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ASSISTANCE TO HELPERS OF PATRIOTS

Feb. - Oct. 1945

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Van der Meer's work is arranged for pictures

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20 JUN. 1945
L/gest 5/c (Patriots)
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Documents withdrawn and transmitted to
Library for payment.

Robert H. Major
France Spc

26.7 45

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NEWSPR SHEET No. 3

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Director:

Mr. Guachieri has kept Allied POW's. The letter sent by the British Embassy should be forwarded to the A.S.C.

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C.A. Section

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Ref (5)

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14 Col

Director Patriots Branch

2 Apr 45

Patriots Branch. (12)

See Fol. 5. Wheaton, May

4 Apr. 45

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Director Patriots Branch.

Patriots Branch. (12)

Re Feb. 5. Pleasure, May

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Feb.

re Feb. 5.

You were quite right in your mind
11. When on C.S.O I "blotted it" &
sent it to Claims A.H.A. who will
send all the papers back marked for
attn. P.A.C. Bring the papers when
they arrive & I will direct R.D. Kapp

2 Apr 45

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MINUTE SHEET No. 2

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Civil Affairs Section.

Ref Minute (4). Letter at Folio 3 for signature.

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MS for

Major V.F.J.C. SNEE

1 and 3

15 Feb 45

Ref. Folios 1 + 3.

In Telephone Conversation Major Snee - Lt. Col. Thompson,
 Major Snee informed Col Thompson that, in report and
 assurance that Col FAVA, any money that ARMANDO BAND
 had received were not from official sources.

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To Col. FAVA.

16 Feb 45

Tel. Conversation Major Snee - Lt. Col. Thompson.
 Agreed that payments to ARMANDO BAND be held
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 definite system for payment to all civilians
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Col. Fava to convey this information to
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 MS Snee

1 and 3

12 Feb 45

To Major SNEE.

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12 Feb 45

Col Fava.

Ref (5). If the inter of (5-8) helped
Allied P. U.S., the matter should be dealt
with by the Allied Screening Commission.
Could you be good enough to check on this
point?

31 March 45.

A. P. Snee

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FILE	MINUTE SHEET No. 1	PAGE
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DATE		
7 Feb, 45	(1) <u>Col. FAUA.</u> To see folio 1. Do you think anything could be done? <i>W.C. Due Main RA.</i> (2) <u>Director.</u> Ref. folio 1. This matter is no concern of the Ministry of War. A procedure will have to be set up whereby payment is made to personnel who have helped Patriots and the procedure must be the same for all concerned. The new body, Commissariat for the Patriots or Ministry for Occupied Territories will be the competent body to organise such payments. It will, therefore, be necessary to await the decision of the Italian Government regarding the re-organisation of the IMPO and the Patriots Office. It is not known if the "Armando" Band is a military or political band; nor from whom they drew funds in Rome. <i>Opard</i> <i>Enl.</i> (3)	1.
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8 Feb, 45	To: <u>Civil Affairs Section.</u> Reference Folio 1 and Minutes 1 and 2. Draft letter at Folio 2 is submitted for approval. <i>W.C. Due Main RA.</i>	4241 1. 2.

7 Feb, 45.

Director.

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Stamp
Encl.

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8 Feb, 45

To: Civil Affairs Section.

Reference Folio 1 and Minutes 1 and 2.

Draft letter at Folio 2 is submitted for approval.

W. C. Price
NA's RA

(4)

To: Patriots

Draft at folio 2 with Corrections
appended. Please prepare for Signature
W. C. Price, Major

10 Feb 45

CA-sec

W. C. Price

10 Feb 45

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

53/7/PAT

29 Oct 45

SUBJECT: Assistance given to O.S.S.

TO : Finance Sub Commission

The attached claim by ⁸an Italian civilian for services rendered is forwarded for your attention. The claim would appear to be one against U.S. forces.



W. CARR Brigadier
VP CA Section

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29 OCT 1945

PATRONS BR/DA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

COB/gjf

G-5: 151

26 October 1945

SUBJECT: Assistance to O.S.S.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

Reference conversation Reakes - Benson.

The attached correspondence is returned as agreed.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

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C. O. BENSON
Major, RA

Incl:
Ltr fr HQ Allied Commission,
ref: 53/7/PAT dtd 23 Oct 45,
w/incl.

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*Transmitted to U.S. Commission
to U.S. Census Commission
Rome*

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Italian civilian for services rendered
is forwarded for your attention.
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against U.S. forces.*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Tel No 489081
Ext 358

Ref : 53/7/PAT

23 October 1945

Subject : Assistance given to O.S.S.

To : MTCUSA

The attached letter dated 18th October is forwarded to you. It would appear from this letter that Signora BORSELLA has given shelter to Agents acting for the Office of Strategic Services (O.S.S.).

May this letter be forwarded to the appropriate Office.

J. Kearney Maj

M. CARR, Brig,
VP CA Section.

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G-3 Section AFHQ
ACTION/INFORMATION

ACUS	
DACOS	
Policy & Control	
Italy	X
Other Areas	
Legal	
Displaced Persons	
Economics & Supply	
Financial Advisor	
Personnel (A) (B)	

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23 OCT Recd

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Mrs Maria Barsella of Viareggio gave hospitality to two patriots certain Manfredo Bertini and Vera Vassalle both employed by the SSO and known under the name of Maber and Rosa. The latter promised them rewards but they did not get it. She asks Allied Commission to recall Miss Vassalle to do her duty towards her.

*Original forwarded to OSS
Rome*

To Liguria Region (attn R. B. C.)

The attached letter dated 18th October is forwarded to you for ~~and action as you~~ ~~may consider necessary~~. ~~Investigation~~ ~~into action as you consider necessary~~. It would appear from the letter that Signora Barsella has given shelter to agents active in SSO. The Office of Strategic Services (OSS) may the letter be forwarded to the appropriate office.

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NOTE:

The request appears to be quite justified and has attached all the necessary evidence.

It is suggested that the whole matter be passed on to M.O.O.I. while still functioning.

If M.O.O.I. should not be any more competent, the matter should be forwarded to the new Ministry for post war assistance.

J. di R.

M.P.

23/6/45.

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and 23/6
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 7AA N C O N A

To. Patriots Branch AG HQ ✓
From. AMG Ancona
Subject. Transmission of documents

Ref. AMG/A/155

Date. 21 Jun 45

Request for payment for goods supplied to Patriots
by Rosa Maria Castelplano.

We forward to you attached correspondence reference
above, for your attention.

W. J. Mauder
W. J. MAUDER, Major, R.A.
Acting Commissioner,
Ancona.

HEADQUARTERS
23 JUN 1945

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTER

Claims Commission and Hirings Directorate

G-5,
A.F.H.Q.

OCTD/354/2.

6 May 45.

Complaint of Demetrio Gualtieri

Reference your IRS G-5:151 transmitting copy of H.Q., A.C. 537/PAT of 4 April 45.

1. During my recent stay in Rome I saw Vice-President, Civil Affairs Section, Allied Commission (Brigadier G.R. Upjohn, K.C.) on this complaint.

2. The day of the alleged incident was that on which the Provincial Office at Aquila closed down. It is therefore quite possible that the complainant was, in fact, interviewed in the hall and was not taken into a private room; probably the furniture had gone. The officer in question is probably Capt. Giliberti; he has returned home. However, A.C. are enquiring into the matter.

3. This is not a case for the Claims Commission, but for the Allied Screening Commission, C.M.F., which alone deals with claims by helpers of escapers and evaders (vide A.F.H.Q. letter AG 123/145 GBL-O dated 17 Nov 44, of which a copy was distributed to you).

4. I also saw the Allied Screening Commission; they have no trace of ever having received a claim from Gualtieri Demetrio of San Martino d'Ocre or from his Avvocato, Leopardi Emilio.

5. I have given them a copy of the basic document and they are taking steps for their Investigating Officer, who will be in Aquila shortly, to see the Avvocato and if necessary the claimant.

6. I have also arranged for AC and Allied Screening Commission to issue co-ordinated instructions to ensure that there is the fullest co-operation between their Officers in the field and that helpers receive every consideration and assistance.

7. I have arranged that you will return the attached documents to AC for attention of Col. Cripps, to complete his file.

Tel: 16506.
1/GWH.

E.R. Cawdron,
Brigadier,
Vice President Claims Commission
and Director of Hirings

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Copy to :- V.P.,
A.C. Section,
Allied Commission,
C.M.F.

Allied Screening Commission,
C.M.F.

W. Mark
D. R. Cawdron,
Brigadier,
Vice President Claims Commission
and Director of Hirings.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 894
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref 53/7/PAT

4 April 46.

SUBJECT: Claims.

TO : AFHQ (G-5).

There is forwarded to you letter from U.S. Embassy Rome dated 30 March 46 with relative documents for the attention of claims branch.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

R. B. Clipp
for G.R. UNION, Brig
VP CA Section

Enclosures

Chambers
ask for originals back
Liberty? back

NO TRACE

Copy to: U.S. Embassy Rome, (your 37/9/45 of 30 March refers)

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C O N F I D E N T I A L 4HEADQUARTERS 1ST ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

HAF/drr

Ref: G-5/12/2A

16 February 1945
Tel: Filpot 121

SUBJECT: Patriots

TO : OSS, Fifth Army Det., c/o G-2 Fifth Army Rear.

1. Further reference to this Section's letter G-5/12/2A dated 5 Feb '45 and confirming conversation Cagiati - Thompson.

2. Headquarters Allied Commission states that at the moment there is no procedure whereby payment can be made to people who have assisted Patriots.

3. It states however that a new body is being formed within the Italian Government which will be a possible channel for such payments.

4. Patriots Branch, Headquarters Allied Commission are pursuing this matter and you will be informed when the procedure is agreed and in operation.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

Robert A. Persell
ROBERT A. PERSSELL
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.
Civil Affairscc: Civil Affairs Sec., HQ AC
(ref. 53/7/PAT dtd 13 Feb 45)

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17 FEB 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 53/7/PAT.

Ext. 525

Subject: Patriots.

13 Feb 45.

To: HQ. 15 Army Group G-5 Section

Reference your G-5/12/2A dated 5 Feb 45.

1. This is an Italian Government responsibility, and there is, at present, no procedure whereby payment can be made to people who have helped Patriots.
2. A new body is being formed within the Government, and this may be a possible channel for such payments.
3. When a decision has been reached your HQs. will be informed.

For the Chief Commissioner.

G.R. UPJOHN,
Brigadier.
V.P. C.A. Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 53/7/Pat

Subject: Patriots.

Ext. 525

To: HQ 15 Army Group G-5 Section.

Feb. 45.

Reference your G-5/12/2A dated 5th February 45

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1. This is an Italian Government responsibility, and there is, at present, no procedure whereby payment can be made to people who have helped Patriots. ^{2.} A new body is being formed within the Government, and this may be a possible channel for such payments.

~~We shall inform you of any future developments.~~

3. When a decision has been reached your Hqs will be informed.
For the Chief Commissioner
For the Chief Commissioner.

G.R. UPJOHN
Brigadier.
VP.CA. Section.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

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Ref: G-5/12/2A

5 February 1945
Tel: Filpot 157

SUBJECT: Patriots

TO : Patriots Branch, Headquarters Allied Commission

1. Confirming conversation (Snee - Thompson). OSS detachment this HQ have enquired whether a procedure could be set up whereby payment may be made to personnel who have helped Patriots.

2. While Patriots are operating in enemy occupied territory, assistance is often given to them for which repayment is promised. Recently representatives of the Armando band have returned from Rome with money to make such repayment for help afforded to them in the past. OSS consider that there should be a standard and general procedure, as repayment for help to one band is likely to cause dissatisfaction among others.

3. Such procedure would, it is presumed, be the responsibility of the Italian Ministry of War, and could follow the lines of the procedure for repaying assistance given to escaped Allied Prisoners of War.

J. Bruce Thompson
J. BRUCE THOMPSON
Lt. Colonel, R.A.
Economics

cc: 5th Army Detachment, Co. D., 2677 Regt. OSS, APO 512
(Reference conversation Cagiati - Thompson)

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