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AMERICAN CONSULATE

Geneva, Switzerland.
December 7, 1944.

Dear Major Pearson:

Mr. ALESSANDRINI, Counselor of the Italian Legation at Bern, wishes me to convey his regrets for not being able to keep his appointment with you at 10 o'clock this morning for the reason that the French visas have not yet been forthcoming for the group of Italians in his charge. There will probably be a delay of a day or two.

Meanwhile, Mr. Alessandrini remains at your disposal, together with his group, at the Hotel RESIDENCE, 11 Route Florissant, Geneva, Tel.: 413.88.

Appreciative of your courtesy in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Paul C. Squire
Paul C. Squire
American Consul

Pearson

Major Pearson,
Hotel National,
ANNEMASSE.

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Political Section,

ALLIED COMMISSION H.Q.

10 December 1944.

Chief of Staff,

HQ, Allied Commission.

On completion of my Mission, I have to report that the arrangements made by Regional Commissioner Major PAYETTE were most satisfactory. His Assistant, Lieut LOBBARDI, also of U.S Army Civil Affairs Section, Lyons, should certainly be asked for if another such Mission is contemplated. Accommodation is provided half way to the border in Chateau Peyriou, owned by Monsieur E. Labouchere (heir of some of the Parke-Davis millions), which is secluded and comfortable. MATS, in the persons of Lieuts NOEL and HENDERSON, were most helpful as usual, though bad weather delayed our return for two days.

The only difficulty experienced by the party was having to wait in Geneva for three days, at the bidding of the US Consul, for a French visa. Finally, after waiting five hours on the frontier, I pointed out that they were being taken into the care of the Allied Armies for forward transit from France; and they were allowed to pass. Perhaps this point could be emphasized on future occasions, or the issue of French visas expedited. At the same time reliable information should be sought, for any similar Mission, of rises in the river Rhone; for we had many hours delay in detours caused by cut bridges and flooded roads between Lyons and the border.

The party reached Rome at 1330 to-day.

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J. M. PEARSON.

Major.

Copy to Political Section

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Political Section
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

4 December 1944

Adj/ 300.4

SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO : All concerned

1. Major J.M. PEARSON, P257516, GS, (B), Political Section, this Headquarters, will proceed to such points in Southern France as his duties direct on or about 6 December 1944 on temporary duty for a period of approximately five (5) days in connection with an assigned mission by AFHQ and upon completion thereof will return to proper station.

2. Travel by military aircraft and/or any other available transport is authorized.

3. Authority: Letter AFHQ (unnumbered) dated 20 November 1944.

PEARSON

By command of Commodore STONE:

Nicholas Fiombino
NICHOLAS FIOMBINO
CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant

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English URGENT Political Section
Hear no head about. Pearson for
Brycan? It HEADQUARTERS HQT, he can HC
NOT be relieved in #234 later 800 G2 to
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

accept Brycan's advice in this matter 27 August 1944
SPECIAL ORDERS) but only G2 RAC & G2 Hq in the
NUMBER (208) have to be signed the 28/8

1. Capt T. H. BROCKE, 290790, KRRC (B), Mon. Fine Arts & Archives Sub-Com, this Hq, accompanied by Mr. Wilary Jenkinson, British civilian, atchd, WP Siena, Italy, o/a 29 Aug 44, on temp dy for a period of approximately three (3) days in connection with activities of the above-mentioned Sub-Com and upon completion thereof will return to proper sta. Rat will be provided for two (2) men and driver for three (3) days. Travel by govt MT is atzd.

2. Lt Col E. F. WATERS, 159039, P.C. (B), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with Finance Sub-Com, this Hq, is asgd to Region IV (Finance), and WP o/a 28 Aug 44 on a perm change of sta RUA to the RC for dy. Travel by govt MT is atzd.

3. So much of par 12, SO #207, this Hq, dtd 26 Aug 44, pertaining to temp dy of Maj GEORGE R. KOGEMAN, 0517750, AUS, (A), as reads: "WP Naples, Italy" is amended to read: "WP Naples, Bari, Taranto, Reggio, Italy, and Palermo, Sicily."

4. Maj B. J. HARRARD, 279376, CL, (B), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with AMO 8 Army, is asgd to Region IX (Public Safety) and WP o/a 28 Aug 44 on a perm change of sta RUA to the RC for dy. Travel by govt MT is atzd.

5. W/Comdr A.H.H.M. DICKIE, 83227, RAF, (B), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with Region IX, is asgd to Region XI (C.I.O.), and WP o/a 28 Aug 44 on a perm change of sta, RUA to the RC for dy. Travel by govt MT is atzd if required.

6. Capt M. B. SCOTT, 235212 RAC (B) this Hq, now at Region VII, is placed on temp dy with Southern Region (Finland) w.e.f. 28 Aug 44 until 7 Sept 44. Upon completion thereof will report to G-1 (B) this Hq for further asgmt and dy. Rat will be provided for C and driver for two (2) days. Travel by govt MT is atzd.

7. So much of par 15, SO #205, this Hq, dtd 24 Aug 44, pertaining to reasgmt of O as reads: "Maj W. F. COOK, F/40266 RASC (B) Region II" is hereby rescinded.

8. Capt W. F. COOK, F/40266 RASC (B) this Hq, is rel'd fr present asgmt to Region II (APA) and is atchd to Southern Region (APA) w.e.f. 28 Aug 44. Travel by govt MT is atzd if required.

9. Lt Col A. G. TUBB, NYA CL (B) this Hq now at Region II, is placed on temp dy with Southern Region (Finance) w.e.f. 28 Aug 44, and will remain thereat until relieved by Maj R. M. PEARSON. Upon completion thereof will report to G-1 (B) this Hq for further asgmt and dy. Rat will be provided for C and driver for two (2) days. Travel by govt MT is atzd.

10. So much of par 15, SO #205, this Hq, dtd 24 Aug 44, pertaining to reasgmt of O as reads: "Maj R. M. PEARSON, 148481 RA (B), Region III" is hereby rescinded.

11. Maj R. M. PEARSON, 148481 RA (B), is hereby rescinded.

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this Hq, accompanied by Mr. Murray Jones, is being sent to Italy, o/a 29 Aug 44, on temp dy for a period of approximately three (3) days in connection with activities of the above-mentioned Sub-Com and upon completion thereof will return to proper sta. Rat will be provided for two (2) men and driver for three (3) days. Travel by govt MT is atzd.

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10. So much of par 15, SO #205, this Hq dtd 24 Aug 44 pertaining to reasgmt of 0 as reads: "Maj R. M. PEARSON, 148461 RA (B), Region III", is hereby rescinded.

11. Maj R. M. PEARSON, 148461 RA (B), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with Region III, is asgd to Southern Region (Finance) and WP o/a 28 Aug 44 on a perm change of sta RUA to the RC for dy. Travel by govt MT is atzd if required.

12. So much of par 15, SO #205, this Hq dtd 24 Aug 44 pertaining to reasgmt of 0 as reads: "Maj W.D.R. THOMPSON, 107676 RAMC (B) Region III", is hereby rescinded.

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30 #203, this HQ, dtd 27 Aug 44, Cont'd:

13. Maj W.D.R. THOMPSON, 107676 HMMG (E), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy Region III, is asgd to Southern Region (Public Health) and WP c/s 28 Aug 44 on a perm change of sta RUA to the SC for dy. Travel by govt MT is ated if required.

14. So much of Par 4, SO #203, this HQ, dtd 25 Aug 44 pertaining to present of Maj DONALD O. LITTLE, 0444193, CMP (A) Region VII, is removed to add: "Rat will be provided for C and driver for three (3) days."

15. Col C. E. FINDLAY, 3834, RMA, (S), Internees and Dis Pers Sub-Com, this HQ, WP Averse, Naples, and Bari, Italy, 1/2 29 Aug 44, on temp dy for a period of approximately five (5) days in connection with activities of the above-mentioned Sub-Com and upon completion thereof will ret to proper sta. Travel by mil air-craft and/or any other available transport is ated.

16. 2d Lt NEIL FARMIS, 01004108, AMT, (A), Postal O, this HQ, WP Naples, Italy o/a 29 Aug 44 on temporary duty for a period of approximately four (4) days in connection with AGO activities and upon completion thereof will ret to proper sta. Rat will be provided for C for four (4) days. Travel by govt MT is ated. (Courier).

17. Par 15, SO #203, this HQ, dtd 26 Aug 44, pertaining to Capt CHARLES R. ODEN, 0521391, Sp Res (A) is hereby revoked.

18. Capt CHARLES R. ODEN, 0521391 Sp Res (A), this HQ, is rel'd fr atchd to Adv HQ AAI and will ret this HQ without delay RUA to G-1 (A) for present & dy. Rat will be provided for C and driver for one (1) day. Travel by govt MT is ated.

19. The 2d Lt named O are rel'd fr present asgmt and dy, are asgd to Region IX as indicated, and WP without delay RUA to the HC for dy. Rat will be provided as necessary. Travel by govt MT is ated.

RANK, NAME & SERIAL NUMBER:	FIELD PR:	DUTY ASGMT:
Maj EDWARD W. BILLOWIN	0196156	Public Safety
Maj EDWARD W. HANBURY	0243559	Public Safety
Capt CAUDINER BUMP	0520221	Agriculture
1st Lt ERNEST C. KAHN	01598672	Food
1st Lt NORMAN F. MC LAUGHLIN	01296235	Food
1st Lt ROBERT E. ZIMMERMAN	01306242	Food
2d Lt CLARENCE F. ANDERSON	01797581	Public Safety

20. Capt LEONARD N. LAKSER, 0110031, CMC, (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with Region II, is asgd to Food Sub-Com, this HQ, and WP without delay RUA to the Director for dy. Rat will be provided for C and driver for two (2) days. Travel by govt MT is ated.

21. Capt ROGER B. DANEY, 0318071, AMT (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with Region VIII, is asgd to War Material Disposal & IFW Sub-Com, this HQ, and WP without delay RUA to the Director for dy. Rat will be provided for C and driver for one (1) day. Travel by govt MT is ated.

22. Maj ALBERT C. NEWELL, 0151532, Sp Res, (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and dy with Region V, is asgd to Region IX (Property Control), and will report on 31

15. Col C. B. FIDLEY, 3554, PHA, (B), Internees and Dis Pers Sub-Com, this Hq, Naples, Italy, and Bari, Italy, 2/29 Aug 44, on temp dy for a period of approximately five (5) days in connection with activities of the above-mentioned Sub-Com and upon completion thereof will return to proper sta. Travel by mil aircraft and/or any other available transport is attd.

16. 2d Lt NEIL FARASIS, 01034108, AGO, (A), Postal 3, this Hq, Naples, Italy 2/29 Aug 44, on temporary duty for a period of approximately four (4) days in connection with AGO activities and upon completion thereof will return to proper sta. Ret will be provided for 6 for four (4) days. Travel by govt MT is attd. (Courier).

17. Per 18, 30 Aug 44, this Hq, 401 3d Aus L4, pertaining to Capt CHARLES R. GREN, 0521391, Sp Res (A) is hereby revoked.

18. Capt CHARLES R. GREN, 0521391 Sp Res (A), this Hq, is rel'd fr asgmt to Adv Hq AAF and will ret this Hq without delay RMA to the Hq for cv. Ret will be provided for 6 and driver for one (1) day. Travel by govt MT is attd.

19. The fol named 0 are rel'd fr present asgmt and cv, are asgd to Region IV as indicated, and WF without delay RMA to the Hq for cv. Ret will be provided as necessary. Travel by govt MT is attd.

RANK, NAME & SERIAL NUMBER:	RELD FR:	DUTY ASGMT:
Major EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Public Safety
Major EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Public Safety
Major EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Agriculture
Capt EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Food
1st Lt EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Food
1st Lt EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Food
1st Lt EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Public Safety
2d Lt EDWARD W. FAULWELL	HQ AGO	Public Safety

20. Capt LEONARD M. LAMER, 0110031, GNC, (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and cv with Region II, is asgd to Food Sub-Com, this Hq, and WF without delay RMA to the Director for cv. Ret will be provided for 6 and driver for two (2) days. Travel by govt MT is attd.

21. Capt ROGER E. BERRY, 0318071, AGO (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and cv with Region VIII, is asgd to War Material Disposal & IFM Sub-Com, this Hq, and WF without delay RMA to the Director for cv. Ret will be provided for 6 and driver for one (1) day. Travel by govt MT is attd.

22. Maj ALBERT C. NEWELL, 0151682, Sp Res, (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and cv with Region V, is asgd to Region IX (Property Control), and will report on 31 Aug 44 to the Hq for cv. Ret will be provided for 6 and driver for two (2) days. Travel by govt MT is attd.

23. 1st Lt GEORGE W. HART, 0303755, AGO, (A), is rel'd fr present asgmt and cv with Food Sub-Com, this Hq, is asgd to Transportation Sub-Com, this Hq, and will report without delay to the Director for cv.

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c/o Provincial Commissioner, Catania.

14 August 1944.

PERSONAL

Dear Miss Hopkins, You remember laughing at my fears that, having got me in Sicily, I should be forgotten. But I have now been here, not the maximum of five days promised by Col: Shipp but five weeks! and no prospect of early release. I am bored to tears. Lovely scenery, sea bathing and the odd dance at the local Rest Camp, does not amount to what I hoped to contribute to the War Effort. However, if it is necessary for someone to do it, I suppose it must be me. But do get me out of it as soon as possible.

I hope my baggage has been found, and that Decker is going to send me my personal mail. I left no orders with the Postal Clerk as I expected to be away only a day or two.

The other thing in which I should like your help is this promotion business. My majority is dated 4th March, and I think another step should be appearing soon. Major FARRAR of G1 will keep a look-out on my behalf if you will remind him that there is no other military Officer in the Section to fill in the monthly Advancement Return. I don't need to stress the advantage of having a little more seniority, since my last step had so marked an effect on the IFC: and perhaps--who knows--I may deserve it!

This certainly is a lovely place, and would be delightful in other circumstances. But I feel curiously marooned here without mail nor any answer to my various questions: when and where to, is a visa necessary, can money be changed, are the Hahns to return to Rome, what is to become of Roman, what excuse have we for pinching the money, and so on. Some bickering seems to go on with Region 1, but no result is ever communicated to me. But we have a radio, and the War news is good: so I suppose I mustn't grumble. Only I wish you could all come down here, as you did to Cimbrone, with news of the outside world.

Yours,

John 3129

Herewith a letter for Censorship and redirection please.

Left letter to Major Pearson.

Completed

You must have thought me very careless not to have written to you before, but my excuses - for they are no better than that - are two-fold. First, we have had to make some division of work in the Political Section and Sam Reber, who did write to you, has been looking after the question of the ex-Axis diplomats now awaiting repatriation in Sicily. In the second place, we have always been hoping to be able to give you some news of your return. But that has depended on Col. Hancock and we have had a message from him to say that he would like you to stay on until something more definite is settled about the fate of the Axis diplomats, preferably, of course, that they should be moved out of Sicily. But we have so far been able to make no progress with A.F.H.Q. on this and of course it is for their decision. However, I shall discuss the question of your own need to stay in Sicily with Brigadier Lush again and hope that he may be ready to press for your return.

There is no news of Sam Reber since his arrival in Washington except that he has just been promoted. This is good news indeed but I am afraid that it, together with other indications, may mean that he will not come back to the Political Section. His place has been taken by Mr. William Schott and we carry on just as before, with what seems to be far too much to do and far too little time to do it in. Meanwhile the future of the Section remains in the same state of uncertainty that it has been from the first day, yes, on reflection, the first day, i.e. the 10th November, 1943.

This is a common enough complaint and just

To see where we all stand. Now I am investigating going on in this HQ to see if manpower can be conserved, if we are to cut losses.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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PolSec

TO: IBS FOR ACC REGION ONE REPEATED CATANIA FOR PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER
CMA ACC ADV HQ
FROM: ACC MAIN
REFERENCE No: 7304
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: 091516

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No:
CLASSIFICATION: SECRET
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

REFERENCE SIGNAL FROM ACC ADV TO YOU OF JULY 8 UNNUMBERED PD MAJOR PEARSON
POLITICAL SECTION ARRIVING CATANIA BY AIR JULY 10 AM PD HE WILL REMAIN FOR
FEW DAYS TO ASSIST IN INSTALIMENT OF AXIS DIPLOMATS AND ON CONCLUSION OF DUTIES
RETURN TO ROME PD PLEASE ARRANGE TRANSPORT AND ACCOMMODATION

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #305-PW

2 June 1946

Dear Miss Hopkins,

At the risk of adding to your already busy day I should be glad of the following information still pending from a review of letters from me to Mr. Gecola. I should be glad if you would let me have the answers at your convenience.

Letter of 24 April:

- 1 - What has happened about Cabalzar, ex Italian Press Attache at Madrid?
- 2 - I should like a list of United Nations and those which adhered to the Pact of January 1943.

Letter of 19 May:

- 3 - When will Mr. Barnett enter on consular functions and what other consuls do we recognize?

Letter of 25 May:

- 4 - The respective spheres of Bogomolov and Dulskov;
- 5 - General Dario's letter concerning officials of Italian East and North Africa: *referred to F.O.*

Letter of 26 May:

- 6 - Russian accommodation in Salerno: what is known about it, e.g. for whom;

Letter of 27 May:

- 7 - Address of Middelburg;
- 8 - Information concerning Swedish Consul; *do we recognize him?*
- 9 - If a reply has been sent to 1066 of 9 March concerning Prof. Maras;
- Letter 9 - Similarly regarding 2376 of 25 April and 2863 of 1 May concerning Rumanian/Bulgarian officials to be evacuated via Turkey;
- 10 - If an AGC officer is to be appointed to assist de facto consuls (any truth in it?);

Letter of 29 May:

- 11 - Mr. Green's rank and initials;
- 12 - Any more news of 2000 Italians freed by Polish Partisans and now fighting with them?
- 13 - Did cipher telegram 223 (miscalled 8608 by me) in cipher go on or was

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it intercepted by your office?

With apologies for giving you all this trouble,

Yours sincerely,


J. M. PEARSON
Major
Political Section

J/Cdr M. Hopkins, ATS,
Political Section,
Headquarters AGC,
Naples.

14. Get me more!

When may we have the Autostwada passes for two I.F.C. cars please?

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #305-EE

1 June 1944

TO: Mr. H. A. Gascia, Political Section, HQ AOC, Naples.

1. I went and saw Franz this morning on the subject of the Albanian medal and ribbon given in the campaign against Greece. He told me that he had already seen Politis (Greek Representative) and was making arrangements with Comando Supremo to devise a form of "act" by which this medal is to be eliminated from the official list. I will keep the papers until I hear again.

2. In connection with memorandum 3443 (attached) regarding Minister Quasim's Staff the I.F.O. would be grateful if arrangements can be made for Massard to proceed by air to Russia via Tiberias. Roberti tells me that the names of the other members of the staff are not available since, for reasons of economy, they will probably be recruited from Ankara or from Rumania or Bulgaria Legation Staffs passing through Turkey.

3. I am making enquiries regarding Salvatore Casara D'Arlitto of Anelli, required by the Argentine Embassy in London on behalf of the widow of the late Argentine Ambassador, Malbran.

4. I return the enquiry regarding the son of Signor Domenico Petriccione of Via Medina 54, Naples, since the I.F.O. knows nothing about him and suggests that you could easily get the information from Commander Levatelli, Italian Naval Liaison Officer in the Province Building. If he knows nothing, perhaps you can let us know again.

5. I enclose two letters for Sir Noel Clarke and Mr. Kirk.

6. The memorandum 332d gives revised information regarding Signor Cayo's car, with which the Shipping Sub-Commission could deal.

J. M. PEARSON
Major
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APC 394

31 May 1944

Reference #505-PS

TO: J/cdr E. Hopkins, APS,
Political Section,
Main Hq. Allied Control Commission,
APC 394.

1. When first the attached memorandum No. 5497 was brought to me I noticed that the Colonial Institute in Naples is entrusted to a Liquidator Commissioner appointed by the Prefect of Naples, and I proposed to avoid troubling you by taking it to the Property Control Sub-Commission.

2. On reflection, however, it seems that this building does not come within the definition of allied property, except insofar as its occupation by the U. S. Army Medical Corps is concerned. In spite of the fact that the Italian "Colonial Affairs" are now the concern of the Ministry of Interior, I think the proper section to deal with this request of the Italian Foreign Office appears to be R.O. & E.O. Section.

3. Would you mind asking them to make sure that the powers conferred upon the Commission by the Prefect of Naples are limited to maintenance and not extended to the liquidation of capital assets of the Institute. When this memorandum was brought to me, Count Roberti told me that the translation was inadequate. The pencil marks represent amendments by the Salerno Translators Pool.

[Signature]
J. M. PEARSON
Captain,
Political Section.

Incl: Memo fr Ministry of For. Affairs.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference # 505-RE

31 May 1944

TO: Vice Presidents, Political Section,
Hq. Allied Control Commission,
APO 394.

1. I have to invite your attention to the new telephone directory issued by Headquarters ACC, Naples.

2. In this impressive-looking volume/ there appears a Political Sub-Commission in which your names are shown. This sub-commission follows the Public Health, Public Safety, and Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commissions and the Records and Miscellaneous Section, although the order is supposed to be in alphabetical sequence.

3. There is no mention of a Political Section, and I think a protest should be lodged with Brigadier Lusk, from whom the order originally came to compile this telephone directory.

4. It may seem a small point, but so many members of ACC are apt to regard the Political Section as one of the less important sub-commissions, and I think its relative importance as an independent section should be emphasized now and then.

J. M. PEARSON
Captain,
Political Section

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NEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

In reply refer to
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30 May 1944

TO: H. A. Caccia, Esq., Political Section, ACC, Naples.

1. In reply to your enquiry regarding the Committee of Liberation of Northern Italy, I find that the memorandum was handed by us to Prince on Friday, the 26th, when they were in Naples. I enclose a letter to Reber on the same subject.

2. Also concerning this matter is one (5606 in cipher) of the Telegrams addressed to AS Naples for attention. Please forward them when you have approved or removed it.

3. You may remember my sending you some ten days ago, a letter to the Prime Minister from the Partito Agrario Italiano. I have no idea what you did with it. But they have had a meeting (which I excused myself from attending) in Naples on Saturday, the 27th, and are now following up that letter not only with another to the Prime Minister, but a couple more to President Roosevelt. Could you please ^{do} with them whatever is customary.

4. I have not been able to trace the movements of memo 3207 of 23 May regarding Sig. Goya's car, but will go on trying.

[Signature]
J. W. PEARSON

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

29 May 1944

Reference: 8005-21

TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, Hq. ACC, Naples.

1. I was very glad to speak to Mr. Green on the telephone today. Perhaps you would let me know his rank and initials. I hope he will come to Salerno and to Gibraltar, so that I may make his better acquaintance.

2. In accordance with your instructions, I have informed Prager that no further extensions of privileges of cable communications, such as exist to Madrid, Lisbon and Tangier, can now be conceded to Berna, Ankara, Stockholm and Buenos Aires, since in view of the imminent military effort, the tendency is rather to restrict than to extend facilities for communication. I think he quite understood that this is not an opportune moment for such requests.

3. I passed on your message to Roberti that the question of repatriation of Italians from Turkey is being handled as fast as possible.

4. In this connection, Roberti wants again to call your attention to the urgency of the evacuation through Turkey of members of the Bulgarian and Rumanian legations, since arrangements will have to be made to send a cruiser within the time limit specified.

5. He also asked for priority in treatment of their memorandum 3307 of 23 May regarding the motor car of Sig. Goya. I may say that I do not attach the same urgent importance to it.

6. For purpose of record, Pranas was told on 27 May that no action was possible regarding Col. Passera and his medical mission until the attitude of the Imam of Yemen is known, and the government of Aden is making inquiry.

7. Also for record, Roberti was asked (at the request of Public Safety Sub-Commission) to assist us by telling us that applicants for overseas travel had or had not been "screened" by S.I.M. (in which case the Public Safety Sub-Commission would be prepared to take their word for it.

With best wishes for the success of your trip,

PS. Enclosed is an inquiry regarding 2000 Italians freed by Polish partisans about whose further information is required. Please acknowledge to Gen. Gazzera.

*See Hq. ACC POW
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J. M. PEARSON
Captain,
Political Section.

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DEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ATN 396

Reference: HOS-PA

27 May 1944

TO: Mr. H. A. Coccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples

1. Mr. D. O. E. Middelburg called and had lunch with me today. He tells me he is living in Villa Saturni, Positano, but is getting together an office in Naples (of which he had forgotten the address). He tells me he has already a vice-consul working in Bari.

*Swedish Consul
is persona non
grata*

He tells me there is a Swedish de facto consul working in Naples. I should be glad to have his name and address in case he should suddenly call upon me. *Elm Richter, Corso Vittorio Emanuele 122, Naples*

2. Roberti is anxious to have a reply to the following inquiries: (a) their 1066 of 9 March regarding Professor Warren, and (b) their 2863 of 1 May regarding the guarantee of Great Britain in connection with the evacuation of Italian officials from Roumania and Bulgaria through Turkey. I understood from Becker that both these were sent to you, the former on the 11 March and the latter on 11 May.

3. In the course of conversation Mr. Middelburg told me that Robert had concurred in his suggestion that a Junior Officer should be appointed by ACC to assist the operation of foreign de facto consuls in connection with housing, transport and other necessities which are difficult at the present time. I hesitate to believe this, since such facilities should be provided by the Italians. I just mentioned it in case the suggestion crops up again.

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J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ATO 594

Reference: 505-PR

25 May 1944

TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccio, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples.

1. The Marchese Romano Della Rosa Preti of the Italian Foreign Office wishes to begin fairly with his work of protocol and has asked me for a list of names and addresses of members of the Advisory Body (and of the heads of sections and Subcommittees in the ACC) and de facto consuls. Would you mind asking Miss Hopkins to supply the names of the Advisory Body with their addresses and telephone numbers *at rank, Italy, etc*

In this connection I understand that Sir Noel Charles may be ~~found~~ found on the second floor of the Bank of Calabria at Naples and that his telephone number is not 14433 but 53426. I am a little hazy also as to the respective spheres of Bogdanov and Sudakov, while Kostikov is Ambassador in direct relations with the Italian Government and not with the ACC.

2. I forwarded your remarks on the return of Colonel Penella to Algiers and I have just stopped Major Campbell's trying to revive the question with Captain Stone. I think he understands the position now.

3. Major Campbell showed me the translation of a document from General Dupino (22 poli) concerning officials and employees of Italian East Africa and Italian North Africa to be recognised as prisoners of war, to which he wants a reply. I gather the papers are with you.

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J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-72

25 May 1944

TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccis, Political Section, HQ AOC, Naples.

1. For purposes of record the Marchese Rolando Ballo Roma Prati was brought in to see me today by Roberti, who introduced him as the new Chef de Protocol to the Italian Foreign Office. He had just arrived from Lisbon and perhaps you would like to see him for whatever information he may have to offer on your next visit to Salerno. His first job seems to be the provision of accommodations in Salerno for the Russian delegation.

2. I was very sorry to hear yesterday that you are going to be away for a little time. I hope we will come together in due course. I have found it very interesting working with you and I hope the association will continue when things settle down a little. Meanwhile I am sending you by this morning's courier a part of your luggage which you may find essential.

J. V. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

20 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia

1 1. I return herewith IFO telegram No. 224 to Madrid which, in spite of the pencilled comment of the Signal Office, the Italian Foreign Office say is encyphered to the best of their knowledge. They have included their workings in case the encoding has been done on an erroneous basis. These should be returned.

2 2. Roberti has at last brought me the attached confirmation that they have no objection to the return from the Belgian Congo of Signor and Signora Menzerini.

3 3. The only information regarding Mr. Leo Kurti is enclosed in attached note. His present address seems to be in Soutari.

4 4. For purposes of record the new address of the Italian Foreign Office is 26 Lungomare. Roberti's telephone number is 1183 and that of Casardi 1271.

5 5. The sealed letter to D'Ajete was delivered to me by Roberti in its present sealed condition with a message that the Prince of Piedmont would be grateful if you could forward it.

J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PM

19 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gacole

1. Mr. L. A. Fletcher, British Civil Censorship Liaison Official (Imperial and Civil Censorship Group) called on me yesterday. He told me he had been instructed to report his presence in Italy to the nearest Consular Officer. I rang up Miss Hopkins to confirm my impression that we had no consuls yet officiating in Italy and she thought that you might like to add his name to any register of British civilians which may be kept in Naples.

Miss Hopkins told me that there was a consul on the Staff of the High Commissioner, but he was not yet functioning in consular capacity. As soon as there is a British Consul functioning as opposite number to Messrs. Foster, Carrier, and Middelberg, perhaps you will let me know.

2. You will see from the attached papers that the Italian Foreign Office cars are not on the list of the 25 official cars approved by the Provost Marshal. Roberti points out that against the event of your wanting to see Bruner in a hurry, it might be as well to ask the Provost Marshal to add a 26th exception for that purpose. Perhaps this can be done.

J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 894

Reference #308-22

15 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples.

1. I was sorry not to see you in your flight through this office on Friday. I was anxious to ask you about my personal position, but was interrupted by Drago. I can only hope that something is being done about it.

2. I was expecting Sig. Morra, Secretary General of Firciani, to come and see me this morning but he did not turn up. The question of what is to be done with enquiries, protests etc. from political parties on which I asked your advice in my last letter is not yet clear to me. You have asked me to listen to what they say, but I want to know where we go from there: are they to be referred back to the Italian Department concerned or should I pretend to forward their views to you or again should I attempt to interest the relative sub-commission here?

3. H. Carlier came to call on me this afternoon (I was not particularly impressed by his manners) and told me he is entering on consular functions here. Please confirm if this has been agreed.

4. We are expecting a little difficulty in regard to passes (see Secretary General Memorandum 23 014.331 of 6 May) for officials of the Italian Foreign Office who are called suddenly to Naples. Although they have been informed by the Italian Minister for the Interior that general passes are being issued by ACC to cover three months circulation, the Deputy Secretary General here refuses to depart from his own instructions, which admit of only one journey for each pass and on its conclusion the pass has to be surrendered. Could you mind having a word with the Secretary General, Naples to ask if general passes may be issued in the future. I hope you will also see Brigadier Jack about them. The Deputy Secretary General has made an exception in favour of IFO officials to the end of the month, granting a general pass for that time: but the position is far from satisfactory. He even demanded to know the specific mission taking them to Naples (which I hotly contended was none, repeat none, of his business).

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J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PR

9 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples.

1. In connection with a copy of my letter to Drago about Villa Cimbrone which I sent to you, Captain Stone has just let me see a letter which he has written to Drago on the same subject, but independently. He reminds Drago that Villa Cimbrone is primarily for the use of the Political Section, secondly for the use of ACC Officers requiring a rest, and inviting Drago to let me know whom to expect from the second category. This seems to cover all the points raised in my letter.

2. Roberti asked me again to remind you that Guido Jung, who still has an office in the Ministry of Finance, would like to see you on your next visit to Salerno.

3. Yesterday afternoon representatives of the local Partito Agrario came to see me. Their complaint was that Badoglio had not adopted their "plans against Fascism" and that leaders of their Party had been discriminated against. They had a special complaint against the Minister of the Interior, so I took them up to the Interior Sub-Commission, who however refused any part of them (I enclose their letter). I do not know whether you wish me to see such persons whatever party they may represent or if they should be referred to the Italian Government. Decker tells me you used to see representatives of all the Parties in your office, but I do not know whether you wish me to do the same. I should be glad of advice on this point.

J. M. PARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #508-PE

8 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, REAR Hq ACC, Naples.

1. Roberti came to see me this afternoon and made the following requests:

(1) a reply to memorandum 2456 concerning Professor Galante's journey to Spain;

(2) with reference to their memorandum 1649 of 23 March concerning repatriates from the Yaman.

(I understand these papers are with you).


J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APC 394

Reference #505-PE

6 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gueiss, Political Section, HQ AGC, Naples.

1. For purposes of record Roberti is anxious that you should let the Italian Foreign Office know immediately you have news of Sig. Bombiere's return from U.S.A. and of Sig. Fontana's arrival in Salerno area.

2. In confirmation of my telephone message regarding your wish to see the Minister of Public Works, Alberto Tardiani, Roberti tells me this official will be away in Sicily until Tuesday evening however after which he will be pleased to arrange an appointment for you. He suggests that the easiest way of doing so is to ring up his Secretary General: Marco Di Lavriano, Telephone 1881.

3. I have asked for a copy of the article from Risorgimento dated 14/4 to which reference is made in IFC memorandum 3583 of 28/4.

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J. H. PARSONS
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

2 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H.A. Caccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples.

1. Enclosed are two private letters from Marshal Badoglio which the Italian Foreign Office ask you to have delivered. I am at a loss to know what Prunas means by "waiting for decisions of the competent Authorities on the question of forwarding private correspondence--" I thought you had already made that clear to him.

2. With regard to the other letter (2526) asking for help on behalf of "several Italians", principally Jews, refugees in Switzerland, I asked Guardati if he could tell me how many of these there were, since some definite figure would be required in asking for their financial assistance. He replied he had no idea and would telegraph to Berno asking for further details.

3. I am looking forward to seeing you and Reber and your guest tomorrow. Prunas is dining with the Duch d'Acquaforte, but will try to change that date and come to us instead.

J. M. PRATON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APC 394

Reference #505-PE

3 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples.

1. General Farino called to see me this morning. He was the former leader of the armed division called by his name and is now assisting General Lazzera in connection with prisoners of war. He told me he had been instructed to get into direct communication with the Allied Control Commission. I told him this work was being done mostly by the Comando Supremo and in general principles by the Italian Foreign Office (e.g. the conditions of Italian POWs in French hands). I understand he may be calling upon you shortly in this regard.

2. Roberti brought me in the enclosed letter to General Mason Macfarlane and some letters from the Queen for your personal consideration hoping that you will make an exception in her case.

3. In connection with the enclosed memorandum 2588 you will remember we asked Prunty to give us a list of Italian officials in North and West Africa with priorities of the importance which they attached to each. I have not yet received any reply since they have no records.

4. Colonel Spicer (Interior) came to complain to me this morning that, although Weber had asked him to abstain from any matter concerning the church, he was constantly being bullied by the Regional Control and Military Government Section for not doing so. Perhaps you would like to have a word with Brigadier Lush on the subject.

5. Roberti asked again for a favorable reply from you regarding (a) private letters to members of overseas missions and (b) "printed matter" to be enclosed with official correspondence. He pointed out that clippings from local press are allowed in incoming bags and their missions overseas had complained of lack of background atmosphere from here. He hoped that in outgoing mail clippings from papers already published here (e.g. Risorgimento) might be allowed.

6. I don't know whether you saw this item in today's "Union Jack". If not, the reference to Italian ships in Spanish waters may be of interest to you.

I am sorry you and Roberti were unable to come to Gibraltar today. I hope you will be able to come very soon.

J. J. PEARSON
Captain

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference: 505-PE

1 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, Im AGO, Naples.

1. With reference to the attached letter from A.P.H.P. dated 25 April the Italian Foreign Office have taken up the question of irregular correspondence from the Ministero delle Comunicazioni. They have pointed out not only to this Ministry but to the Presidenza del Consiglio that all Government correspondence for overseas must pass through the Political Section. I return the letter to you for reply.

2. Roberti asked me to remind you that Guido Jung has retained an office in the Ministry of Finance and his telephone number is 1685.

3. We had the usual influx of visitors for the weekend at Giabrone. In addition to Harris and Magan, they included General Juin, M. Bonafion, General ^{DE SAVIN}, who came in with Gopardi, Roberti, and Grillo. I did not gather any gossip from them except that the Russians intend to sit on top of the Government here at Salerno. In view of the finer weather at Giabrone perhaps you would like to do the same.

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J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PK

29 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. R. A. Guecia, Political Section, W. AGC, Naples.

1. Telegram No. 176 to the Royal Italian Embassy in Madrid has been handed to us marked very urgent and secret. The Italian Foreign Office apparently were in such a hurry to send it off that they did not spare the time to put it into cypher. I commend it to you for urgent dispatch.

Roberti informs us that the information was obtained through U. S. Intelligence handed to the Comando Supremo.

2. I enclose a copy of the relations with which Italy was at war prior to the Armistice.

[Signature]
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

25 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccia, Political Section, Hq ACC, Naples.

Roberti handed me the attached memorandum (2376) to which he wanted to call your particular attention. Action on it is twofold: that the Turkish Government should be reassured that the 120 Italians from Rumania will leave within one month of arrival and that the repatriation will be arranged from Haifa (by Italian cruiser if possible) and secondly, that pressure should be brought on the Turkish Government to convince the missions in Ankara of Bulgaria, Hungary, Slovakia and Croatia to offer similar facilities to Royal Italian diplomats to make their way home through Turkey. The first will be very much easier than the second, which in my opinion is a forlorn hope.

I shall be very glad to see you and Reber at Cialtrone with Sir Noel Charles, and I have asked Roberti to come with Frances to dinner, on Wednesday. There will be staying in the house Lt. Colonel Wilner and Athergill and Captain Penoyer.

J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PK

24 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. R.A. Caccia, Political Section, Hq AGC, Naples

1. In confirmation of my telephone message yesterday I was unable to see Bruno the previous evening, since he was in bed with fever. I asked Casardi however to ask him specifically if there was any objection to Cabalzar's return to Italy by way of North Africa. He went into Bruno and came out with the reply that they had no objection. He then talked of his return and I told Casardi you wanted to make quite sure that there would be no objection to Cabalzar's return, since having been Bruno's attache, he would no doubt have much information to offer. He surprised me by saying that he feared Cabalzar would be detained in Algiers, and when (idiot boy) I asked what for, he could not resist rubbing his three first fingers against his thumb and replying "for taking money from the German".

2. They were anxious to have a transcription of the first two parts of cypher message No. 125 from Madrid concerning Mutini. This had been received in three parts of which only the last was decypherable. As I explained to you on the telephone, this is important since Mutini is due to leave Naples on Tuesday and from what they could gather from the last part of the cable, he may not be acceptable to Madrid.

3. I understand you and Reber are now living in the General's Villa and your telephone number is 14560. Please remember to let me know when you change your address again.

[Signature]
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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505-Mutini*

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APC 394

Reference #505-PR

24 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gacch, Political Section, Hq ACC, Naples.

1. In consequence of a request by Roberti to be informed of the names of the United Nations and nations which had subsequently adhered to the Pact of January 1942, I found the attached list in another office.

Under the list is a note from H. J. Billington, Acting Chief Civil Administrator, to say that a telegram had been sent to the State Department, Washington, (dated 3/1/44) to ascertain whether any further nations have adhered to this Declaration since May 1943 and Military Government Section would be informed of the reply as soon as received. We have no trace of this further communication.

In looking through the list I see that the Government of Yugoslavia is included. Can we take it that the present de facto Government of Yugoslavia continues its adherence to the Pact?

It would be useful if we had an authoritative list in the files of this office.

2. In accordance with Mr. Robert's instructions I telephoned to the Town Major, Salerno, regarding Italian labour for Corsica. It appears that a U.S. Major (name and unit unknown) wanted to take to Corsica six Italian civilian labourers who had attached themselves to his unit. An enquiry which did not amount to a request was put through to the Italian Foreign Office and the Town Major has heard nothing of the matter since. I took the opportunity to remind him that requests and even enquiries of this nature should be put through the Political Section.

J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HALL WARTER
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 314

Reference #505-PE

17 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaudin, Political Section, HQ AGU, Naples.

1. For purposes of record, I have asked Roberti for the names of officials in North and East Africa whom they desire to have repatriated. He tells me there are hundreds of these, so I have asked for a list containing priorities and reasons for recall.

2. The enclosed request for renewal of a passport from Francisco Antonio M. d'Ambrosio, a boy from Venezuela who wishes to undergo his military services at the proper time. I asked Roberti who was looking after the interests of Venezuela at present, and he did not know, but suggested that / Mr. Burkhardt, / Swiss representative of the International Red Cross at Naples, would know. If not, the enclosed letter should perhaps be sent to the Swiss Consul in Algiers (M. Schaffner).

3. A local project has just been started to form an orchestra and choir of Italian children to preserve traditional songs and when good enough, to put them over the air to other Italian children in enemy occupied territory. It seems that Italian boys and girls in Salerno are profoundly affected by the lies which come over the German controlled radio from Rome, e.g. that all Italian children of seven or eight years old are being sent to Russia.

It was very nice to see you and Peter at Giarone yesterday. I hope you will come again as soon as you possibly can.

J. H. FRANKSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

10 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. R. A. Ceccia, Political Section, Hq AGC, Naples.

1. For purposes of record I do not know if you noticed in Official Gazette No. 17 of 8th April the appointment of Prof. Dott. Michele Longano as President of the Italian Red Cross. I am informed by the Public Health sub-commission that Theodoli remains Secretary General.

2. Last night two friends of Lord Gribthorpe came to claim hospitality at Siderno. One was a Scottish Major (James?). The other was Lieutenant Don Francesco Colonna, son of a former Governor of Rome. The latter was very interesting about the topography of Cassino. It seems he has been almost a professional skier and photographer and has in his possession many thousands of photographs of the actual fighting (which might be of interest to the Intelligence Section). After the attack on Rome, his family removed their valuables to a safe place, but unfortunately chose a village near Anzio. Among this property were several panels (cartons) by Michelangelo: which I have asked Penoyer to record for the comments and the Arts sub-commission. This young man seems to have a lot of information and might be well worth interviewing from the intelligence angle. His family, as you know, is one of the "Great Families" of Italy and he ought tell us news unknown to ordinary officers — e.g. when mines are well

likely placed in Rome.

[Signature]
J. W. FARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #305-15

18 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaudin, Political Section, HQ AUC, Naples.

1. For purposes of record, I was rung up this afternoon by Brigadier Inch's Personal Assistant (Captain Jordan ?) saying that he was being sought by Professor Gordon, Lecturer of Naples University, who wished to explain his personal position in regard to the Italian situation. I thought the proper quarter to which to refer this officer was your office. If this was wrong and he should have been referred elsewhere, please let me know.

2. A Captain Kennedy, ex Correspondent, who showed as a POW was, came to see me today asking if I could give him information regarding the six parties and their future. I gave him no information and, since Captain Stone was unwilling to see him, I asked Roberti if he would like to talk him anything of his personal views. I understand he got very little out of him either. I arranged for his lunch and petrol for return to Naples.

3. Major Michel of the Headquarters Information Bureau arrived here today with a number of interesting secret files for perusal by members of the Rear Hq. They contained a lot of background with which I was unfamiliar. Perhaps you would ask him looking to give this officer a list of secret files and reports which you think I ought to see, not necessarily for action, but for my information.

[Signature]
J. G. PRATON
Captain
Political Section

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HIGH HONORABLE
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference 309-22

3 April 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. H. A. Guggis, Political Section, Hq ACC, Naples

1. For purposes of record: I reminded Roberti this morning to comply with Lt. Zevak's wishes regarding the completion of squares for messages in cypher.

2. I reminded him also that it is now possible for residents in liberated Italy to correspond with Italian POWs in Allied hands through normal postal channels.

3. I told him that their telegram of 4th April regarding crews and flag of "Arcola" and "Indigo" had been stopped for reconsideration. I was unable to see Prince, so I gave Roberti the gist of your remarks concerning the Cunningham-Carson Agreement: that there was no question of "smut", but that this problem, so far from being a matter of agreement, was subject to the uni-lateral instructions of A.F.H.A. I told him that, although paragraphs two and three could go forward, he had better leave paragraph one until he heard from us again.

4. It would appear from a letter to Secretary General here that the telegram (sent you this morning) concerning Maurizio Moris has somehow reached G-2, who have no record of any application to travel. I understood he is coming to see you today, but we should like to know if you have evidence that the telegram was actually sent (this can be checked if the copies are no longer with you).

5. In confirmation of my telephone message, the Palace of G. R. Serracchio is situated at No. 14 Via Dante di Dio. He has acquired merit by pulling off a threatened requisition of the casa di Serracchio flat car by an adventurer from 37 Sub-Area, where Invalle is situated in 34 Sub-Area.

6. The situation at Gistone is still complicated. Orithorpe has had to retire to bed with a chill, and five American officers suddenly arrived without notice (or ration) from Naples, since their ship had been delayed. I do not know who is supposed to coordinate this accommodation in Naples, but Brage swears that he received no instructions in this matter. I hope both you and Weber will be able to use the Villa a little more when your hectic period is over.

With best wishes for Easter,

J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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Bill Scott-Bailey (Censorship)

from Algeria include to call on you on Monday

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

5 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. M. A. Gaccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples

1. For the purposes of record: Marquis Ugo Theodoli made his official call upon Brigadier Parkinson (Public Health) on Monday afternoon. He was introduced by Roberti as the new Secretary General to the Italian Red Cross.

2. Another case is coming up of a Yugoslav deserter who is accused of inciting to mutiny and/or desertion and is alleged to have an organization of transport for the purpose. Pruzma happened to be in the room when this deserter was brought to me and he said the touch-stone of these cases lay in the nationality of the accused who, if he carried a Yugoslav passport, was subject to Allied courts and if an Italian, to Italian courts. I have asked for further information on this point, but wonder if the Political Section is interested. In this connection, I never heard the outcome of the case of the Yugoslav sailor who deserted from the Italian Navy. His case no doubt provides a precedent.

3. You will have seen that cypher cable No. 95 to Madrid, of which the translation went yesterday contains a request for newspapers from Northern Italy. I hope I was right in approving its dispatch since, although in a sense it is communication with the enemy through diplomatic channels, the papers would be extremely useful to us.

4. You will notice that the Pontano Bridge will be open from 6th instant in case you should care to reach Savello by that route.

5. You will have noticed that in the press report No. 7 from Madrid the "Times" correspondent in Naples has said that the Soviet Government has recommended that Italian Communists collaborate with Badoglio and, as confirmation, it is brought out that the Communist demand that the King abdicate has been withdrawn.

Handwritten:
Marshall's tel. placed 6/1
In case of conflict we should not interfere with Italian
to discourage intervention in future. This was communicated to
B. G. Taylor - J. H.

J. M. TARGON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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Reference #805-22

3 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. R. A. Caccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples

1. In confirmation of my verbal message B.E. Prones will be in my office to meet the Minister at 1500 hours tomorrow. Roberti has also been warned for interview with Rumbold, whom he is looking forward to see. I have arranged for the Minister, Rumbold, and Lyndham to stay at Gibsons that evening.

2. I enclose with this letter an envelope handed to me by Roberti which contains personal letters from the Queen and Royal Household. I agree with him that they were innocuous, and he is anxious for you to make an exception to the general rule for this occasion only.

3. When I handed over your note about Acquara, he told me that this was a different Acquara from the one you evidently had in mind (dealt with by Air Section) and that Captain Stone was dealing with this one.

4. A Lieutenant Kovak came from the Signal Office on Saturday afternoon to find out if security was being violated by filing code messages together with the deciphered copy. He explained that the code message in itself was of little or no interest to us and that, directly the deciphered copy arrived, it was our practice to destroy the code copy. Curiously enough, the very afternoon of his visit we received from you two code messages containing not only the deciphered copy but the code message from which it was obtained. I consider this rather dangerous, considering the number of hands through which these messages pass, and perhaps you could ask the Signal Office not to send you the code message at all, simply certifying that the deciphered copy is a correct transcription of the code message.

J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 894

Reference #305-22

31 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples

1. For purposes of record: I explained to Roberti this morning your point of view regarding official and semi-official correspondence: that the latter should also be typed and that family news would be excluded and ~~sent~~ sent by ordinary post.

2. It seems that some Russians have called on Lord Stanagete headed by Bogomolov; and explained that one of their number, Kostalov, is to be attached to Marshal Badoglio.

3. At the Administrative Section Meeting this morning the following subjects were discussed:

a. The Italian desire that officers should be promoted to their own grade, not allowing junior officers to expect permanent rise to a superior grade. Various heads of sub-commissions wish to exclude particular cases from this ruling.

b. A greater cooperation between Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives for the protection of property, especially movables behind the front lines.

c. The alteration in the system of dependent's allowances, which differs between Sicily and the mainland, and is still being argued.

d. The fourth Century church at Nocera has suffered from the recent eruption of Vesuvius, and the dome has collapsed.

e. Welfare for refugees has been governed by a directive allotting this to British and U.S. Red Cross only. It is asked why displaced persons and the French Red Cross have been denied a share.

f. No notification of changes of boundaries are being received e.g., between the Fifth Army and Region Five. Information is often being withheld on military grounds, but knowledge of changed boundaries is important administratively (restriction of movement, etc.)

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for Region Four territory still seems to be mixed up with Eighth Army.

It was notified that Gava bridge is to be closed on Sunday from 0530 hours for reconstruction, estimated to take 24 hours or more: and that by arrangement with the Italian Government summertime should be introduced at 0200 hours on 3 April.

4. I am having a certain amount of difficulty at Gimbreno owing to the return of Lord Crisborough, who is filling the house with his own guests. I have made a point of reserving your room, but my financial arrangements have gone awry. The AGC continues to pay the servants and to supply rations, but the system by which all guests should pay a contribution seems to be going by the board. However, I will keep you informed.


J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785016

Galante, address in Naples -

Corrado Luigi Amato
della Casapapa

Palazzo Salvo
Piazza del Tribunale
Napoli -

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

3 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples

Attached is the "Quarterly Return of Officers Recommended for Advancement", which should be sent, duly signed, to G-1 as of 1st April. I should be glad if you will have it completed by the Executive Officer with a note of recommendation of your own.

I have left the last column blank, since I am not clear if you ever made out Form AF 81940 for me. This form is used, to quote, Para 11 (b) of the Administrative Instructions governing this matter:-

11(b) "If there are any special reasons--e.g., if a reporting authority considers that it is in the interests of the Service that an Officer should be advanced at once, the form may be rendered at any time, but advantage will only be taken of this proviso for really good and sufficient reasons."

I do not know if you would care to submit this form, on the grounds that the Political Section representative in Salerno, by the very nature of his work, should be a Field Officer at least and that I have the necessary qualifications and experience: and perhaps you could ask General Sir Noel Mason Macfarlane to sign at your request.

I am sorry to trouble you with my personal exigencies. But I do think that, if only for reasons of prestige, my work here in close liaison with the Royal Italian Foreign Office would prove just as effective, but easier, if I were temporarily to hold higher rank.


J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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Appendix "A" to Executive
(M.S. Matters) No. 19 d

ADVANCEMENT OF OFFICERS
 Quarterly Return of Officers Recommended
 for Advancement
 To be submitted in order of seniority of
 highest Sube, Temporary or Acting Rank held)

 Office of
 Ref No.
 Date

Serial No.	Rank			Initials and Name	Personal No.	Age	Present Appointment	Appointment and rank for which recommended (Alternative Appts may be given)
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To Headquarters AGC G-1; APO 394.

N.B. If the Commander of the Region or Detachment submitting
 the recommendations is American, he will countersign
 the form.

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Signature and Designation of British Officer
 submitting the Recommendations, Countersigna-
 ture of American Officer if senior.

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Appendix "A" to Executive Memorandum
(H.S. Matters) No. 19 dated 15 Feb 44ADVANCEMENT OF OFFICERSQuarterly Return of Officers Recommended
for Advancementto be submitted in order of seniority of
highest substantive, Temporary or Acting Rank held)Office of Origin Administrative SectionRef No. 785016

Date _____

Rank		Initials and Name	Personal No.	Age	Present Appointment	Appointment and rank for which recommended (Alternative Appointments may be given)	Whether recommended on previous Quarterly Return	Whether AF B194D has been rendered (If so, quote Ref & date of covering letter)	Remarks
Temporary	Acting								
T Captain		PEARSON, J.M.	P/257516	59	Sole Representative (Staff Officer) Political Section	Same appointment with rank of Major	Yes		

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the Region or Detachment submitting
is American, he will countersignSignature and Designation of British Officer
submitting the Recommendations. Countersignature
of American Officer if senior.R.R. CRIPPS,
Lt. Colonel,
C.S.O. Administrative Section,
Allied Control Commission

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APC 394

Reference: 805-PE

23 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Samuel Heber, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples.

1. With reference to your memorandum of 21 March I have called the attention of the Italian Foreign Office to the views explained in the message from A.P.M.G. which you enclosed. They are dismayed that this opportunity cannot be taken to repatriate officials from Madrid and Lisbon and claim that the necessary instructions to their embassies have been issued and reiterated, but there must have been delay in transmission of the cables. Urgent telegrams are being sent out repeating instructions to Lisbon and Madrid.

2. I have handed over to the Army Sub-Commission the document on the Republican Fascist Army.

3. I am returning Dr. Grillo's letter herewith for necessary action. I learn from the Army Sub-Commission that his cousin's name doesn't appear on the six lists of 25 prisoners of war each, and that the first of these has not yet been dealt with, though they were submitted on 4 March. If you would kindly take up the matter with the Comando Supremo, I am sure they will be able to place General Grillo's name on a short list.

4. During his flying visit yesterday Mr. Daccia asked me to approve as many outgoing cables as possible, both in cypher and in clear. Any that are doubtful he asked me to send on to you. I have ascertained this morning that in the opinion of the Telecommunications Sub-Commission it is not safe to send telegrams over teletype, so all messages will have to be forwarded through AG Naples by courier.

5. I am enclosing the three copies of Becker's recommendation for promotion. These should be signed by you, as I feel that your signature would have more weight than mine.

I am sorry that you will not be able to stay at Cimbrone this evening, but I hope it will not be long before you can spend a little time there.

J. H. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

Enclosures
Ltr from Grillo
Rec for Promotion (Becker); in trip

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REAR HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #508-PE

27 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Cassin, Political Section, HQ AOC, Naples.

1. With reference to the private letters found among Italian correspondence for inclusion in the diplomatic bag, my recollection is that you asked me to inform them that we would be glad to forward for them (a) official correspondence to their missions abroad, (b) printed matter of a certain character for circulation by hand, and (c) private or semi-official letters addressed to officials of those missions. As I take it that this last category will be forwarded only if typewritten or ~~by~~ they will not be forwarded at all? In the meantime Roberts has asked me to hold the letters here so that he may have them typewritten if your instructions are in that sense.

2. He has asked me to enquire from you if he may send messages direct through the Post Office to Signal Office, Naples, sending copies to me, since he receives copies of incoming messages direct through that channel. To this enquiry, for obvious reasons, I expect the answer No.

3. Roberts wants you to tell Reber that he has no letter from his father-in-law since the end of January. I rather Reber told him a letter was on the way, but had been misdirected to Palermo.

4. In a Naples establishment memorandum No. 9 of 23 March, Paragraph 2b, it is laid down that no rations are to be supplied to Italian drivers. I do not know whether it is any affair of the Political Section, but it seems a little hard, since Italian drivers have been employed here for some time; the main attraction their conditions of service being the issue of British rations.

5. I have communicated your message explaining the non-delivery of Italian telegram 16 to Nicholson and Roberti, at least, seems to be satisfied.

6. I have also told him that their telegram No. 90 of 23/3 regarding the registration of Marcello Kochi has been held up pending investigation by A.C.I.

[Signature]
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

24 March 1944

Reference #505-FE

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, Hq ACC, Naples

1. The copies of telegrams for which you asked in order to answer Memorandum 1433 from Prunas are attached with the explanation.

2. One of the contributory causes of delay is that, though all messages go to Naples by the next courier, they never seem to be ready in time to catch the 1400 hours dispatch and have to wait until 1000 hours the next morning. The principal cause, of course, is that most of the messages from the Italian Government go by airmail to Algiers and not, as they suppose, by cable. It will be sufficient (in view of Decker's discovery that telegram 16 was dispatched to the wrong address) to remind them that, owing to the local campaign, messages cannot be sent as expeditiously as in peace time, but that, courtesy aside, in our common interest there is certainly no preventable delay.

3. Roberti tells me that Prunas had fever and was genuinely unable to come to Naples this afternoon. He says that if there is some urgent reason for his coming to Naples tomorrow, he will make the effort.

4. You have been lucky in being able to avoid Salerno these last three days, since in addition to 15 inches of lava ash we had complications of snow and rain yesterday. Today things look much better, however, and I have experienced no difficulty in getting to and from Cimbrone. I am looking forward to seeing you both at Ravello on Saturday.

J. M. Pearson
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

Enclosures

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① Explain about Tel No 16 to Prunas or Roberti orally

② Say that once the new system of telegraphing is set up it will be better

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Mr. Caccia:

The reason No. 16 never got to Lisbon is simply because the Foreign Office made the mistake of addressing the telegram to Buenos Aires. (Mistakes in address and number sometimes occur in their outgoing telegrams)

The reason the messages seem to be taking longer to arrive to the missions abroad is due to the fact that most of them are sent by air mail instead of all of them going by radio, as they did from Brindisi.

Donald M. Aecker
24 March 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

21 March 1944

SUBJECT:

TO

Returns
Political Section H.Q. (Rear)

1. Attention is directed to A.C.C. R.O. No 2 Para 7,
dated 13 March 44, asking for Return - Warlike Stores -
and R.O. Issue No 1 dated 6 March 44 Para 2 Return - Office Machinery
2. Returns called for will be submitted forthwith.
3. It is extremely important that all reports reach this headquarters
on or before deadline dates mentioned.

By command of Lieutenant General MACFARLANE:

MacFarlane Capt
D.H. MacFarlane,
Office of G-4;

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Rear Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Political Section

20 March 1944.

Memorandum to H.A. Caccia, Esq.

1. Enclosed are two Memoranda from Prunas: one 1367 about Somalia Finance, the other 1368, more difficult, about repatriation of Italians to Tripoli and Libya. Please let me see your reply to the latter.

2.

There is also a cable which Machiori would be very glad to have sent to his brother in Uganda; and a letter, in reply to one which took five months to reach her, from the Queen of Italy which she would be grateful if Reber could have posted.

3. The party, by the way, went off well. We talked huntin' shootin' fishin', and only incidentally touched on the welfare work of the Red Cross to say that any suggestions would be welcomed. In the middle of it all, however, she burst out into a recital of her personal misfortunes, losses and separations (so familiar to any C.A.O.), and then tried to recover by telling us funny stories of her husband's rheumatism; and I suddenly felt very sorry for her.

4. The Netherlands Consul-General, B.G.B. Middelburg came to see me this morning. He hopes to set up a joint office with the Belgian Consul-General (Carlier) in Salerno and Naples. He is coming 26th or 27th to see Prunas, but saw Roberti in my office. I noticed Roberti talked of "de facto" recognition of consular relations, like those arranged by U.S.A. It seems that Carlier was formerly in function at Rome; and the names of the officials who are going to help Middelburg here are W.C. Schiessel (now in War Transport) and --Hofland (recently in the Petroleum Dept, AFHQ). In the meantime Middelburg is assisting Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, and may be found at Corso Cavour, 31, in Bari.

5. Lt Col: Spicer (Interior) would like to see you, when next you come to Salerno. He did not tell me what he wanted to see you about.

[Signature]
Captain.

Political Section.

P.S.

I got Roberti to take me round to see Colonel Jung to-day. He was very nice to me, but he shares a certain vulpine characteristic with Prunas which would make me wary of being too open with him.

Forgive my typing. I am out of practice.

[Signature]
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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference 7505-PE

15 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, HQ ACC, Naples

1. The telephone has now been installed in Villa Cibrone. Its number is Ravello 15 and is to be obtained through the civil exchange.

2. You may remember mentioning to Prunus the other night that Sir Noel Charles was about to relinquish his appointment in Brazil and might be available in Italy. Roberti has just told me that an employee of the Foreign Office heard this appointment as a fact announced on the Home radio last night as a quotation from London. I hope this is no more than a coincidence.

3. I understood you to say that you expected me for lunch in Naples on Friday. Could you let me know by telephone if I shall be able to return by the courier at 1500 hours, since I discover to my horror I am duty officer for that night and will have to find a substitute if my movements are uncertain.

[Signature]
J. E. HARRISON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference 505-DE

11 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, EAC, Naples

1. In connection with the memorandum to Algiers sent by you with the last batch of packages received from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs these were examined here as a matter of routine but we had no instructions as to the form of covering note that you desired sent with them. We will now follow the routine outlined in your note of 2-3-44.

2. I know you like to hear of visitors calling on the Political Section here. On Friday we had Major Gave and Mr. Osborne of C.I. who were recently in Brindisi and now are established in Naples. This was merely a contact call. On the same day Mr. A.E.A. Smith came to see me. He was wearing a battle dress without any badges of rank or unit designation which he said he had bought in Bari because he found it so inconvenient to travel round as a civilian. In wearing a uniform without authority he is guilty of a military offense for which he could be placed under close arrest at any time by the military police. I will ask Squadron Leader Johnston, with whom he says he is working, this evening to provide him with an authority to wear the King's uniform. This morning Mr. Bates, vice-consul from Algiers, on temporary duty in Naples, called on his way to see Mr. Grillo at the Italian Foreign Office. They are on the same work concerning prisoners of war and refugees.

3. Very few copies of telegrams seem to be arriving from Prunas. I hope there is no loophole in this new system of communications with Madrid and Lisbon by which their telegrams are sent direct and not through this Section. I understand in this connection that when Roberti brings in five copies of telegrams, you wish us to retain one here for filing and send you the four remaining copies for dispatch to Algiers reserving a discretion to send a paraphrase of any telegram which is considered important enough to send by cable.

4. I regret I have no gossip today. Roberti has suggested that I meet the Crown Prince some evening. May I take it that you have no objection?

5. It is understood that the main files are kept in Salerno. As an afterthought, I suggest it would be convenient if I could see

to you

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such records as you may have which are not conserved in the formal files. You were talking this morning of your relations with the Russian delegation, for instance, but I have no idea where your points of variance may be found. If you could let us know which records are to be filed and which destroyed, after perusal, it would give excessive weight in the archives at the same time as keeping us closer in touch.


J. M. PRASCON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Reference #505-PT

10 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. R. A. Caccia, Political Section, HQ., ACC, Naples

In addition to the point with which I troubled you on the telephone (the latter to Raffo regarding the category and level of Italian officials of whose appointments we desired to be notified) there were several things discussed at the Administrative Section Conference this morning of which you may care to know.

1. No provision seems to be made at present for monetary compensation for the recipients of refugees.
2. I asked if the findings of the official enquiry by the Army would be published in addition those of the Italian Government enquiry.
3. A complaint was made that all the budgetary requirements of the subcommissions had to pass through Italian hands.
4. In a private conversation R. A. Reale has said that Campobasso is being terrorized by the local "committee of liberation". The Italian view of these seems to be that they are all communist. In this connection he is reported to have said that the Italians are still in the somewhat juvenile stage of writing signs on walls (you will have noticed the Hammer and sickle in Salerno and Viva il Re and Viva Mussolini on the road to Benevento) and there is even a sign in Lecce which reads "Abasso Tutto!"

Yesterday afternoon Roberti was telling me about the visit of the Crown Prince to the front line. It seems that Umberto was full of praise for British COE training, pointing out that the concision of their clear reports compare very favourably with that of the Germans; but he singled out the Goons, though undoubtedly fine fighters, regarded the sack of a conquered village the legitimate ~~business~~ *perquisite* of the invader.

I do not know if these bits of gossip interest you but they may help in forming a background which may some day be useful.

J.M.P.
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

16 March 1944

Reference #605-PM

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. M. Guccio, Political Section, HQ AGC, Naples

1. For purposes of record; in reply to your enquiry, (a) the Italian Foreign Office have written, not telegraphed, the enquiry about evacuation from the Lagoon; (b) they are expecting Valenzano to furnish further particulars required concerning the suggested passage for Ugo Baldacci to Spain.
2. The Daily Routine Order obliging guards to salute Italian officers has now been rescinded.
3. I have examined ⁱⁿ the Italian Foreign Office mail for Ankara and saw nothing objectionable in it. One item which may be of interest is that in a letter from General Tondelli, Minister for Air, he informs the Ambassador that he has no objection ^{to} the retention of Lt. Colonel Trimboli as Air Attache', but suggests his re-screening by the Saniboni Commission, since he has been a Squadrista from the time of the March on Rome.
4. I sent you the official notification concerning the proposal for a general amnesty, of which I informed you in my letter this morning.

[Signature]
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 324

Reference #805-PE

14 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, Hq. ACC, Naples

I was very glad to see you today and I hope you will often repeat these flying visits.

1. For purposes of record I should like to confirm that an order has just been issued here by the Headquarters Commandant to say that all guards shall pay military compliments to cobelligerent as well as Allied officers. I mentioned that in case you have any requests for the same procedure to be followed in ordinary street encounters.

2. In discussing the new direct relations with Russia Count Roberti asked if it were likely that direct relations would be resumed with UK and US. I replied that at present these relations were covered by the conditions of the Armistice and would probably not be varied until the peace terms were settled. I hope this answer was correct. In this connection Mr. Dean was in the room when Roberti asked me on the telephone what form of credentials was required by a consul seeking an exequatur. Mr. Dean replied to him that a formal letter from a diplomatic representative was all that was usually required. He informed me afterwards however that US and British consuls presented no such credentials in these territories.

3. The Queen of Italy is having the welfare officers of the Public Health Sub-Commission (Brigadier Parkinson, Captain Earnest and Miss Lockie of the Red Cross) to tea at Ravella on Sunday afternoon. I think she wants to show her interest in Red Cross activities. I have discouraged the Brigadier from worrying about the proprieties of his accepting her invitation. In case it is of interest Roberti informs me that the Queen's main interests apart from Red Cross and welfare activities are sleeping, stermess and fishing.

[Signature]
J. H. TARGON
Captain
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference 505-123

2 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. S. Gaccia, Political Section, No., AGC, Naples

I am very glad Mr. Reber is going to manage to see Trunzo today, since there seems to be something on the mind of the Italian Foreign Office which they do not care to divulge to me.

You may remember that the Queen of Italy sent her Gentleman-in-Waiting to keep touch with the Public Health Sub-Commission on the subject of Red Cross issues of clothing. She asked for clothing for the district round Benevento where clothing is being sent to two orphanages. The officers of the Province, who deal with local committees, point out that normally no clothing is issued outside battle areas, but that they are delighted to acquiesce in her requests. Miss Lockie proposes to suggest that the Queen nominate certain local welfare societies to purchase Red Cross supplies which may be found in excess of free issue requirements. I understand a report is being made for the Queen's benefit.

Roberti tells me there is some criticism in the local papers of the causes of the recent railway tunnel accident, in which 303 persons were killed. There has been an Italian Government report, but he thinks the findings of the A.G.C. enquiry should also be published. I have asked Public Safety if this can conveniently be done.

The main concern of the Italian Foreign Office at present seems to be their need of new offices. At present they occupy a four-room flat with 37 staff. Unfortunately their request for one floor of the Salerno Social Club was received just after it had been snapped up for club premises to be used by a formation which is going to be reconstituted here.

Colonels Harris and Henderson are anxious to see you when you come down, and I should be glad of a few minutes with you myself for instructions as to what papers I should deal with here before handing on to you. With the exception of certain obvious cases it is difficult to know whether you should see the paper first and give me instructions or if the reply from the sub-commission concerned would be likely to vary your opinion.

J. M. Pearson
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HQ, Allied ~~Military~~ ^{Control} Commission, CMT

6 March 1944

My dear Johnstone -

You were good enough yesterday to ask for my record in case I might fit into some appointment in the International Red Cross or some similar organization. I regret its length but its variety may interest you -

I was educated at Harrow School: New College, Oxford: and the Sorbonne, Paris. Then after my first campaign in Zululand (passing by way of the ICS exam into the Colonial Civil Service, I became District Commissioner and Magistrate in Kenya: where also I served during the Great War, organizing and administering the East Africa Transport Corps, which put two and a half million men into the field for that campaign and made me Colonel, local Brigadier). After the War the Foreign Office engaged me as Deputy British Commissioner for the International Commission of Enquiry, under which Slovakia was governed for a plebiscite.

On its conclusion I was preparing ^{to take up} ~~for a~~ similar appointment in the Dardanelles, when the Treaty of Sèvres was modified by that of Lausanne, and the Turks took possession of the neutralized territory.

On the joint suggestion of the Colonial Office and Department of Overseas Trade, ~~however~~ I was placed in general charge of Dominion and Colonial participation in the British Empire Exhibition

at Wembley in direct relation with their governments: which brought me into touch with all the Imperial Commonwealths and most of the rulers of the world -

I retired then to
 After that I became Secretary to the London Triton Society: Director and Branch Manager of the Motorist Har Service Association: Secretary of the Shakespeare Film Society, etc, until during a voyage to India in 1937 I found myself appointed Special Commissioner reporting on certain aspects of the Anglo-Indian problems in various parts of the peninsula. Later, I travelled in Burma, Malay ^{East Indies} ~~Indies~~ South America, interesting myself in the export fruit trade in Argentina and Brazil as in Egypt.

When the present War broke out, I left my temporary duty at the British Embassy in Buenos Aires and came to England to the Ministry of Information where, in addition to command of the Home Guard, I worked on propaganda through commercial channels to the Middle East. In 1941 however, the Foreign Office asked me to ~~undertake~~ go to Caracas, Venezuela where the Minister wanted to go on leave, and I remained there a year. But on the way home I had the misfortune to lose all my civilian clothes in a boat in the accident and I was persuaded to join the R.N.V.R. as a Lieutenant pending posting to responsible duties. I crossed the way of South Africa, Madagascar, Kenya, Zanzibar, then Egypt, ^{India} ~~India~~ ^{China} ~~China~~ and back, but these have not yet been found.

I should be very willing to serve any semi-governmental organisation in which my experience and practical skills would be of value. I have friends all over the world and these connections might also be of use. My health is excellent and I have no particular yearning for England, though I hope to return there for a visit when the War is over. For these reasons I should appreciate your bearing me in mind for the sort of appointment which you outlined to me yesterday -

Sincerely yours,

J.M. LEARSON

References #505-FM

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MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Samuel Reber, Vice-President, Political Section;
Headquarters, AGO, Naples

For purposes of record you may like to know that Dr. Schlatter, Swiss representative in Algiers, called here this morning and paid a courtesy call upon Captain Stone. He made an arrangement to see Frumas, after which he intended to return to Naples.

Consul General Nester arrived with his secretary to make arrangements for the establishment of a U.S. Consulate in Salerno. He said that he had need for large offices for a staff of twenty (including eleven women) because of the enormous business which he expected to be doing with Southern Italians.

I took over Cimbrone from Lord Grimthorpe on Sunday, and there is a bedroom for you or Caccia or both of you whenever you care to use the Villa. When next you come to Salerno, Prunas is anxious to see you, and the Property Controller thinks that only an interview with Caccia or yourself will ease the load of responsibility which seems to weigh upon his conscience (there are ~~some papers~~ ^{some papers} about our recent conference in your office).

J. M. MARSON
Captain
Political Section

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Reference 8065

1 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia

I saw E. E. Prunas this morning, as directed, on the subject of repatriation of prisoners of war and communications. He had no observations regarding the former but concerning the latter he would like the authority of A.F.R.C. to extend the simplified code system arranged with Madrid to communications with Ankara. The paper is with you, with my promise to let you know more about it. Perhaps you would be good enough to frame a request in suitable terms to A.F.R.C.

I took the opportunity of asking Prunas about the suggestion (I read you the telegram on the telephone this morning) of General Orlando to send 117,000 food parcels to Italian prisoners in the hands of the French in North Africa. Prunas explained to me that there were 80,000 of these and condition was appalling. I hasten to let you know his point of view in case it becomes a Political Section matter.

Colonel Bengtson (P.A. to Captain Stone) spoke to me this morning about Cimbrone, which it is proposed to make "a second Bonifello". He suggests that I could take in officers in need of recuperation, which of course will be easy. I pointed out the difficulties of transport and how these officers would have to stay on top of the hill or provide their own means of transport. The only stipulation I made was that officers desiring to stay at Cimbrone would give me a fixed limit to their stay in order to make room for others. This additional work emphasizes the necessity for retaining Becker in Salerno, if you can spare him.

I'm enclosing a cutting from Risorgimento of yesterday, which Roberti assures me has been covered by one of the memoranda sent to you yesterday, though I cannot confirm this of my own recollection.


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Captain
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DEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference 1505

2 March 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia

I forwarded to Roberti today your request for a telegram asking for action in respect of their telegrams to Madrid and Lisbon on repatriation insisting on the conditions imposed.

I also asked him for his proposal in writing for an extension of the simplified code arranged with Madrid to communications with Ankara.

I forwarded his report on what happened to Italian Foreign Office archives.

He was very pleased with the telegrams from Venezuela and Bolivia which he suggested might be communicated to the press in summary form. The memoranda which he brought with him concerned passages for Venezuela and Mexico which should be expedited now that the authorization is at least received. He was personally much struck with the idea of a revival of a Garibaldi Legion.

He told us the Queen of Italy was very anxious to use her influence to help the distribution of food and clothing by the Red Cross. I asked Public Health if she might send Commander Greppi to contact Brigadier Parkinson and he seemed very pleased to be able to do so.

I forward herewith a letter concerning Becker's orders for your signature.

One final point: I met Colonel Harris just now and he intends to disclaim the accuracy of the official minutes of the Property Control conference enclosed, with which I entirely agree. (Please see my letter of that date). He is anxious to see you, because he is afraid of a rocket from the Foreign Office if no more is done in this regard.

J. M. PEARSON
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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Gaccia, Political Section, Main Hq., ACC

I think it just as well to acquaint you with the day to day happenings, as they occur here, which may form the background of future conversations.

Commander Palmer came in with a letter from C-in-C, Taranto asking for details of the terms on which Southern Italy was handed over. With great difficulty I extracted a copy of these from the Secretary General, but I was amazed that news of the transfer had not percolated to Taranto. I gather there are likely to be developments to separate the jurisdiction of the C-in-C from that of the Royal Navy and U.S. Navy Sub-Commission.

Verrando and Mazzini came in this morning to sign their application forms for air passage by Algiers to Gibraltar. I have been informed by G-2 (CI) that directly these forms are received, certificates will be issued and air passage arranged.

Mazzini is in possession of all the details concerning communications with Madrid, and I have asked him to be present when I go to see Brunas tomorrow morning.

[Signature]
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HEAD HEADQUARTERS

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Reference #505
29 February 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia

1. Cripps tells me you are coming to Salerno on Thursday at 2:30 to discuss the future operations of Zaniboni. I am glad you are going to be present because some of the people in that section have odd ideas of "control". Their idea is that all officials in the regions should be screened through Zaniboni as soon as the armies hand over the administration.

2. Roberti confirms your recollection of what happened to Italian F. C. records at Brindisi, but agrees with me that a written report would serve your purpose better. You may expect it on Thursday.

3. He was at a loss to know the identity of the "Italian F. C. representative" who saw Henderson about communications about Ankara. It seems they use Madrid for circular messages to all missions but are already in a position to communicate, through our facilities, by post and telegraph. He will find out however what it is all about.

4. Decker tells me that the temporary period of his orders is coming to an end and should be renewed. As you may guess, he is very valuable here and there seems plenty of work for him to do. Perhaps you could think it over before you come to Salerno and make up your mind whether he is to remain here or return to Naples. If I am to be Cimbrone, I shall certainly require somebody in this office, and I should like to retain Decker if you can spare him.

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5. You were asking what had become of Le Santis, former Minister of Grace and Justice. It appears he has gone back to being judge of the Appeal Court at Bari. I have not yet found out why he left, but I gather he disliked the political burly-burly.

J. M. PEARSON

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INSTRUMENT OF THE SURRENDER OF ITALY

Points of Reference

1. (a) Land, sea, and air forces surrender unconditionally.
(b) Italian participation in the war to cease.
(c) Italian forces cease from damage.
2. Italians to give full information to C-in-C regarding situation of forces.
3. Italian Supreme Command to secure air-fields, ports and other installations against seizure and to maintain law and order.
4. Italian forces and officials to proceed under orders wherever directed.
5. No requisitions or seizures by Italian forces.
6. Demobilization of all forces as ordered by C-in-C.
7. Warships of all descriptions directed to ports.
8. Italian aircraft grounded.
9. Merchant ships and other craft confined to port.
10. Italians to give full information regarding mine-fields and defenses.
11. Similarly with reference to war materials and their location.
12. No destruction or damage to war materials, radios, port installations, etc.
13. Prohibition of war material production except under licence.
14. (a) Transfer of vessels to enemy or neutral flags prohibited.
(b) Inland transport and port equipment taken over.
15. Sea-going craft taken over.
16. Radios and telecommunication installations taken over.
17. Territorial water free to UN.
18. Forces of UN to occupy parts of Italian territory.
19. All facilities required by UN in such territory.
20. UN to exercise all rights of occupying power.

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21. UN have the right of (a) circulation, (b) control of transit and supplies, ports, utilities, services, fuel, etc.
22. Italian Government to obey orders.
23. Italian currency to be made available and foreign exchange control.
24. No intercourse with nations at war with UN or any other foreign country without permission.
25. (a) Italy to break off relations with countries at war with UN.
(b) The diplomatic and consular representatives of these to be withdrawn and channels of communications prescribed to and from neutrals.
26. No Italian to leave Italy without permission nor take service with enemy nations (those serving to be recalled).
27. War material including sea or land transport of enemy nations is liable to seizure.
28. Warships, etc. of such prevented from leaving, personnel interned and property impounded.
29. Benito Mussolini and other Fascist leaders to be arrested and surrendered.
30. All Fascist organisations (Fascist militia, secret police and youth organisations) disbanded; Fascist funds controlled and Fascist ideology and teaching suppressed.
31. Laws involving discrimination of race, colour, creed or politics are rescinded.
32. (a) Prisoners of war and nationals of UN (including Abyssinians) to be released to UN representatives.
(b) All persons interned or detained to be released under direction of UN.
(c) Persons and property of foreign nationals and foreign states to be safeguarded.
33. (a) Italian Government to comply with UN directions regarding reparation payments.
(b) Italian Government given full information regarding assets within and without Italian territory and not to dispose of them without permission.
34. Italians to disarm and demobilize as instructed by Allied C-in-C.
35. Italians to supply all information and documents required without destruction or concealment of archives.

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36. Italian Government to enforce execution of this instrument and place military and civil authorities at disposal of C-in-C.
37. A control commission appointed by UN will be charged with regulating and executing this instrument under direction of C-in-C.
38. (a) The term "United Nations" here includes the Allied C-in-C, the control commission and any authorities designated by the United Nations.
(b) The term "Allied C-in-C" includes the control commission and such other officers and representatives as the C-in-C may designate.
39. Reference to Italian land, sea and air forces shall be deemed to include Fascist militia and all other military or para-military units or bodies prescribed by the C-in-C.
40. The term "war material" to be defined from time to time by the control commission.
41. The term "Italian territory" includes all Italian colonies and defenses and here includes Albania.
42. Italian Government to send delegates to Hq, ACC, to transmit orders to Italian authorities.
43. Time of coming into force.
44. UN have power to denounce it if Italian obligations are not fulfilled or to penalize its contravention by extending military occupation or other punitive action.

TERMS OF RESTORATION OF ITALIAN TERRITORY

Whereas (1) an Armistice, (2) a Declaration of War as co-belligerent against Germany

A. Territory Restored

That portion of mainland of Italy south of northern boundaries of provinces of Salerno, Potenza and Bari: and Sicily and the adjacent islands (but not Pantelleria or Lampedusa or Idonosa).

B. Terms

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Armistice terms to remain in force: all powers reserved to UN officers in this territory including:-

1. Facilities required by C-in-C.
2. Right to maintain and quarter troops.

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3. Right to order Italian Government to hold and retain prisoners of war and civil internees.
4. Right to declare military zones.
5. Right to convene Allied Military Courts and punish offenders against United Nations regulations.
6. Right to conduct trials and such offenses already committed.
7. Right to sear AMG Italian officials from dismissal by Italian Government without permission.
8. Right to requisition private and public property and services.
9. Right to reoccupy territory if militarily necessary.
10. Right to control imports and exports and distribution of supplies and fix duties pertaining thereto.
11. Right to import and export free of duty.
12. Right to freedom from tax and duties for officials of UN.
13. Right to freedom from trial in Italian courts.
14. Right to charge expenses of troops to Italian Government.
15. Right to demand decrees enforcing these terms and conditions.

These decrees are:

1. that seat of Italian Government should be moved to Salerno;
2. (a) a decree stabilizing wage rates, maximum prices and charges for services: and fixing maximum quantity of grain to be held by anyone--as existing at the time of restoration and pending future policy agreed with UN;
- (b) a decree implementing the Armistice terms, giving AMG courts rights of trial for "hostile acts" and a right to any member of UN forces to arrest offenders (except Italian officers or high officials, when Italian Government will act).
3. request for decrees relating to:-
 - X. Badoglio's proclamation, and
 - Y. (1) currency exchange for AMG notes;
 - (2) prohibition of deals in land and buildings (to prevent inflation)

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- (3) transactions in currency, bullion and foreign trade;
 - (4) control of business: delivery of Fascist or enemy property: blocked accounts (fortnightly reports to C.F.D.);
 - (5) opening of safe deposit boxes before witnesses; and
- Z. decree concerning UN, Allied (to include French) and enemy property, which is to be administered by Allied Director of Property.

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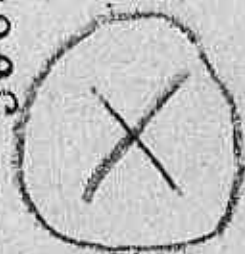
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