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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

APO 512

FILE NO. AG 091.112/019

Date 26 February 1945.

Office of origin AG PERSONNEL

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To:

THE PRESIDENT,

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1. Reference is made to your letter P/505/BO, dated 20 February 1945, subject: Mr. FILIBERTO BONAVENTURA's journey to CHUNGKING.

2. You are now authorized to issue Travel Orders to the above named to proceed from present station to CHUNGKING to take up his appointment as Chancellor to the Italian Embassy there.

3. Travel by aircraft, surface, rail and/or road transportation is authorized.

4. All charges and expenses incidental to travel by aircraft furnished by ATC or NATS or by water transportation furnished by United States facilities will be chargeable to the individual, and your Orders will so state.

5. Enclosed herewith are Application and Military Travel Authorization No. 988.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

ALLEN J. WINFIELD,
CAPTAIN, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

Encl: Application,
MTA # 988.

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(See 505-BONAVENTURA)

Capt. Pearson.

Reference the attached. Will you kindly
inform the Ministry in the sense of para. 1,
confirming in writing if they require and return
papers after action.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #326/385

22 March 1944

His Excellency don Renato Crunas
Secretary General, Royal Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

With reference to your memorandum No. 1003 of 6 March 1944 in connection with funds of the Italian Embassy in Shanghai I am directed to remind you that since the Swiss Government is responsible for the protection of Italian interests in the part of China occupied by the Japanese, that Government should be asked to provide the money necessary to finance the upkeep of the Italian Mission in Shanghai during the period of its internment. The Swiss Government will no doubt look for the recovery of this expenditure in due course from the Italian Government.

It is assumed that you will ask the Swiss Government also to do everything possible in arranging for the repatriation of the Mission from Shanghai.

With compliments,

[Signature]
J. L. PRATTON
Captain
Political Section

326/385

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Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.
5, rue Professeur Guille
Algiers.

41/150/3.

To: Political Section, A.C.C.
From: British Resident Minister's Office
Subject: Position of the Italian Embassy in China.

Reference your memorandum No. 33 of March 9th.

We suggest that you should reply to the communication from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, of which a copy was enclosed in your memorandum under reference, by saying that since the Swiss Government are responsible for the protection of Italian interests in the part of China occupied by the Japanese, that Government should provide the money necessary to finance the upkeep of the Italian mission at Shanghai during the period of its internment, and that it will no doubt recover the expenditure in due course from the Italian Government. You might add in your reply that the allied authorities assume that the Italian Government will also ask the Swiss Government to do what they can to arrange for the repatriation of the Mission from Shanghai.

2. Mr. Reinhardt has seen and concurs.

7 reply by note in reply.
Shaw to Col. Geoffrey Smith 3906
A. Reinhardt
15th March 1944.

① For Mr. Reinhardt

② Mr. Reinhardt's information through FA.

Confirming in writing of these decisions HRC

Memorandum to: Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
ALGIERS.

From: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394.

No. 33.

9th March, 1944.

Copy is attached of a communication received from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding the position of their Embassy staff in China, and requesting that the financing of this staff may be considered in the general plan for the maintenance of Italian missions abroad.

2. May this Section please be advised in due course what reply should be returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

3. An extra copy of this memorandum and the enclosure are attached for the Civil Affairs Section.

M. Hopkins,
J/Cdr.

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

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MEMORANDUM

for the

POLITICAL SECTION (A.C.C.)

The Royal Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs present their compliment to the Allied Control Commission and call their attention on the following matter:

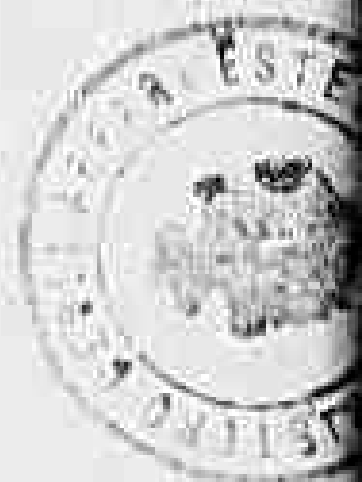
The Italian Ambassador in China, Marquis Taliani and the Royal Italian Embassy's staff (amounting to 32 persons) have been interned on February 1st, last, under the control of the Chinese police, in a little house near Shanghai, where they are receiving the same treatment as civilian internees.

The Swiss Consul in Shanghai has notified this Ministry that, within three months, that is the end of May 1944, the Italian Embassy staff will have completely exhausted their funds.

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs would greatly appreciate if the Allied Control Commission would consider the possibility of including the necessary sum for the living expenses of the above mentioned staff in the financing plan of the Royal Missions abroad, handing it over to them through the courtesy of the Swiss Consul in Shanghai.

The Royal Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs will be very grateful to the Allied Control Commission if they will kindly inform, in due course, as to the decisions which have been taken on the matter.

Salerno, March 6, 1944.



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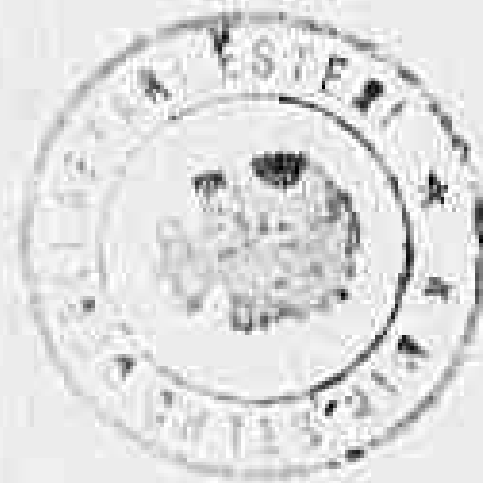
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R.S.
Salerno, March 6, 1944.



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Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Forces H.Q.,
5, rue Professeur Goutilliet,
ALGERES.

5/150/35.

11th February 1944.

By hand of

Primer
informed

In your letter No. 326 of February 2nd you forwarded a request from the Italian Foreign Office that the Italian Ambassador at Shanghai and his staff should be included in the "impending exchange of British subjects".

2. The Italians have got the wrong idea about this exchange. The selection of persons to be included has been left entirely to the discretion of the Swiss Charge d'Affaires at Shanghai who is authorised to include a total of forty sick persons irrespective of nationality. His Majesty's Government are not taking any action to influence his choice.

James

R. H. H.

Roger Atkins.

H. A. Caccia Esq.

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Reference 326

2 February 1944

Telegram number 2225 of 30 January from Fatima Rear to Freedom contained two messages for the Italian Legation at Berna, the second of which, number 7 of 29 January, referred to a request from the Italian Ambassador at Shanghai that he and his staff should be repatriated through Russia or should be included in the impending exchange of British subjects. You will have noticed that this telegram went on to say that the Royal Government had immediately approached British authorities on the latter proposal. In fact owing to our separation from Brindisi I have only today received the Italian Government's memorandum on the subject. I enclose a copy and shall be grateful if you will let me know as soon as possible what reply should be returned.

Roger Makins, Esq.
Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5 Rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers

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their decision

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Reference 1326

2 February 1944

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Roger McKins, Esq.
Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5 Rue Professeur Cartillet,
Algiers

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

The Allied Control Commission is already aware of the critical situation of our diplomatic and consular representatives in China interned by Japanese occupation authorities.

*reference
K. G. G. G.*

The Italian Government have recently received a message from the Royal Ambassador at Shanghai asking that himself and his loyal staff be included in the exchange for British subjects which is understood to be effected soon at Shanghai.

The Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs would appreciate if the Allied Control Commission could convey to the British Government their request that be taken into kind consideration the possibility of including the Italian Ambassador and his staff at Shanghai in the impending exchange for British nationals.

BRINDISI, January 25, 1944



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RE SIGNED THOMAS UNQUOTE

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ROBERT E. BOB
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission

Political Section

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

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Rome, November 2, 1944.

My dear Commodore Stone,

I am informed by the Department of State that the Chinese Foreign Office announced under date of October 26 that the Chinese Government has decided to recognize the Italian Government.

I should be grateful if this information could be brought to the attention of the Italian Government.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ A. KIRK

Commodore Ellery W. Stone
Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission,
R O M E .

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4 November 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Chinese Foreign Office announced under date of October 26 the Chinese Government's decision to recognize the Italian Government.

Very truly yours,

MILBY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

cc. Chief of Staff
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4 November 1944

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you for your letter of 2 November with reference to the Chinese Government's recognition of the Italian Government. This information has been forwarded to the Prime Minister.

Very truly yours,

Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USN
Acting Chief Commissioner

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The Honorable Alexander Kirk
U.S. Representative to the
Advisory Council for Italy
Via Vittorio Veneto, 119
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*Fascist Republic
in
China*

U.S. ARMY

February 7, 1944.

Reference No. 328/345

Sir:

The following message has been received from the American Embassy at Chungking, and is repeated as of interest to the Royal Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

"The following is the substance of a Japanese DOWEI broadcast from Shanghai on December 12:

"Italian marines, Costa Verde and Italian gunboat crews Italian diplomatic and consular staffs and members of local Italian community who had been interned or under surveillance since the surrender of the Badoglio Government returned to normal status December 11 after they pledged allegiance to Italian Fascist Republican Government under Mussolini. Following the ceremonies, the Italians formed a provisional self-government committee, headed by Lieutenant Commander Baldassari Bernandini, former Italian marine commander. The committee is to look after affairs of Italian nationals pending the appointment of official representatives at Shanghai by the Italian Republic. Japanese Commander-in-Chief in Shanghai area issued proclamation December 11 lifting restrictions on property of Italian nationals and providing for return of photographic apparatus and telescopes previously seized by the Japanese. Italians freed from all restrictions totalled approximately 2,000 who showed by their behavior they were faithful and loyal to the Fascist Republican Government."

I am, Sir,

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Reber,
Director, Political Section 3894

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Civil Affairs Office

January 28, 1944

TO: Political Section, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.
SUBJECT: Message from U. S. State Department for Mr. Reber

1. The following airgram has been received from the U. S. Department of State:

"The Political Section of the Control Commission may wish to inform the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the substance of the following airgram from the American Embassy at Chungking concerning Italians in Shanghai as reported by a Japanese broadcast:

'Following is substance of Domei English broadcast from Shanghai December 12 obtained from OWI monitoring service:

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2. The communication of the substance of the above airgram to RIC is left to the discretion of Mr. Reber.

H. J. L. Heureux
H. J. L. Heureux
Acting Chief Civil Administrator

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 AND THAT A COMMISSIONER HAD BEEN NAMED TO PROTECT THEIR INTERESTS UNTIL
 ARRIVAL SHANGHAI OF NEW FASCIST REPRESENTATIVE PD REQUEST ABOVE IN CHECKED AND
 REPORT FINDINGS PD SIGNED PANDORA UNQUOTE

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT R. LOR
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