-employment and dispersal of patriots on the lines set out in the attached Appendix.

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FORMATION OF COMMUNAL COMMITTEES FOR RE-EMPLOYMENT
AND DISPENSAL OF PATRIOTS.

1. (a) The Committee will be formed and exist at Commune level only in the first instance.
- (b) Subject to local conditions a suggested form of committee is as follows:-

Sindaco (or Commissario Prefetizio) to preside;
four or more representatives chosen by and from the patriots;
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two well known and respected local residents.

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The Chairman and/or his official will keep proper records of the Committee's proceedings including the names, certificates (if any) and classification of all persons dealt with at the meeting and date of their disposal.

Lists prepared by different branches together with any other relevant information which may be required will be made available to the Committee.

QUARTIERE GENERALE
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
APO 394
SEZIONE CONTROLLO REGIONALE
E GOVERNO MILITARE

Rif: 30/1/Pat
18 luglio 1944
Oggetto: Istruzioni generali sul trattamento dei patrioti nel territorio del Governo Militare.
(Da distribuire come sotto indicato).

- 1) Il trattamento dei patrioti è un trattamento difficile che diverrà sempre più complesso via via che l'avanzata progredisce e i patrioti aumenteranno di numero e conseguiranno maggiori successi. La loro sistemazione nel territorio liberato è un nuovo onere per i G.A.C. negli S.M. delle Armate e delle Province, ma è un dovere che dev'essere compiuto con fermezza e simpatia e con la consapevolezza che il successo e l'insuccesso in questo campo possono avere ampie ripercussioni in questi e in altri territori.
- 2) I patrioti benedetti per lo più italiani, possono essere di ogni nazionalità e vengono definiti come coloro che, nei ranghi di genuine bande combattenti, hanno portato le armi, partecipato a sabotaggi e procurato importanti informazioni militari a vantaggio dello sforzo bellico degli Alleati. Le seguenti direttive contengono i principi più importanti della politica adottata nei riguardi dei patrioti e tutta la procedura per attuare tale politica. Sul trattamento di tutti quelli che hanno aiutato prigionieri di guerra alleati sono state emanate istruzioni separate.
- 3) Alla liberazione del territorio i patrioti devono abbondare il loro stato quasi militare e divenire buoni cittadini. A questo fine è stato preparato e verrà largamente diffuso un messaggio a forma di manifesto, firmato dal generale Alexander.
- 4) I patrioti vengono presi sotto l'egida degli Ufficiali dell'A.M.G., che hanno il dovere di badare che la metamorfosi dallo stato militare a quello civile si svolga con la minima delusione possibile. A questo fine, dei rappresentanti di organizzazioni di patrioti sono stati mandati all'A.M.G. d'Armata e comitati italiani con una forte rappresentanza di patrioti verranno istituiti nei governi locali del territorio liberato. E' estremamente importante che, mentre ha da essere mantenuto l'ordine ed hanno da essere consegnate le armi, i patrioti vengano trattati con molto tatto e con molta simpatia, ad evitare antagonismi e scoramenti che potrebbero diventare vulgari ed avere effetto contrario sui patrioti ancora operanti contro il nemico. I Comandanti delle bande dei patrioti devono venire ringraziati dagli Ufficiali A.M.G. per

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per i loro sforzi.

6)

Mentre i patrioti non sono un'organizzazione politica e de-
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te di patrioti, si deve ricordare che in virtù del loro
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italiano devono essere indotti a intendere e manifestare
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re rappresentati nel governo.

- 7) I patrioti saranno restii a consegnare le armi, ma il rispetto della legge e dell'ordine escludo l'esistenza di bande irregolari armate nel territorio liberato, la legge esige la consegna delle armi e perciò i patrioti devono essere rigorosamente invitati a ubbidire alla legge.
- 8) Dopo mesi di vita di guerriglia sarà duro per i patrioti riprendere la vita normale. L'incorporamento al rapido ritorno alle loro occupazioni normali sarà uno dei compiti più difficili dei comitati locali che, al pari degli Ufficiali dell'A.M.G. e dei funzionari italiani, devono trattare coi patrioti non come una sconfitta, ma con simpatia e gratitudine. Si deve sempre ricordare che un patriota disoccupato è non solo una disgrazia per la società, ma anche una minaccia.
- 9) Mentre è desiderabile di lasciare la sistemazione dei militari agli italiani stessi mediante i comitati locali, i C.A.O. e specialmente gli Ufficiali Provinciali, nel successivo periodo di occupazione, ricordando che i patrioti hanno combattuto per gli Alleati, devono assicurarsi che ad essi è stata data una solida posizione.
- 10) 20.000 manifesti sono stati mandati all'A.M.G. della Va Armaia. Questi devono venire affissi immediatamente dopo la liberazione del territorio e si deve attirare sugli stessi l'attenzione di tutti i patrioti. Il contenuto del manifesto verrà anche radiodiffuso localmente da P.W.F. e verrà pubblicato sui giornali italiani.
- 11) Allo scopo di dimostrare l'apozzamento dello sforzo individuale, sono stati preparati dei certificati di merito da rilasciarsi a ciascun patriota su garanzia del comandante locale dei patrioti. I certificati verranno controfirmati dal comandante riconosciuto dei patrioti e da un ufficiale alleato (P. es. C.A.O.). Se per qualche motivo il comandante dei patrioti desidera restare anonimo, la sua firma può essere sostituita da una pseudonimo e dalla sottoscrizione di un altro rappresentante dei patrioti. Certificati postumi possono essere conferiti a prossimi congiunti. In casi speciali, i Corpi e altri Comandi superiori possono mandare lettere di ringraziamento a città o villaggi che collettivamente o attivamente hanno aiutato la causa degli alleati.
- 12) Prima del rilascio di ciascun certificato dev'essere richiesto il parere dei comandanti dei patrioti, ad evitare che dei falsi patrioti ne possano entrare in possesso.
- 13) I Commissari Provinciali emetteranno certificati, su debita garanzia dei comandanti dei patrioti, nelle zone dove i C.A.O.'s e gli A.M.G.'s d'Armata non hanno potuto farlo e nelle zone liberate negli ultimi mesi. I Commissari provinciali dedicheranno la massima attenzione a questo materia e istituiranno speciali comitati nei governi locali per trattare le questioni pendenti, p. es. nella Regione di Roma.

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Patrioti italiani, rappresentanti del Comando Militare Patrio-
ti dell'Italia Centrale, di cui è esponente il Col. Bernabè,
e del Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, di cui è esponente
il Sr. Boner, sono stati mandati a ciascun Corpo dell'A.M.G.
d'Armata. C.A.O.'s deve tener presente che questi rappresen-
tanti dei patrioti potrebbero preoccuparsi principalmente di
ottenere riconoscimenti per patrioti appartenenti alla loro
organizzazione. Se si presentano altri patrioti, devono se-
ssere vagliati accuratamente e se risultano essere gente di
buona fede devono ricevere il certificato e godere parità di
trattamento.

C.A.O.'s devono incoraggiare i rappresentanti dei patriotti a considerare le cose con larghezza. Si veduta e non badare solo tanto agli interessi di membri della loro organizzazione, ma anche a quelli di tutti gli autentici patriotti.

- 25) I rappresentanti dei patriotti sono del tutto apolitici. I loro compiti principali sono:

- (a) di aiutare i C.A.O.'s d'Armata ad individuare i comandanti delle bande di patriotti;
- (b) di collaborare nella selezione di patriotti degni di fiducia tra quelli di tali bande per assistere i C.A.O.'s;
- (c) di assistere in genere i A.M.G. nel trattare tutti i problemi dei patriotti.

- 16) Questi rappresentanti sono pagati dalle loro organizzazioni. Essi devono venir alloggiati e vettovagliati e riforniti di P.C.L. da A.M.G. (D.Q.M.G. A.M.I. manda istruzioni e cuccato effetto ai Quartieri Generali della Armata).

- 17) Questi rappresentanti vengono ripartiti come segue:

- 4 all'A.M.G. della 5a Armata
- 6 all'A.M.G. dell'8a Armata, 2 dei quali per i corpi P.C.L.

Automezzi per loro uso possono venir richiesti sul posto.

- 18) Si suggerisce che, quando questi rappresentanti dei patriotti entrano in nuove zone con i C.A.O.'s, istituiscano uno speciale ufficio patriotti e compilino per il C.A.O. un elenco completo dei patriotti nella zona, affinché possano venir loro rilasciati i certificati e possano essere fatti i piani per il loro reimpiego.

- 19) Questi rappresentanti dei patriotti devono anche prestare assistenza per la costituzione dei comitati regionali permanenti, cui spetta il compito di organizzare il reimpiego e la ripartizione dei patriotti secondo le direttive, espresse nell'appendice allegata.

- 20) I comandanti dei patriotti devono venir sollecitati a preparare gli elenchi dei loro gruppi e a compilare relazioni sulla le operazioni da essi compiute prima dell'occupazione Alleata.

- 21) I patriotti devono consegnare le loro armi (compreso le bombe a mano e le bombe). Non occorre richiamarsi ad altre ragioni, fuorché quella che la legge esige la consegna delle armi. Al tempo stesso si devono evitare, nelle prima fase, ordini perentori.

- 22) Normalmente le armi devono venir consegnate ai C.A.O.'s e agli ufficiali alleati e deve esserne rilasciata ricevuta, sottoscritta da tali ufficiali o da comandanti dei patriotti. Si possono fare eccezioni.

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- 23) Le armi consegnate verranno trasportate, per quanto possibile, a centri di raccolta, donde alcune di esse verranno ritirate dal N.1 "Special Force" che ne ha bisogno per ulteriori operazioni. E' importante che "Patriot Branch", A.C.O., venga informato dell'ubicazione delle armi e depositi, numero delle armi, ed abbia un quadro generale della situazione, compreso il numero congetturale delle armi non ancora consegnate.

24)

Gli Jugoslavi sono richiesti urgentemente per operazioni nel loro paese e sono da prendersi particolari provvedimenti per mandarli al Sud, al più presto possibile, mediante la "Displaced Persons Sub - Commission".

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APPENDICE " "

FORMAZIONE DI COMITATI COMUNALI

PER IL REIMPIEGO E RIPARTIZIONE DEI PATRIOTI

1. a) Il Comitato verrà costituito ed esisterà per il circondario comunale solo nella prima fase.
- b) Subordinatamente alle condizioni locali, si suggerisce la seguente formazione del Comitato:

Sindaco (o Commissario Prefettizio), presidente; quattro o più rappresentanti eletti da e fra i patrioti; due membri della Giunta Comunale se costituita come tale o, altrimenti, due cittadini, ben noti e stimati residenti nel Comune.

c) Alla continuità della politica adottata, alla coordinazione degli sforzi dei Comitati comunali ed ai mezzi di comunicazione dei A.M.G./A.C.O. si deve provvedere nella Giurisdizione provinciale da e mediante il Prefetto, operante secondo il parere e sotto il controllo del Commissario Provinciale.

Le funzioni e gli scopi del Comitato sono i seguenti. Deve anzitutto accertare che le persone che si dicono patrioti lo sono effettivamente. Eseguito il vaglio a questo scopo, i falsi patrioti saranno ignorati. I patrioti autentici verranno classificati e trattati nel modo seguente:

- a) Assorbimento locale secondo le loro normali abitudini di vita e mezzi d'esistenza ed impiego (particolarmente agricole e d'opera per i raccolti) che passeranno ancora offresi sul posto. Essi verranno trattati come ogni altro residente del luogo, che vi sia trattenuto. Tale provvedimento verrà applicato tanto ai patrioti che hanno la loro residenza nella zona, quanto ai non residenti che lo desiderano. Nell'esecuzione d'una occupazione si darà la preferenza ai patrioti.
- b) Non residenti che non desiderano trattenersi nella zona. Si ritiene che questa categoria sarà molto poco numerosa. Essi ritorneranno alle loro case. Il loro ritorno verrà organizzato sul posto del C.A.O. verso i Quartieri Generali Provinciali e da lì dal Commissario Provinciale.
- c) Coloro che desiderano entrare nell'Esercito immediatamente (non intendendo aspettare il richiamo, se è quando vi siano posti) verranno inoltrati al Quartier Generale Provinciale e da lì, mediante un'organizzazione provinciale, a quei centri che saranno stabiliti dalle autorità militari alleate e italiane. Per rendere attuabile questo piano, il M.M.A. terrà informati i missari Regionali e gli S.C.O. riguardo i luoghi e i quali tali persone devono venire avviate e darà ogni altra informazione di rilievo per questo scopo.

2.

Sindaco (o Commissario Prefettizio), presidente quattro o più rappresentanti scelti da e fra i patriotti; due membri della Giunta Comunale se costituita come tale o, altrimenti, due cittadini, ben noti e stimati residenti nel Comune.

c) Alla continuità della politica adottata, alla coordinazione degli sforzi dei Comitati comunali ed ai mezzi di comunicazione da J.M.C./A.C.C. Ha si deve provvedere nella giurisdizione provinciale da e mediante il Prefetto, operante secondo il parere e sotto il controllo del Commissario Provinciale.

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b) Non residenti che non desiderino trattenersi nelle zone. Si ritiene che questa categoria sarà molto poco numerosa. Essi ritorneranno allo loro casa. Il loro ritorno verrà organizzato sul posto dal C.A.C. verso i Quartier Generali Provinciali e da lì dal Commissario Provinciale.

c) Coloro che desiderano entrare nell'Esercito immediatamente (non intendendo ripetere il richiamo, se è quando vi siano scoppiati) verranno incistati al Quartier Generale Provinciale e da lì, mediante un'organizzazione provinciale, a quei centri che saranno stabiliti dalla autorità militare alleata e italiana. Per rendere attuabile questo piano, il tutta terra informati Missari Regionali e gli S.C.C. e riguardo i luoghi ai quali tali persone devono venire avviate e darà ogni altra informazione di rilievo per questo scopo.

d) Coloro che desiderano continuare a servire come patriotti. Questi verranno scelti, in piccolo numero, da appositi organi militari, se necessario.

e) Jugoslavi, che non sono ancora stati vagliati e trattati secondo questo istruzioni, verranno rimandati, mediante la "Displacement Persons Sub-Commission" per impiego speciale presso le forze combattenti Jugoslave.

3. Il Sindaco e/o un suo funzionario terrà accurata registrazione dei procedimenti del Comitato, compresi i nomi, i certificati (se non sono stati rilasciati) e la classificazione di tutte le persone con cui abbia trattato e la natura e la data dei provvedimenti a loro riguardo.

Gli elenchi compilati dai comandanti dei Patrisciti ed ogni altra informazione rilevante che possa venir richiesta saranno messi a disposizione del Comitato.

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ADMINISTRATION OF PATRIOTS IN LIBERATED ITALYAGENDA

1. Composition of Liaison parties with Army AMGs.
2. Preliminary Action in occupation:
 - (a) Form and posting of General Alexander's notice.
 - (b) Return of Arms.
 - (c) Form and distribution certificate of merit.
 - (i) Individuals
 - (ii) Collective.
3. Subsequent treatment of Patriots:
 - (a) Rehabilitation in Rural areas and small towns.
 - (b) Rehabilitation in Cities.
 - (c) Composition of committees in Provinces to deal with (a) and (b).
4. Certificate and assistance to those who have helped escape Allied P.O.W.

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