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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

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14 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Patriots Draft Letter

TO : Allied Commission
Liaison Office
(Attn.: Maj. GILLET).

1. The draft of your proposed letter to Prefects is returned.
2. It is considered that instructions issued to Prefects are sufficient to cover the future running of IMPR offices and that para 2 of your letter should be entirely deleted.
3. It has already been laid down that Alexander Patriot Certificates will not be issued after the end of this month and it is considered that a firm line be taken on this point and that no further certificates should be issued.
4. Future policy may however make it necessary to issue a few certificates but until this decision is taken no further certificates will be issued to Patriots.


R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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(TRANSLATION)

Draft for approval

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OGGETTO : Patrioti

A : Tutti i Prefetti - Regione Emilia
(Attenzione IMPR)

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

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I must request an immediate reply in order that I may inform the Supreme Allied Commander of the attitude of the Italian Government in this matter, so that he may take such steps as he may be advised.

Yours very truly,

ELDERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
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These nominations may, moreover, in special cases, be submitted to the regional CLN or to the CLNAI for their examination.

Later on ~~we~~ shall ~~have occasion further on to~~ discuss the functions of the provincial CLN's at the moment of liberation.

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Without the communal CLN, a provincial CLN is like a head without a body ⁶⁸⁹³ only by relying on its many communal CLNs, a provincial CLN use all the authority, all the ~~means~~ ^{and} means needed to develop its action. One of the main tasks of every provincial CLN is to bring about the creation of communal CLNs, wherever none have yet been formed and

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direct and coordinate their activities. Every CLN must be supported in this task by the initiative of all the fighting members of the movement of liberation comprising all patriots.

One of the reasons for the delay in the constitution of the communal CLNs, especially in the smaller communes, has been a misconception of their composition and tasks. If the representation of parties and organized masses which are taking part in the struggle for liberation enables the CLN, the regional and provincial CLN, and the larger city CLN to insure the most efficient united democratic leadership ~~to the same movement of liberation,~~ the same is not always ~~or necessarily~~ true of the smaller communal CLN. It often happens that in small communes there are no qualified representatives of this or that party of the CLN, or it often happens that there are ^{no} party representatives whatsoever. Clearly this cannot and must not be a reason for the CLN being no communal CLN. Where there are no party representatives, there may often be organized masses. There are tens of thousands of Volunteers for Liberty, hundreds of thousands of patriots who are not party members but who ~~still~~ nevertheless take an active part in the struggle. It is not necessary for a communal CLN to include representatives of all the Parties of the CLN in order to carry out its task effectively. It would hardly be expected of very small communes to make a display of politics when they take no interest in ^{them}. What is most important is that the communal CLN have true representatives and ^a leadership of the local forces which actually ^{fully} do take part in or are ~~able~~ to be drawn into the fight for liberation. This may easily be realized by the representation of organized masses or classes by patriots who in consequence of their fighting position are sufficiently competent to foster and lead the struggle.

The function of the communal CLN must always be a definite action of initiative, organization and coordination of all the local forces toward the fight for liberation. There is no need and no place for vague discussions of "High Politics" of party politics. The composition of the communal CLN must be such ^{that} as will guarantee the effective mobilization and coordination of all local forces, which very often in small communes are not of a political nature. For instance in a small mountain commune a CLN which includes representatives of the farmers and shepherds, of the Volunteers for Liberty, and of the technicians

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~~fact~~, such as they actually appear after twenty years of fascist oppression and at a time when ~~local activities are still forced into underground, illegal channels.~~

X What are the tasks of the communal CLN?

Today more than ever, the united political leadership of the communal CLN must deal with the concrete tasks of the movement of liberation and national insurrection.

National insurrection, as we have said before, is not a task to be confined to a definite moment but one of the present as well as the future, which must develop continually until the Germans and their fascist henchmen are finally expelled. The ~~seizure~~^{seizure} of forces for the Volontari della Liberta' and especially for the S.A.R. (Squadre d'Azione Patriottica), the ~~army and supply~~^{arming and supplying} and ~~safety~~ of such units, the organization of information services, sanitary and relief services and hundreds of other different tasks must be done by the communal CLN in order to insure that all local resources are mobilized for the way of liberation. The ~~entire~~^{entire} people, lead by the Communal CLN, must eventually mass around the advancing troops for the decisive battle.

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The CLN too must safeguard the wheat from requisition by the Germans or fascists.

In the same way, the CLN must actually take the place of the fascist administration ~~in order to take away the large away, local activity for the war effort and the welfare of the population.~~

We wish to cite, as an excellent example, the CLN of a commune of the Valle di Lanzo. In this alpine region of Piedmont, as is known, large "Garibaldini" units have liberated and ~~the~~ presiding over several communes. The commune in question, however, is not within the liberated area, but is lying beside it. The presence of fascist "authorities" did not prevent the communal CLN from taking ^{the} local administration in its own hands. Regarding the distribution of milk, for example, the CLN published and enforced the ~~pro-~~ ^{order} ~~visions~~ ^{with} ~~resources~~ ^{reproduced below:}

" The Committee of National Liberation of X.. (~~as in capital~~)

For the last several months in the Commune there has been an absolute lack of milk and butter. ~~As~~ this state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue, the local Committee of National Liberation hereby orders as follows:

- (1) All cattle owners are required to bring one litre of milk daily per head of cattle to the mild "stock pile" ~~(the office is referred to as a masson)~~. ^{the} Owners of only one head are exempted.
- (2) In consideration of local needs, the price of milk is hereby fixed at 4 lire per litre wholesale and 5 lire per liter retail.
- (3) Owners who do not comply with the present order shall have their cattle sequestered. The same shall be denounced to the Headquarters of the Volontari della Liberta' units operating in this area.

We feel sure that all cattle owners will understand the situation and abide scrupulously by this rule in the interests of the population and the fight for liberty.

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of X. Almost everywhere in the country, units of partisans or SAP (Squadre d'Azione Patriottica) can and do give the communal CLN the armed support needed to ^{fight} ~~beat~~ the ~~resistance~~ ^{armed} ~~given~~ by the fascist "authorities". There are ^{many} ~~not~~ ^{ways of this} ~~possibilities~~ ^{kind} ~~in this line~~, we repeat, and not only in the small communes, but more spirit and daring is needed; more strength and organization in the communal CLN which must be set up in all towns, large and small.

In all their actions the communal CLN, must of course take every care to avoid even the slightest appearance of ~~any~~ any "collaboration" with the fascist authorities. They must in no case compromise with ~~the~~ the fascist power. They must always present themselves to the people as another power, the power of the people, which is opposed to the fascist power, which has nothing in common with it and wages a war to the death against it.

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As said before, all ideas of a fixed ^{scheme} ~~that~~ should be avoided. Every provincial CLN has of course, the duty to see that a communal CLN is formed and operated in every commune in its jurisdiction, but ^{this} ~~it~~ does not mean that the communal CLN can or should be "appointed" from above. Whenever there are organizations or fighting members of one or more Parties or ^{mass organizations} ~~existing~~ ⁱⁿ of the CLN in a commune, they have, of course, an initial function in the constitution of a communal CLN, to which the provincial CLN ^{must} ~~must~~ ^{let} ~~let~~ the desired impulse and coordination. In any case, the provincial CLN should be notified of the

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constitution of the communal CLN, and a reliable and permanent liaison *must be* set up between the two. But all this does not mean that the communal CLN must always and necessarily be organized by the provincial CLN. They may rise through local initiative and must do so with increasing frequency. Wherever there is no communal CLN, every patriot, every agitator of the movement of national liberation can and must take the initiative of setting one to its constitution, maintaining together the persons which best represent the nature forces which actually take part in the struggle, notifying the provincial CLN that the body has been formed and establishing up the necessary liaison.

A particular but very important case is that of communes located in regions where units of Volontari della Liberta' are operating, or which *have been liberated by them.* *It is clear that in these regions, the need for a total mobilization of forces is more urgently felt and the very presence of our brave Volontari gives an impulse and opens the way to mobilization of communal CLNs.* The communal CLN must on no account, however, be "appointed" by the commanders or political commissioners of the Volontari della Liberta' units operating in the area. Such a method *is only by its form* would be ~~democratic~~ ^{not} and incompatible with the principles of the CLNAL. It could even bring about an artificial form of CLN not responding to local needs and therefore void of the necessary authority.

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Thus the Garibaldine units have succeeded, in an effective and formal way, ~~in~~ in doing away with all intervention from high authorities in both the bodies of united political leadership and in those of the new democratic power.

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that is important is that provincial CLNs, ^{the} commanders and political commissioners of the Volontari della Libertà units, party organizations, organized masses and single members of the movement of liberation should increase and coordinate their efforts in order that in every commune a CLN rises and really operates, representing local forces and interests and capable of mobilizing and uniting the people. Thus local initiative is aroused and coordinated, and every communal CLN must set up a permanent and reliable liaison with the provincial CLN. The bodies which ^{make} ~~start~~ this initiative, however, must take every care to avoid any form of intervention which may oppress or falsify the ~~own~~ local initiative.

X What are the functions of the suburban and village CLN?

In the larger city communes and ^{in the} ~~those~~ country communes ^{camping} ~~which have~~ various centers which ^{communes} ~~are at~~

some distance from each other, the communal CLN is often not enough to coordinate

directly all the local forces. In such cases it has been necessary to organize suburban

or village CLNs which act under the directions of and in close contact with the communal

CLN to foster and coordinate local ^{activities} ~~initiative~~ in the suburb or village. They are formed in the

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On the other hand, nothing would be more dangerous than to weaken the spirit of the masses in the smaller villages, just for the purpose of keeping a purely formal and ^{political} ~~disciplinary~~ discipline, ^{superimposed} ~~from above~~. ^{in the past} ~~For~~ ^{they} ~~the people~~ ^{act on} ~~on the day of insurrection with the required~~ enthusiasm and impetus, they should not be discouraged, ^{but on} ~~on the contrary~~, their ^{great} ~~initiative~~ power should be stimulated in every suburb and village.

A "Partisan week", a street demonstration or any definite action for the development of insurrection to its decisive stage, cannot be fully successful in a suburb or village unless there is a united body on the spot capable of arousing and coordinating the people's effort. The suburban or village CLN have successfully filled this need. Here in turn, the ^{effort} ~~initiative~~

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Problems of transport, rationing, markets, welfare, prices and "ammasi", can and must be taken up by the suburban and village CLN. In many cases such problems can and must be solved through the mobilization of the masses, above and against the orders of the "fascist authorities", in the interests of the people. The CLN have a wide scope ^{of} ~~for~~ activity in this field in which to contribute to the downfall of fascist "power".

X what are the tasks of the factory and business CLN?

The mobilization of forces is a task not to be left to head and local bodies based merely on a territorial jurisdiction. The problems in connection with the fight for liberation are so inseparably bound to those of the Country's production that they cannot be solved without the collaboration of united bodies working in ~~the~~ centers of productive activity which insure mobilization and foster action.

These tasks are undertaken by the factory and business CLN, which by operating on the site of work or production, mobilize the masses and material resources of the country. Already large numbers of business CLN have been formed in the larger factories, in private concerns, and in public utilities, and have done much to bring success to the action of the people. The results are still unsatisfactory in some cases however. In many towns, the business CLN especially those for small concerns, have not yet been formed or are inefficient. Even where they have been formed their tasks are not always clearly understood.

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Experience has proved that the problem of representation may easily be solved on the site of work without intervention from outside or from higher authorities. None better than those on the spot can know what composition the business CLN should have in order to insure the highest degree of authority and efficiency.

The principal function of the factory and business CLN, as said before, is to mobilize on the site of work, the masses and resources for the fight of liberation. This function consists practically of numerous, specific tasks which vary according to local needs. In the fight against deportation, especially, these bodies must see that all representatives of the personnel, both executive and technical, collaborate to prevent such pillage of manpower.

The business CLN will intervene with its authority by ordering the workers to be given advances on their wages enabling them to leave their work in time, and thus prevent lists of workers being supplied to the fascist and German authorities. There are many instances of good work done by the business CLN in this line. The same may be said of the fight against the German pillage of industrial machinery and raw materials, etc.

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actions in the fight for liberation, for which the business CLN must guarantee the support

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to denounce all factory workers and employees of concerns who fail in their duty to support the movement and take the necessary measure in regard.

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Thus the business CLN have, as may be seen, an essential function in ~~the~~ fostering and developing ^{of} the insurrection. In connection with their task of planning the defence of industrial plants and public utilities, as part of the armed warfare, they ~~xxxxxxx~~ can and must see that the masses are given substantial contributions in arms.

Moreover the business CLN must prepare, as from now, whatever measures are needed to keep production in a position to continue, after ^{the} liberation, for the sake of winning the war and providing the people with work and supplies. Lastly, their task is to see to the repatriation of all productive concerns of the elimination of fascists and their collaborators who should even now be denounced to the proper bodies. After the liberation, even if upon the request of the business CLN, the provincial CLN takes over the control of concerns whose managers are guilty of having collaborated with the enemy, the business CLN will be required to nominate the temporary managers and trustees, supervise their activity and see that ~~the rate of~~ production ^{does not slacken because} is ~~not mentioned~~ ^a consequence of such situation. In the same way the factory and business CLN will be consulted and called to collaborate with the provincial and regional finance offices in the organization of ~~economy and~~ industry.

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for the reorganization of educational ~~institutions~~ ^{and reviewing} institutions, for the ~~reorganization~~ of school ~~text~~ ^{books} texts, etc.

It is most important, for the mobilization of all Italians for the final battle, ^{CLN's of professions and amplify their activity} that these ~~professions~~ ^{increase} ~~their initiative~~, especially in connection with demonstrations and tasks of the present moment in the fight for liberation.

X What is the national function of the Committees of Agitation?

The Committee of Agitation is the united, working class body which directly leads the workers to fight for the defence of their working and living conditions. It is a united body from a political point of view because it includes representatives of all the political currents in its branch of work. It differs from the business CLN however, as it represents only the working class (workers and employees) and not the executive personnel.

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In recognizing the authority and mission of the Committees of Agitation, the CLN has recognized the importance of the national function which the working class has in the war of liberation. By its revengeful struggle in defence of the working and living conditions of the masses, by the advanced position it takes in the armed fight, by its spirit of sacrifice and determination, by its big political strikes and its demonstrations, the working class admittedly has a vanguard function not to be confused with the petty revenge of company interests, ^{and} but represents the common interests of the fight for national liberation.

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The national function of the Committees of agitation, therefore, is derived from their function of leadership of the working class. In order to carry out their function efficiently they must have the maximum independence of operation. This does not mean that their action is not to be coordinated with that of all the bodies of the Government.

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specific task of mobilizing the working class, or their democratic aim, namely the direct and independent intervention of the masses of workers in solving problems ^{arising} ~~in connection~~ with liberation.

^{don't} X How ~~the~~ CLNAI exercises its powers?

We have already seen how the functions of the CLNAI are not limited to the united political leadership of the fight for liberation, but include also - by the will of the people, ratified by a delegation granted by the Italian democratic government - the exercise of a certain power, which is at present the only legal power in occupied Italy.

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It is the duty of the CLN, in fact, to assume the responsibility of administration and government in the liberated regions, under the authority of the CLNAI, delegate of the Rome democratic government. Moreover, they have the task of organizing the temporary bodies of democratic power, ^{and} ~~nominating~~ the persons for the principal administrative and

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Government offices within their jurisdiction.

X What are the bodies of democratic power?

In every liberated commune, area or province, the local CLN lawfully assume the temporary administrative and government powers. These powers are exercised through special bodies (temporary provincial or area Boards of people's Boards of administration) and through the persons already nominated by the provincial CLN to hold certain public offices (Commissioner for the province, sindaco, head of the police, etc). These persons answer for their work to the bodies which appointed them.

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In the provinces wholly or partly liberated by the Volontari della Libertà' or by the allied armies, the provincial CLN, while continuing with its original functions of united political leadership of the fight for liberation, must assume the powers of government directly, under the sanction of the CLNAI, within the province, and function as a ^{Provincial} ~~temporary~~ Board of Government. Whenever, ^{in political matters} ~~in political matters~~, the representatives of the Volontari della Libertà' and the organized masses have not regularly taken part, as by right, in the work of the provincial CLN, the latter must see to it, upon liberation, that such members are really included. As Board of Government it must also include representatives of the principal branches of business in the province. The representatives of the organized masses and of the branches of business must of course be nominated or approved as soon as possible by means of election by the respective branches.

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X What are the functions of the people's Boards of Administration?

The People's Board of administration is the temporary ^{administrative} ~~body of administration~~ in the

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Wherever a Communal CLN already exists and functions in the commune, while it must in all cases continue its united political leadership of the fight for liberation, it may assume directly, upon liberation, the function of People's Board of Administration. Whenever, due to ^{political reasons} ~~circumstances~~, the representatives of the Volontari della Libertà and of the organized masses have not regularly taken part in the work of the CLN, as by right, the latter must in every case, upon liberation, see to it that they are ~~fully~~ included. After inclusion of the said representatives and with the later addition of the representatives of the principal branches of business in the commune, the CLN may assume the functions of People's Board of Administration. The representatives of the organized masses and of the branches of business must of course be nominated or approved as soon as possible by the members of the respective branches.

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Only in the provincial capital communes will the provincial CLN (which acts also as the provincial capital CLN) appoint the Board of Administration and assume upon itself the function of Provincial Board of government.

This does not mean, of course, that the provincial CLN or the Commanders and Commissioners are to disregard the organization of the bodies of democratic power. On the contrary, in the same way as for the organization of the CLN, they must incite the people

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to democratic action and organize their activity. Special bodies such as the Civil Delegations of the forces of liberation, which as we said before, have done such good work in the Langhe area, can serve this purpose excellently and at the same time do not crush or take the place of the freely expressed will of the people. Many successful and unsuccessful ^{attempts} in liberated areas have proved that only a power originating ^{from} the people, controlled by the people and supported by its collaboration, can have the authority and force necessary to solve local and national problems resulting from such a great crisis.

^{It is with the full consciousness}
^{fully conscious} of this strength and power of the people, ^{that} the CLNAI, together with its central and local sections, face the fight of liberation and of democratic reconstruction.

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PLAN FOR PATRIOTS IN N.W. ITALY.

Assessment

INFORMATION

1. In the event of a sudden withdrawal by the enemy from the Regions LIGURIA, PIEMONTE, LOMBARDIA AND N.W. EMILIA it is known that we shall have to deal with large numbers of armed and organised patriots Bands. In these Regions the total numbers of Patriots to be dealt with may amount to in LIGURIA in PIEMONTE in LOMBARDIA and in N.W. EMILIA.

INTENTION

2. The intention is to contact the patriots, disarm and disband them, enlist ~~as many as possible~~ into the Italian Armed Forces, find employment for as many as require it and return the remainder to their homes as quickly as possible.

within the limits allowed

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B). For the remainder there will be two Phases.

Phase I. The treatment of these remaining Patriots will be the responsibility of HQ. IV Corps.

DISCUSSION

1. In the event of a sudden withdrawal by the enemy from the Regions LIGURIA, PIEMONTE, LOBARDIA AND N.W. MI-
LIA it is known that we shall have to deal with ~~the~~
large numbers of armed and organized patriots Bands.
In these Regions the total ~~of~~ numbers of Patriots to
be dealt with may amount to ~~in LIGURIA~~
in PIEMONTE, in LOBARDIA and in N.W. EMILIA.

INTENTION

2. The intention is to contact the patriots ~~disarm~~ ^{within the limits allowed} and
disband them, enlist ~~as many as possible~~ into the
Italian Armed Forces, find employment for as many as
require it and return the remainder to their homes as
quickly as possible.

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Italy is assumed by ~~the~~ ^{the} responsibility for
administration and rehabilitation of the Patriots ~~is~~
~~is that~~ ^{that} ~~pass~~ ^{pass} no longer under IV Corps control
will pass to Regional Commissioners in conjunction
with No 2 district.

- C). For the purposes of Phase 1, the Staffs of the Re-
gional Commissioners attached to HQ. IV Corps will
include one Regional Patriot Officer and one Italian
Military Patriot Representative for each Region, and as
many Patriot teams each consisting of one Allied Officer
and one Italian Army Officer as may be considered necessary
to deal with the immediate Patriot problem in each Province.

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Regional Commissioners are responsible for sending to IV Corps HQ. the number of Allied Officers demanded by the Regional Patriots Officer working in conjunction with IV Corps. This demand will be based on the latest information of Patriot numbers and locations. It will not exceed one Allied Officer per Province.

Italian Army Officers will be nominated by the Ministry of Occupied Italy and approved by Patriots branch. *(see Appendix F for list of officers allocated to each Region and Province)*

These teams will move forward with IV Corps and under- take Patriot work as instructed by IV Corps in their future Regions and Provinces; ~~they will~~ remain behind in those Regions and Provinces continuing their work under Regional and Provincial Commissioners when IV Corps moves on.

D. The Regional Patriot Officer will be responsible, through Intelligence channels at 15 Army Group and Patriots Branch for ascertaining as far as possible the location and strength of Patriots Bands in the Regions about to be occupied.

This information will be used (a) for assessing the number of Patriot Officers required and (b) for gaining a general background of their future work.

E. As Army moves forward, No 1 Special Force will drop Allied Officers behind the enemy lines to contact Allied Liaison Officers already working there, and also Patriot leaders. These Officers will prepare the way for the first meeting between Patriot Officers and Patriots, arranging rendezvous, instructing Patriots when and where to assemble and, if necessary, reconnoitring quarters suitable for Patriot Centres.

The Regional Patriot Officer and Patriot teams will move forward with Corps as soon as possible to make these contacts.

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F. Patriot Centres will be established near concentrations of Patriots. As possible locations for Centres, IV Corps has suggested: Genoa, La Spezia, Imperia, Genoa, Alessandria, Varese, Milan and Placenza.

The Provincial Patriot Officer will, for this purpose, take on a permanent staff of patriots to prepare the Centre for occupation and to maintain it efficiently. His ~~should be made responsible~~

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The Provincial Patriot Officers will, for this purpose, take on a permanent staff of patriots to prepare the Centre for occupation and to maintain it efficiently. His Italian Military Representatives should be made responsible for the proper running and interior economy of the Centre. The pay of the patriots taken on his permanent staff ~~will~~ ^{will} be met by ~~the~~ ^{these} funds, ~~drawn from the local REFETURA~~ ^{drawn from the local REFETURA}

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(Authority: HQ.A.C. Finance Sub-Commission
Letter 13196/F dated 6 April 1945. See
Appendix E.)

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G. Function of the Patriot Officer (Phase I).
Working under IV Corps, he will:

(a) take such steps as are necessary to induce Patriot bands to come to Centres. The provision of transport for the collection of sizable groups or bands of Patriots will be a IV Corps responsibility.

(b) Indent for rations (Italian Military scale) ~~notified later in detail~~ from DID or M Stores. *Arrange for certain elements (i.e. fruit, and fresh vegetables, and to be drawn from local Italian Army stores or purchased locally by the MPG with funds from the PREFECT.*

(c) Make immediate arrangements, working through Patriot Leaders, for the disarming of outposts if they have not already been disarmed by the Army (See Appendix F.)

(d) With the help of BLOs and Patriot Leaders, decide which of the claimants are bona fide patriots.

(e) Report to the nearest Military HQ details of POW brought in by patriots and ask for disposal instructions.

(f) Arrange, if possible, to engage the services of an Italian doctor at the Centre to deal with minor cases; and, if necessary, give preliminary treatment to serious ones. Send wounded patriots to Italian Military or Italian Army who will be responsible for hospitalisation. *Civilian hospitals according to the availability of accommodation.*

Evacuation will be a IV Corps responsibility).

(g) Issue *any clothing that is available.* ~~necessary clothing of which the minimum essential scale will be available.~~ Distribution from ~~MPG~~ rear. stockpiles will be a IV Corps responsibility.

(h) With the help of BLOs and Patriot Leaders, arrange to issue to bona fide patriots a certificate *signed by the Commander-in-Chief.* In suitable cases this could be arranged as part of the disarming ceremony.

(i) Ensure that patriots are interviewed by the Italian Army ~~recruiting agencies~~ *which will be attached to each RPO.*

(j) Make arrangements for the absorption of patriots into employment through Labour Organisations of the Army and any civilian Labour Organisation that may be available. *No 2 District will give priority of employment to all genuine Patriots.*

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- (j) Make arrangements for the absorption of patriots into employment through Labour Organisations of the Army and any civilian Labour Organisation that may be available. *No 2 District will give priority of employment to all genuine patriots.*
- (k) Wherever possible, evacuate patriots to their homes using refugee channels if their homes are a long distance away.

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- (K) The assistance outlined above may be given to a maximum of 90 days from the time of reception and disarmament by the patriots officers. All patriots should have been found employment or dispersed to their homes within a much shorter period.

H. Phase 2.

- (a) Regional Patriot officers will come under direct control of their Regional Commissioners and will continue the work begun in Phase I.
- (b) Equipment already at Centres will be left by IV Corps.
- (c) Transport will be provided by Regions or local arrangements made.

ADMINISTRATION

4. A. Payment to Patriots. The Italian Government proposes to reward patriots for their services with grants of money, on the following scale:

Pocket money to Patriots 1000 lire
 For disabled patriots 5000 "
 For family of patr killed in action 10000 "

These payments will be

It is the responsibility of the Italian Military Representative with each team to supply for the required funds

who will obtain funds as laid down in appendix A para 10 (d)

- B. Collection of arms. Lists will be made of all arms and ammunition collected from patriots; receipts will be given to each individual. The Commander of the nearest Allied Military Unit will be responsible for the collection and safe custody of arms when surrendered. Copy of lists of arms will be forwarded to Patriots Branch.

- C. Returns. Patriot Officers will forward to their RCs, copies to IV Corps and Patriots Branch HQ., a weekly report of their activities compiled under the following headings:

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for disabled patriots	"	5000
disabled patriots + killed in action	"	10000

These payments will be made by the Italian Military Representative with each team ~~to satisfy for the required sums~~ ^{who will obtain funds as laid down in appendix A para 10(d)} through the ~~financial~~ ^{the} ~~Italian~~ ^{the} ~~Committee~~ ^{Italian Patriots Representative}. The distribution of funds will be the responsibility of the Italian Patriots Representative and will be supervised by the Allied Patriot Officer. Receipts will be obtained for payment and nominal roll will be forwarded to the Italian Organisation making the payment.

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1. Arms surrendered (quantity and type)
2. Number of Patriots received at Centre or office.
3. Number of Patriots sent to hospital.
4. Number of Patriots enlisted into the Italian Army.
5. Number of Patriots reemployed.
6. Number of Patriots returned to their homes.
7. Number of Patriots not yet dispersed.
8. Commander-in-chiefs Certificates-
 { a } Number issued with nominal roll.
 { b } Number of certificates in stock.

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~~6~~ Funds will be supplied by AMIG through the local defect, or in this case, to perfect events. See Appendix

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INTERCOMMUNICATION

5. PEO may correspond direct only on routine and technical matters with Patriots Branch HQ. A.C.

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Appendix "A"

To 94/PAT dated 9/1/45

ADMINISTRATION OF PATRIOT CENTRES.

1. LOCATION. Centres will be established by the APC, when ~~necessary~~ ^{sketch} necessary, near concentrations of patriots.

2. COMMAND. The Patriot Officer, assisted by the Italian Military Patriot Representative, will control and supervise the administration of the Centre.

3. STAFF. Staff for the Centre will be enlisted from Patriots. A Camp Commandant (Bard ~~leader~~ ^{leader}), a Doctor, a hairdresser, cooks, cleaners and guards will be required. Payment on approved ~~ing~~ ^{ing} scale will be made by ~~the~~ ^{the} Finance Officer.

approved by the APC
to Military Patriot Representative.

4. POLICY. Patriots may remain in Centres for a maximum period of 90 days. Within that time it is the duty of the Patriot Officer to ensure that they are either enlisted into the Italian Army, found civil work or returned to their homes.

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5. SCREENING. The Patriot Officer with the BDO (if available) and leader of each Patriot Band that arrives, will form a screening committee and ensure that only genuine patriots are admitted.

6. HYGIENE. Particular attention will be paid to hygiene. Disinfectors will be obtained and all clothing will be disinfected. Latrine and washing arrangements must be adequate for maximum number expected.

7. CLOTHING. Essential clothing will be issued, as necessary, up to the following ~~scale~~ ^{and if available}.

- 1. B'dress Blouse
- 1. " trousers
- 2. Shirts
- 2. prs. socks
- 2. Vests
- 1. pr. boots
- 1. Blanket.
- 2. Prs. drawers.
- 1. Jersey pullover.

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8. **ACCOMMODATION STORES.** Accommodation stores will be obtained as far as possible from local sources. Beds should be obtainable from the Italian Army. *There is a limit to the number of beds that can be obtained from the Italian Army.*

9. **RATIONS.** Rations will be drawn on the Italian Army scale (as later modified) from DIDs and QM. Stores.

The money element of the Italian Army Ration Scale for local purchase of vegetables, fruits, and wine will be drawn from the Ministry of Agriculture, Italy, by the Italian Patriot Representative concerned, who will be responsible

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10 Finance for buying this part of the ration and accounting for the funds.

11 ~~10~~ COLLECTION PATRIOTS

12 ~~11~~ DISPERSAL. The RPO will ~~try to~~ arrange transport to take Army recruits to Enlistment Centres and volunteers for Labour gangs to the scene of their new work. Patriots whose homes are at a distance will be evacuated through Refugee Channels.

13 ~~12~~ DOCUMENTATION. A Register will be kept of all Patriots entering the Centre, containing the following information:
 (a) Date of arrival at Centre. (b) Surname. (c) Christian name. (d) Sex. (e) Nationality. (f) Date and Place of Birth. (g) Home address. (h) Occupation. (i) Date of Departure. (j) Immediate destination.
 This information will be sent in duplicate with patriots evacuated through Refugee Channels.

14 COLLECTION PATRIOTS. It will be the responsibility of the 14 Corps to furnish transportation as required to transport to Centre Patriots from localities where such bands or groups exist.

15 ~~14~~ FINANCE. The following funds will be made available by At 16 Finance Office: ^{to the SWAPO & to Patriots} each Centre, through the Local Prefect, by April 6, 1966. ^{to the SWAPO & to Patriots}
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by the Patriots. Such funds will be made available to the Patriots
for by the MPR. Each can only be drawn on by the Patriots. ~~These funds will be made available to the Patriots for by the MPR. Each can only be drawn on by the Patriots.~~

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(b) for Patriot Centre Staff wages. These will
be arranged by the MPR. ~~These will be arranged by the MPR.~~ ~~These will be arranged by the MPR.~~

(c) a fund of 100,000 lire, to be assigned
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with any ration.

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~~SECRET~~~~APPENDIX B~~~~EMPLOYMENT FOR PATRIOTS~~PRIORITY OF EMPLOYMENT

No 2 District will give priority of employment to all genuine patriots who hold the Commander-in-Chief's Certificate. The RPO should try to obtain similar priority treatment from other possible employers of labour, for example, Army Labour Officers and Town Major.

APPENDIX B

To 94/POL dated 7 April 4

ITALIAN ARMY RECRUITING AGENCIES1. Establishment*Association demand**Regional HQ*

AA Recruiting Agency, consisting of 4 Italian Officers and 6 ORs, will be attached to each RPO. Land Forces Sub Commission, at the request of Patriots Branch, will send these Recruiting Agencies into the field.

2. Control

The RPO has full control over the Recruiting Agency while it remains attached to him. He can divide it, at his discretion, into four or less detachments which may be sent to work independently in any part of his Region.

3. Rations

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APPENDIX "B"

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To 94/PAT dated 7 April 45
ITALIAN MILITARY PATRIOT REPRESENTATIVES

1. ENLISTMENT.

Nominations of all Italian Military Patriot Representatives must be confirmed by the Italian Government.

2. DISCIPLINE.

(a) Any IMPR found to be in possession of mail, or party to, or acting as an agent for, the carrying of mail will be subject to immediate dismissal and severe disciplinary measures.

(b) Any IMPR engaging in political activities will be dismissed immediately.

3. RATIONS, BILLETS and P.C.L.

IMPRs will receive free petrol, free billets and a free issue of rations in Army areas. (AAI 1075/5/Q1 of 26 Oct. 44). They will not be allowed EM/ORS for messes of their own, nor will they draw supplies from NAAFI of Post Exchange Services. "Free Billets" will not be construed to include furniture or bedding. IMPRs, if admitted to allied officers' messes, will be required to pay the local messing fee.

4. PAY

(a) The Italian Government provides funds through ~~the~~ *the local bank* for payment of each IMPR at the rate of one hundred (100) lire a day from the time he is called up, and two hundred (200) lire a day from the time when he receives his appointment. Payments are for a seven day week.

(b) Lists of IMPRs will be sent fortnightly to RPOs to Regional Commissioners who are responsible for seeing that they are paid from A.C. on 15th and last day of each month.

(c) Regional Commissioners will notify the Regional Finance Officer of the names and locations of all IMPRs in the Region. Any change in the personnel of the IMPRs or their location will at once be reported to the Regional

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(d) The Regional Finance Officer will make arrangements to pay IMPRs through his Provincial Finance Officers or ^{or} ~~or~~ other sub-accountants.

(e) The pay of IMPRs will eventually be recovered by A.C. from the Italian Government. It will, therefore, be necessary for all IMPRs to be paid on a separate payroll, two original copies of which, signed by each IMPR drawing pay, will be forwarded with the monthly Report of Receipts and Disbursements to the Chief Accountant, A.C. He will take the necessary steps to obtain reimbursements from the Italian Government each month.

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5. TRANSPORT.

P.C.s are reminded that DPRs require transportation which may be provided as for other Italian Officials.

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Appendix "D"

To 94/Pat. Lab. 7 April 48

THE FUTURE OF U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR

Instructions to Allied Patriot Officers.

1. It is possible that Patriot Bands may arrive either:
 - (a) Escorting enemy Prisoners of War, or
 - (b) With enemy troops in their ranks who have joined the patriots to fight the main German forces for political or other Reasons.
2. Instructions will be issued by 15 Army Group as to the treatment of such enemy troops and, in the mean time, the following principles will be observed:
 - (a) Allied Patriot Officers' action will be governed by the knowledge that no negotiations can take place with the enemy except on the basis of unconditional surrender.
 - (b) It must be clearly understood that Allied Patriot Officers are not in a position to guarantee treatment as Prisoners of War to those who have surrendered to Patriots, before the prisoners are received into Allied custody.
 - (c) Allied Patriot Officers should at once transmit to the nearest Military Centre offers by enemy detachments of unconditional surrender to the Allies. The Military authorities should be informed of the full circumstances and they will decide whether such surrender can be accepted.
 - (d) Until surrender is accepted, by Allied Command, prisoners in patriots' hands are a Patriot and not an Allied responsibility.

3. ~~In place of Acting Inspector~~
~~W. A. Dickinson, P.S. Pauline~~

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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6 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Financing of Patriot Centres in AAI Territory.

TO : All Regional Finance Officers and Senior Finance Officers.

1. In Allied Military Government territory the expenditures of Patriot Centres and payments to partisans will be controlled through the Prefettura budget.
2. For the first three monthly budget there will be no reliable guide as to the amount of expenditure that is likely to be incurred; but in order to avoid supplementary requests for funds the initial credit should be ~~an estimated~~ sum amply sufficient for the estimated requirements. Any unexpended balances can be taken into account on the succeeding quarterly budget, according to the established procedure.
3. The Prefect of each province should be instructed to submit (S.B.) budget estimates and a request for funds forthwith, specifying the capital of expenditure in accordance with D.L. 1 March 1945 n. 68. It will be the responsibility of the Prefettura to keep each Patriot centre supplied with funds for all administration and other expenditures, and for the payment of indemnities and compensation to patriots and partisans. Patriot centres will maintain accounts of all disbursements and apply to the Prefettura monthly in advance for funds to meet the estimated disbursements for the succeeding month.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE,

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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HEAD UNITED STATES ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 334
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
RECONSTRUCTION BRANCH

SECRET

Ref : 94/241.

14 March 1945.

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PLAN FOR PATRIOTS IN P. R. UNIT.

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be dealt with may amount to ~~in Liguria,~~
~~in Trieste,~~ ~~in Lombardy and~~
~~in P. R. Emilia.~~

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RECOMMENDATION

2. The intention is to contact the patriots, disarm and
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Phase I. The treatment of those remaining Patriots
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2. The intention is to contact the patriots, disarm and disband them, enlist ~~some~~ into the ~~confederate~~ ^{into the confederate} Italian armed forces, find employment for as many as require it and return the remainder to their homes as quickly as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

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b). For the remainder there will be two stages.

Stage 1. The treatment of these remaining patriots will be the responsibility of N. IV Corps.

Stage 2. As soon as control of any part of N. S. I. Italy is assumed by ~~the~~ ^{the} the responsibility for administration and rehabilitation of the patriots in that part no longer under IV Corps control will pass to Regional Commissioners in conjunction with No 2 district.

- 3). For the purposes of Phase 1, the staffs of the Regional Commands should be attached to N. IV Corps will include one staff and one officer and one Italian Military Patriot force executive for each Region, and as many Patriot teams each consisting of one Allied officer and one Italian army officer as may be considered necessary to deal with the immediate Patriot problem in each Province.

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PLAN FOR PATRIOTS IN N. S. S. I.

Regional Commanders are responsible for sending to IV Corps a. ~~one~~ number of Allied Officers awarded by the Regional Patriots' Officer working conjunction with IV Corps. This demand will be based on the latest information of Patriot numbers and locations. It will exceed one Allied Officer per Province.

Italian Army Officers will be nominated by the Ministry of War, Italy and approved by the British Council. (C. 444.)

These units will move forward with IV Corps and under-
take Patriot work as instructed by IV Corps in their
future Regions and Provinces; ^{but} remain behind in those
Regions and Provinces continuing their work under
Regional and Provincial Administrations with IV Corps
involved on.

D. The Regional District Officer will be responsible, through intelligence channels at 15 Army Group and through search for ascertaining as far as possible the location and strength of Patriots branch in the regions about to be occupied.

This information will be used (a) for assessing the number of Patriot officers required and (b) for gaining a general background of their Puerto Rico.

3. As any moves formed, No 1 should move and drop Allied contacts by and the enemy lines to contact Allied officers already working there, and also Patriot leaders. These officers will pursue the way for the first meeting between Patriot Officers and Patriots, arranging rendezvous, instructing Patriots when and where to assemble and, if necessary, recommending matters.

The Regional Director and District teams will move forward with COPS as soon as possible to make this work better.

F. Petrol Centres will be established near concentration
of troops. The limits for tanks, IV Corps
has suggested: Lumbah, La Amelia; Lumbah, Lumbah;
Lumbah, Lumbah; Lumbah, Lumbah.

and 4-methyl-2-pyridone (V) were used. For this purpose,

6. Function of the Patriot Officer (Phase I).
Working under IV Corps, he will:

- (a) take such steps as are necessary to induce Patriot bands to come to Centres. The provision of transport for the collection of sizable groups or bands of Patriots will be a IV Corps responsibility.
- (b) Indent for rations (Italian Military scale) as modified later in detail from RPD or M Stores. *(arrange for certain elements (e.g. front line troops) to be fed by the IV Corps)*
- (c) Make immediate arrangements, working through Patriot Leaders, for the disarming of Patriots if they have not already been disarmed by the Army (See Appendix B.) *Stationed in Italy, some of them are being sent to the IV Corps by the 10th AF with funds drawn from the IV Corps.*
- (d) With the help of BDOs and Patriot Leaders, decide which of the claimants are bona fide Patriots.
- (e) Report to the nearest Military HQ details of POW brought in by Patriots and ask for disposal instructions.
- (f) Arrange, if possible, to engage the services of an Italian doctor at the Centre to deal with minor cases; and, if necessary, give preliminary treatment to serious ones. Send wounded Patriots to Italian ~~Medical Hospitals~~. Allied forces will assist the Italian Army who will be responsible for hospitalisation. *any evacuation will be a IV Corps responsibility.*
- (g) Issue necessary clothing ~~of which the minimum essential scale will be available~~. Distribution from ~~the Army~~ *stockpiles* will be a IV Corps responsibility. *any*
- (h) With the help of MDOs and Patriot Leaders, arrange to issue to bona fide Patriots a certificate by the Commander-in-Chief. In suitable cases this could be arranged as part of the disarming ~~operation~~ *operation*.
- (i) Ensure that Patriots are interviewed by the Italian Army Recruiting Agencies, which will be attached to each RPD.

(j) Make arrangements for the absorption of Patriots into employment through Labour Organisations of the Army and any civilian Labour Organisation that may be available. *No 2 Dist call your priority of employment*

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*Patriots or civilian hospital
according to the availability
of all circumstances*

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(j) Make arrangements for the absorption of patriots into employment through Labour Organisations of the Army and any civilian Labour Organisation that may be available. ~~No 2 Dist will give priority of employment~~ ^{to all genuine Patriots}.

(k) Wherever possible, evacuate patriots to their homes using refugee channels if their homes are a long distance away.

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(1) The assistance outlined above may be given to a maximum of 90 days from the time of reception and disarmament by the patriots officers. All patriots should have been found employment or dispersed to their homes within a much shorter period.

H. Phase 2.

- (a) Regional Patriot Officers will come under direct control of their Regional Commissioners and will continue the work begun in Phase I.
- (b) Equipment already at Centres will be left by IV Corps.
- (c) Transport will be provided by Regions or local arrangements made.

ADMINISTRATION

- A. Payment to Patriots. The Italian Government proposes to reward patriots for their services with grants of money, of the following scale:

Pocket money to Patriots	1000
For disabled patriots	5000
For family of patriot killed in action	10000

It is the responsibility of the Italian Military Representative with each team to apply for the required funds. The distribution of funds will be the responsibility of the Italian Patriots Representative and will be supervised by the Allied Patriot Officer. Receipts will be obtained for payment and nominal roll will be forwarded to the Italian organisation making the payment.

- B. Collection of arms. Lists will be made of all arms and ammunition collected from patriots, receipts will be given to each individual. The Commander of the nearest Allied Military Unit will be responsible for the collection and safe custody of arms when surrendered. Copy of lists of arms will be forwarded to Patriots Branch.

- C. Returns. Patriot Officers will forward to their HQs, copies to IV Corps and Patriots Branch HQ.; a weekly report of their activities compiled under the following headings:

Arms surrendered (quantity and type)

Funds will be supplied
for 30 days through the
Local Patriot Officer
if no receipt
exists. See Appendix
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- (b) Equipment already at Centres will be left by IV Corps.
- (c) Transport will be provided by Regions or local arrangements made.

ADMINISTRATION

4. A. Payment to Patriots. The Italian Government proposes to reward patriots for their services with grants of money, at the following scale :

Pocket money to Patriots	1000
For disabled patriots	500 lire
For family of patr ot killed in action	5000 "
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1. Arms surrendered (quantity and type)
2. Number of Patriots received at Centre or office.
3. Number of patriots sent to hospital. 1000
4. Number of patriots enlisted into the Italian Army.
5. Number of patriots reemployed.
6. Number of patriots returned to their homes.
7. Number of patriots not yet dispersed.
8. Commander-in-chiefs Certificate.
(a) Number issued with nominal roll.
(b) Number of certificates in stock.

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INTERCOMMUNICATION

5. RPO may correspond direct only on routine and technical matters with Patriots Branch Hq. A.C.

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RegionNumber of officers and dates.

	Wed 11 Apr	Sun 25 Apr 15	Thurs May 19 Apr
PIEMONTE	3	3	2
EMILIA	2	2	2
LOMBARDIA	3	4	3
LIGURIA	2	1	1
VENETIA	4	4	6
	14	14	14

On completion of the ~~30~~ ³ days these Officers will return to their Provincial Teams and remain at 48 hrs notice to move forward with the Army.

Regions will be responsible for :

- providing transport for the duration of the course;
- issuing orders attaching these Officers to the 5th Army and instructing them to report to ~~the S.G.A.G.~~ ^{the S.G.A.G.;} *as per leave stated*
- Notifying Patriotic Branch of the names of Provincial Officers selected for training, at least two days prior to date on which they are required to report.

Regional Commissioners are asked to cooperate to the fullest possible extent in this training scheme. Their difficulties in releasing officers are fully realised, but it is important that everything possible should be done to prepare officers for the difficult task that lies ahead in North Italy.

R. S. SMITHS
Colonel,
Director,
Local Govt. Sub. Com.

On completion of the ³ days these officers will return to their Provincial Teams and remain at 45 hrs notice to move forward with the Army.

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- (b) issuing orders attaching these officers to the Army and instructing them to report to the ~~State~~; *as in line states*
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appendix A

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Brigadier
VP C. A. Section

SYLLABUS OF

3-DAY COURSE FOR PROVINCIAL PATRIOT CENTRES.

1. ON ARRIVAL OFFICERS REPORT TO APT 5 ARMY (Capt. Lambert's Office).

2. First day

- 0830 hrs - Officers assemble at PATRIOT CENTRE, PIANZANO
 0830-0900 - Introductory talk: "THE PATRIOT PROBLEM" by Major V.M.J.C. Snee.
 0900-1030 - Plan for N.W. Italy - Majr V.M.J.C. Snee
 1045-1145 - Opening and running a Patriot Centre - Capt. Lambert.
 1145-1230 - Questions and Discussion.
 1400-1700 - At PESCIA CENTRE.
 General investigation of system being used
 1700-1800 - Discussion of points raised.

Second day

- 0830 hrs. - Officers assemble at PATRIOT CENTRE, PIANZANO, with transport and rations for mid-day meal.
 0835 - Leave for PESOIA
 1000-1030 - At PESOIA. Talk "THE SPANISH OFFICER" - Lt. Petrucci.
 1030-1230 - At PESOIA CENTRE
 Examination of Centre and organisation with special reference to documentation.

1400-1500 - Further examination of Pescoia Centre and Hospital

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0830-0900 - Introductory talk: "THE PASTOR PROBLEM" by Major V.A.J.O. Snes.

- 0900-1030 - Plan for N. Italy - Major V.A.J.O. Snes
- 1045-1145 - Opening and naming a Patriot Centre - Capt. Lambert.
- 1145-1230 - Questions and discussion.
- 1400-1500 - AT FLORENCE OFFICE.
- Short investigation of system being used
- 1700-1800 - Discussion of points raised.

Second day

- 0830 hrs. - Officers assemble at PATRIOT CENTRE, FLORENCE, with transport and rations for mid-day meal.
- 0835 - Leave for PESOIA
- 1000-1030 - AT PESOIA. Talk "THE SERIALIZED OFFICER" - Lt. Petrucci.
- 1030-1230 - AT PESOIA CENTRE
- Examination of Centre and organization with special reference to documentation.
- 1400-1500 - Further examination of Pesoia Centre and Hospital
- 1600-1630 - Discussion and questions.
- 1700-1800 - Return to FLORENCE

Third Day

- 0830 Hrs - Officers report at PATRIOT CENTRE with transport and haversack ration.
- 0835 - Leave for HQ. No. 1 Spec. Al. Force
- 1000-1230 - Instruction at HQ. No. 1 Special Force
- 1400-1500
- 1800 - Return to FLORENCE.

Officers are then free to return to their Regions or Provinces.

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MEMO FOR V.P. C.A. SECTION.

PATRIOT PROBLEMSNotes on Meeting at Hq. 5th Army AMG Florence 1430 hrs Mon. 2 April 45.

Chairman - Brigadier URVICH

(VP. Civil Affairs Section A.C.).

Present - Lt. Col. SUMMERLAND
 Major MORGAN
 Major GOSMAN
 Major MACDONALD
 Lt. FERRUCI
 Major CORBIN
 Capt. LILBERT
 Capt. HAMMOND
 Lt. WOOLNORD
 Major SMITH
 Major MARSHALL

(ALF. 5th Army
 D.A.D.L. Civil 5th Army
 No. 1 Special Force
 Patriot Officer, IV Corps
 Patriot Officer, 8th Army
 Patriot Officer, 5th Army
 Officer i/c Florence, Patriot Centre
 Officer i/c Pescia, Patriots Centre.
 Executive Officer, Patriots Branch
 Regional Patriot Officer, Liguria Reg.

1. Patriot Officers required. (Allied and Italian).(a) Permanently attached to COMUS of Army HQ.

	<u>Allied</u>	<u>Italian</u>
(1) 15 Army Group	Lt. Col. FERRUCI	NIL
(2) IV Corps	Lt. FERRUCI	Capt. IANNOCHI
(3) 5th Army	Capt. LILBERT	NIL
(4) 6th Army	Major CORBIN	POWER (1 per Corps) @ required

(b) Strengthened Officers.

	<u>Allied</u>	<u>Italian</u>
(1) IV Corps	Lt. FERRUCI	Capt. IANNOCHI
(2) 5th Army	Lt. WOOLNORD	TWO required @
(3) 8th Army	ONE required @ (Capt. Hammond?)	ONE required @

(c) Regional and Provincial Officers.

(1)
Italian
 (Ready at 46hrs. notice.)

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Present - Lt. Col. SUTHERLAND
 Major LYONS
 Major GUSMAN
 Major MACINTOSH
 Lt. PENNOCCHI
 Major CORBIN
 Capt. INGRAM
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(2) IV Corps	Lt. PENNOCCHI	Capt. LANCHI
(3) 5th Army	Capt. LITTON	NIL
(4) 8th Army	Major CORBIN	Major (4 per Corps) @ required

(b) Breathhead Officers.

	<u>Allied</u>	<u>Italian</u>
(1) IV Corps	Lt. PERROCCI	Capt. IANONI
(2) 5th Army	Lt. WOOLFORD	TWO required @
(3) 8th Army	ONE required @ (Capt. Hammond?)	ONE required @

(c) Regional and Provincial Officers.

	<u>Allied</u>	<u>Italian</u> (Ready at 48hrs. notice)
(1) LIGURIA	R.F.O. Major MARSHALL P.P.Os. FOUR required @	1 4
(2) LOMBARDIA	R.P.O. Lt. Col. A.R. DE GARSTON P.P.Os. TEN required @	1 10
(3) PIEMONTE	R.P.O. Lt. Col. VINING (?) @ P.P.Os. EIGHT required @	1 3
(4) EMILIA	R.P.O. Major ROLINSET P.P.Os. SIX required @	1 6
(5) VENETIA	R.P.O. ONE required @ P.P.Os. FOURTEEN required @	1 14

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Notes.

1. Final decision on the selection of all officers (Allied and Italian) marked with an asterisk * is required immediately. ✓
2. All Allied officers marked @ are required for 7 days training at Patriot Centres and a visit to HQ. No. 1 Special Force. They will then be at 48 hrs call by Corps Armies. ✓
3. All Italian Officers to be at 48 hrs call to join Corps or Armies, who will signal for them. ✓

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- (b) Transportation. For spearhead officers, jeep and trailer would be sufficient to carry these cigarettes if supplied (see para. 3 below).

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(c), (d), (e). Equipment. Lt. Col. BUNNELL suggested, and AMG officers IV Corps and 6th Army agreed, that the first essential was for each Army AMG to discover immediately exactly what Army could supply. Obviously the main burden would fall on Army sources and surrounding A.C. to dump forward what it could to help (mess kits, etc.). 1000

Lt. WOODHEAD in collaboration with Capt. LINDSEY is sending to Patriots Branch a suggested list of minimum equipment required for a Patriot Centre for 1000.

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5. (f) Hand-over of Centres by Armies to Regions.

It was stated that armies might wish to take forward some items of equipment used in setting up Centres. Alternative equipment would have to be found locally.

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Clothing.

- (a) Rear Dump for IV Corps, Florence
5th Army (temporarily Florence) then NORTH
8th Army SOUTH.

- (b) A.C. responsible for transport of clothing to rear Dumps only.

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Rations.

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8.

Hospitalisation.

9.

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Plans for employment.

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OTHER POINTS.

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15 Army Group Signal Plan.

The 15 Army Group Plan will be ready about 5 April.

2.

Patriot Medal.

The chairman was asked to press the Italian Government to take quick action on this matter.

3.

Receipts for arms.

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PATRIOTS BRANCH - REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.PLANNING FOR NORTH WEST ITALY.

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RECEPTION CENTRES AND POINTS - Disposal of Patriots (from figures available)

4. (a) 5th Army.

(i)	Received into centres	1488
(ii)	Joined Labour Units	36
(iii)	Enlisted into Italian Army	153
(iv)	Returned home	346
(v)	Admitted to hospital	125
(vi)	At present in Centres at Florence and Pescia	

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(b) 8th Army.

(i)	Received into Centre	398
(ii)	Left Centre	168
(iii)	Remaining in Centre	230
(iv)	Enlisted onto Army joined Italian army	50
(v)	Enlisted into the Italian army	17
(vi)	Admitted to hospital	100
(vii)	Returned home	231
(viii)	Remaining in Centre	

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award of the Italian Gold Medal to regular soldiers and patriots who had died in action against the Germans since the Badoglio Armistice. Smaller parades and celebrations were held in provinces throughout AMG/AC controlled Italy.

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