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P.D. Dagnies

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No. 1 Special Force (Major Tolson) 1466

Please see Ed. SPUR's approval given to my minute (2) above.

P.D. Dagnies

Dagnies

19 Dec

Major Maguire,

see. Mary Parks
Stratlock

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DATE.

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Kind Forces

Nov. 21.

Ferguson advice as to L. A. Shuman
6th

Nov. 22

Patriots Branch

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For reply to Minute 1 above, see attached letter. (Encl 1)

Henry Pacini. Capt. U.S. A.

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Director

24 Nov.

1. I have not yet replied officially to 5 -
after our conversation.

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2. Pl. see 7. I do not think that at this stage we can usefully press for the patriots to be "incorporated intact". They had better all go to the FLORENCE camp, if that can be arranged.

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Please send copy of 7 to No.1 Special Force.

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Action taken

for Col. R.G.B. SPICER,
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ext. 374

Ref: 49/55/PAT.
Copy to 11B/PAT.

18 December 1944.

Subject: Patriots for Absorption into
the Italian Army.

To: Major E.L. TULLOCH,
No. 1 Special Force.

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In reply to your LS/4/174 dated 16 December, I have discussed with M.M.I.A. the overall total of patriots who can be absorbed into the Italian Army.

It would be fair to quote to your B.L.O. an approximate figure of 30,000, to be absorbed at a rate of NOT more than 10,000 a month.

P.D. Pagus
for
R.G.B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

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LS/4/168

15th December 1944

To: Director,
Patriots Branch,
A.C.

From: Major Tulloch,
No. 1 Special Force.

With reference to our conversation of a few days ago on the subject of the numbers of patriots likely to come through the lines, Major Macintosh, O.C. of our No. 15 Detachment, informs me that whenever he receives prior warning of bands of individuals coming through the lines, he communicates with your Patriots Branch officer with V Army.

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Major,
for Commander, R.N.V.R.,
Comd. No. 1 Special Force.

IS/4/174

16th December 1944

To: Director,
Patriots Branch,
Allied Commission.

From: Major E.L. Tulloch,
No. 1 Special Force.

One of our British Liaison Officers with Italian Patriot bands in the Appenines has signalled this H.Q. asking for the numbers of Partisans who can be absorbed into the Italian Army.

It is particularly necessary for this officer to be able to quote some figure to the leaders of the bands in his district, as for reasons of security and supply, he is obliged to reduce the strengths of the bands and is endeavouring to persuade the surplus to cross the lines into A.O.T.

We would be obliged if even an approximate figure could be quoted.

E.L. TULLOCH,
Major,
for Commander, R.N.V.R.,
Comd. No. 1 Special Force.

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Comd. No. 1 Special Force.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
PATRIOT BRANCH
(ADVANCE DETACHMENT)
C. M. F.

Ref: AC/533/PAT

Date 23 Nov 44

SUBJECT: Assistance to Patriots.

To : Colonel R.G.B. Spicer,
Director of Patriots Branch.

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Further to your communication of 20 Nov 44, ref. 118/PAT on above subject.

In view of recent happenings and of the conference on the above subject, it is felt that no reply is necessary.

No further consultation with A.M.C. 5 Army has been held.

[Signature]
R.L. DEWE.
Major,
Patriot Branch.

N.F.A.
P.O. 127 NR.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ext. 620

Ref: 118/PAR

25 November 1944.

Subject: Treatment of Patriots.

To: Commander R.N.V.R.,
O.C. No. 1 Special Force.
(for attention of Major TULLOCH).

With reference to your letter of 21 November, addressed to the Assistant Director of Patriots Branch, in regard to the signal which was received from H.Q. No. 1 Special Force, 124 of 20th, I would state that the whole of the Patriots Branch is now under a process of reorganisation. I do not for one moment pretend that the organisation has functioned efficiently in the past, but every endeavour will be made to make it do so in the near future.

We hope to establish a line of communications from PISTOLA to RBINI, which will cover the areas both of V and VIII Armies. This will be on the lines of I.O.C., and the camps will be established so that Patriots can move backward, having crossed the line, by back transport. Here they will receive, as soon as the camps can be organised, general welfare, medical treatment and comforts. Every endeavour will be made to feed, clothe and rehabilitate them generally. At this moment they will be dealt with in regard to their future, for the purposes of absorption and/or dispersal.

I cannot usefully say any more at the moment, and the statement above may be of little or no value in view of the fact that I cannot guarantee that anything concrete has been done, but, in the very near future, it is hoped that something concrete on these lines will be done. I personally think that, until the camps are an established fact, it would be most ill-advised to make any statement at all.

R.G.B. Spicer
R.G.B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

24 NOV 1944

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Absorption of Italian Patriots into
Italian Army

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.

(M.M.I.A.)

TS/C/19

22 Nov 44

TO : Patriots Branch

With reference to paragraph 2 of letter IS/4/75.

We shall be pleased to absorb the partisans referred to via the following procedure :

(a) When the partisans have been assembled at collecting point or points, advise this Mission and transportation will be provided for their transfer to a military camp.

(b) At the camp they will be all screened and processed and dispositions made accordingly.

(c) They will be incorporated into either combat units, in the branch of service for which they are best suited in which case they will receive proper training and eventually join an operational outfit, or they may be sent to service units working for the Allies.

These partisans cannot therefore be "incorporated intact" into the Italian Army but must adhere to the above procedure for absorption into the Army.

Copy to: SD/42

for *Henry H. Piccini, Capt.*
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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LS/4/83

23rd November 1944 ✓

To: Director,
Patriots Branch, A.C.

From: Major Tulloch,
No. 1 Special Force.

Further to my letter LS/14/73 of the 19th November, we have heard to-day that the number of partisans likely to be passed through the lines has now risen to 920.

Tulloch
Major.

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TO
Asst. Director,
Patriots Branch,
A.C.

No 5 Detachment,
No 1 Special Force,
C.M.F.

21st Nov 44.

M E M O

The following Signal has been received from T.C.,
No. 1 Special Force : -

"124 of 20th.

1. Please send brief statement on treatment of PATRIOTS coming through the lines or liberated by Allied advance which we can signal to our Missions.
2. Many enquiries are being received from the field on this subject. Ends".

I would be grateful to have your comments on Signal.

M. Tulloch
Major,
for Commander R.N. V.R.
C.O. No 1 Special Force.

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Ref: LS/4/75

20th November 1944

To: Director,
Patriots Branch, A.C.

From: Major Tulloch,
No. 1 Special Force.

Two of our missions in the Appenines north of the 5th Army front report that, owing to enemy movement, the areas in which the partisans can operate have become so restricted they have found it necessary to send large numbers of partisans across the lines. One of these missions expects to have to send up to 800 partisans south.

I have been instructed to investigate the possibility of having these men incorporated intact into the Italian Army and would be grateful to have your views on this matter.

Tulloch

Major.

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Ref: LS/14/73

/ 19th November 1944

To: Director,
Patriots Branch, A.C.

From: Major Tulloch,
No. 1 Special Force.

Further to my LS/14/69 of 17th November, we have heard from one of our missions in the area south of SPEZIA, who expects to send 800 patriots across the lines very shortly. This will naturally be in 5th Army area.

Our B.L.O. in Southern Emilia has also asked for permission to send patriots across the lines. A signal has been sent to him asking for numbers.

Tulloch
Major.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOT BRANCH.

Tel: 489081
Ext. 620

Ref: 118/Pat.

Subject: Assistance to Patriots.

20 Nov. 44.

To: Major B. Drage,
Adv. Det. Patriot Branch,
c/o P.S.B., Florence.

1. Information has been received that in Southern AMELIA some hundreds of patriots may be expected shortly to cross from the North into our lines.
2. Will you please in consultation with AMF 5 Army investigate this matter. Kindly report to this Hq what provision, if any, will be needed for these men over and above what you can provide from your own resources.

P.D.
fw R.G.B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Patriot Branch.

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SECRET

LS/14/69

17th November 1944

To: The Assistant Director,
Patriots Branch, A.C.

From: Major Tulloch,
No. 1 Special Force.

1. A signal has been received from our B.L.O. in Southern Emilia, stating that owing to increased enemy activity the Partisans are restricted to operations in the zone bounded by the following rivers:-

DRAGONE 97/3030 to the East
SECCHIA 85/0937 to the North
SECCHIELO to the West and
the APPENNINE CHAIN to the South.

2. Our B.L.O. proposes that the greater part of the Partisans should be sent across the Allied lines and that only 300 should be kept for offensive patrolling of the area.

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4. I will keep you informed of events.

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