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NEUTRAL CORRESPONDENTS

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/cb

R105/FRB

9 October 1945

SUBJECT: Telephone Communication Rome-Berne

TO : Lt.Col. Scudder, Communications S/C.

Reference attached.

Mr. Scanziani is accredited to AC as a neutral correspondent.

Is it possible to authorize his request?

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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AGENZIA TELEGRAFICA SVIZZERA

Roma, 6 ottobre 1945

AI PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH
Rome
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Oggetto: Comunicazione telefonica stampa ROMA-BERNA

Il sottoscritto, giornalista e cittadino svizzero, corrispondente da molti anni dell'Agencia Telegrafica Svizzera, deve compiere ogni giorno una comunicazione telefonica stampa ed ora fissa con la propria redazione di Berna. Prege voler cortesemente sollecitare dal col. Scudder la voluta autorizzazione alla Azienda per i servizi telefonici di Stato.

Con osservanza

(f.to)

(Antonio Scanziani)
Via Archimede 25
Telefono 873813

Dot. Achille - Ministero Poste e Telegraf.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AWO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

IO/IP

Ref. 105/PMB

Settembre 22, 1945

Caro Marchese Cavalletti,

come lei forse sa, ben poche sono le facilitazioni attualmente da noi concesse ai corrispondenti neutrali.

Comunque quando il sig. Agne Hamrin, di cui lei m'informa nella sua nota del 19 settembre u.s., sarà qui a Roma, noi non avremo niente in contrario, dopo aver prese le necessarie informazioni, a concedergli la solita tessera di giornalista neutrale.

Con i miei più distinti saluti,

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G. STEWART BROWN

Director,

Public Relations Branch

Marchese F. Cavalletti

Ufficio Stampa

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Palazzo Chigi



Roma, 19 settembre 1945

Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Ufficio Stampa

Caro Signor Stewart Brown,

la R. Legazione in Stoccolma mi fa conoscere che il giornalista svedese Agne Hamrin, del "Dagens Nyheter", intenderebbe assumere il servizio di corrispondente da Roma per il suo giornale.

Allo scopo di far pervenire al detto giornalista utili indicazioni al riguardo, Le sarei grato, caro Signor Stewart Brown, se volesse farmi conoscere se al Signor Hamrin potranno venir estese le facilitazioni d'uso in vigore ^{in quel che riguarda i permessi} per i giornalisti esteri a Roma.

Grato fin da ora per una Sua risposta,
La prego di credermi

Signor G. STEWART BROWN
Capo del Public Relations Office
Commissione Alleata

= ROMA =

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20/9/45

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO : Mr. Brown

MEMORANDUM
Mrs. O'Neil
FILE NO. 95-
OK
of 20.
Feb 194

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2^o g. s. stato corrisposto a Roma
Note per la corrispondenza
Novembre 1944

file

Dear Mrs Oxilia,

hope You can be able tell me la partenza some day beforehand. Grateful it has been delayd because momentary down with silly flu, thus some days repose welcome. Within few days will be allright again.

With ever so many thanks for Your great kindness and ready helpfulness

sincerely Yours

Muriel Fegh

Via Merode 54 tel 65906

Rome 19 sept. 45.

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H. Q. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Central Mediterranean Force

19 September 1945

2/PRS/28/1

TO : A.C.
Public Relations

1. Authority is granted to Miss Bergh, Swedish correspondent, to proceed to Vienna for a visit of some days.
2. On arrival she should report to Lt.Col. N. Dugdale, A.D.P.R., Public Relations, Vienna.

Sgd.

C W E KESSLER
For Colonel
D.D.P.R.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

PRBR

Originator's Reference: PV 7341

Date/Time of Origin: SEP 101921C

Message Centre No: J/ 7200

Date Time Rec'd: SEP 110915B

FROM CG USFA ADV CITE PAPRO

Precedence: ROUTINE

TO : HQ ALCOM FOR PUB REL BR

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ACTION

Reurtd 57;

Miss GUNHILD BERG, correspondent for OTEBORG HANDELS
TINGNING, acceptable.

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Action - P R Branch

Info - Chief Commissioner

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Signal to COL STANLEY GROGAN JJQG PRB ACC AUSTRIA
FROM G. STEWART BROWN PRB ALCOM ROME

Sign 10
MISS GUNHILD BERGH CORRESPONDENT FOR GOTEBOG HANDLSTIDNING
ACCREDITED TO THE AC WISHES TO VISIT VIENNA TO DO SERIES
STORIES REQUESTED BY HER PAPER PD CAN YOU GRANT HER
TEMPORARY ACCREDITATION TO YOUR HQS PD MISS BERGH IS
KNOWN TO US AS A SERIOUS AND TRUSTED CORRESPONDENT PD

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/new

5b/PKB

13 June 45

Dear Michael:

On 24 May you wrote me regarding the request of the newspaper "Fronte Unito" of Cairo to send a correspondent, Miss Levi, to Italy.

Neither G-5, AFHQ nor the Political Advisors of the Allied Commission have any objections to the entry of Miss Levi provided she comes in as a civilian correspondent and does not ask for the privileges of a political correspondent accredited to the Allied Commission.

I assume that you will transmit this information to your Embassy in Cairo.

Sincerely yours,

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Mr. Michael Stewart
Press Attache
British Embassy
Rome

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Copy to: Maj. F. Weidman
G-5 Sec, AFHQ

case W. O. O. P. S. K. O. -

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of Political Adviser (A)

June 9, 1945

TO: Director, Public Relations Branch
SUBJECT: Accrediting of Correspondent from FRONTE
UNITO, Cairo.

With reference to your memorandum of June 8, after discussion with Major Anderson it would appear that there is no objection to the entrance of Miss Laura Levi as a correspondent from FRONTE UNITO, Cairo, to Italy.

If she came as you indicate she would ~~be~~ a civilian correspondent not entitled to privileges of a political correspondent accredited to the Allied Commission. It is thought that the question of her entry would be purely between her newspaper and the Italian Government and that her maintenance after arriving in Italy would be the responsibility of the Italian Government.

Chubbuck

R. H. McBride
Assistant Political Adviser (A)

I agree with the above.

15/6/45

A. S. Halford

(A. S. HALFORD)
Asst. Political Adviser (br.)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/mew

5b/FRB

8 June 45

SUBJECT: Accreditation of Correspondent from Fronte Unito, Cairo

TO : American Political Advisor
British Political Advisor

1. This is in reference to the attached correspondence.
2. We would appreciate your views on allowing Miss Laura Levi to enter Italy as a correspondent from Fronte Unito, Cairo. You will note that Maj. Weidman uses the term "political correspondent" in her connection which I do not believe is quite accurate. If she is permitted to come to Italy she will come as a civilian correspondent and would not be entitled to the privileges of a political correspondent from the Allied Commission.

for the director
G. Stewart Brown
G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Encl. (4)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

7 June 1945

SUBJECT: Accreditation of Correspondent from FRONTE UNITO, Cairo.
TO : Mr. G. Stewart Brown, Director, Public Relations
Branch, Allied Commission.

1. This Headquarters has no objection to accreditation to Allied Commission of Miss Laura Levi as political correspondent from newspaper, FRONTE UNITO, Cairo, Egypt, provided proper clearances are obtained from offices of British Resident Minister and United States Political Advisor.

2. This procedure follows established policy of obtaining comments of political advisors prior to accreditation to this theater of political correspondents.

3. Once a correspondent receives accreditation, it is his responsibility to obtain necessary diplomatic documents and transportation to enter the theater.

For Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

(Sgd)

FLOND E. WEIDMAN
Major, Air Corps,
Press Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/cb

5b/PRB.

26 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Entry permit for correspondent from FRONTE UNITO, Cairo.

TO : Major F. Weidman, G-5 Section, AFHQ, APO 512.

Attached is a letter from the Italian newspaper "Fronte Unito" of Cairo which we have received from the British Embassy, Rome, as per the attached letter of transmittal.

It is requested that G-5 determine what should be done in this particular case. At the same time it might be wise to determine future policy on requests from newspaper correspondents of all nationalities who wish to come to Italy to represent their newspapers.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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BRITISH EMBASSY, ROME

25th May, 1945.

Dear Stewart,

With reference to our telephone conversation this morning, I enclose herewith a copy of a letter addressed by the editor of FRONTE UNITO of Cairo, to the British Embassy in Cairo.

The letter was forwarded to this Embassy with the request that we should enquire whether it would be possible for the FRONTE UNITO to have a correspondent here.

I should be very grateful for your observations in due course.

Yours sincerely

(Sgd)

Michael Stewart,
Press Attaché.

G. Stewart Brown, Esq.
Director of Public Relations,
Allied Commission.

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FRONTE UNITO,
2, Sikket Aboukel Feda,
Zamalek,
CAIRO.

10th May, 1945.

The Third Secretary,
British Embassy,
CAIRO.

Dear Sir,

Recent developments in Italy and the complete liberation of the country make it very desirable and useful that our newspaper "Fronte Unito" may be authorized to send a correspondent to Italy, with a view to supplying our periodical with first hand and recent information and to establish contact with the Italian press and institutions.

This would considerably extend interest in our paper and foster its diffusion and development.

For that purpose we propose to send to Italy Miss Laura Levi, at present on our staff as sub-editor, and sincerely hope that she may be granted permission and facilities to travel home, it being naturally understood that all expenses involved will be borne by us.

We believe that "Fronte Unito" has so far accomplished some good work and we do not doubt that the British Authorities, who have in all circumstances shown such sympathetic understanding towards our effort of democratic re-education of the Italian public, will favour us again with their helpful cooperation.

Trusting that our request will be favourably considered and thanking you for your kind assistance.

Yours faithfully,

EDITOR OF THE FRONTE UNITO.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 334
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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PEB/105/

August 6, 1945

Dear Michael:

In reply to your letter of August 2nd, we have checked our files and consulted with Public Safety and find we have received no correspondence regarding the application of Mme. Fausta Termini-Cialente for permission to enter Italy as a correspondent of the *FRONTE UNITO*.

If we should receive a letter on this subject we shall let you know.

Sincerely,

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director
Public Relations Branch

Michael Stewart, Esq.
Press Attaché
British Embassy
Rome.

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TELEPHONE —
ROME 43951

BRITISH EMBASSY,
ROME.

2nd August 1945.

Dear Brown,

With reference to my letter of the 24th May about the admission of Miss Levi (correspondent of the Cairo paper FRONTE UNITO) to Italy, and to your reply 5B/PRB of the 13th June.

We have had a further letter from Cairo which states that application has been made also by the Italian Government to the Allied Commission for the admission of a Mme. Fausta Terni-Cialente (another correspondent of the FRONTE UNITO) to Italy.

Would you kindly let me know if you have any information about this application?

Yours sincerely
Michael Stewart

G. Stewart Brown, Esq.,
Director of Public Relations Branch,
HQ, Allied Commission.

Michael Stewart,
Press Attache.

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R. 105
4/8/45

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of Political Adviser (A)

September 11, 1945

To: Director, Public Relations Branch, AC

Subject: Application of Laura Levi, editor of FRONTE
UNITO, Cairo, to enter Italy.

I am enclosing copies of communications which the American Embassy in Rome has received from the American Legation at Cairo concerning the desire of Miss Laura Levi, sub-editor of a Cairo weekly publication called FRONTE UNITO, to come to Italy as that publication's Italian correspondent. The Embassy has been requested to transmit Miss Levi's communication to the appropriate authority in the Allied Commission which I assume is your office.

J. Wesley Jones
J. Wesley Jones
Political Adviser (A)

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FRONTE UNITO

The First Secretary
American Legation
Cairo

Cairo August 12th 1945

Dear Sir:

I should be greatly obliged if you kindly forwarded
the accompanying letter to the American Delegate at the
Allied Commission in Rome.

Thanking you in anticipation, I beg to remain

Yours truly

/s/ Laura Levi

Laura Levi

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FRONTE UNITO

The American Delegate
Allied Commission
Rome
Italy

Cairo August 13th 1945

Your Excellency

I have the honour to submit to your kind attention the following:

As early as last May 1945 I applied for repatriation through the British Embassy in Cairo, in view of the necessity for the weekly paper "Fronte Unito", of which I am the sub-editor, to have a representative in Italy.

The Italian Government has furthermore requested, a long time ago, that authorization and priority should be granted to me, considering my presence in Italy useful.

However, the British Embassy in Cairo has not yet received so far the answer of the Allied Commission.

Considering my past record of unimpeachable antifascist activities, I take the liberty of forwarding this request to the Allied Commission for my early return to my country at a time when it is in need of all its citizens.

Trusting that, through your kind offices, this request will meet with a favourable reply by the Allied Commission, I beg to remain

Yours truly

/s/ Laura Levi

Laura Levi

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Copy of this letter has been addressed to the French Russian and British Delegates at the Allied Commission in Rome.

MTA forwarded to
Scanziani July 21, 1945 5 to
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AC/14018/8/1366 /PS

19 July 1945

SUBJECT : Military Travel Authorization(s).
SCANZIANI and wife
Antonio

Public Relations Branch
TO : Regional Commissioner,
REGION (ATTN: RPSC).

1. Reference is made to your 54/PRB,
dated 29 June, 1945.
2. MTA(s) has/have been granted to above named and
is/are transmitted herewith.
3. Please ensure that the MTA(s) is/are signed by
the holder(s) before use.

Wm. C. Ballance May

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director.

WCB/ac

Enclosures.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

5b/PRB

13 luglio 1945

Egregio Dott. Scanziani,

Innanzi tutto mi permetta di fare le mie più sentite condoglianza alla Sua Signora e a Lei. Capisco quanto grande debba essere il loro dolore e vorrei fare qualche cosa per poterlo sollevare. Stia certo che quel poco che posso fare lo sto facendo.

Ho parlato di Lei al Signor Brown e, quel che è più importante, ho parlato con l'Ufficiale che deve inoltrare la pratica all'AFHQ. Purtroppo la guerra, pur essendo finita almeno qui in Europa, ha ancora lasciato degli strascichi burocratici, e le ragioni effettive, che a noi possono sembrare le più importanti, non hanno nessun valore agli occhi delle autorità militari.

Comunque posso assicurarLe che la Sua pratica è bene avviata e faremo il possibile per farla procedere rapidamente. Ma purtroppo i permessi per recarsi fuori d'Italia si ottengono, se si ottengono, con un minimo di sei settimane ed un massimo di tre mesi.

Con i miei migliori saluti rinnovo alla Signora e a Lei le mie più vive condoglianze.

vgd D.O.

Dott. Antonio Scanziani
Associazione Stampa Estera
Via della Mercede 54
ROMA

ASSOCIAZIONE DELLA
TAMPA ESTERA IN ITALIA
ROMA

SEDE: VIA DELLA MERCEDE, 54
TELEFONI
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64-2206 823-81
65-9229
65-015-1066

(Privata)

ROMA, 12 luglio 1945

Gentile Signora,

Giunge dalla Svizzera in questo momento a mia moglie una ben triste nuova: la sua cara Mamma è morta.

Siamo al terzo annuncio luttuoso che ci arriva dalla lontana piccola patria nel volgere di pochi mesi: il primo ci atterriva con la più spietata comunicazione: la morte dell'adorato nostro figlio. Ancora ci sanguina il cuore. Poi venne, per mia moglie, la notizia della morte dell'ottimo suo papà, un uomo dell'antica tempra patriarcale. Ora se n'è andata anche la mamma.

Non potremo soccorrerla al capezzale di nostro figlio. Mia moglie si trovò ancora nella impossibilità di recarsi dal padre. Nell'unc e nell'altro penoso caso fra la Svizzera e Roma si stendeva ancora la linea di combattimento.

Quando, in queste ultime settimane, mia moglie seppe che anche la mamma versava in condizioni disperate, essa non ebbe che uno struggimento continuo: poter rivedere per l'ultima volta almeno la mamma sua.

Ecco perché io sollecitai per due volte da lei, Signora, un colloquio con Mr. G. Stewart Brown: avevo da esporgli le ragioni ~~non~~ d'indele professionali che giustificavano il mio viaggio - ragioni che poi spiegai a lei - ma avrei voluto anche esaminare con lui se non si presentasse qualche possibilità per ottenere un permesso, sia pure provvisorio. In circostanze simili forse poteva essere concesso.

Né nella prima, né nella seconda occasione il colloquio non mi fu concesso. Non metto in dubbio quanto mi si è fatto rispondere: vi sono dei soldati alleati che attendono da anni ~~la~~ rivedere le proprie famiglie. Credo anche nei miei servizi giornalistici di aver dato prova di quanto io apprezzi i sacrifici affrontati dai soldati delle Nazioni unite, ma però anche convinto che il disagio penoso per la lontananza ~~della~~ dei loro cari e le difficoltà di rivederli derivi loro da motivi d'ordine disciplinare ai quali non deve essere estraneo il problema dei trasporti. Per il nostro povero e modesto caso non mi pare debbano sussistere motivi di questa natura: con la ripresa dei normali mezzi di trasporto automobilistici, mia moglie si sarebbe servita di essi. Si trattava, in fondo, d'un rimpatrio di cittadini della pacifica ed antica Svizzera. Come poteva essere negata l'autorizzazione

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Ella vorrà, Signora, perdonare questo mio sfogo. Ho tanto sofferto, un momento fa, nell'assistere all' strazio della mia Amelia, che invocava la sua mamma, tanto buona ed affettuosa.

Mi auguro, Signora, ch'ella possa, fra non molto, annunciarci che ci é concesso di partire: nel cimitero della natia borgata ci attendono tre tombe alle quali mai abbiamo potuto recare un fiore.

Di nuovo: perdoni l'amarezza mia.

Con mille cordialità

Suo

Antonio Scanziani
(Antonio Scanziani)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/DO

5b/PRB

13 July 45

SUBJECT : Application for MTA - Yahia CHERIF.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

1. Reference is made to your AC/14018/8/1/271/PS, subject as above, dated 9 July 1945.

2. Mr. CHERIF has accepted to be repatriated to Damascus. Will you then kindly issue him a MTA for a single journey to that destination.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478300

AC/14018/8/1/271/PS

9 July 1945

SUBJECT : Application for MTA - CHERIF YAHIA

TO : Public Relations Branch ✓

1. Reference is made to your 5b/PRB, subject as above, dated 11 and 19 June 1945.
2. AFHQ have refused to issue an MTA since the journey is for personal reasons.
3. They are, however, prepared to consider the issue of an MTA for a single journey if CHERIF desires to be repatriated to Damascus.

W. C. Ballance *msy*

W JOHN W. CHAPMAN,
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director

WCB/pl

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
AFO 394

Tel : 478800

AG/14022/1/237/PS

30 June 1945

SUBJECT : Entry into Italy from Spain.
Escola Delfino di Giuseppe (Spanish).

TO : Ministry of Interior.
(Direzione Generale della Pubblica Sicurezza).

1. Reference is made to your 443/31237, dated 16 June, 1945, in which it is reported that the Italian Consul General in Barcellona has requested authority to issue a visa in favour of above named who wishes to enter Italy as a correspondent of the Journal "El Correo Catalan".
2. Travel to Italy for private commercial reasons is not permitted. The issue of a visa should not be authorized.

Major Wm. C. Ballance.

WCB/ae

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director.

Copy : ~~AFHQ 3-2 (SI) Section~~
Public Relations Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/DO

5b/PRB

29 June 45

SUBJECT : M.T.A. - SCANZIANI, Antonio and Amelia.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. Attached please find two pairs of M.T.A. forms filled in respectively by the Swiss correspondent Antonio Scanziani and his wife, Amelia Scanziani, forwarded to your office for necessary action.
2. We also enclose a memorandum on Sig. Scanziani's activity, stating reasons why a M.T.A. to proceed to Switzerland is requested.
3. We strongly recommend that Sig. Scanziani's application be taken in favourable consideration, as we have reasons to believe that his trip to Switzerland is essential to his journalistic activity.
4. Enclosed are also 4 photographs (2 full face and 2 profile) of Mr. Scanziani and 4 of Mrs. Scanziani.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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Translation

Association for the
Foreign Press in Italy
Rome

Via della Mercede 54

The Swiss correspondent, Mr. Antonio SCANZIANI, is a veteran of Rome foreign correspondents.

He was sent to Italy by the Swiss Telegraphic Agency at the beginning of 1915 (when Italy was about to enter the war at the side of the Allies) and has carried out his duties as Correspondent for more than 30 years.

Until 1943 he used to go to Berne (Switzerland) twice a year to report to his Head Office.

The war has prevented him from going to Switzerland these last two years.

The Head Office of the Swiss Telegraphic Agency is now asking Sig. Scanziani to go to Berne for various urgent matters. Among other things there is a technical problem to be solved. Negotiations are in course in order to send the radiograms, which Sig. Scanziani normally sends from Rome to Berne through the Cable & Wireless Co. by a more direct and economic route. It is also necessary to establish which news is to be serviced by Reuters and the Associated Press, connected and associated to the S.T.A. and which particularly by the Correspondent. Mr. Scanziani's presence in Berne is especially necessary for co-ordinating these services.

The S.T.A. is the principal organ of the Swiss press. Its communications are published in 125 dailies and read over the 3 Swiss wireless stations in the 3 national languages of the Swiss Confederation.

Besides these professional reasons, Mr. Scanziani has advanced others of a personal nature to obtain a M.T.A. also for his wife.

A few months ago the Scanzianis lost a son of 24 - Pierclaudio Scanziani - a University student at Lausanne (Sw.). Mrs. Scanziani also lost her father last January at Chiasso (Sw.) and her mother, aged 78, also living at Chiasso has been operated on and is seriously ill.

Both Mr. Antonio Scanziani, Swiss citizen by birth and son of Swiss parents, and Mrs. Amelia Scanziani, 52, wife, are in possession of regular Swiss passports.

Mr. Antonio Scanziani, as Correspondent of the S.T.A., is regularly accredited to the A.C., and, in his capacity as Secretary of the Foreign Press Association in Italy, until recently served as liaison between Public Relations and the neutral correspondents.

ASSOCIAZIONE DELLA

SEDE: VIA DELLA MERCEDE, 54

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Il giornalista svizzero Mr. Antonio Scanziani è uno fra i più anziani corrispondenti esteri a Roma.

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Mr. Antonio Scanziani, quale Corrispondente della Swiss Telegraphic Agency, è regolarmente accreditato presso l'A.C. e, nella sua qualità di Segretario dell'Associazione della Stampa Estera in Italia, sino recentemente assicurava il collegamento fra il Public Relations ed i Corrispondenti neutrali.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Inter Office Memorandum

Tel : 478800

AC/14018/8/1/268/PS.

25 June 1945

SUBJECT : M.T.A. - MORIONES CASAS, Julio.

TO : Public Relations Branch. ✓

1. Reference is made to your 5b/PRB, dated 7 June, 1945.
2. A.F.H.Q. maintains the opinion that Mr. Casas may be given an M.T.A. for a single journey to Spain should he wish to be repatriated, and considers that his request for a return journey for personal reasons premature and cannot be approved.
3. The photographs of Mr. Casas are returned herewith.

W. C. Ballance May

for JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director.

Encs : 2.

WCB/va

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Encl. HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/new

12/PRB

20 June 45

SUBJECT: Hellmuth Robert BRUCKMANN

TO : Colonel J. W. Chapman, Director
Public Safety Sub-Commission

1. Hellmuth Robert Bruckmann, German civilian who was formerly with the German Embassy in Italy, presented himself to our office yesterday and requested that we issue him a journalist accreditation card in order that he might gather material for ~~his~~ a book to be written in English. He submitted the attached documents concerning his background and references.

2. This is a puzzling case and we would appreciate your recommendations and advice. Is it possible for a German citizen who was formerly attached to the German Embassy in Italy to circulate freely in Italy at this time?

3. Apparently on the 26th of May he was issued a statement by the 427 Field Security Section authorizing him to circulate in Milan. It is not clear how he got from Milan to Rome and we failed to inquire. It is my feeling that the AC should not issue him a journalist card permitting him to circulate freely in Italy and I would like your comment. I would also like to call your attention to the fact that he is presently circulating freely in Rome.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Encl.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION

ATO 394

PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

CSB/DO

5b/PRE

19 June 45

SUBJECT : Military Travel Authorization.
YANIA GUERIN.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission.

Reference your AC/14018/8/1/271/28 dated 14 June 45.

Attached please find application forms completed by the above mentioned and four photographs (two full face and two profile).

G. STEWART BROWN
DIRECTOR
Public Relations Branch

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478134

14 June 1945

AC/14018/8/1/271/PS

SUBJECT : Military Travel Authorization.
YAHIA CHERIF.

TO : Public Relations Branch, ✓
AC. HQ.

1. Reference your 5b/PRB dated 11th June 1945.
2. It is requested that the attached application forms be completed by the above named and returned to this office with the requisite photographs.

W. Wilson Cap-
JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

WLW/ae

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/DO

5b/PRB

14 June 45

SUBJECT : Assignment of tyres.

TO : Commerce S/C/

Attached please find a request for tyres by Sig.
Antonio Scanziani, correspondent for the Swiss Telegraphic
Agency.

As it would be practically impossible for him to get
tyres through the Italian authorities, it is strongly
recommended that this request may receive favourable
consideration.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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ANTONIO SCANZIANI
COMMERCIALE PER L'ITALIA

ROMA
ARCHIMEDE 15
VIA ...

WALA ...
VIA ...
TELEFONO ...
INTELEFONO ...

Agenzia Telegrafica Svizzera
(Schweiz. Depeschagentur - Agence Telegraphique Suisse)

ANNO DI FONDAMENTO 1888
REDAZIONE: BERNA
SERVIZIO: ZURIGO, BASEL, ...
GINEVRA, LUGANO
PER NOTIZIE AMBROSATE

ROMA, 13 giugno 1945

Gentilissima Signora Oxilia,

eccoLe la lettera (scritta in inglese) che è tutto dire) e relativa copia.

L'ufficiale che dovrebbe trattare la pratica è il tenete Divine.

Vive grazie per il Suo interessamento e saluti i più cordiali

obbligatissimo

Antonio Scanziani

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Rome, June the 9th 1945

Mr. G. STEWART BROWN
Director Public Relations Branch

R O M E

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty of writing to you to inform you that as a journalist and a Swiss citizen, regularly registered at the A.C. as the correspondent of the Swiss Telegraphic Agency I was able to obtain, through the courtesy of the Public Relations Branch, the circulation permit for my Fiat car 1500 B - Registration n. Rome 63694 (Engine n. 027706).

Unfortunately all the wheels have been stolen. I denounced the theft to the Police but they have not succeeded to discover the thieves.

Unable to circulate just in a moment that my business requires a very quick moving about I should be very grateful if the Public Relations Branch would kindly interest Lieut. Divine of the Commercial Sub-Commission of the A.C. in order that I should get an allocation of five tyres for my car (size 6.00 x 16).

Thanking you in advance,

I remain, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Antonio Scanziani)

Correspondent of the Swiss Telegraphic Agency
Rome - Via Archimede, 25
Tel. 873-813

Mr. G. STEWART BROWN

Director Public Relations Branch

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Correspondent of the Swiss Telegraphic Agency
Rome - Via Archimede, 25
Tel. 373-813

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 364
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/DO -

5b/TRB

11 June 45

SUBJECT : Permit to proceed to Damascus (Syria).

TO : Maj. F.C. Ballance, Public Safety S/C.

Attached please find a letter from Mr. Yehia GHERIF, Rome correspondent of the Damascus paper "Alif Sa", holding an AC neutral correspondents' card No. X-10.

If there is any possibility of getting a permit to proceed to Damascus and back, will you kindly forward the attached application to the proper authority.

We have no special recommendation to make on the matter.

G. STEVART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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Translation

Associazione
della
STAMPA ESTERA IN ITALIA
Via Mercede 54
Roma

Rome, 3 June 1945

Mr. Stewart Brown
Director Public Relations Branch, AC

On the 6th of June I received a letter from the editor of my newspaper "Alif Ba", asking me to go as soon as possible to Damascus in order to discuss matters concerning my activity as correspondent.

Therefore I beg you to be so kind as to grant me a permit to proceed to Damascus, and back to Rome, by aircraft.

Waiting for your reply I thank you very much and beg you to give the matter a ready execution.

(sgd)

YALIA GHERIT

Copy

Associazione
della
Stampa Libera in Italia
Via Mercade 54
Roma

Corrispondenza del Sud

Roma 5 giugno 1945

Mr. Stewart Brown
Director Public Relations
Branch, A.C.

Roma.

La data 5 giugno corrente, ho ricevuto una lettera
del Direttore del mio giornale "Unità", il quale mi invita
a recarmi a Fiumicino senza ritardo per consultazioni riguardanti
il mio servizio di corrispondente.

Da prego, in conseguenza, di volere accordarmi cortese-
mente un permesso di andata e ritorno per Fiumicino (Roma-
Fiumicino-Fiumicino-Roma) per via aerea.

In attesa di un riscontro in merito, ringrazio senti-
tamente con preghiera di gentile sollecitazione, e presento
i miei distinti ossequi.

(firmato)

YARLA GHERINI

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/maw

5b/PRB

8 June 45

SUBJECT: Accreditation of Correspondent from Fronte Unito, Cairo

TO : American Political Advisor
British Political Advisor

1. This is in reference to the attached correspondence.
2. We would appreciate your views on allowing Miss Laura Levi to enter Italy as a correspondent from Fronte Unito, Cairo. You will note that Maj. Weidman uses the term "political correspondent" in her connection which I do not believe is quite accurate. If she is permitted to come to Italy she will come as a civilian correspondent and would not be entitled to the privileges of a political correspondent from the Allied Commission.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Encl. (4)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

7 June 1945

SUBJECT: Accreditation of Correspondent from FRONTE UNITO, Cairo.

TO : Mr. G. Stewart Brown, Director, Public Relations Branch,
Allied Commission.

1. This Headquarters has no objection to accreditation to Allied Commission of Miss Laura Levi as political correspondent from newspaper, FRONTE UNITO, Cairo, Egypt, provided proper clearances are obtained from offices of British Resident Minister and United States Political Advisor.

2. This procedure follows established policy of obtaining comments of political advisors prior to accreditation to this theater of political correspondents.

3. Once a correspondent receives accreditation, it is his responsibility to obtain necessary diplomatic documents and transportation to enter the theater.

For Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

Floyd E. Weidman
FLOYD E. WEIDMAN
Major, Air Corps,
Press Officer.

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For Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

FLOYD E. WEIDMAN
Major, Air Corps,
Press Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/DO

5b/PRB

7 June 45

SUBJECT : Permit to proceed to Spain.
TO : Maj. W.C. Ballance, Public Safety S/C.

Herewith please find an application from Mr. Julio MORIONES CASA, Rome correspondent of the Spanish newsagency EFE, who wishes to go to Spain, provided permit to return to his permanent station in Rome will be granted.

The same application was sent thru' this Branch on Nov. 27, 1944 and the necessary forms had been completed. At that time Mr. Moriones was granted a permit to proceed to Spain, but he was refused one to return to Rome. He hopes that now that war in Europe is over, his earlier application might be taken into consideration from another angle.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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Copy

Al Correspondent
de
EFE

Rome, the 7th June 1945.

Mr. Stewart Brown
Director, Public Relations Branch
Allied Commission
R O W E -

In order to solve many urgent private affairs I had to make a travel to Spain, where I would remain about two months. I want, therefore, the corresponding permit of the Allied Authorities for this travel and for the return to Italy.

A previous request for this travel I made last December through Maj. Ballance and the corresponding information was then completed.

I beg from you to ask this permit. The matter is very urgent because in this week will arrive to an Italian port the Spanish S.S. "Plus Ultra" in which I could do the travel.

Enclose herewith two photographs.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Sincerely yours.

(sgd)

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JULIO MORICONES CASAS

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Mr

RMSH ARA.

RMSH 20150-3-100.

SUBJECT: For Public Public Relations.

FOR INFORMATION: PRO. A.C. —

12/716.

IN CIRC.

Greek Correspondent HARRIS HARRIS arrived RMSH ex British hospital following injuries received in motor accident since arrival ITALY ex ARAH for a French ship (.) States represents RMS E. HARRIS and TWO ARAHARRIS and that British credentials lost in motor accident (.) No permission entry Italy given as far we know (.) Carries receipt from by RMS Port Security Section which indicates A.P. Permit No. 6616 issued by RMS your RMS on 20 Apr for journey to Rome for extended business (.) How obtaining press facilities (.) Investigate your end in conjunction with Lancaster and report position immediately.

URGENT.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

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G.A.L. HARRIS

(G.A.L. HARRIS) Lieut-Col. RMSH.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GEB/cb

5b/PRB

26 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Entry permit for correspondent from FRONTE UNITO, Cairo.

TO : Major F. Weidman, G-5 Section, AFHQ, APO 512.

Attached is a letter from the Italian newspaper FRONTE UNITO of Cairo which we have received from the British Embassy, Rome, as per the attached letter of transmittal.

It is requested that G-5 determine what should be done in this particular case. At the same time it might be wise to determine future policy on requests from newspaper correspondents of all nationalities who wish to come to Italy to represent their newspapers.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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To; Major Weidman, P80, G5, AFHQ (Maria send it to Caserta via courier)
APO 512

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MS/CJ

British Embassy,
ROME.

25th May, 1945.

Dear Stewart,

With reference to our telephone conversation this morning, I enclose herewith a copy of a letter addressed by the editor of FRONTE UNITO of Cairo, to the British Embassy in Cairo.

The letter was forwarded to this Embassy with the request that we should enquire whether it would be possible for the FRONTE UNITO to have a correspondent here.

I should be very grateful for your observations in due course.

Yours sincerely
Michael Stewart
Michael Stewart,
Press Attaché.

G. Stewart Brown, Esq., 5252
Director of Public Relations,
Allied Commission.

COPY.

FRONTE UNITO,
2, Sikket Aboukel Peda,
Zamalek,
CAIRO.

10th May, 1945.

The Third Secretary,
British Embassy,
CAIRO.

Dear Sir,

Recent developments in Italy and the complete liberation of the country make it very desirable and useful that our newspaper "Fronte Unito" may be authorized to send a correspondent to Italy, with a view to supplying our periodical with first hand and recent information and to establish contact with the Italian press and institutions.

This would considerably extend interest in our paper and foster its diffusion and development.

For that purpose we propose to send to Italy Miss Laura Levi, at present on our staff as sub-editor, and sincerely hope that she may be granted permission and facilities to travel home, it being naturally understood that all expenses involved will be borne by us.

We believe that "Fronte Unito" has so far accomplished some good work and we do not doubt that the British Authorities, who have in all circumstances shown such sympathetic understanding towards our effort of democratic re-education of the Italian public, will favour us again with their helpful cooperation.

Trusting that our request will be favourably considered and thanking you for your kind assistance

Yours faithfully,

EDITOR OF THE FRONTE UNITO.

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H.Q. PUBLIC RELATIONS
C.M.F.

RESTRICTED

27 May, 1945.

2/PRS/88

Subject: Greek Press representative
M. RAFTOPOULOS.

TO : Major J.F. Isaacos,
Public Relations Branch,
Allied Commission.

Reference our telephone conversation this morning, we have now received a reply from HQs, I & MI(G) to the signal we sent them on 21 May. The reply states that the a/n correspondent is not an authorised representative of the Greek press and that the grounds for issue of his permit was for commercial reasons only and it was for these reasons that he was permitted to travel.

Doubtless you will inform M. Raftopoulos of the position when he next calls at your office. Should he desire to pursue his request for facilities, he should be told that all applications for this purpose should be referred by his Editor to the Greek Ministry of Information, Athens, who, if the application was approved, would take the matter up with the Press Attache at the British Embassy, Athens.

Pending approval being given, of course, M. Raftopoulos will not be entitled to any press facilities.

G. A. L. Helder

G. A. L. HELDER
Lieut-Colonel
A D P R

Copy to: ~~Capt. G.S. Poole, PR. Athens.~~
Chief, Press & Radio Censorship Branch, Rase.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 Information, News and Censorship Section
 Press and Radio Censorship Branch
 Unit No. 2 420 51

27 Nov 1945

SUBJECT: Discharge - Finnish Correspondent

TO : Lt. Col. J. J. Hayden
 Chief, Press and Radio Censorship Branch
 Allied Force Headquarters

1. Mr. VASVARI-FRANKEL, a Hungarian subject living in Rome, wished to send a series of articles to the Finnish paper "HELSINKIN SANOMAT".

2. These articles, which will be dispatched once a week through normal civil postal channels, will be written in German. They will consist background matter, features, literary articles and other "dateless" material.

3. Mr. Vasvari-Frankel, who is of Jewish origin, was employed by the Austrian command during the German occupation of Rome. As a result he was arrested by the Allies on our arrival, and spent some three months in Regina Coeli prison on suspicion of being a spy. He was finally released without anything being proven against him.

4. I told him that in any case his articles would be examined on their merits, stamped with our Censor Stamp and forwarded through the normal post to Finland.

Alexander
 I. C. ALEXANDER
 Major, I. C.
 Senior Local Press & Radio
 Censor.

COPY TO:

F.R.O., Allied Commission ✓
 Civil Communications Censorship.
 (att. Major Alfred Tria)
 Civil Censorship Group.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

R5b/PRB

5 May, 1945

SUBJECT : Foreign Telegraph Traffic

TO :

1. For your information and guidance you are herewith informed that on 4 May Italcable opens for foreign telegraph traffic.

2. The only messages for abroad that may now be filed direct with the Allied communication agencies ("R.C.A." and "Cable and Wireless") will be Allied Military, Allied official and Allied War correspondents traffic.

3. Other permitted traffic will be filed with Italcable, or at any State telegraph office open to service.

For the Director :

Thomas G. Bergin,
Major, AUS
Deputy Director
Public Relations Branch.

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H.Q. PUBLIC RELATIONS
C.M.F.

2/PRS/12.

15th May, 1945.

Subject: Neutral Correspondents.

TO:- Mr. G. Stewart Brown,
Public Relations Director,
Allied Commission.

Ref your two memos 5b/PRB dated 14 May re Senor
CAVANILLAS and Mr. George POPOFF.

1. All copy ex Neutral and civilian correspondents passes through Civil Censorship to one or other of the commercial companies.
2. It is of course for a correspondent himself to arrange transmitting facilities with these companies.
3. We assume that you have obtained all necessary approvals, to CAVANILLAS being accepted as a Neutral correspondent.

For PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER:

G. A. L. Heider

G.A.L. HEIDER
Lieut-Colonel.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSE/cb

5b/PRE

14 May, 1945

SUBJECT : Neutral Correspondent.

TO : Lt.Col. G.A.L. Helder, Hq Public Relations, C.M.F.

This is to introduce Senor Julian Cortes Cavanillas, correspondent of ABC of Madrid, who is very anxious to make immediate use of the facilities open to neutral journalists for transmitting copy back to Spain.

We shall be grateful if you can help him in this matter.

We are issuing a neutral correspondents' card to Senor Cavanillas.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/mew

5b/PRB

14 May 45

SUBJECT: Mr. George Popoff

TO : Col. P.R. Astley
Public Relations Officer
PRO, AFHQ

1. Mr. George Popoff, accredited neutral correspondent for the Basler Nachrichten, informs us that he has assumed the additional duties as correspondent for the weekly magazine "Sie und Er" of Zurich. Will you please grant him the necessary permission to file occasional dispatches to this magazine.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

copy to: Mrs. Oxilia
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for the Director

T.G. Bergin, Maj. AUS

5 May 1945

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information News and Censorship Section
Press and Radio Censorship Branch
Detachment "A"
APO 512

PRCB/110

31st March 45.

SUBJECT: Neutral Correspondents.

TO : Chief Field Press Censor.
Chief Local Press Censor.

1. P.R.O. A.C. confirms that Mr. Hjalmar de Laval has been accredited as a neutral correspondent and copy from him may therefore be handled by the censorship. He has already filed a story which is being held for clearance by Field Press Censors. This is written in Swedish. It is suggested that this, if possible, be dealt with in that language, but that the Chief Field Press Censor should contact the correspondent and inform him that further copy cannot be accepted in Swedish, but should be written in either English, French or Italian.

J.L. HAYDEN,
Lieutenant Colonel, G.S.,
Chief, Press and Radio Censorship Branch.

cc. P.R.O. A.C.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information News and Censorship Section
Press and Radio Censorship Branch
Detachment "A", A.P.O. 512
10 March, 1945

Dear

Miss Bergh, an accredited Swedish correspondent, is anxious to get long stories describing conditions in Rome, etc. Done by mail.

AG appear to have no facilities to help her get her copy home and on her behalf I promised to ask you whether you could offer her the use of the Red Bag Service. Her stories could be addressed to her opposite number in London who would be responsible for flying them on to Sweden.

Personally I think it is a good thing to give what help we can. She herself says that her paper has asked for the articles to counteract the false descriptions of conditions in liberated Italy which are being put out from northern Italy through Switzerland.

Yours

J. L. Hayden

Lieutenant Colonel George Helder,
AMPR, AFHQ,
C.M.F.

(cc Mr. Stewart Brown, PRG, AG)

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ALLIED COMMISSION56
8 March 45NEUTRAL CORRESPONDENTS

Gunhild BERGH	Goteborg Handelstidning
Alonso GONZALES	Madrid Ya o Pueblo
Roberto HODEL	Zurich Neue Surcher Zeitung
Arvig JOHANNESSON	Stockholm Svenska Dagbladet
Alfredo KEPPLER	Berne Bundes Tagesanzeiger
Julio C. MORIONES	Madrid Agencia EFE
Antonio SCANZIANI	Berne Agenzia Telegrafica Svizzera
Yahia CHERIF	Damascus Alef Ba
Hjalmar DE LAVALZ	Stockholm Veckojournalen

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENTS

Martin Moore	London Daily Telegraph
Elizabeth MACKENZIE	London News Chronicle
Alessandro VISNEVSKI	Moscow Tass Agency
Robert HADFIELD	London Times
Max BERGERHE	Agence France-Press
Sylvia SPRIGGE	Manchester Guardian
Riccardo LUZZATTO	London Reynolds News

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Mr. 3. [unclear] see

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8 March 1945.

Subject: Neutral and Political Correspondents.
To: Colonel P.R. Astley, PRO AFHQ Adv.

1. Attached for your information is a list of neutral and political correspondents accredited and now functioning in Rome.

For the Director.

(Sgd)

JOHN P. LEACACOS,
Major, AUS,
Public Relations Officer.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH
ALLIED COMMISSION

8 March 1945.

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Gunhild BERGH	..	..	<u>Göteborg Handelstidning</u>
Alonso GONZALES	..	..	<u>Madrid Ya e Pueblo</u>
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information News and Censorship Section
Press and Radio Censorship Branch
Detachment " A "
APO 512

DO PRCE/110

March 1, 1945

Dear *Brown*,

The bearer of this letter Dr. HANS STIEDRY, ~~ZIGER~~ wishes to resume his activities as correspondent of NATIONAL ZEITUNG.

As your department is responsible for neutral correspondents I am sending him to you for "vetting" and clearance. I understand he has applied for membership of the Stampa Estera, to whom he is known.

We will, of course, not pass any messages of his until we get clearance from you.

Yours *sincerely**L. P. Hayden*

Mr. Stewart Brown,
Public Relations Officer,
Allied Commission.

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January 1945.

STITORY JOHN LL:D:

born in Vienna in 1885; CZECHOSLOV. CITIZEN; married; Catholic
studied Commercial Sciences and Law, took his doctor's degree at the
University of Prague;

for long years/1905-1933/ held the position of a manager of the
AUSTRIAN CREDIT-ANSTALT, Vienna,
and /1933-1938/ until the Nazi occupation of Austria the position of a
manager of the RUBBER FACTORIES of the above mentioned BANK
and at the same time the position of a manager of the
AUSTRIAN RUBBER & ASBESTOS SYNDICATE in Vienna;

acted for 2 years as a solicitor at the VIENNA COUNTY LAW COURT and at the
office of the barrister PAUL N EISEN LL.D., at present Home Office,
was official ADVISOR registered at the CIVIL COURT OF TRADE, Vienna;
was member of the COURT OF ARBITRATION established at the COURT OF TRADE,
was member of the board of directors of several AUSTRIAN INDUSTRIAL SOCIETIES
in Vienna;

AUSTRIAN COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHON - HIS MASTERS VOICE CO. Ltd., London,
AUTOMOBIL WORKS R. PAUL CO. Vienna,
AMALGAMATED PAPER INDUSTRY Ltd., Vienna etc. etc.

LEGAL ADVISOR of the HINTERBÜRG CARTRIDGE & AMMUNITION WORKS and of the
LIGHTNINGBOLT GAS MASK/BOX RESPIRATION/ & FIRE TAILGASBREMSE
/chairman and chief shareholder Mr. Frederic WINDL, Bruck Airport;

from 1938 to 1939 manager of the LEATHER GLOVE MANUFACTURING CO. Altmühl
in Prague; large expert to Great Britain and U.S.A.

was persecuted by the Nazi regime. After the German occupation of Austria had
to emigrate first to Prague, then after the occupation of Czechoslovakia
to Zagreb, and at last - after the Nazi occupation of Yugoslavia to
Split where he has lived as a refugee;

has always been a follower of the Allied cause, aided the partisan movement
whenever he could;

from 1930 to 1940 was REPRESENTATIVE for YUGOSLAVIA of the ANTI-HUNGARIAN
ITALY "LA RIVISTA DANUBIANA" published in Paris until the Nazi occupied
Paris;
was since 1939 ECONOMIC CORRESPONDENT FOR YUGOSLAVIA of the leading
SWISS newspaper "NATIONAL-ZEITUNG" in Basel;

before the Nazi occupation of Yugoslavia REPRESENTATIVE of the following
houses:

RAW RUBBER MATERIAL CO. Ltd. LONDON; -- GROSSELL RUBBER CO. LONDON,
HARRIS, STAGG & Co. Ltd., LONDON, -- AQUASCUTUM Co. Ltd., LONDON,
THE ELKHART CHEMICAL CO. Ltd. LONDON,
GALBA Ltd. Manufacturer & Merchant, LONDON,
ASSOCIA LTD APPLIANCE LTD., LONDON;

has a good knowledge of modern languages: German, English, French, Italian,

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AUSTRIAN COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONY - HIS MASTER VOICE CO. Ltd., London, AUTOMOBILE WORKS R. PAUL CO. VIENNA, AMALGAMATED RUBBER INDUSTRIES Ltd., Vienna etc. etc.

LEGAL ADVISOR of the HARTMANN & KARLBERG & AMMUNITION WORKS and of the LICHTENBERG & KARLBERG & AMMUNITION WORKS / chairman and chief shareholder Mr. Frederic SANDL, Buenos Aires;

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has a good knowledge of modern languages: German, English, French, Italian, Russian, Greek, Spanish, Czech;

his sister and her family has been living and working in GENEVE for these five years, other relations of his are living in New York;

is in possession of an AFFIDAVIT of support for the immigration to U.S.A.

AFFIDAVIT: his cousin FRITZ STUBER, musical director of the "NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC", Inc., at 15 West 44th Street, New York.

and Mr. Morton Whitfield, Vice-President and Secretary of the WHITFIELD & Co., Inc., at 10 Gold Street, New York City.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
AP-39b

Tel : 489331

25 February, 1945.

AC/14022/1/PS

SUBJECT : Entry into Italy - Antonio Martinez Tresserras.

TO : Ministro dell'Interno (Direzione Generale
della Pubblica Sicurezza).

1. With reference to your letter AC/3/143/3056, dated 20 February, 1945, in which above named, a Spanish Journalist, asks for permission to enter Italy in order to take up an appointment as Special Correspondent in Rome of the Barcellona newspaper "Vanguardia Española".

2. The permission asked for by Tresserras is hereby refused, and a visa to enter Italy should not be issued to subject.

Wm. C. Ballance May

for
JOHN E. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.C.F.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

WCH/c.

Copy : AFHQ, G-2 (G.I) Section.
Political Section
Liaison Branch
Public Relations Branch. ✓

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

5b/PFB

21 Feb. 1945

SUBJECT : W.D. permit

TO : CWO N. Plombino, ASST Adjutant

Will you please issue a WD permit to Miss Gunhild BERGH, political correspondent for the Swedish newspaper GÖTEBORGS HANDELSTIDNING. Miss Bergh holds a diplomatic passport No 428 and a neutral correspondent's card No X-1 issued by this Branch.

Miss Bergh is en route to Florence and her trip will last about three weeks.

THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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5b/PRB

16 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Neutral correspondent(Rumanian)

TO : Sig. F. Cavalletti, Presidenza del Consiglio dei
Ministri, Sottosegretariato Per La Stampa E Le
Informazioni, Stampa Estera, Rome.

1. With reference to your Memorandum of 9 February,
1945 concerning the wish of the Rumanian News Agency "Rador"
to send a correspondent to Rome.

2. In our opinion it is not possible, at this time,
by reasons of travel limitations and lack of facilities
to encourage the appointment of a Rumanian correspondent
in Rome. We suggest the application be renewed at some
future date.

G. STEWART BROWN
Public Relations Director.

File

Political Section

Any objection?

Public Relations Branch

W.S.

I feel that, with the prevailing uncertainty about the resumption of diplomatic relations between ex-enemy countries, it would be preferable not to encourage the arrival here of Romanian correspondents.

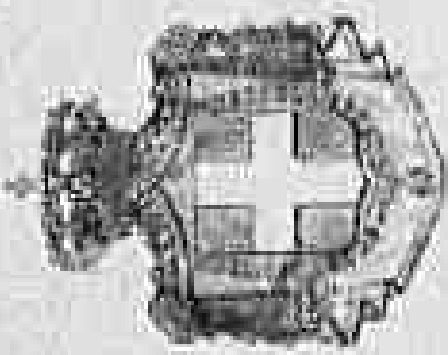
W.S.
12/11/45

I agree. In the last analysis, travel facilities are limited and in general are restricted to persons whose movement is in furtherance of the war effort which this case certainly is not. Besides, an exchange of correspondents between these countries is premature.

W.S.

12/11/45

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Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri

SOTTOSEGRETARIATO PER LA STAMPA E LE INFORMAZIONI

Stampa Estera

Rome February 9, 1945

MEMORANDUM

The Royal Italian Minister in Bucharest reports that the Roumanian News-Agency "RADOR" wishes to send a correspondent to Rome, and has therefore asked whether the Italian Government would agree to the proposal.

This Undersecretariat, on their part, cannot but welcome such an initiative, but, as is well known, are not, at present, in a position to grant any special facilities to the above mentioned service.

They would, therefore, like to learn if the A.C. would favourably view the appointment of a Rador correspondent in Rome, and if in this case it would be willing to extend to him the facilities at present granted to other foreign journalists.

Flawell

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Sig. F. Cavalcanti

SOTTOSEGRETERIATO PER LA STAMPA E LE INFORMAZIONI

Stampa Estera

Rome February 9, 1945

MEMORANDUM

The Royal Italian Minister in Bucharest reports that the Romanian News-Agency "RA-ON" wishes to send a correspondent to Rome, and has therefore asked whether the Italian Government would agree to the proposal.

This Undersecretariat, on their part, cannot but welcome such an initiative, but, as is well known, are not, at present, in a position to grant any special facilities to the above mentioned service.

They would, therefore, like to learn if the A.C. would favourably view the appointment of a Radar correspondent in Rome, and if in this case it would be willing to extend to him the facilities at present granted to other foreign journalists.

Flawell

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Sgt. F. Cavalcanti

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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5b/PRB

14 Feb. 1945

SUBJECT : Permit to visit Florence.
TO : SCAO, Fifth Army AMG.



Miss Gunhild Bergh, correspondent for the Swedish newspaper "Goteborgs Handelstidning" has applied to our office for a travel pass for Florence.

Miss Bergh wishes to make a trip to that city in order to write some articles for her newspaper. Miss Bergh lives in Rome, c/o Associazione Stampa Estera, Via Della Mercede 24, and holds a Swedish Passport No. 438. She will travel by military vehicle.

May we have your authority to issue a travel pass to the above journalist.

Thomas G. Bergin
THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
Deputy Director Public Relations

Approved:
Gustav Rott

for
E. J. BYE
LT. COL.
CHIEF PUBLIC SAFETY
AMG, 5th ARMY

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

5b/PRB

11 ~~December~~ 1945SUBJECT : HJALMAR DE ~~LAVAL~~

LAYAL

TO : COL. ASLEY.

1. The above mentioned journalist has been screened and has proper accreditation. His name may be added to the list of neutral correspondents authorized to file.

2. This is to confirm conversation with your office.

For the Director :-

THOMAS G. BERGIN,
Major (AUS),
Deputy Director
Public Relations Branch.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Press and Radio Censorship Branch
C/o Ho Public Relations
C.M.F.

PRCB/110

10 January 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : Major L. Fielden.

Neutral Correspondents

1. We received to-day a story by BJAJMAR DE LAVAL for censorship and transmission to VECKOJURNALEN. You will recollect that to-date only the nine neutral correspondents listed in your letter of June 28th (PRB/Rs) to Col. Astley have been authorized to file. Has DE LAVAL been screened and do you confirm it is in order for him to file the story which, by the way, is in Swedish which I fear we cannot accept but no doubt the language question can be adjusted?

URGENT 2. I do find that on December 22nd DE LAVAL sent a service message to his paper stating "finally received permission to despatch press telegrams". As we are holding his story I would appreciate an immediate reply.

J. I. Hayden
J. I. HAYDEN,
Lieutenant Colonel, G.S.,
Chief, Press and Radio Censorship Branch.

HEADQUARTERS ALIEN COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

5b/PBB

3 Jan. 1945

SUBJECT : WD Press.

TO : CWO N; Pionolino, ASST Adjutant

We acknowledge receipt of WD Press in respect of Miss
Gunhild Bergh.

T.O. BERGIN
Major USA
DDPR

Re acknowledge receipt of TD Pass in respect of Miss
Guthild Bergh.

T.O. BERGIN
MAJOR USA
DDPR

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SUBJECT : TD Pass.

TO : CWO N; Piombino, ASST Adjutant

3 Jan. 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AP 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

5b/PBB

2 Jan. 1945

SUBJECT : W.D. permit.

TO : CAC N. Pioncini, ASST Adjutant

Will you please issue a W.D. permit to Miss Gunhild BERGH,
political correspondent for the Swedish newspaper "Gottorps
Handelstidning", holding a diplomatic passport No 428 and a
neutral correspondent's card No X-1 issued by this Branch.

Miss Bergh is en route to Bari and her trip will last
about a fortnight.

T. R. BERGH
MAJOR
D.E.P.R.

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