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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUBCOMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 122

Meeting opened at 1339 hrs on Tuesday, 9 Oct 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Friday, 5 Oct 45.

(a) Use of Ports. 1 Ship carrying POWs has been diverted from TARANTO to FALLES.

(b) Plans. The military and civilian authorities are doing everything possible to keep this from spreading.

Col. FRIZZARD to check whether report has gone to AFHQ and if not, to send one.

A case of Typhus was reported at TARANTO and one at FALLES. (Ref. Minutes No. 121, para 1 (c)) where both cases were erroneously reported as in TARANTO.)

(c) Personnel for Missions. A report from DIAH is required as to the number of persons estimated to be necessary to be accredited to Yugoslav and Austrian Missions dealing with Displaced Persons in this country. (Ref. Minutes 121, para 3 (c).)

2 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

(a) Fine Arts and Medical matters in Regions which have no representatives of the Sub-Commission in the field may be handed over to the Government authorities. Discussion has already been handed over in FIVOMTE Region and is now handing over in LIGURIA.

Regional Commissioners must be informed beforehand of what is planned. All channels for correspondence will still be used.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

(a) Maj. JEFFREY - Local Government. The Italian Government has issued a decree creating an autonomous area for Val d'Aosta by turning over 62 Communes of Aosta Province to TURIN and forming the Autonomous Area from the remaining 46 Communes.

The decree on this has already been passed and will be implemented in AIG Territory in the normal way but will not take full effect until the Council of 25 is appointed to administer the Area.

The implementing order is being prepared by Local Government and will be submitted to Legal S/C for approval this week.

(a) plans. The military and civilian authorities are doing everything possible to keep this from spreading.

Col. RIZZALDI to check whether report has gone to AMHQ and if not, to send one.

A case of typhus was reported at TARANTO and one at FASMA. (Ref. Minutes No. 121, para 1 () where both cases were erroneously reported as in CURATO.)

(c) Personnel for Missions. A report from DIEN is required as to the number of persons estimated to be necessary to be accredited to Yugoslav and Russian Missions dealing with Displaced Persons in this country. (Ref. Minutes 121, para 3 (a).)

2 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONERS' MEETING.

(4) Fine Arts and Medical matters in Regions which have no representatives of the Sub-Commission in the field may be handed over to the Italian Government authorities. Discussion has already been handed over in PIEMONTE Region and is now pending over in ALCANTARA.

Regional Commissioners must be informed beforehand of what is planned. All channels for correspondence will still be used.

3 DECREE FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

(a) Mai. TRUFFI - Local Government. The Italian Government has issued a decree creating an autonomous area for Val d'Aosta by bundling 62 Communes of Aosta Province to ITALY and forming the Autonomous Area from the remaining 46 Communes.

The decree on this has already been passed and will be implemented in ALC Territory in the normal way but will not take full effect until the Council of 25 is appointed to administer the Area.

The implementing order is being prepared by Local Government and will be submitted to Legal S/C for approval this afternoon. This will state that the Decree becomes effective upon approval of the appointees to the Council by ALZ.

(b) Col. RIZZALDI - Public Health. There was a conference about MEDICO, at which he will submit the Minutes. It is noted that by the end of this month the Ministry of Public Health will have appointed a Commissioner who will take over by decree the care of patients in the hospitals. It is hoped that it will be possible to hand over completely by the end of November.

Clarification on numbers of patients to be expected there is being sought from AMHQ. 2,000 have already been accounted for from ITALY to their homes. It is hoped that a sanatorium will be set up to care for patients who will be ill a long time.

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- (c) MA. MILLION - IT - The Italian Government have asked if the hospital trains which have been used to bring sick and wounded from Germany to ITALY may now be used to transport patients from Czechoslovakia. It is not known whether the trains are yet available.
- (d) Col. FINELAY - Displaced Persons - With reference to the trouble at the Jewish Camp at St. Germain, apparently the first reports were exaggerated. Five pistol shots were fired; 2 people were wounded, neither seriously; none killed. Lt. Col. POWELL is investigating. It has been recommended to UNRRA (but not accepted) that UNRRA Police should be retained for a time to keep order in the camp. This seems still to be advisable.
- UNRRA is responsible for this Camp although Displaced Persons have still one or two personnel. There are about 1,500 persons in the Camp.

- (e) Lt. Col. MILLER - Returns a retention of key American Officers that is in today, 9 Oct 45, as the Section's return was required by Wednesday morning, 10 Oct 45. These returns should include personnel in the field as well as at HQ.

The next meeting will be held at 1600 hrs on Tuesday, 10 Oct 45.

Meeting closed at 1640 hrs.

DISTRIBUTION:

Displaced Persons S/C,
Education S/C,
Italian Prisoners of War S/C,
Monuments & Fine Arts S/C,
Legal S/C,
Local Government S/C,
Partisans Branch,
Public Health S/C,
Public Safety S/C,
Capt. BRADSHAW (Office of the Executive Commissioner.)
Public Relations Branch,
VF (C)
Officers (2),
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VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

HEAD OF COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS SERVICE

NO. 121

Meeting opened at 1605 hrs on Friday, 3 Oct 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Tuesday, 2 Oct 45.

(a) Use of Force. The ship are carrying without notice at ports in Italy or are going to the wrong ports. Protesters have been made. Ship are still using the port of Trieste. Control of the port is divided between Allied Military and Italian Civil authorities and there is not enough co-ordination of policy.

(b) Communication Plans. Two more cases with 2 deaths have been reported as Italian. But this has been widely covered out and through the Italian large papers at night.

C&I. Need to check if report on this has been sent to AFHQ and if not to send it.

2 copies of English have been reported from Rome.

2 INTERNAL

(a) Civil Action Section Staff. The VP introduced Mr. HSS to the meeting, who has joined Civil Action Section as an SOCI.

The CSC explained the system of division of work which will be re-constituted in Oct Dec. All Grade 3 matters will be dealt with by an SO II and only Grade 4 matters will pass through the CSC to the VP. Matters connected with legal and local Government will continue to go direct to the CSC. Mr. REKAB (Tel. No. 258) will continue to be responsible for Mine Clearance and Patriots and in addition will study Displaced Persons and IRL. Mr. AUCO (Tel. No. 291) will be responsible for Public Health, Public Safety, Education and IRL.

The VP stated that this did not affect direct access of Directors of Sub-Commissions to him and that this new arrangement initiated only the routing of correspondence and work of the Sub-Commission.

3 POINTS FROM THE PREVIOUS COMMISSION MEETING.

(a) In future, only one Executive Commission's Meeting will be held per week. This will take place on Tuesday morning.

In view of this and the present reduction in matters for consideration there will only be one VP's meeting per week. This will be held each Tuesday at 1600 hrs. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 3 Oct 45.

(b) Paraphrasing. 4 conferences will be held shortly with VP's on the

- (a) Use of Force. The city are arriving without action at ports in Italy on the 24th to the 26th. Reports have been made. There are still some 100,000 in the port of Trieste. Control of the port is divided between Allied Military and Italian Civil authorities and there is not enough coordination of policy.
- (b) Outbreak of Disease. The main cases with 2 deaths have been reported at Trieste. Disease has been widely carried out and troops are killing large numbers of rats.
- Col. said to check in reports on this has been sent to LHM and is not to be used.
- 2 copies of British Navy Dept requested Dec. 1941.

2. GENERAL

- (a) Civil Affairs Section Staff. The VI introduced Maj. J. S. to the meeting, who has joined Civil Affairs Section as an SOI.
- The CSC has planned the system of division of work which will be substituted in 1942. All Grade 2 matters will be dealt with by the SOI and only Grade 4 matters will pass through the SOI to the VI. Matters connected with legal and social government will continue to be direct to the SOI. Maj. R. (Tel. No. 153) will continue to be responsible for the clearance and Patriotic and in addition will be responsible for the Public Health, Public Safety, Education and LHM.
- The VI stated that this did not affect direct access of Directors of Sub-Committees to him and that this new arrangement affected only the routing of correspondence and work of the Sub-Committee.

3. POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

- (a) In future, only one Executive Committee's meeting will be held per week. This will take place on Tuesday morning.
- In view of this and the present reduction in staff for consideration there will only be one VI's meeting per week. This will be held each Tuesday at 10.00 am. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 10th Dec.
- (b) Committee. A conference will be held shortly with the VI on the subject of the Executive Committee's responsibility for the Committee.
- Col. J. stated that he would like a representative from the Sub-Committee to sit in on the conference as it affected the work of the Section. The VI stated that he did not yet know who might be included.
- (c) Military Information. Displaced persons 5/3 has been asked to submit an estimate of the number of persons who should be accredited to Austria and Yugoslav Military working with Displaced persons in Italy.

222 stated that discussion was on the table. There were 7 designs or different nationalities working with his sub-committee, accredited to the U.S.A., while some major powers had representatives accredited to the Advisory Council.

Mr. Tolson and Mr. Belmont were part of the presentation committee of the office of the representative to the Advisory Council. The U.S.A. still had a military mission.

4. Estimate will be submitted.

4. FORMER HIGH INTERNATIONAL OFFICIALS

- (a) Mr. Tolson - U.S.A. - Education. Education is important for the U.S.A. and it is the Italian Ministry before the Senate as a whole is divided as to the new direction of the Italian Government. According to the Senate from London, England, on the subject.
- (b) Mr. Tolson - U.S.A. - Education. Mr. Tolson has been given or has turned over to the Ministry of War.
- (c) Mr. Tolson - U.S.A. - Education. Mr. Tolson has been given or has turned over to the Ministry of War.
- (d) Mr. Tolson - U.S.A. - Education. Mr. Tolson has been given or has turned over to the Ministry of War.
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- (g) Mr. Tolson - U.S.A. - Education. Mr. Tolson has been given or has turned over to the Ministry of War.
- (h) Mr. Tolson - U.S.A. - Education. Mr. Tolson has been given or has turned over to the Ministry of War.

being returned over to the Indian Ministry before the nation as a whole is asked to take the final decision of the Indian Government.

Nothing has been more than Indian opinion on the subject.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF
HELPS OF SUBCOMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 120

Meeting opened at 1600 hrs on Thursday 2 Oct 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

- (a) Handover of Territory. Another reminder has been sent to COS by AFK. The latest information is that the U.S. Government is not in favour of handing back BOLIAVO with the rest of Northern Italy, but representations over this view have been addressed to AFK.

2 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

- (a) Lt. Col. HAMMARD. - Italy. - A request has been received from HAMMARD for 2 courts to be set up, one in each of the 17 Yugoslav provinces have been arrested in various charges.
- (b) Col. PHILLIPS. - YUGA - Displayed in various have received several reports of both Yugoslav and Russian travelling without proper authorization especially to BOLIAVO.
- (c) Col. OMAHARI. - Public Safety. - The question of unauthorized movement of Russians and Yugoslavs - it was necessary to deal severely with offenders as persons of both nationalities were definitely engaged in subversive activities among Italians. He suggested that anyone caught travelling without proper authorization should be held until their Governments could be notified and they could be removed from this country and not merely stopped and sent to carry on in activities elsewhere after other indicated, unauthorized journeys.
- (d) Lt. Col. RHEIN. - YUGA - Stated that the use of the port of TRIESTE may have to be discontinued temporarily because of the outbreak of plague. He will discuss with MR. S/C the possibility of using temporarily, some of the cargo located near alternative ports for the reception of POWs. AFK are willing to assist with transport if necessary. A shipment of 12,000 POWs from the U.S. is expected to arrive shortly.
- (e) Col. RHEIN. - Public Health. - Had heard no further reports on the plague in TRIESTE. The latest figures were 10 cases with 9 deaths. INPH was dealing with the matter and was expected to report this point at the next Executive Commissioner's Meeting.

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(a) Director of Information. Another remainder has been sent to COS by AUSA. The latest information is that the U.S. government is not in favour of handing back about 6 with the rest of Northern Italy, but representations on this view have been addressed to AUSA.

2. GOING FROM INDIVIDUAL CAPTURES.

- (a) Lt. Col. LAZZARONI - Lazio - a report has been received from LAZZARONI for 2 weeks to be sent up.
- (b) 17 fascicles have been requested on various subjects.
- (c) Col. FRANZINI - Emilia - Displaced persons have received several reports of both Yugoslav and Russian travelling without proper authorization especially to ROMANIA.
- (d) Lt. Col. BLONDI - Lombardy - the question of unauthorized movement of persons and vehicles - it was necessary to deal severely with offenders as persons of both nationalities were definitely engaged in subversive activities among Italians. He suggested that anyone caught travelling without proper authorization should be held until their governments could be notified and they could be removed from this country and not merely stayed and left to carry on their activities like here after other unauthorized, unauthorized journeys.
- (e) Lt. Col. BLONDI - Lombardy - stated that the use of the port of TRIESTE may have to be discontinued temporarily because of the outbreak of plague. He will discuss with DIR S/C the possibility of using temporarily, some of their camps located near alternative ports for the reception of POWs. DIR S/C was willing to assist with transport if necessary. A shipment of 12,000 POWs from the U.S. is expected to arrive shortly.
- (f) Nothing further has been heard about the transfer of DIR S/C to Land Forces Sub-Commission. The IF will raise this point at the next Executive Committee's Meeting.
- (g) Col. FRANZINI - Emilia - had heard no further reports on the plague at TRIESTE. The latest figures were 18 cases with 9 deaths. DIR S/C was dealing with the matter and a meeting had been held between the Ministry of Health and Public Health S/C. Recommendations had been made by the PH S/C, some of which had been reversed by DIR S/C. It was entirely a matter for the Italian Government.
- (h) Col. FRANZINI - Emilia - enquired if the date of Dec 1 was to stand as the date on which - Public Health S/C could come or if the date should be reckoned as 60 days from the handover of Northern Italy. The IF stated that he believed that the Dec 1 date was based on the handover taking place on 30 Sep but that it was probable that the date of Dec 1 would be adhered to as regards reduction of staffs, withdrawal of MG from UDME Province, etc.

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- (1) It is desirable that M.I. staff should have access enabling them to go in and out of this building without waiting at the Information Desk. Lt. Col. MINTI to investigate the position and the VI will take care to answer at the Executive Committee's Meeting.
- (2) Lt. Col. MINTI - Education - reported that cultural relations were progressing satisfactorily. Exchanges of students between the US and Italy and also, to a lesser extent, between Britain and Italy, were arranged and some had already taken place.
- (3) Maj. REKES - Patriotic Branch - was urgently closing down. Regional staff were soon to be discharged though they have working under Prefects would remain.
- Miss Gleaner. Equipment is not being made available to allow clearance system to give German. Many of many fields. Vehicles are still a problem.
- (4) Lt. Col. MINTI. With reference to the Office Instructions issued by this section, Heads of Sub-Committees were asked to ensure that staff officers placed their Tel. Nos. in the bottom left hand corner of minutes, without the two lines, to facilitate communications as the telephone book was so out of date.

Meeting closed at 10.45 hrs.

DISTRIBUTION:

Displaced Person S/C
Education S/C
IHW S/C
Munich, Fine Arts & Archives S/C
Legal S/C
Local Government S/C
Patriotic Branch
Public Health S/C
Public Safety S/C
Capt. TRUMBOCK (Office of the Executive Committee)
Public Relations Branch
VI (2)
Officers (2)
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FOR INFORMATION
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 119

Meeting opened at 1400 hrs on Friday, 26 Sep 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Tuesday, 23 Sep 45.

(a) Office hours. The wording of the last paragraph of the instructions issued by Establishment Section, regarding half-holidays, gives a wrong impression. This VI stated that half-days for military personnel would be staggered until must be ensured that as far as possible military staff are moving in between and on Wed. afternoon to keep the civilian staff occupied.

(a) Circulation of Documents. Documents are taking too long to circulate through Sub-Commission of this Section - in some instances as long as 3 to 10 days. Documents should be passed quickly and if the Director of a Sub-Commission is away they should be passed on and sent back to him after other sub-Com. sections have seen them.

(a) Personnel. The VI would like to see personnel - particularly British (Es - who are leaving Sub-Commission at 0 A section for release, before they go.

(a) Handover of Territory. It is probable that the date of the handover will be about 500 km from the date on which notification is received by this Commission.

2 POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

(a) Col. Gatti - Local Government. emphasised that it was not the fault of the Allied Commission that the preparations for the elections were proceeding so slowly. He gave figures of the number of communes (about 64) whose electoral lists had been completed and approved by the Italian authorities.

(b) Col. Jounelle - D.L.R. asked if more action might be given when officers are required to attend the Chief Commissioner's Delegation. He stated that if some arrangement could be made to allot space inside the hall to the officer's quarters.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 118

Meeting opened at 1600 hrs on Tuesday 25 Sep 45.

In the absence of the VP, Lt. Col. AMRE, GSO, presided.

1 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING.

- (a) Office Hours. Instructions have been issued and circulated to all Heads of Sub-Commissions.
- (b) Report on Civil Affairs. Capt. DUFF is coming out from War Office to collect data for a report on civil affairs. Sub-Commissions are requested to give all assistance possible.
- (c) Handover of territory. As no information has yet been received on this a wire was sent yesterday to ARHQ asking if the matter could be expedited. The draft Press Release has been submitted to F.R.O.
- (d) Release - American Personnel. It was announced that all American personnel with a score of 75 points and over were due for immediate release except those who volunteered to stay on for the duration and 6 months. Col. CHAMBERLAIN said he understood that these points were to be reduced to 60.

2 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Friday, 21 Sep 45.

- (a) Security Measures in NAPLES. The anticipated disturbance did not occur and the labour leaders were interviewed by Gen. HALLIDAY. Public Safety is remaining alert in case of disturbances over next weekend.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

- (a) Local - Lt. Col. HARRINGTON. A difficulty in supplying personnel for Middle East, etc., is arising due to the release of a large number of American personnel in the near future.
- (b) Lt. Col. WHITE. Requests for de-requisitioning of buildings should be taken up directly with the Town Major or G-4 concerned and not with ARHQ.
- (c) Lt. Col. WHITE. Communications regarding Italian Prisoners of War should be forwarded as follows:

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In the absence of the VP, Lt. Col. WHITE, CSO, presided.

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- (d) Release of American Personnel. It was announced that all American personnel with a score of 75 points and over were due for immediate release except those who volunteered to stay on for the duration and 6 months. Col. CHURCH said he understood that these points were to be reduced to 60.

2 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Friday, 21 Sep 45.

- (a) Security Measures in Naples. The anticipated disturbances did not occur and the labour leaders were interviewed by Gen. HELLERBY.
Public Safety is remaining alert in case of disturbances over next weekend.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

- (a) Local - Lt. Col. HALL-FOOT. A difficulty in supplying personnel for Middle East, etc., is arising due to the release of a large number of American personnel in the near future.
- (b) Lt. Col. WHITE. Requests for re-commissioning of buildings should be taken up directly with the Town Major or G-4 concerned and not with AFHQ.
- (c) Lt. Col. WHITE. Communications regarding Italian prisoners of war should be forwarded as follows:
Prisoners of war overseas - IIV Sub-Commission.
" " in Italy (in Allied Hands) to IAG, AFHQ.
Neo-Fascists and civilians in Italy (in Italian Hands) MIA for Ministry of War
Civilian Internees in Allied Hands - G-2, AFHQ.

Meeting closed at 1635 hrs.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING

HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 117

Meeting opened at 1605 hrs on Friday, 21 Sep 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

- (a) Transfer of Territory. Although no further news has been received regarding the transfer of territory to the Italian Government, the feeling in higher circles of this HQ is that the transfer should still take place on Sept. 30th. The procedure for effecting this was discussed.
- (b) Lists of Pending Activities. As so many changes are taking place in sub-Commissions, detailed lists should be maintained of all pending or matters which should be followed up so that new officers taking over or a new body being responsible after the original Sub-Commission has closed down, may supervise the following up of all pending matters.
- (c) Security Measures, RAPIDS. Public Safety S/C will arrange to have an officer on duty over the weekend, and will submit a note of the special security measures made to C. Section for transmission to the Executive Commission.
- (d) ITALY Headquarters. AS HQ Representatives in MILAN are now located in the Horticultural Building.

- (e) Strength of CA Section as of 1 Dec 45. The figures submitted to AMAC are:

CA Section	2
Legal	4
Local Government	2
RTA	2
Public Health	-
Public Safety	-
DR & R	50

(Col. Findley to discuss with Col. J.C. G.)

An analysis of these figures will be circulated to Sub-Commissions.

2 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Tuesday, 18 Sep 45.

- (a) Office Hours. In the absence of further instructions, G. Sec will carry on in accordance with the last order received, subject to work permitting.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 116

Meeting opened at 1600 hrs on Tuesday, 13 Sep 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

- (a) Hand-back of Territory. No further official information has been received. The question of putting through the necessary procedure for the withdrawal of AMG in less than 21 days was discussed. 10 days was the absolute minimum time and even then it would not be possible to reach remote communes in time.

2 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Friday, 15 Sep 45.

- (a) Post Telegrams. These telegrams will now be split up into about 8 categories so that they can be circulated as required to individuals interested.
- (b) Repatriation of Italians. It is proposed to send 5,000 Italians of Slovene origin from France for demobilisation in THESSALY. IMA is dealing with the matter but Displaced Persons S/C will refer the matter to C4 Section so that it can also be taken up with the Executive Commissioner.

- (c) Establishments. The following strengths for C4 Sub-Commissions are to be recommended to AMHQ:-

C4 Section	2
Education	-
ITW	2
Legal	2
Local Govt.	4
IMMA	-
Public Health	-
Public Safety	6
Displaced Persons	50
Col. Fothergill to take up with Col. Jones.	

The question of an Archivist is to be raised again.
P.H. Officers attached to DPCR will have to be carried on DF strength.

- (d) Signing of letters. All letters addressed to Prof. PARRI in his capacity of Prime Minister or President of the Council of Ministers must be prepared for the Chief Commissioner's signature. Letters addressed to Prof. PARRI in his capacity as Minister of the Interior may be signed by the VP C4 Section.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

- (e) Legal - Col. DEPERAB. The Minister of Grace and Justice has complained to the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, about the delay in getting confirmation of death sentences. Legal Sub-Commission acts only as a

2 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Friday, 15 Sep 45.

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- (b) Repatriation of Italians. It is proposed to send 5,000 Italians of Slovene origin from France for demobilisation in FRANCE. This is dealing with the matter but Displaced Persons S/C will refer the matter to CA Section so that it can also be taken up with the Executive Commissioner.
- (c) Establishments. The following strengths for CA Sub-Commissions are to be recommended to AHC:-

CA Section	2
Education	-
ITW	2
Legal	2
Local Govt.	4
MTLA	-
Public Health	-
Public Safety	6
Displaced Persons	50

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P.H. Officers attached to DPFR will have to be carried on DP strength.

Col. Fothergill to take up with Col. Jones.

- (d) Signing of letters. All letters addressed to Prof. PARRI in his capacity of Prime Minister or President of the Council of Ministers must be prepared for the Chief Commissioner's signature. Letters addressed to Prof. PARRI in his capacity as Minister of the Interior may be signed by the VI CA Section.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

- (a) Legal - Col. BEPPE. The Minister of Grace and Justice has complained to the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, about the delay in getting confirmation of death sentences. Legal Sub-Commission acts only as a Post Office in passing these cases on to the Italian authorities and probably spends the whole matter up by so doing.

4 GENERAL

- (a) Office Hours. This question was discussed. A definite ruling is hoped for on Friday next.

Meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF

MEMBERS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 115

Meeting opened at 1602 hrs on Friday, 15 Sep 45.

In the absence of the VI on duty, Lt. Col. WHITE presided.

- 1 In preparation for the closing down of some Sub-Commissions and the departure of many officers from others, complete memorandums should be made by all Sub-Commissions of any actions to be followed up.

2 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

- (a) Hand Back of Territory Nothing further has yet been heard except that it has been agreed that LIVORNO and NAPLES will be handed back at the same time as the rest of North Italy.

- (b) Personnel Over 500 American Officers and EN will leave the Commission before the end of September. It is unlikely that it will be possible to obtain replacements although the T/O has not been amended.

- (c) Circulation of Most Wanted It is no longer possible to sort telegrams into categories of general interest owing to shortage of staff. It was suggested that they might be divided into Sectional categories - Economic, Civil Affairs, Personnel, etc., and only those cases affecting the relevant Section circulated to that Section.

3 GENERAL

- (a) Reduction of Personnel A new T/O - VE is now in course of preparation for Civil Affairs Section. This will come into effect 2 months after the hand-over of Northern Italy to the Italian Government:

Officer strength suggested by G-1(S)	Officer Strength Estimated necessary by Sub-Comms.
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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION	2	3
EDUCATION S/C	-	- (1 advisor)
INW	- (2)	3
LEGAL	2	3
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	2 (2)	4
LEGAL	2	1 and 1 Archivist.
PUBLIC HEALTH	- (2)	-
PUBLIC SAFETY	4	6
DIR	62 (40) (?)	112 005

4 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

the departure of many officers from other, complete memoranda be made by all Sub-Commissions of any actions to be followed up.

2 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

- (a) Hand Back of Territory Nothing further has yet been heard except that it has been agreed that LIVIGNO and TAPLES will be handed back at the same time as the rest of North Italy.
- (b) Personnel Over 500 American Officers and EM will leave the Commission before the end of September. It is unlikely that it will be possible to obtain replacements although the C/O has not been amended.
- (c) Circulation of Fleet Telegrams It is no longer possible to sort telegrams into categories of General interest owing to shortage of staff. It was suggested that they might be divided into Sectional categories - Economic, Civil Affairs, Personnel, etc., in only the ones affecting the relevant Section circulated to that Section.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION	2	2	(1 Advisor)
EDUCATION S/C	-	-	3
ITW	2	2	3
LEGAL	2	2	4
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	2	2	1 and 1 Archivist.
MTAA	-	-	-
PUBLIC HEALTH	4	4	6
PUBLIC SAFETY	82	82	112
DEF	(40)	(7)	95

4 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS

- (a) Public Health - Col. PAGE The situation at IRL/CO has much improved. An urgent request for supplies was received from 52 Area. These were sent. Press accounts of Public Health activities had not been issued officially by the Sub-Commission and an amending statement was being sent to the paper concerned.
- (b) Local Government - Maj. WILLIS Electoral lists in the South were not progressing rapidly and it was doubtful if elections could take place this year.

Meeting closed at 1625 hrs.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUBCOMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 114

Meeting opened at 1607 hrs on Tuesday, 11 May 45.

In the absence of the VP on duty, Lt. Col. WHITE, CSO, presided.

1 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

- (a) VERBENA CIVILIA AFHQ has requested a general report on conditions in VERBENA CIVILIA. As Col. CRISIS is at present up there, it is proposed that he should be in charge of the preparation of the C. side of the report and that Maj. TULLI should go up to assist. No action to be taken until further instructions are received.
- (b) OFFICE HOURS. It has been decided that Italian civilians cannot be given a 40 hour week. In future, Italian civilians working in military offices will only have Saturday afternoons and Sundays off. Allied Military and Civilian personnel will have the whole of Sunday, a half holiday on Saturday and another afternoon off during the week which will be staggered. There is an exception in the case of Senior Officers - Directors and Deputy Directors will, if work allows the extra half-holiday, take it on Wednesday afternoon. Routine work of the Commission will proceed on Wednesday afternoons.
- (c) Italian Troops. A repl. is desired from ITC/C, DE A.R. S/C and Local Government S/C on the question of surplus Italian Military personnel within the ceiling of 6,000 already allotted. These repls. should reach C4 Section by Thursday afternoon.
- (d) Liaison Groups AFHQ considers the proposed Liaison strengths in North Italy excessive and has asked for proposals for substantial reductions.
- (e) Transport. Allied Commission transport is being reduced by 25%. HQ Commandant has stated that it is hoped that this reduction will not be noticeable. Further reductions are likely. All Heads of Sub-Commissions are asked to keep a close lookout for instances of mis-use of vehicles.
- (f) Reports of Civil Disturbances. The Public Relations Branch will act as a "press cutting agency" for reports of disturbances. Public Safety will make necessary arrangements.
- (g) Economic Situation in the North. The economic situation has improved

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in the absence of the VP on duty, Lt. Col. WHITE, CSO, presided.

1. POINTS FROM THE RECEIVING COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- (a) INTELIA CIVILIAN. AFHQ has requested a general report on conditions in INTELIA CIVILIAN. As Col. CHAIRMAN is at present up there, it is proposed that he should be in charge of the preparation of the report of the report and that Maj. TERRY should go up to assist. No action to be taken until further instructions are received.
- (b) Civilian Hours. It has been decided that Italian civilians cannot be given a 40 hour week. In future, Italian civilians working in military offices will only have Saturday afternoon and Sunday off. Allied military and civilian personnel will have the whole of Sunday, a half holiday on Saturday and another afternoon off during the week which will be staggered. There is an exception in the case of Senior Officers - Directors and Deputy Directors will, if work allows the extra half-holiday, take it on Wednesday afternoon. Routine work of the Commission will proceed on Wednesday afternoon.
- (c) Italian Troops. A reply is desired from IWW S/C, DE & P S/C and Local Government S/C on the question of supplying Italian Military personnel within the ceiling of 1,000 already allotted. These replies should reach C4 Section by Thursday afternoon.
- (d) Liaison Groups. AFHQ considers the proposed Liaison strength in North Italy excessive and has asked for proposals for substantial reductions.
- (e) Transport. Allied Commission transport is being reduced by 25%. HQ Commandant has stated that it is hoped that this reduction will not be noticeable. Further reductions are likely. All Heads of Sub-Commissions are asked to keep a close lookout for instances of mis-use of vehicles.
- (f) Reports of Civil Disturbances. The Public Relations Branch will act as a "press cutting agency" for reports of disturbances. Public Safety will make necessary arrangements.
- (g) Economic Situation in the North. The economic situation has improved even over that of last week. Fiat works are beginning to turn out vehicles and it is hoped that tire production will commence shortly. Other industries are similarly progressing and the problem of raw materials for factories is being tackled.
- (h) Clothing Scale for JCCE. If the present scale of JCCE clothing is not satisfactory, Public Safety will draft letter to AFHQ making recommendations for a new scale.
- (i) Deputy Director, Public Safety. Col. CHAIRMAN to arrange with G-1(S) for a temporary replacement for Lt. Col. BWT.

(j) Release of Officers. It must be clearly understood by all officers that releases according to plans can only proceed if efficiency is not thereby impaired. The British scheme is unlikely to be further held up but the American side is less certain. No proposals for delay have as yet been made but officers should understand the position.

(k) Press Release Items. All items should be submitted to Civil Affairs Section by Thursday, 13 Sep 45.

(l) Submission of Reports. All Special reports asked for by offices outside CA with the exception of routine returns such as weekly strength returns, will be submitted through Civil Affairs Section.

2 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Tuesday 4 Sep 45.

(a) List of Proposed Liaison Groups in the North. This list is now in circulation and will be returned to Public Safety when circulation is completed.

Sub-Commissions reported that it was incomplete, partly largely with regard to VENEZIA GIULIA.

(b) Camps for Neo-Fascist Personnel. The position of these camps has not improved and the situation remains as reported last week.

3 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

(a) Public Health - Col. PAGE. Bubonic Plague has broken out in TRIESTE. There have been 12 cases with 4 deaths.

An outbreak of disease (so far unidentified) has also been reported at FUGGIO CARLINO.

The position at MERANO is much improved with the receipt of AFHQ authority to take over needed medical supplies. The transportation situation is also under review.

There has been an extremely adverse report in the Italian Press about RADICE. Copy of the translation will be forwarded to C. Sec as soon as possible.

(b) Displaced Persons - Col. FINLAY. Orders were received from AFHQ that Capt. FERNANDEZ, a Yugoslav who was stated to be in MILAN, would be brought back to ROME by force, if necessary. This had been communicated to Dr. IMODAK, who seemed unwilling to comply.

(c) Public Safety - Col. CHAPMAN. Reports have been received of the infiltration into Italy of agents of Yugoslav organizations.

(d) Lt. Col. WHITE. AFHQ has approved the admission of a Yugoslav War Crimes Mission on condition that only specified cases are investigated and subject to conditions imposed by HQ.

(e) Public Health - Col. PAGE. Reports have been received of the requisitioning of civilian hospitals by military units. It is necessary to know the names of the units concerned before any action can be taken.

2. POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on Tuesday 4 Sep 45.

(a) List of Forced Labor Groups in the North. This list is now in circulation and will be returned to Public Safety when circulation is completed.

Sub-Commissions reported that it was incomplete, particularly with regard to VENETIA GIULIA.

(b) Commissioner for Neo-Fascist Movement. The position of these camps has not improved and the situation remains as reported last week.

3. POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

(a) Public Health - Col. PAGE. Bubonic Plague has broken out in TIRATO. There have been 12 cases with 4 deaths.
An outbreak of disease (so far unidentified) has also been reported at MEGIO CALABRIA.

The position at MERANO is much improved with the receipt of AFHQ authority to take over needed medical supplies. The transportation situation is also under review.

There has been an extremely adverse report in the Italian Press about EMILIA. Copy of the translation will be forwarded to C. Sec as soon as possible.

(b) Displaced Persons - Col. FULHAM. Orders were received from AFHQ that Capt. FIVANJA, a Yugoslav who was stated to be in MILAN, would be brought back to ROME by force, if necessary. This had been communicated to Dr. ONOLINI, who seemed unwilling to comply.

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Meeting closed at 1640 hrs.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 119

Meeting opened at 1602 hrs on Tuesday, 4 Sep 45.

Lt. Col. S.H. WHITE presided in the absence of the VP on duty.

Lt. Col. PERIS, as I.F.M. S/C was introduced to the meeting.

1 POINTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING.

- (a) Handover of Territory The meeting was informed of the proposed date for the handover of North Italy (excluding BOLLANO and UDINE).
- (b) VENEZIA GIULIA Instructions had been received that VENEZIA GIULIA should be administered under the Italian system. This was already being done. Where Yugoslavian Committees had been set up they should be abolished except in Yugoslav speaking areas where they could be retained, but purely as advisory bodies.
- (c) Italian Prisoners of War S/C. It had been recommended that this Sub-Commission, recently incorporated as part of Civil Affairs Section, should, on 30 Sep 45, come under Land Forces Sub-Commission.
- (d) Mine Clearance. It was considered that on the hand-over of Italian Army that both would have to take over responsibility for Mine Clearance. Land Forces Sub-Commission would be the natural channel of communication with the Army. Representations are being made that they should be responsible for Mine Clearance as from that date.
- (e) Office Hours. This question, in so far as it affects paying and feeding of civilian employees, is being considered. AFHQ may reduce hours for civilians employed in military offices to 40 per week.
- (f) Release of Italian Troops. Land Forces Sub-Commission have requested the release of surplus Italian Troops earmarked for employment under Displaced Persons, but the have never been called for. DF & R reported that some are being used but that many are unsuitable. IPW are using others. Local Government S/C said they desired Engineer personnel for Mine Clearance. The three Sub-Commissions would consult and DF & R submit a report for all.

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- (b) VEPZIA GRILLIA. Instructions had been received that VEPZIA GRILLIA should be administered under the Italian system. This was already being done. Where Italian-Communist had been set up they should be abolished except in Yugoslav speaking areas where they could be retained, but purely as advisory bodies.
- (c) Italian Episcopate of Milan S/C. It had been recommended that this Sub-Commission, recently incorporated as part of Civil Affairs Section, should, on 30 Sep 45, come under Land Forces Sub-Commission.
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- (g) EMILIA Region. It was reported that, though EMILIA Region closed down some weeks ago, correspondence is still being addressed to that HQ. The Liaison Group now working in Emilia is not able to deal with enquiries involving the files of EMILIA Region which have already been dispatched to Archives. Any such enquiries will be dealt with by a staff working on the files in this Headquarters.
- (h) Recreational Cars. In future there will be 2 recreational cars allotted to Civil Affairs Section for the use of officers on Wednesday afternoons.

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2. POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

- (a) Col. CRIPPS stated that a recommendation that BOLZANO might be handed over at the same time as the rest of Northern Italy was going forward.
- (b) Col. CHAPMAN would like a list of personnel comprising Liaison Groups for the North as it affects Officer promotions.
- (c) Col. PAGE and Col. BURRIS reported that with the release of more British and American Officers it would become increasingly difficult to fill appointments even with the personnel made available by the closing down of Northern Regional Headquarters as territory was handed back.
- (d) Col. CHAPMAN reported that the position with regard to camps for non-fascist personnel was still very unsatisfactory. A number of conflicting instructions and reports have been received regarding Camp 336. It is believed that both this and Camp 337 are being handed over to the Ministry of War via Land Forces S/O, and there still is no Camp in which to put non-fascists.
- (e) Col. PAGE reported that the position in MERANO is not as satisfactory as at first supposed. Accommodation there has only just kept pace with demand so far and a sudden influx of patients would be difficult to handle. The buildings are there but equipment is not available.
- (f) Lt. Col. REGIS reported that there is a considerable amount of unravelling to be done to separate IPV from WED. The handover of IPV is to be completed between 10th and 14th September.
- (g) Lt. Col. WLSHUTTE reported that it was necessary to have a Liaison Officer assigned to BOLZANO when AMB left in view of the problem created by German-speaking schools. This job could be handled by the Liaison Officer assigned to UDINE.
- (h) Col. CHAPMAN referred again (see Minutes 112, para 4 (b)), to the situation where a number of officers in the same Sub-Commission were due to go on LIAF at the same time. To be taken up with G-1 (B) immediately.

Meeting closed at 1625 hrs.

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- (g) Col. PAGE reported that the position in KERNNO is not as satisfactory as at first supposed. Accommodation there has only just kept pace with demand so far and a sufficient influx of patients would be difficult to handle. The buildings are there but equipment is not available.
- (h) Lt. Col. REGIS reported that there is a considerable amount of travelling to be done to separate IPW from WID. The handover of IPW is to be completed between 10th and 14th September.
- (i) Lt. Col. MONTGOMERY reported that it was necessary to have a Liaison Officer assigned to BOLZANO when IPW left in view of the problem created by German-speaking schools. This job could be handled by the Liaison Officer assigned to LDINE.
- (j) Col. CHAPMAN referred again (see Minutes 112, para 4 (b)), to the situation where a number of officers in the same Sub-Commission were due to go on ILWP at the same time. To be taken up with C-1 (E) immediately.

Meeting closed at 1625 hrs.

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