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BRAZIL

Oct. 1943 - Jan. 1944

Mr. Schott:

I have informed Mr. Da Cunha of the approval of AFHQ of the appointment of Martini as Italian Representative to Brazil.

He asked that I inform you on his behalf that his Government has also agreed to this appointment.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 091.112-61

25 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Appointment of Italian Representative to Brazil.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Reference is made to your P/352/385 dtd 13 January 1945.

There is no objection to the appointment of Lawyer Mario Augusto Martini as Italian Representative to Brazil. Application for MTA and travel orders should be made in the normal manner.

For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
26 JAN 1945
A. C.

*Cittadini asked to submit
these & recommended today.
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F. J. Slaughter
F. J. SLAUGHTER,
Captain, A.G.D.

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15th January 1945

Ref: 1/352/365

SUBJECT: Appointment of Italian
representative to Brazil.TO: 1. Mr. [redacted], [redacted]
2. Mr. [redacted], [redacted]

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs have informed the British Legation of the selection of Mr. [redacted] as the Italian representative to Brazil.

3. Mr. [redacted] was born at Florence on the 8th December 1884. He took a degree in Philosophy in 1908 and was a member of the Faculty of Letters at Florence in three governments between 1911 and 1915. He was the National Director of the Partito Popolare Italiano. From February to October he was Under-Secretary of State in the Ministry of Public Works. Mr. [redacted] was a member of the Fascist Party and spent his private life after 1922. He became a member of the Inter-party Anti-Fascist Committee at Florence in April 1943 as the representative of the Christian Democrat Party and he remained a member of the Committee of National Liberation until the liberation of the city. During the emergency period he represented the Christian Democrat Party in the Committee of Five and later became the President of the Provincial Committee of the Christian Democrat Party. The British authorities notified him as President of the Provincial Committee of Florence as soon as they arrived in the city. Mr. [redacted] is also a Provincial Commissioner of the area [redacted] [redacted] [redacted].

4. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs have already informed the Brazilian Charge d'Affaires in Rome of Mr. [redacted]'s proposed appointment.

5. The British Legation would be pleased if it might be informed, as a matter of urgency, whether the British Legation see any objection to this appointment.

Very truly yours,
[redacted]

A.S./cccl/dict

A.S./cccl/dict,
Acting Vice-Consul,
Political Section.

Copies to:
Political Adviser,
British Consulate General at [redacted],
[redacted],
British Embassy.

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PRO-MEMORIA

AVV. MARIO AUGUSTO MARTINI fu Mario, nato a Firenze 20/12/1894;
domiciliato attualmente a Scandicci (Firenze) Villa Martini;
coniugato con MERIGGI Margherita;
laureato in giurisprudenza (Università di Pisa) nel 1906;
Sindaco del Comune di Casellina e Torri (1912-1919);
Deputato per il Collegio di Firenze in tre legislature (1919-1925)
Consigliere Nazionale del Partito Popolare Italiano;
Sottosegretario di Stato per i Lavori Pubblici (febbraio-ottobre
1923).
non iscritto al Partito Fascista;
Membro del Comitato Interpartitico antifascista di Firenze
dall'aprile 1943, in rappresentanza della Democrazia Cristiana;
quindi membro del Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale fino alla
Liberazione della Città;
rappresentante della D.C. nel Comitato dei Cinque nel periodo di
emergenza;
Presidente del Comitato Prov. della D.C.;
Presidente della Deputazione Provinciale di Firenze dal giorno
della liberazione, confermato dal Governo Alleato;
Comissario Prov. dell'Opera Nazionale Maternità e Infanzia.

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Comissario Prov. dell'Opera Nazionale Maternità e Infanzia.

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Letter

4 Jan 44

Cable to WG3:

Dr. Giorgina Levi de Arian and her husband
are wanted by Italian Government. Please
transmit message attached to Bolivia.

REED: ~~35~~

505- Levi de Arian

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UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

August 7, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission.

SUBJECT: Message addressed to Signor Bonomi.

Please transmit to Signor Bonomi the following
reply from President Vargas:

"ACUSO O RECEBIMENTO DO TELEGRAMA EM QUE
A PROPOSITO DO DESMILITARQUE DAS PRIMEIRAS
FORCES BRASILEIRAS EM TERRITORIO ITALIANO
VOSSA EXCELENCIA RECORDANDO OS VINCULOS DE
CULTURA E DE RACA QUE UNEM BRASILEIROS E
ITALIANOS MANIFESTA A CONFIANCA DO QUE
SOBRE ELAS VENHA A REVASCER A ANTIGA AMIZADE
ENTRE OS NOSSOS DOIS PAISES AO AGRADECER A
VOSSA EXCELENCIA ESSA MONSEGEM DE SIMPATIA
POSSO ASSEGUARARLHE QUE OUTROS NAO SAO OS
PROPOSITOS DOS NOSSOS SOLDADOS EEM COME DE
TODOS OS BRASILEIROS GETULIA VARGAS."

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To the

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United States Representative on the Advisory

Council for Italy.

Naples.

The Secretary of State encloses herewith copies of despatch no. 2364 of June 21, 1944 from the American Consul General in Sao Paulo, Brazil, transmitting applications from a group of Italians in that consular district who desire to join the Italian armed forces. The United States Representative on the Advisory Council for Italy is requested to deliver this despatch to Mr. Reber, Vice President of the Allied Control Commission, Political Section, for appropriate action.

Enclosures:

Despatch no. 2364, in quadruplicate, and original application.

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JULY 17, 1944

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To the

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United States Representative on the Advisory

Council for Italy.

Naples.

The Secretary of State encloses herewith copies of despatch no. 2384 of June 21, 1944 from the American Consul General in Sao Paulo, Brazil, transmitting applications from a group of Italians in that consular district who desire to join the Italian armed forces. The United States Representative on the Advisory Council for Italy is requested to deliver this despatch to Mr. Haber, Vice President of the Allied Control Commission, Political Section, for appropriate action.

Enclosures:

Despatch no. 2384, in quadruplicate, and original application.

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ENCLOSURE
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Letter drafted 7/1/44

ADDRESSED TO

United States Member on
Advisory Council, Italy.

NO. 2364

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL

SÃO PAULO, Brazil, June 21, 1944

SUBJECT: Order of Services of Anti-Fascist Italians

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THE HONORABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

WASHINGTON.

SIR:

I have the honor to report that a group of anti-Fascist Italians have solicited the good offices of this Consulate General to transmit to the Department for delivery to the Italian authorities if deemed advisable a declaration condemning their services to the new Italian government.

The original copy is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully yours,

Charles E. P. Cross
American Consul General

Enclosure:

Copy of declaration with signatures.

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UNRESTRICTED

THE HONORABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

WASHINGTON.

SIR:

I have the honor to report that a group of anti-Fascist Italians have solicited the good offices of this Consulate General to transmit to the Department for delivery to the Italian authorities if deemed advisable a declaration tendering their services to the new Italian Government.

The original copy is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]
 Capt. M. P. Gross,
 American Consul General

Enclosure:

Copy of declaration with signatures.

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Enclosure to Despatch No. 2364 dated June 21, 1944, from
the São Paulo Consulate General

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MINISTRO DELLA GUERRA, VIA CANTARELLA 10, MILANO
IL NUOVO GOVERNO ITALIANO PER L'INTERMEDIO LO CONSIGLIO
DELLE GUERRE, RICHIEDENDO LA SUA PAROLA

Ministro della Guerra - Italia

I sottoscritti italiani residenti in São Paulo dal Brasile,
presenti in Consolato, nel presente del settembre 1943,
a mezzo del Consolato Generale americano, si esprime incor-
porati nelle forze armate italiane per la continuazione
della guerra insieme con la Nazione Unite.

(Traduzione: The undersigned Italian citizens residing
in São Paulo, Brazil, ask again, as already requested in
September 1943, through the American General Consulate, to
join the Italian armed forces to continue the war together
with the United Nations.)

Assinatura e endereços

- Adinolfo Musatti, Rua Consigão
- Luiz José, Rua Lourenço de Barros 186
- Benedito Petraccone, Av. São Cláudio Silveira 331
- Carlos Alessandro Tassinari, Rua Doutor Manoel 353
- Siro Peral, Rua General Jardim 160, apt. 41
- Giuseppe Maroni, Rua Maria Paz 54, apt. 41
- Marco Tullio da Costa, Avenida Gomes de Azevedo 340
- Demétrio Galvão, Rua Douce Grimaldiano 150, 6a. andar
- Carlos Engler, Rua José Prestes 439, apt. 3
- Paulo Pina, Rua Carlos de Almeida 491
- Luiz Gesteira, Avenida Espinosa 130
- Carlos Vot, Rua Rui 780
- Luiz Ascarelli, Rua Oscar Freire 1300
- Luiz Pina, Av. Paulista 107
- Mário Benedito Freire, Avenida Gomes de Azevedo 450
- Luiz Rinaldi, apt. 343
- Cesare Gatti, Rua Aurora 480, apt. 2
- Heberto Greco, Rua H. José de Barros 180
- Luiz Greco, Rua Vieira de Carvalho 32

NO. 2364

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL

São Paulo, Brazil, June 21, 1944

SUBJECT: Offer of Services of Anti-Fascist Italians

UNRESTRICTED

THE HONORABLE

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WASHINGTON.

SIR:

I have the honor to report that a group of anti-Fascist Italians have solicited the good offices of the Consulate General to transmit to the Department for delivery to the Italian authorities in Rome a valuable contribution towards their services to the new Italian government.

The original copy is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully yours,

Charles H. P. Cross
Charles H. P. Cross
American Consul General

Enclosure:

Copy of declaration with signatures.

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Enclosure to message No. 2364, dated June 21, 1944, from
the São Paulo Consulate General

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TELEGRAMMA DA SÃO PAULO INVIATO AL MINISTERO DI GUERRA
DO GOVERNO ITALIANO POR INTERMEDIARIO DO CONSULADO
DO SÃO PAULO

Ministro della Guerra - Italia

I sottoscritti italiani residenti in São Paulo del Brasile,
rinovano la domanda, già presentata nel settembre 1943,
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Carlo Tagliacozzo, Rua Rosa Freitas 459, apt. 3
Polito Pinzi, Rua Cardoso de Almeida 291
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Tullio Ascarelli, Rua Oscar Freire 1300
Diego Pinzi, Av. Paulista 407
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COMMENT

ITALIAN GROUP IN BRAZIL READED BY FORMER FASCIST PROTESTS PREJUDICE AGAINST ITALIANS THERE, AND SEEKS AID OF SPORZA.

In a cover letter addressed to "Dear Count Sporza", writer explains that the enclosed document was sent to him through "their" correspondent at Sao Paulo, to be forwarded to the addressee. The document was given by L. V. GIO- VANNETTI, who was the director of a Fascist newspaper, "PAUFULLA", until the time of its suppression, and then became anti-Mussolini, exerting noteworthy influence on the ITALIAN colony with articles in the most important newspapers in Sao Paulo. Sender states that the majority of the other signatories are im- portant people in the commercial and professional world of Brazil and are re- cent Anti-Fascist converts.

The document, (quoting translation in full), states: "The Italian residents in Brazil continue to suffer the hard consequences of the state of belligerency. The Brazilian government recognizes that they are maintaining an exemplary atti- tude and are collaborating with the economic and military efforts of the nation, and the press, which is controlled entirely by the government, shows evidence of their praiseworthy conduct.

"It would also help to observe that the great majority of Italians have re- ceived the collapse of the Fascist Regime very well, and that now, with the exasp- tation of a few simpletons who don't count, all Italians are following the recon- struction movement with affectionate anxiety.

"In spite of all this the Brazilian government maintains in force the measu- res of reprisal and vigilance, which were adopted when it declared war. These are: The confiscation of a part of Italian patrimony, the prohibition of the pub- lication of newspapers and books in the Italian language, the refusal of pas- ports for travel to Allied or neutral countries, the limitation of the right to travel within the republic, and the prohibition of speaking Italian in public or in gatherings. All this, which is humiliating and harmful, seems unjust to the

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ITALIAN GROUP IN BRAZIL HEADED BY FORMER FASCIST PROTESTS PREJUDICE AGAINST ITALIANS THERE, AND SEES AID OF SPORZA.

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"They had hoped that the new Italian government would interest itself in their fate, but they are forced to come to the conclusion that the Bari government does not keep them in mind. They cannot even expect help from the Swiss Diplomatic Representatives, who, naturally, limit themselves to acts of ordinary Administration."

"In such a state of affairs, the Government is not taking the liberty of invading the

any Administration.
"In such a state of affairs, the only thing the
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aid of His Excellency COUNT SFORZA who is the moral head of the Italians in America and who rightly possesses international influence.

"They are asking you to take action in their favor, in order that they will no longer be considered enemies, but that they actually are; that is, friends and collaborators of Brazil and of the other nations who are fighting against Germany and Japan."

The following names accompany the document:

DR. PASQUALE MANERA, PROF. DR. A. BRUNETTI, PROF. DR. ARCHI-
MEDE NERACCA, COMM. GIOVANNI GELIENCO (PRESIDENT OF THE CAMERA I. DI
DI COMMERCIO) COMM. ELLA BELLI - (VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CAMERA I. DI
COMMERCIO) DR. ALFREDO FOULI, COMM. ANGELO POCCI, COMM. LUIGI MEDICI, L.
V. GIOVANNETTI, DR. AUGUSTO GATTA, DR. PROF. G. TRAMONTI, STRAFINO
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 SEND TO THE ITALIANS OF BRAZIL WHO HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR DESIRE TO FIGHT FOR THE
 LIBERATION OF OUR COUNTRY MY warmest PRAISE AND MY WISH TO SEE THE FULFILLMENT OF
 THEIR ASPIRATIONS PD SIGNED BADOGLIO UNQUOTE

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AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOR
 Major, A.G.D.
 Secretary of the Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: FATIMA

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Department of State requests that following message dated September 24 received by Airgram from American Embassy at Rio de Janeiro be communicated in our discretion to the Italian Government and its commands if any reported to Department. FATIMA from MURPHY signed EISENHOWER cite FHEIV. Requests from Italians who wish to join Allied fighting forces have been received from three groups. 1. 1st Engineer Giacopelli Egisto formerly of the Italian Merchant Marine now interned on the Ilha Das Flores speaking on behalf of 140 officers and sailors expressed the desire to be employed in war services under the Italian or American flag. There are at present on the Ilha Das Flores approximately 200 officers and sailors landed from Italian freighters and passenger ships seized by Brazil following this country's rupture of diplomatic relations with the Axis powers. 2. In Sao Paulo some 30 members of the local free Italy group including reserve officers have expressed their wish to be sent to the Italian war area or any other war area in Europe. This group includes several University professors. Besides a number of individuals have already presented themselves at the American, British or Swiss Consulates asking to join the Allied Forces fighting in Italy. 3. In Rio De Janeiro approximately 20 members of the local free Italy group including 3 engineers, 1 physician, several aviation mechanics technicians etcetera, request to be given a chance to fight against the Germans in Italy or elsewhere.

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

19 October 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: His Excellency, Marshal Badoglio.

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency, for any comments that you may wish to make, that the American Embassy at Rio De Janeiro on the 24th September sent the following report to Washington which has now been forwarded here:

"Request from Italians who wish to join Allied Fighting Forces have been received from three groups. 1) 1st Engineer Giacobelli Egipto formerly of the Italian Merchant Marine now interned on the Ilha Das Flores speaking on behalf of 140 officers and sailors expressed the desire to be employed in war services under the Italian or American flag. There are at present on the Ilha Das Flores approximately 200 officers and sailors landed from Italian freighters and passenger ships seized by Brazil following this country's rupture of diplomatic relations with the Axis powers. 2) In Sao Paulo some 30 members of the local free Italy group including reserve officers have expressed their wish to be sent to the Italian war area or any other war area in Europe. This group includes several University professors. Besides a number of individuals have already presented themselves at the American, British or Swiss Consulates asking to join the Allied Forces fighting in Italy. 3) In Rio De Janeiro approximately 20 members of the local free Italy group including 3 engineers, 1 physician, several aviation mechanics technicians etc., request to be given a chance to fight against the Germans in Italy or elsewhere."

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