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Handover of Territory To Italian Jurisdiction
Nov. 1943 - Feb. 1945 *Transfer of Government*

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
10951/1.1.26

Rome, 10 February 1945

My dear Admiral,

since October 16th, is, since the last passage of territory - provinces of Chieti, Pescara, L'Aquila, Teramo, Rieti, Viterbo - from the jurisdiction of A.M.G. to that of the Italian Government, the fighting line has moved further north under the pressure of the Allied armies, in view of the future operations which will bring about the complete liberation of the country.

During these long months of Military Administration, the A.M.G. Authorities have certainly been able - in the provinces which were not close to the front at least - to bring to an end through their wise and energetic action, the necessary work of reorganization which has to take place in the territories which have just been liberated, in relation with strictly military requirements as well as with civilian requirements.

On the other hand, the Allies having consolidated their positions, and the possibility of war refugees getting more remote every day, the populations of these territories are now living in more normal conditions of life and work, after the hard period of enemy occupation, and the violent shocks of the fight.

The economy of these regions - Umbria, Marche and Tuscany - being characterized by great agricultural resources, its natural development requires great facilities for commercial relations and exchanges.

On the contrary, as the above mentioned provinces are under an administrative regime different from that of the neighbouring southern provinces, economic exchanges between them are hampered or at least delayed. The important advantages which more active economic relations would bring about can therefore not be obtained.

I want to draw your attention on the fact that it would be opportune for more provinces to be handed over to the Italian Government, subordinately, of course, to military requirements. To increase the sphere of action of the organs of the Italian administration would bring about the immediate advantages which I have mentioned, and also enable to solve more easily the serious problems which will have to be faced on the liberation of the whole national territory.

Trusting that you will examine this question with your usual spirit of comprehension, I remain, my dear Admiral,

Truly yours,

S. I. BONCHI

Admiral Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission - Rome

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff
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S.E.C.R.E.T

Tel: 735

8 February 1945

Ref: 2605/151/COS

SUBJECT: Restoration of territory to Italian Government.

TO : Civil Affairs Section

1. Reference to your 23/18/13/CA of 7 Feb 45, the Chief of Staff wishes you to write to the Regions concerned for their opinion on the desirability of handing over the Provinces of TERNI and ASCOLI PICENO to the Italian Government. Their attention should be drawn to two factors which may militate against handing over at the present time and that is, the number of Allied troops who may be billeted in these two Provinces and the severity of devastation.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel: 478104

Ref: 9/6B/CA.

11 Feb 45.

SUBJECT: Restoration of Territory to Italian Government.

TO: R.C., TOSCANA Region,
LAZIO-JUMERIA Region.

- 1 The Chief Commissioner has under consideration the possibility of returning further provinces to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government, namely TERNI, GROSSETO, ASCOLI-PICENO and MACERATA and desires an expression of your views on the desirability of such restoration at the present time with regard to the provinces under your command.
- 2 In expressing your views will you please consider not only the degree of economic recovery and the state of law and order and civil administration in those provinces, but also whether Allied troops are present in large numbers and if so whether a restoration is desirable on those grounds or not.
- 3 The Regional Commissioner, ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region, has already expressed the view that ASCOLI-PICENO and MACERATA can be restored to the Italian Government except for the presence of very large numbers of Allied troops who are at present resting in that area.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Signed by G.R.V. RKG
G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
DCS AC.Copy to: Economic Section,
R.C., ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region,
Chief of Staff,
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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel. Ext. 525

Ref: TS/18/13/CA.

7 Feb 45.

SUBJECT: Restoration of Territory to Italian Government.

TO: Chief of Staff.

- 1 With reference to the Chief Commissioner's conference yesterday.
I recommend that the following provinces
(i) TERNI (LAZIO-UMBRIA Region),
(ii) ASCOLI PICENO (ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region)
be handed over as soon as possible to the Italian Government.
- 2 Both provinces have been liberated for about 7 months and should be now be in a proper state to be handed over. Moreover, their distance from the fighting line renders it quite unnecessary to retain them under A.M.G. from a military or security point of view.
- 3 Would you please consult the R.Cs. affected for their views.

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G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
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Political Section.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 57)

11 December 1944

POWERS AND RIGHTS OF ALLIED FORCES IN ITALIAN
GOVERNMENT TERRITORY1. General

a. It is the policy of the Allied Governments, as military exigencies permit and as the Italian Government is able to take on the responsibility, to hand back to its jurisdiction and administration territory formerly subject to Allied Military Government. In such territory Allied Military Government ceases on the hand-over and the Italian Government assumes the jurisdiction and administration subject to the paramount guidance and control of the Allied Commission.

b. In handing back territory to the Italian Government, certain rights are reserved to the Allied Forces by agreement with the Italian Government. It is necessary that Allied troops in these areas should be aware of the most important of these rights and the manner in which they are to be exercised.

c. For the purposes mentioned herein the territory which may from time to time be included in that handed back to the Italian Government is termed Italian Government Territory. At the present time such territory comprises the Islands of Sicily and Sardinia and all provinces on the mainland south of the northern boundaries of the provinces of Viterbo, Rieti and Teramo with the exception of the comune of Naples which is still under Allied Military Government.

d. It is to be particularly noted that officers of the Allied Commission stationed in Italian Government territory are there to advise and control the Italian Government and one of their most important functions is liaison between Allied Military Formations in their areas and the local Italian administrative officials.

e. It is further particularly to be noted that all but the most routine dealings with the Italian administration must be conducted through the local Allied Commission representative.

2. Requisitioning - The Allied Forces have retained the power to requisition private and public property and services in Italian Government territory but it is emphasized that this must be exercised sparingly and only for reasons of genuine military necessity. This will be exercised through the Italian authorities. If for example it is necessary to requisition a building it should be done through the Sindaco of the town where the building is situated with the assistance of the nearest provincial officer of the Allied Commission. The usual formalities of requisitioning will be followed.

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3. Process in Italian Courts - No members of the Allied Forces, Allied followers of such forces, or British or U. S. Merchant Seamen will be subject to jurisdiction of Italian Courts.

4. Crimes against Allied Forces

a. In Italian Government territory crimes committed by Italian nationals, will normally be tried under Italian Law and in Italian Courts.

b. The Allied Forces however have reserved to themselves the right to hold Allied Military Courts in Italian Government Territory for the trial of Italian nationals who commit acts seriously hostile to the Allied Forces and to punish them in accordance with the Italian penal code. The reservation of this right is not intended however to encourage the trial of Italian offenders by Allied Military Courts but is to enable them to deal with the most serious offences against Allied personnel or property which cannot effectively be dealt with by the Italian Courts.

c. The procedure to be followed, if it is desired that an offence should be tried by an Allied Military Court, will be for the military authorities to give a full statement of the facts to the local representative of the Allied Commission with a request that an Allied Military Government Court be convened to hear the charges. It will be the responsibility of Allied Commission to frame the charges and constitute the Court. It is emphasized that only in the most exceptional circumstances will any case in Italian Government Territory be referred to Allied Military Courts and then only on order of Allied Commission.

d. Consequent on reservation of the power to try such offenders there is reserved to the Allied Forces the power to arrest persons who are believed to have committed such offences. High ranking Italian officials and officers of the Italian Armed Forces should, however, only be arrested in collaboration with the appropriate Italian official (e.g. the Prefect or the Commanding Officer of the officer concerned). In all cases of arrest the agreement of the local Allied Commission officer will be obtained beforehand, except in an emergency when he will be informed immediately after the arrest.

5. Military Zones - The present policy with respect to military zones and the employment of Allied troops to quell civil disturbances is as follows:

The right is reserved by the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater to declare specific areas of Italian Government Territory to be Military Zones. By the issue of such a declaration, the exercise of the powers of Military Government in the Zone in question is assumed by the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater. Should the situation in any area become such as to convince the District Commander that the establishment of Zones is necessary, he should, after consulting the Allied Commission Regional Commissioner, report accordingly to this Headquarters, giving full reasons to justify his view. The Allied Forces may also re-occupy any part of Italian territory, but the right to constitute a Military Zone will render it unnecessary to exercise this right in respect of any local disorders.

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6. Use of troops in aid of the Civil Power

a. In the event that the local Italian authorities ask for the assistance of Allied troops in quelling civil disturbances, the local commander will point out that the quelling of civilian riots or disturbances is a matter for the Italian authorities and he will refuse such assistance, unless he is of the opinion that it is necessary for the protection of Allied military interests. Furthermore, before rendering such assistance, the local commander will warn the local official requesting his assistance that the territory in question will be liable to be made forthwith an Allied Military Zone. If time permits, the local commander will consult the local Allied Commission officer and seek instructions from his superior commander before giving assistance; in any event, he will inform his superior commander of any request made to him and the action taken thereon without delay.

b. District and Base Section Commanders in disposing of their forces should have regard for contingencies in which it might be necessary to send troops to quell civil disturbances. They should consult the local Allied Commission officer where appropriate in this matter particularly in regard to contemplated troop movements which might prejudice the security of any locality within their area of responsibility.

7. Military and Civilian Internees - The Allied Forces may continue to hold or require the Italian Government to hold in custody military or civilian internees in Italian Government territory. If the Allied Forces require to arrest any person for security or other reasons such arrest should be carried out in collaboration with Italian officials unless, in any particular case, it is thought that a request to the Italian police to arrest a suspect would be ineffective. In all such cases the local Allied Commission officer must, except in emergency, be informed of the intention to make the arrest, whether it is to be effected by the Allied or Italian authorities. If he is not in agreement the matter will be referred to higher authority. Such persons will be detained in 371 PW Camp, or such other place of internment as there may from time to time be designated for that purpose.

8. Emergency Action - All action required from the Italian Administration should invariably be sought through the medium of the Allied Commission Regional or Provincial Commissioner, except where an emergency may arise which requires immediate action by the Allied Forces for their protection and security. Where by reason of the emergency immediate action is taken without previous reference to Allied Commission, the appropriate Allied Commission officer will be informed as soon as possible.

By command of General WILSON:

C. W. Christensen
C. W. CHRISTENSEN, 6251
Colonel, AGD,
Acting Adjutant General.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMF
Office of the Chief of Staff.

Ref : 2605/143/BOC.

13 October 1944.

SUBJECT : Handover of Territory to the Italian Government.

TO : R.C.'s Spoletia, Southern, Soderas, Lazio-Umbria,
Abruzzi-Marche, Toscana, Emilia, Liguria, Piemonte
Lombardia and Venezia.

Effective as from 0001 hrs., 16 October 1944, the Provinces of
CHIETI, PESCARA, L'AQUILA, TERAMO, Rieti and VITERBO are handed over to the
Italian Government.

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for
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM TO: Secretary, Advisory Council for Italy

1. The Italian Government have recently been pressing for an early reversion to their control of the Provinces of TERNI, AQUIA, PERCORA and CHIETI on the grounds that, among other things, the Province of CHIETI was liberated over 5 months ago, and that in TERNI and AQUIA the activities of the patriots has given ample proof of anti-Fascist and anti-Fascist sympathies. These headquarters are in full agreement that from the administrative point of view, these Provinces could be handed back at any moment.
2. In order to conform to the new boundary of AEM, and thereby to simplify certain aspects of administration and legislation, it is considered that the Provinces of VIMINIO and VIMINI might also be handed back to the Italian Government at the same time. The damage suffered in these Provinces was not so great as in the areas where the Axis halted for a period. Public works are now well in hand, the Italian provincial administration is working and except for a small portion of VIMINIO, the whole area is South of the Beer Army Security Control Line.
3. An additional advantage in this proposal is that it would enable the Allied Control Commission to withdraw at once a small number of officers badly needed in the North.
4. The matter has been referred to C-inec, Allied Areas in Italy who has replied that he has no objection to the proposed transfer.
5. Before referring the matter to SAC for final consideration we have been directed to enquire the views of the members of the Advisory Council. Perhaps you would kindly arrange to have the matter brought up for discussion at the next meeting of the Council on October 6th.

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This summary is intended
to be harmless but I
would like to see
the original
as soon as possible

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESTORATION OF ITALIAN TERRITORY

(1) On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces I wish to make the following announcement.

2. On 1944 that part of the Italian Peninsula which lies south of the Northern boundary of the Provinces of Salerno, Potenza and Bari, together with the Islands of ^{Sicily} ~~Sardinia~~ and Sardinia will be returned to the Italian Government. Without ~~the~~ prejudice to the rights which the United Nations enjoy under the Armistice and which are established in their behalf by the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces and his representatives, including the Allied Control Commission, all powers of Government will henceforth belong to the Government of Italy. At the same time Allied Military Government which has been responsible for the control and administration of this territory will cease to function within its boundaries.

3. When the Allied Forces first occupied the territory of Metropolitan Italy, military operations ^{and} in the best interests of the civilian population made a Military Government a necessity. It was a military necessity that order should be established and maintained among the civil population behind the lines so that our troops could continue their fighting under the most favorable conditions. It was ^a ~~the~~ human necessity that the men, women and children in the occupied territory should be aided ^{devoid of law} so far as conditions allowed in recovering from the misery and ~~deficiencies~~ ^{aid} which warfare had imposed on their land. Accordingly, Allied Military Government was established on the basis of International Law. It was conducted ^{and} with ~~the~~ justice.

4. The eradication of Fascism and the restoration of freedom of speech and of the press to the Italian people were established in the original plan as ~~fundamentals of military government~~ ^{the} ~~of military government~~. These aims emanated from the same belief that our war in Italy was being waged

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5. Whenever the success of Allied Arms made it possible, the vast majority of Italians repudiated Fascism in all its forms and manifestations. The Armistice of September 3 was not only an admission of military ; it was an official condemnation of a political group which had placed Italy in German hands. Italy's Declaration of War against Germany on October 13 marked the final break of the Italian people with German dominated Fascism.
6. On November 1 the Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom and the Soviet Union expressed the basic policy in the Moscow Declaration of the respective Foreign Secretaries. The Declaration reiterated the fundamental principles that Fascism and all its evil influences and emanations will be utterly destroyed and after that the Italian people shall be given every opportunity to establish governmental and other institutions based upon democratic principles.
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9. These conditions are consistent with the larger principles which the Allied Governments have already declared. Italians of honest democratic conviction must lay the foundation for their country's future. They must work out their future democracy according to the will of the Italian people when that will can be adequately expressed.

10. The Allied Control Commission will see that this is done according to the terms of the Armistice. It will continue to ensure the effective use of Italian resources in the common war and to represent Allied Interests to the Italian National and Local Governments. At the same time it will see that opportunity is given to the people of Italy to develop their political activities in an atmosphere of fairness and freedom.

11. For the reasons given at the beginning of this announcement it will be necessary for the Allied Military Government to continue to function in combat zone. But it is also foreseen that as our armies advance and normal conditions are restored in the territory progressively occupied further transfers will be effected. The situation now in the making will make it possible for these forward transfers to be made to an Italy which has grown in strength and stature. We look to the Italian people to translate this possibility into a firm reality and to work together toward the common victory. Nothing must stand in its way for it is the indispensable condition of the freedom of all mankind.

FOR RELEASE MIDNIGHT, FEBRUARY 10

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can be adequately expressed.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

Ref/276/94/CA

SUBJECT:- Handover of Territory to the Italian Government.

TO: R.C.'s Regions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, 'Z', & 'Y'.
S.C.A.C.'s Fifth and Eighth Army.

1. Effective as from 0001 hours, 15 August 1944, the Provinces of ROME, LITTORIA and PROSINONE (Region IV) will be handed over to the Italian Government.

2. Regional Commissioner, Region IV, will thereafter operate in an advisory role throughout the above Provinces. The remaining Provinces of VITERBO, RIETI, TERNI and PERUCIA will continue under Military Government.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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battleships,
cruisers have laid
a continuous barrage into
Japan's defensive positions.

Meanwhile the Navy department
announced from Washington that
U. S. submarines have sunk 14
more Japanese ships including a
destroyer and a medium class na-
val auxiliary.

Five More Provinces Returned To Italians

ROME, July 20—In line with
the Allied policy of returning lib-
erated areas to Italian administra-
tion, the Allied Control Commission
announced today that five more
provinces have been transferred to
the jurisdiction of the Italian gov-
ernment.

These provinces include Foggia,
Campobasso, Benevento, Avellino,
and Naples, except the city of
Naples. Municipal Naples remains
under Allied control with the agree-
ment of the Italian authorities be-
cause of its importance as a port
for Allied supplies.

Ask The Man Who Knows One . . .

The life of an MP,
Isn't easy, isn't hard;
Sometimes we do town patrol,
Other times, we stand guard,
Now we direct traffic,
Then guard some vital port,
Or guarding an installation,
Standing deep in thought,
We think of the folks at home
And all those left behind,
We're just like other soldiers
Even though we seem unkind.
The soldier who really knows us
Thinks we're pretty good guys,
But there are just a few of them
That like to spread the lies,
So all you fellas over here
Who think that we're all heels,
The next time that you're in town
Ask an MP how he feels.
We do our share of griping
Because we're way behind
While others do the fighting
Along the battle line.
There is no credit for our work
Don't think we give a damn,
But when this war is over
We've done our job, for Uncle Sam.

—Pvt. Fred Cornell

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9:45—News
10:00—Xavier Cugat
10:30—One Nite Stand
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11:15—Musical Tour
11:55—News
12:00—Sign Off

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6:30—News (BBC)
6:45—Reveille Revels
7:00—News (BBC)
8:15—Sign Off
10:00—Sound Off
10:15—The Bulletin Board
10:30—Tune Tonic
11:00—Weekend Waxin's
11:20—Melody Round Up
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REF SD 1139 OF 7 JUL. DECISION TO MOVE WAR MINISTRY AND GENERAL
STAFF REETS WITH ACC. AMI HAS NO OBJECTION TO MOVE PROVIDED (A)
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AUTHENTICATED:

cc: Hon. Alexander Kirk
 Sir Noel Charles

L. D. DENSMORE
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TO CONDITION AND TIMES OF TRANSFER OF ADDITIONAL TERRITORY TO ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION AS
SET FORTH IN MY SUGAR TWO SEVEN TWO OF NINE JULY NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES PD ADVISORY COUNCIL
APPROVED PROPOSALS AT ITS MEETING TODAY AND IS TELEGRAPHING ITS CONCURRENCE PD REQUEST
INSTRUCTIONS AS TO WHETHER ACC SHALL RELEASE PUBLICITY HERE OR WILL YOU DESIRE TO HANDLE PD
IF LATTER CMA WOULD POINT OUT THAT LANGUAGE TO BE USED IN TRANSFER DOCUMENTS AS TO
RESERVATION ON COMUNE OF NAPLES WILL SAY SUBSTANTIALLY THAT THE COMUNE OF NAPLES REMAINS
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ISSUED BY HIM OR UNDER HIS AUTHORITY PD THIS WILL PERMIT US TO AVOID REFERENCE TO TERM
QUOTE AND UNQUOTE AS CONTINUING IN COMUNE OF NAPLES AND INSTEAD WILL EMPHASIZE THE
MILITARY NECESSITY OF TREATING IT AS A MILITARY ZONE PD IF YOU HANDLE PUBLICITY REQUEST
WE BE GIVEN SUFFICIENT ADVANCE NOTICE TO ENABLE PW AND ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO COORDINATE
THEIR PUBLICITY HERE

MILERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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L. D. DENMORE
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Chief Staff Officer

cc: Hon. Alexander Kirk
Sir Noel Charles
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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 39.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 276/72/24.

14th July 1944.

SUBJECT: Handover of Territory to the Italian Government.

TO : Regional Commissioners,
Regions I, II, III, IV, VI, VII,
VIII, IX and ROME Region.
SCAO, AMF 5 Army.
SCAO, AMG 8 Army.

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5. Adjuncts of staff, transport and supplies are now being provided by the Regional Commissioner, Region V and Provincial Commissioner, FOGGIA 6232 will be submitted to the Sections concerned for approval.
6. This will not be made public until further orders.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SUBJECT: Handover of Territory to the Italian Government.

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[Signature]
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SUPPLEMENTING MY ADV 297 OF 7 JULY. ARMY SUBCOMMISSION AND
MINISTRY OF WAR START MOVE TO ROME TODAY TO BE COMPLETED BY
20 JULY. MINISTRY OF MARINE MOVING BY SEA 3 SECTIONS AT 5
DAY INTERVALS; ETA ROME FIRST SECTION, 15 JULY. MINISTRY
OF AVIATION WILL ARRIVE IN ROME ON 15 JULY. AIR SUBCOMMISSION
ALREADY ESTABLISHED IN ROME. INFORMATION ON NAVAL SUBCOMMISSION
WILL BE TELEGRAPHED LATER.

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YOUR 051859 OF 6 JULY REFERS. FURTHER BY ADV 237 OF 7 JULY, TRANSFER OF
FURTHER TERRITORY. SUBJECT TO RECOMMENDATIONS ADVISORY COUNCIL AND
APPROVAL ALL, PROPOSE TRANSFER TERRITORY AS FOLLOWS: (1) PROVINCES
NAPLES, BENEVENTO, AVELLINO, FOGGIA AND CAMPORANO, JULY 20TH, WITH
DESIGNATION OF GOVERNOR OF NAPLES AS A MILITARY ZONE UNDER AM. (2)
PROVINCE BENE, LITIORIA, FROSINONE, INCLUDING BENE CITY, AUGUST 12

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YOUR FOX SIX EIGHT EIGHT ONE EIGHT JULY FIFTH SITE WIGG PD PAPER TO AFHQ FOR SIGNED
FOR ACTION GMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER GMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR FOR INFORMATION
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FROM STONE PERSONAL PAPER AAI HAS ADVISED THAT ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND ALLIED CONTROL
COMMISSION TOGETHER WITH ADVISORY COUNCIL MAY MOVE TO ROME DURING THE COMING WEEK GMA
THE MOVE TO BE COMPLETED SO FAR AS POSSIBLE BY JULY FIFTEENTH ON WHICH DATE GOVERNMENT
WILL OFFICIALLY DEPART FROM ROME PD ROME WILL CONTINUE UNDER ALC AT LEAST UNTIL
AUGUST FIFTEENTH PD WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NAVY WAR AND AIR MINISTRIES AND CORRESPONDING
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION SUBCOMMISSIONS GMA AS TO WHICH FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE
TELEGRAPHED GMA ALL VICE PRESIDENTS OF ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION WILL BE IN ROME BY
JULY TWELFTH TOGETHER WITH HEADS OF CIVIL MINISTRIES PD STAFFS WILL BE MOVING BETWEEN
NOW AND THE FIFTEENTH ALTHOUGH THERE MAY BE A FEW STRAGGLERS ARRIVING AFTER THE
FIFTEENTH PD IN ANY CASE IT CAN BE STATED THAT THE TRANSFER OF THE GOVERNMENT AND
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS TO ROME WILL BE EFFECTIVE AS OF JULY FIFTEENTH
PD AS TO TRANSFER OF TERRITORY NO ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM LIST OF PROVINCES IN
MACFARLANE'S LETTER OF JUNE ELEVENTH WILL BE PROPOSED BUT PROPOSALS FOR REVISED TIMES
FOR TRANSFER WILL BE TELEGRAPHED NOT LATER THAN JULY NINTH

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YOUR TESSIE JULY 25TH CITE PHED. AAI HAS AGREED THAT ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
AND ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION TOGETHER WITH A CIVILIAN COUNCIL MAY MOVE
TO ROME DURING THE COMING WEEK, THE MOVE TO BE COMPLETED AS FAR AS
POSSIBLE BY JULY 15TH ON WHICH DATE GOVERNMENT WILL OFFICIALLY SECESSION
FROM ROME. ROME WILL CONTINUE UNDER AAI AT LEAST UNTIL AUGUST 15TH.
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NAVY WAR AND AIR MINISTRIES AND CORRESPONDING
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION SUBCOMMISSIONS, AS TO WHICH FURTHER INFORMATION
WILL BE FURNISHED, ALL VICE PRESIDENTS OF ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
WILL BE IN ROME BY JULY 12TH TOGETHER WITH HEADS OF CIVIL MINISTRIES.
STAFFS WILL BE MOVED BETWEEN NOW AND THE 15TH ALTHOUGH THERE MAY BE A
FEW STRAGGLERS ARRIVING AFTER THE 15TH. IN ANY CASE IT CAN BE STATED
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Office Of the Acting Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT:

FILE No. 6 JUL 1944

TO: Political Section, Hq ACC

6 July 1944

Attached for your information is copy of Secret Message, Personal for Chief Commissioner, No. F-68818 from AFHQ relative to move to Rome, together with paraphrase S-267 to Acting Chief Commissioner.

L. D. Denmore
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Colonel, Sig C
Chief Staff Officer

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FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MESSAGE FOX SIX EIGHT EIGHT ONE EIGHT FROM AFHQ SIGNED
 SACRED CITY PHUNG DATED FIVE JULY REFERENCE CG APOSTROPHE SUGAR LETTER ELEVENTH
 JUNE PD PARTN TO ACC ADVANCE PERSONAL FOR STONE FROM ACC MAIN FROM DEBARKER PARTN
 QUOTE BASED ON RECOMMENDATION OF ADVISORY COUNCIL OF JULY SECOND CMA MOVE OF ITALIAN
 GOVERNMENT CMA ACC AND ADVISORY COUNCIL TO ROME IS AUTHORIZED AS SOON AS MILITARILY
 CONVENIENT PD CONSULT AAI RELATIVE ACTUAL DATE AND INFORM AFHQ OF RESULT PD THE
 TRANSFER OF FURTHER TERRITORY TO ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES AS
 MAY BE MILITARILY CONVENIENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ROME PROPOSALS IS APPROVED IN
 PRINCIPLE AND IS AUTHORIZED SUBJECT TO A FAVORABLE REPLY TO AFHQ REQUEST FOR A
 RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVISORY COUNCIL PD ADVISE AFHQ OF ANY REVISION IN OUR
 PROPOSALS RELATIVE TO THE GROUPING OF PROVINCES TO BE TRANSFERRED AND THE TIME
 OF TRANSFER PD IT IS UNDERSTOOD FROM OUR PROPOSALS THAT THE TERMS OF TRANSFER
 OF SUCH TERRITORIES ARE TO BE IDENTICAL AS THOSE HERETOFORE APPROVED PD INFORM
 THE PRESIDENT IN OFFICE OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE FOREGOING PD UNQUOTE PD
 SUGGEST YOU CONTACT AAI AND REPLY TO AFHQ PD COPY OF ABOVE MESSAGE GIVEN ADVISORY
 COUNCIL CMA AMBASSADOR KITH CMA SYN ROME CHARLES CMA EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER AND

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MESSAGE NO. 5-267 TO ACC R/R for Stone, 6 July, continued:

VICE PRESIDENTS PD ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE INFORMED UNTIL YOU CLEAR WITH
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AUTHENTICATED:

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, Sig C
Chief Staff Officer

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Letter CG/G/387 of June 11.

Considering recommendation of Advisory Council communicated to me 2 July, the move of the Italian Government, the Allied Control Commission and Advisory Council to Rome as soon as militarily convenient is authorized. You should consult AAI regarding actual date and inform me of result.

The transfer of further territory to Italian Administration at such time or times as may be militarily convenient in accordance with your proposals is approved in principle and is authorized subject to a favorable reply to my request for a recommendation from the Advisory Council. I request that you advise me of any revision in your proposals as to the grouping of the provinces to be so transferred and the times of transfer. I understand in accordance with your proposals that the terms of transfer of such territories are to be identical as those heretofore approved. You may inform the president in office of the Advisory Council of the foregoing.

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ACTION: Col. Densmore

INFO: Mr. Grady

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 ADVISOR AND G5 RPT TO ADV AAI FOR ALEXANDER RPT AFHQ ADV CP RPT ADV
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YDPR/VX/46/ YOUR PX 67063 JULY 1 CITE FHGG. PARA 1. ADVISORY COUNCIL
 JULY FIRST ADOPTED RESOLUTION APPROVING AND URGING EARLY MOVE OF
 ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND ACC TO ROME. PARA 2. REVERENCE TO TRANSFER OF
 ADDITIONAL TERRITORY TO ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION, I MUST EMPHASIZE THAT
 MACFARLANE AND I HAVE ALWAYS CONSIDERED THAT THIS SUBJECT IS SEPARATE
 AND DISTINCT FROM THE MOVE TO ROME. MACFARLANE'S LETTER CC/G/387 OF
 JUNE 11 POINTS OUT THAT BONOMI WAS EMPHATIC THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO
 OBJECTION TO MOVING GOVERNMENT TO ROME WHILE ROME STILL UNDER MILITARY
 GOVERNMENT. TRANSFER OF TERRITORY SHOULD THEREFORE BE CONSIDERED AS
 A SEPARATE SUBJECT. PARA 3. CHAIRMAN (IN ROTATION) OF ADVISORY COUNCIL
 NOW IN ALGIERS AND NECESSARILY THERE MUST BE DELAY IN ADVISORY COUNCIL
 CONSIDERING AT EXTRAORDINARY OR NEXT REGULAR MEETING THE QUESTION OF
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 IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND ACC HEADQUARTERS TO ROME.
 IF THIS APPROVAL CAN BE GRANTED FORTHWITH, THE ITALIAN MINISTERS AND
 SENIOR ACC OFFICERS CAN PROCEED TO ROME IN FORTY EIGHT HOURS AND MOVE
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ACTING CHIEF COMB.

SINCE I SPOKE TO YOU ON JUNE TWENTY FIRST ABOUT THE URGENT NEED FOR MOVING THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO THE CAPITAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE CMA PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G FIVE REPEATED AFHQ ADV CP RPTD ADV AXI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM STONE PERSONAL PAREN I HAVE BEEN TO HOME AND CONSIDER IT MY DUTY TO PRESS THIS ONCE AGAIN IF THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION AND THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ARE TO CARRY OUT THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS PD PARA THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION IS NOT STAFFED WITH SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL FOR SUCH THINGS AS THE REPAIR OF ROADS CMA COMMUNICATION LINES CMA AND THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF HYDRO-ELECTRIC STATIONS PD FOR THESE AND OTHER PROJECTS OF VITAL CONCERN TO ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY WE HAVE FROM THE FIRST RELIED UPON EXISTING ITALIAN ORGANIZATIONS, CMA WHICH WE HAVE CONTROLLED AND GUIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WISHES OF THE ALLIED COMMAND PD THE MAINSPRING OF THESE ITALIAN ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATIONS IS IN THE ITALIAN MINISTRIES IN ROME PD AS THE GERMANS DID NOT SUCCEED IN DESTROYING THIS MACHINE ALTOGETHER IT IS IN THE ALLIED INTEREST TO GET IT WORKING AGAIN AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE PD BUT SO LONG AS THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CANNOT GO TO THE CAPITAL THE ITALIAN MINISTRIES WILL BE RESTRICTED TO SUCH INTERNAL HOUSEKEEPING PROBLEMS AS CAN BE DONE BY A SMALL CADRE OF PERMANENT OFFICIALS PD

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CABLE NUMBER 5261 DATED 28 JUNE CONT'D

PARA IT IS NOT ONLY COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS THAT ARE AFFECTED PD THE SAME APPLIES TO AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY PD AS REGARDS THE LATTER A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF CARABINIERI HAVE PRESENTED THEMSELVES FOR DUTY IN THE RECENTLY LIBERATED AREAS PD SO LONG AS THE CARABINIERE HEADQUARTERS REMAIN AT SALERNO ALL THESE HAVE TO BE SENT THERE FOR SOMETHING AND RE BEYOND APPOINTMENT CMA WHICH IS A WASTE OF TIME CMA TRANSPORT AND SUPPORT PD PARA FROM THE POLITICAL POINT OF VIEW ALSO OUR TASK IS MADE MORE DIFFICULT IF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PUBLICLY LOSES PRESTIGE PD MANY ITALIANS ARE NOW ASKING WHY THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT GO TO THE CAPITAL AND ARE CONCLUDING THAT IT IS BECAUSE THEY DO NOT ENJOY THE CONFIDENCE OF THE ALLIED AUTHORITIES PD THE LONGER THE DELAY THE GREATER THE RISK OF INEFFECTIVENESS OF THE GOVERNMENT WHEN IT DOES REACH ROME PD PARA AN ADDED REASON IS THAT ACC HQ CAN VACATE OFFICE SPACE AT NAPLES FORTHWITH IF WE ARE PERMITTED TO MOVE GOVERNMENT AND THEREFORE ACC TO ROME PD THIS SPACE URGENTLY NEEDED BY PBS FOR OPERATIONAL REASONS PD PARA FOR THESE REASONS I MUST URGENTLY PRESS THAT AUTHORITY FOR IMMEDIATE TRANSFER TO ROME BE FORTHCOMING BOTH PD THE HEADS OF ECONOMIC CMA ADMINISTRATIVE CMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL SECTIONS OF ACC ARE UNANIMOUS THAT THIS IS ESSENTIAL

AUTHENTICATED:

L. D. DINGMORE
Colonel, Sig C
PA to A/CC

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DRAFT TELL AM.

To General Wilson personal from Stone.

Since I spoke to you on June 21st about the advisability of moving the Italian Government to the capital I have been to Rome and consider it my duty to press this once again if the Allied Control Commission is to carry out the administrative tasks assigned to it.

The Allied Control Commission is not staffed with sufficient personnel ^{for} ~~to organize~~ such things as the repair of roads and the re-establishment of hydro-electric stations. For these and other ~~such~~ things of vital concern to Allied forces in Italy we have from the first relied upon existing Italian organisations, which we have controlled and guided in accordance with the wishes of the Allied Command. The mainspring of these Italian administrative organisations is in the Italian Ministries in Rome. As the Germans did not succeed in destroying this machine altogether it is in the Allied interest to get it working again as quickly as possible. But so long as the Italian Government cannot go to the capital the Italian Ministries ~~should~~ be restricted to such internal housekeeping problems that can be done by

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a small cadre of permanent officials.

It is not only Communications and Public Works that are affected. The same applied to Agriculture and Public Safety.

As regards the latter a considerable number of Carabinieri have presented themselves for duty in the recently liberated areas. So long as the Carabinieri H.Q. remain at Salerno all these have to be sent there for screening and re-appointment, which is a waste of time, transport and effort.

The following
From an administrative point of view also our task is made more difficult if the Italian Government publicly loses prestige. Many Italians are now asking why the Government does not go to the capital and are concluding that it is because they do not enjoy the confidence of the Allied authorities. The longer the delay the more ineffective will the Government be when it reaches Rome.

Must Urgently Press
For these administrative reasons I ~~sincerely trust~~

Reg. Military Sec.
that authority for transfer to Rome will be forthcoming soon. The heads of Economic, Administrative, ~~Executive~~ and Political Sections of A.C.C. are unanimous that this is essential ~~to the success of the~~
~~operation.~~

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SAME TIME AS ITALIAN GOVERNMENT. NECESSARY THAT ALL FACILITIES BE
GIVEN TO REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNCIL AND THEIR STAFF FOR MOVE AND
ESTABLISHMENT IN ADEQUATE QUARTERS IN ROME. ACC WILL INITIATE
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FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MESSAGE F68816 FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACRED SITE FHGEG DATED 5 JULY REFERENCE CG'S LETTER 11 JUNE. QUOTE BASED ON RECOMMENDATION OF ADVISORY COUNCIL OF JULY 2ND, MOVE OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, ACC AND ADVISORY TO ROME IS AUTHORIZED AS SOON AS MILITARILY CONVENIENT. CONSULT AAI RELATIVE ACTUAL DATE AND INFORM AFHQ OF RESULT. THE TRANSFER OF FURTHER TERRITORY TO ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES AS MAY BE MILITARILY CONVENIENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR PROPOSALS IS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE AND IS AUTHORIZED SUBJECT TO A FAVORABLE REPLY TO AFHQ REQUEST FOR A RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVISORY COUNCIL. ADVISE AFHQ OF ANY REVISION IN YOUR PROPOSALS RELATIVE TO THE GROUPING OF PROVINCES TO BE TRANSFERRED AND THE TIME OF TRANSFER. IT IS UNDERSTOOD FROM YOUR PROPOSALS THAT THE TERMS OF TRANSFER OF SUCH TERRITORIES ARE TO BE IDENTICAL AS THOSE HERETOFORE APPROVED. INFORM THE PRESIDENT IN OFFICE OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE FOREGOING. UNQUOTE. SUGGEST YOU CONTACT AAI AND REPLY TO AFHQ. COPY OF ABOVE MESSAGE GIVEN ADVISORY COUNCIL, AMBASSADOR KIRK, SIR NOEL CHARLES, EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER AND VICE PRESIDENTS. ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE INFORMED UNTIL YOU CLEAR WITH AAI.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

Ref. CG/8/387.

11th. June, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters.
(ATTENTION: Supreme Allied Commander)

1. In consequence of the way in which operations have developed, I wish to make the following proposals regarding future transfers of territory to Italian administration and the location of Italian Government.

(1) Transfers of Territory.

(a) Campania (Provinces of Naples, Benevento and Avellino) to be transferred to the Italian Government on 24th. June.
(If necessary special reservations will be made regarding the port of Naples which will in any case be left as a military zone)

(b) The Provinces of Foggia and Campobasso to be transferred to the Italian Government on July 10th..
(In both cases all A.M.G. personnel will remain at their posts in A.C.C. capacity at any rate until the Amasso has been completed.)

(c) The Provinces of Roma, Littoria and Frosinone to be transferred to the Italian Government on July 20th..
(Whether or not it will be possible to transfer one or more additional Provinces East of the Appennines on this date depends upon the rate of progress of the 8th. Army in the Adriatic Sector.)

(11) The Italian Government.

As regards the move of the Italian Government, I had hitherto envisaged that it would not be possible to start moving it to Rome for at least a month or six weeks after Rome fell into our hands. It was naturally to be anticipated that we would find a very disorganised capital.

This has been ...

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This has not been the case and with public utilities and communications of all kinds functioning adequately and with ample accommodation available there are now no material reasons why the Government should not be installed in Rome at once.

The only local difficulty in this connection lies in the fact that Rome must be kept under Military Government for, at any rate, a long enough period to enable me to decide that an administration which is of necessity, and must of necessity, be dislocated and urged is capable of functioning efficiently.

I have asked Sig. Bonomi and Sig. De Nicola whether, should the situation arise, the Italian Government would find it awkward or, from their point of view, undesirable to function in Rome while the city was still under Military Government. They were most emphatic that they would have no objection whatever.

2. As regards efficiency of administration with all its resultant advantages; and as regards the prestige of the new Government and of the Lieutenantcy, there is everything to be said for installing the Government and the Lieutenant in Rome at as early a date as possible.

All the Ministries are available in Rome and could be occupied at very short notice. More important still large numbers of civil servants are available and ready to step into their appointments. They will naturally be subject to normal expropriation but it seems clear that the bulk of those with bad Fascist backgrounds have fled the city.

Conditions in Salerno are extremely difficult. There are no proper Government offices, there is a desperate shortage of living accommodation, and there is an extremely limited staff of civil servants whose numbers cannot be increased for reasons of accommodation alone. Working in Salerno the Government will be functioning under very grave handicaps and its efficiency will be infinitely less than it would be in Rome.

3. Taking all the above into consideration I consider that while adhering approximately to the dates I have suggested in Para 1. for the successive transfers of territory to the Italian Government I would like to urge strongly that the Italian Government should be permitted to return to Rome as soon as this can be conveniently arranged. Unless unforeseen circumstances intervene I should be able to get the Italian Government functioning in Rome by the 1st. July. This depends, however, on the date on which my proposal is approved.

4. I would be grateful if you would let me know as soon as possible whether you approve my above suggestions. In anticipation I am having the necessary Transfer Documents prepared on exactly the same lines as those which were used in effecting the transfers last February.

5. I have ~~discussed~~ ^{discussed}

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5. I have discussed all the above with General Alexander who is in agreement.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

Copies to:

Resident Minister.
American Political Adviser.
A.A.I. (for General Alexander).

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #394/pol

1 April 1944

SUBJECT: Document "E" of Papers Transferring Territory to Italian
Jurisdiction.

TO : I/Cmr M. Hopkins, Political Section, Hq ACG, Naples.

As requested attached herewith are the Italian and English texts
of Document "E" of the Papers transferring Territory to the Italian
Government. The English text was obtained from the Legal Sub-Commission
and the Italian text was copied from one of the original posters from
the files of the Deputy Secretary General.

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DONALD W. DECKER
Private First Class
Political Section

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394.

1 April, 1944.

REFERENCE : ACC/4102/L.
SUBJECT : Documents transferring Territory to Italian Jurisdiction.
TO : Political Section, Rear H.Q., A.C.C.

1. Reference your 584/pol dated 31 March 1944.
2. As requested herewith copy of translation of Document E. This Sub-Commission has not the Italian Text of this document but same is in possession of either the Chief Commissioner or Secretary General.

Gerald R. Upjohn
GERALD R. UPJOHN. 6211
Colonel,
Chief Legal Officer.

ITALIANI,

Le Nazioni Unite, aderendo alla richiesta del R. Governo, hanno disposto che la maggior parte del nostro territorio sinora occupato dalle Forze Alleate ci sia restituita.

Restano naturalmente in vigore soltanto quelle clausole e condizioni che sono necessarie per la condotta della guerra.

Ringrazio gli Alleati, a nome di Sua Maestà il Re e di tutto il Popolo Italiano, per questo nobile gesto, che è anche una prova di fiducia.

A nessuno sfuggirà l'importanza e la portata dell'avvenimento. E questa la prima tappa verso la rinnovata unità della Patria, che deve essere il nostro scopo e la nostra suprema aspirazione, la prima tappa dopo la cieca corsa verso l'abisso, alla quale il Popolo Italiano è stato per venti anni costretto da un Regime da cui vogliamo completamente redimerci, in nome delle libertà che ci è cara, ma non della licenza, in cui nessun popolo può cadere senza pericolo estremo.

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Le Forze Alleate combattono vittoriosamente con noi il comune nemico tedesco, quello stesso nemico che abbiamo combattuto insieme sul Gars, sull'Isone, sul Piave. Dell'esito di questa lotta dipende l'avvenire dell'Italia e del mondo. Tutti gli Italiani, in ogni settore della vita nazionale, dal più umile al più alto, vi debbono contribuire con tutti i loro mezzi e con tutte le loro forze, senza riserve, senza esitazioni, senza discussioni.

I nostri fratelli ci attendono in Roma eterna, in tutte le città e in tutti i villaggi ancora presunti dalla balanetta nazista.

La guerra può essere vinta soltanto con la più leale, con la più franca, con la più intima collaborazione coi liberi e grandi popoli alleati. Chiunque compie atti che ostacolano le Forze Armate nostre e Alleate o ne intralciano lo sforzo bellico o comunque giova al nemico, compirà opere anti-italiane e sarà senz'altro giudicato ed esemplarmente punito.

E questo dopo molte dolorose e tormentose giornate, il primo giorno fausto, perché, se lo saremo a verranno, sarà il primo della rinascita nazionale, rinascita che può venire solo dallo sforzo risoluto e concorde di tutti.

Siate, Italiani, all'altezza dell'avvenimento, in nome di questa nostra Patria risorgente dall'abisso, inanguinate e dolente.

11 febbraio 1944.

PIETRO BADOLIO

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11 febbraio 1944.

PIETRO BADOLIO

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 594

Reference #584/pol

31 March 1944

SUBJECT: Documents Transferring Territory to Italian Jurisdiction

TO : Legal Sub-Commission, Rear Headquarters AGC, Salerno

The British Resident Minister at Allied Force Headquarters has requested a copy of the Italian text of Document E of the papers restoring territory to Italian Government jurisdiction together with a good English translation of same.

Could you kindly furnish us with these copies that we may forward them to A.F.H.Q. If you do not have extra copies, perhaps you would lend us the two texts so that we can make the necessary copies. It is understood that the texts requested are in the final form as signed by General MacFarlane and Marshal Pedeglin.


J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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To Freedom (Murphy & Mac McClan)

Documents turning S Italy
over to Ital Govt.

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NO OBJECTION TO YOUR ANNOUNCING DETAILS OF AGC WHEN TRANSFER OF TERRITORY IS ANNOUNCED.

TEXT TRANSMITTED TO CCS FOR APPROVAL DIFFERS FROM YOUR TEXT IN FOLLOWING POINTS AND CHANGES IN YOUR TEXT SHOULD BE MADE ACCORDINGLY. PARA 2. READ "HAVE" FOR "ENJOY" IN LINE 5. PARA 2. LAST SENTENCE SHOULD READ: "WHERE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN OPERATING WITHIN THE TERRITORY THUS RESTORED, IT WILL ACCORDINGLY BE BROUGHT TO AN END". PARA 3. 3RD SENTENCE SHOULD READ. "IT WAS A HUMAN NECESSITY THAT THE MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY SHOULD BE RELIEVED AS FAR AS POSSIBLE FROM THE DISTRESS WHICH MILITARY OPERATIONS HAD BROUGHT UPON THEM." PARA 7. 2ND SENTENCE SHOULD READ: "THE PRINCIPLE DUTY ASSIGNED TO IT WAS TO TAKE SUCH MEASURES OF CONTROL ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE ARMISTICE AS TO TRANSFORM ITALY INTO AN EFFECTIVE INSTRUMENT OF WAR AGAINST GERMANY". PARA 8. END OF LAST SENTENCE:

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APPROVAL OF TEXT OF TRANSFER ANNOUNCEMENT NOT YET RECEIVED FROM
CCS. NO ANNOUNCEMENT CAN BE MADE UNTIL IT ARRIVES. MEANTIME HAVE URGED
EARLIEST APPROVAL AND PROPOSED SIMULTANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM AFHQ
AND ACC. CCS MAY DECIDE THAT SIMULTANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS SHOULD ALSO BE
MADE FROM LONDON, MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON WHICH WOULD CAUSE SLIGHT DELAY.
NO OBJECTION TO YOUR ANNOUNCING DETAILS OF ACC WHEN TRANSFER OF
TERRITORY IS ANNOUNCED.

TEXT TRANSMITTED TO CCS FOR APPROVAL DIFFERS FROM YOUR TEXT IN
FOLLOWING POINTS AND CHANGES IN YOUR TEXT SHOULD BE MADE ACCORDINGLY.
PARA 2. READ "HAVE" FOR "ENJOY" IN LINE 5. PARA 2. LAST SENTENCE SHOULD
READ: "WHERE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN OPERATING WITHIN THE
TERRITORY THUS RESTORED, IT WILL ACCORDINGLY BE BROUGHT TO AN END".
PARA 3. 3RD SENTENCE SHOULD READ. "IT WAS A HUMAN NECESSITY THAT THE
MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY SHOULD BE RELIEVED
AS FAR AS POSSIBLE FROM THE DISTRESS WHICH MILITARY OPERATIONS HAD
BROUGHT UPON THEM." PARA 7. 2ND SENTENCE SHOULD READ: "THE PRINCIPLE AL
DUTY ASSIGNED TO IT WAS TO TAKE SUCH MEASURES OF CONTROL ACCORDING TO
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FTHWICH (ACTION) HQ ACMP (INFO)

PRIOR TO SIGNING TRANSFER DOCUMENTS BADOGLIO
ASKED IF I COULD GIVE HIM THE ASSURANCE HE HAD REQUESTED IN CONNECTION
WITH ARTICLE ONE DOCUMENT ABLE PD I REPLIED NO PD PLEASE PAREN FARGO
FROM MAGFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN TO AFHQ FOR HGS FOR MACMILLAN CIVIL
AFFAIRS FOR CINC FOR ACTION RPTD HQ ACMP FOR CINC FOR INFO PD SITE
FARGO EIGHT THREE FOUR PD HE ASKED ALSO IF I WOULD INSERT A CLAUSE
STATING THAT PANTERLARIA GMA LARERDUSA AND DINGSA WOULD BE RETURNED TO
THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AFTER THE ALLIES HAD CEASED TO HAVE ANY MILITARY
USE FOR THEM PD I REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE BUT STATED THAT IF HE WOULD
SUBMIT A WRITTEN STATEMENT TO THIS EFFECT I WOULD FORWARD IT TO THE
ALLIED GOVERNMENTS PD I ASKED BADOGLIO TO CONFIRM THE FACT THAT HE
WISHED DOCUMENT ABLE TO REMAIN A SECRET DOCUMENT IN THE SAME WAY AS THE
LONG TERMS PD HE CONFIRMED THIS PD I DID MY BEST TO INDUCE BADOGLIO TO
OMIT MENTION OF THE KING IN THE THIRD PARAGRAPH OF HIS MESSAGE TO THE
ITALIAN PEOPLE PD HE REMAINED UNDERSTANDABLY ADAMANT ON THIS POINT AND
I EVENTUALLY AGREED TO HIS MESSAGE REMAINING IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM PD
I AM FORWARDING EARLIEST BY AIR COPIES OF ALL FIVE TRANSFER DOCUMENTS
AS SIGNED PD BADOGLIO AND I HAVE EACH RETAINED SIGNED COPIES

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L.F. NICKEL, 6201
Lt. Col. ASD
Adjutant General

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FARGO (GEN MACFARLANE C COM)

9th. February, 1944.

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FREEDOM (FOR C IN C, MACMILLAN, CIVIL AFFAIRS AND M.G.S.) REPEATED
HEADQUARTERS A.C.M.F. (FOR C IN C) FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL

Obtained Badoglio's signature to transfer documents this morning. Transfer of territory will take place at 0001 hours 11th. February.
See my immediately following telegram

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DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 1. REPLYING TO MESSAGE PBS 7355 CITE FARGO 745. THE ASSURANCE REQUESTED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CANNOT BE GIVEN. IF UNITED NATIONS WERE TO INSIST UPON THE RETENTION AND EXERCISE OF ALL THEIR RIGHTS UNDER ARTICLE 19 OF LONG TERMS, ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD BE BOUND TO "MAKE AVAILABLE" MANY FACILITIES. THE UNITED NATIONS ARE NOW WILLING TO MAKE CERTAIN TERRITORY "NON-OCCUPIED", STIPULATING HOWEVER FOR CERTAIN RIGHTS WHICH THE LONG TERMS ATTACH TO "OCCUPATION". SINCE THE ITALIANS ARE REQUIRED BY DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 1 TO "MAKE AVAILABLE" SUCH FACILITIES ETC AS THE ALLIED C IN C MAY REQUIRE, IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT THEY MAY BE CALLED UPON TO FURNISH MORE THAN MERELY FREE TRANSPORT. IF DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 1 MEANT NO MORE THAN IS ALREADY PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 21 (B), IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NEEDLESS.

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Political Section

Att. copy cable
forwarded on instructions
of Brig. Gen.

The reply to this cable
- Fango 745 dated 5
Feb 44 - copy was sent
you on 6 Feb.

W. H. Tucker

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ALLIED HEADQUARTERS
CONTROL COMMISSION
ACTION SHEET

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Date

FROM	TO
Deputy President	
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Vice Chief of Staff	
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CG PBS FOR FARGO, FATIMA REAR, FAIRBANKS

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HEREWITH REPLY TO YOUR MESSAGE CITE FARGO 655 OF 1 FEBRUARY AND TO MEMORANDUM DE/C/33 OF SAME DATE WITH ITS INCLOSURES.

DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 1 MUST STAND AS WRITTEN. UNDER ARTICLE 19 OF LONG TERMS THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MUST MAKE CERTAIN THINGS AVAILABLE IN OCCUPIED TERRITORY. ALTHOUGH THE TERRITORY RESTORED BECOMES "NON-OCCUPIED", WE RESERVE NEVERTHELESS THE RIGHTS STIPULATED IN ARTICLE 1 OF DOCUMENT A. 584

DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 9. REDRAFT CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. HOWEVER, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO ADD AT END OF ARTICLE 9 THESE WORDS, "EXCEPT AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE Agreed by the allied powers".

DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 11. REDRAFT CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. BUT YOU MAY ALTER THE SENTENCE TO BEGIN "ANY OFFICIAL OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVE OR, IN RESPECT OF ANY ACTIVITIES FOR OFFICIAL ACCOUNT, ANY AGENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS, CIVILIAN OR MILITARY" ETC.

DOCUMENT A ARTICLE 13. DESIRED AMENDMENT CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. DOCUMENT A SPREADS OF THE RESTORED TERRITORY AS BEING "NON-OCCUPIED". ITALIAN AMENDMENT WOULD LIMIT COSTS RECOVERABLE TO THOSE ARISING FROM TROOPS CONNECTED WITH "OCCUPATION". 6198

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DOCUMENT C. SEPARATION INTO 3 PARTS AS DESCRIBED IS ACCEPTABLE.

DOCUMENT C ARTICLE 3. YOUR COMMENT IS APPROVED. YOU MAY OMIT "EXCEPT THAT ANY PERSON" ETC AT CLOSE OF THE ARTICLE, AND INSERT THE SAME UNDERTAKING AT SOME APPROPRIATE PLACE IN DOCUMENT A. ADVISE THIS HEADQUARTERS OF ANY TEXTUAL CHANGE YOU MAY MAKE.

PROCLAMATION BY MARSHAL BADOGLIO. 3RD PARAGRAPH THANKS ALLIES IN NAME OF KING AND PEOPLE. OUR GOVERNMENTS HAVE DIRECTED THAT IT IS IMPORTANT IN CONNECTION WITH ALL PROPOSED DOCUMENTS THAT ROYALTY, CROWN AND KING BE NOT EMPHASIZED. IT WOULD APPEAR THEREFORE DESIRABLE THAT THIS MENTION OF THE KING BE OMITTED FROM THE TEXT.

IT IS TO BE REMEMBERED THAT TRANSFER ON BASIS OF DOCUMENTS A, B AND C AS PRESENTED TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTED MORE FAVORABLE VIEW THAN THAT PREVIOUSLY TAKEN BY THE 2 GOVERNMENTS, AND WAS ACCEPTED BY THE ONLY AFTER STRONG RECOMMENDATIONS OF ALLIED CINC. ACCORDINGLY THIS HEADQUARTERS NOT PREPARED TO ASK CCS APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS DESIRED BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.

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ARMED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION II

Political Section 1132
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Ref. MS / 2 / 33

28 Jan 44

Subj. Public Opinion in Reggio Province.

To: Chief, AMG Naples.

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Lt. Col., Inf.
R.C.A.O.

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Copy to: Major Utley, Intelligence.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Province of Reggio in
CALABRIA

SUBJECT: Relations with BADOGLIO Government.

Ref:1001/926

TO : R.C.A.O. REGION II MATERA

I enclose for your information a resolution passed by the Comitato di Concentrazione Antifascista of REGGIO Province. This unofficial committee representing all anti-fascisti parties in the province is doing useful work in proposing and advising on all new appointments of Italian Civilian Officials.

REGGIO
22 Jan 44

W.M.HARRISON, Capt
Int. Corps

S.C.A.O. REGGIO

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COMITATO DI CONCENTRAZIONE ANTIFAS STA
----- Provincia di Reggio Calabria-----

Deliberato del Comitato nella seduta del 13 gennaio 1944

Il Comitato di Concentrazione Antifascista;
In vista della determinazione della Commissione di Armistizio di
trasferire i poteri dell'Amministrazione civile dei territori del-
la Sicilia e della Calabria al Governo Italiano;

Mentre rende grazie alle Nazioni alleate del deliberato
preso, perfettamente conseguente ai principali di massima enunzia-
ti per la condotta della guerra:

C H I E D E

Che l'effettivo passaggio dei cennati poteri non avvenga nelle
mani del governo attuale ma di quello invocato e voluto dal popolo
italiano tutto e che dovrà essere costituito dai partiti antifa-
scisti in atto rappresentati dai Comitati di Liberazione e di Con-
centrazione.

Il Segretario
firma illegibile

Il Presidente
(Domenico Tupepi)

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Committee of Antifascist Concentration-
Province of Reggio Calabria

Motion of the Committee passed in the meeting of January 13, 1944

The Committee of Antifascist Concentration:

In view of the motion of the armistice Committee to transfer the powers of the civil government of the territories of Sicily and Calabria to the Italian Government:

While thanking the Allied Nations of the decision that they have taken in complete consistency with the principles announced for the conduct of the war:

ASKS :

That the effective transfer of said powers be ^{put} made not into the hand of present Government but those of a government that has been invoked and asked by the whole Italian people and should be set up by the antifascist parties represented at present by the Committee of Liberation and Concentration.

Secretary

Director

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ACTING UPON AUTHORITY CONVEYED BY CCS DIRECTIVE RECEIVED TODAY, ALLIED CINC NOW
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Letter

6 Nov 43

Gustarbock to Chief of Communications Section:

When territory is restored to Italian Government, it will be necessary for them to have adequate communications.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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5 January 1944.

Subject: Handing over Regions 1 and 2 to the Italian Government.

To : Major General Ranyon Joyce.

1. Before the final step is taken in handing over territories to the Italian Government, may I draw your attention to a matter of some importance. By a series of quite logical steps we have landed ourselves in a situation whereby at almost the same moment

- a. the military authorities are assuming increasing and detailed economic control of the "foot" of Italy; and
- b. this same territory is being handed over to the nominal government of Badoglio.

2. The ways in which the military authorities are trying to increase their economic control may be exemplified as follows.

- a. the appointment by AFHQ Advanced Administrative Echelon (AAE) of the Central Economic Committee with wide powers (see AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 92). While the C.E.C. may not in fact exercise the powers provided for in paragraphs 3 and 7 of the above administrative memorandum, they may at any time invoke them and enforce detailed orders regarding prices, wages, etc., on the Italian Government, through the Allied Control Commission, as a matter of military necessity without violating the armistice and terms of surrender.
- b. the recent Algiers price conference, in regard to which AFHQ Advanced Administrative Echelon directed that our views should be submitted through the C.E.C.
- c. the shipping list items submitted under AFHQ (MIS) letter dated 24 Dec 43.
- d. AFHQ Advanced Administrative Echelon letter 59/3 dated 26 Dec 43 regarding elective power

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3. As the result of this trend the Italian Government will probably have very little control of many vital economic functions of government on which depend such matters as whether their people are fed, have money in their pockets and can buy at reasonable prices. When the closeness of the Allied

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financial control is also taken into consideration, it appears that the powers of government left to the Italians themselves will be restricted to very few matters such as control of political meetings, legal affairs and education.

4. Furthermore, the closeness of the control which the military authorities, particularly the Central Economic Committee, may require you to exercise over the Italian Government, is hardly compatible with the spirit of your directive (General Instructions dated 1 Nov 43) or with the devolution of governmental powers envisaged at the Moscow conference.

5. I do not wish to raise the question of the consequences to A.C.C. of the military authorities assuming responsibilities and powers of this nature, as I understand Col. Spofford is dealing with you in regard to these matters. But I suggest that we should consider two other angles ^{from} at which the matter should be viewed:

- a. Are the Italian government aware of the detailed restrictions which may be imposed on them after the territories have been handed back?
- b. Are the Advisory Council aware of the assumption of the powers of the Allied Control Commission and of the assumption of wide powers by KLASO, a military headquarters which is unlikely to welcome that surveillance which the Advisory Council might expect to exercise over the Allied Control Commission?

6. It would be unfortunate if either the Italian Government or the Advisory Council were to realize these facts for the first time after the territories were handed over. The former might consider it a breach of faith. The latter might raise the issue on a high level and embarrass the Commander in Chief. I therefore suggest for your consideration that it would be advisable to acquaint the Italian Government and the Advisory Council before the territories are handed over, and to inform A.F.H.Q. accordingly.

Car
E. CUNNINGHAM
Brigadier

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Draft of 22 Dec.

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DOCUMENT A

Draft Terms for Restoration of Territory to Italian Government.

WHEREAS, in the course of their conduct of the war against the Axis powers, the Allied Forces have occupied certain Italian territory and

WHEREAS, an Armistice has been concluded with the Italian Government pursuant to which the United Nations may take such measures within and in regard to such territory as they may deem necessary for the protection of the Allied Forces and for the successful prosecution of the war and to occupy such other portions of Italian territory as they may deem necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Italian Government has declared war on Germany and has become a co-belligerent with the United Nations and

WHEREAS, the Italian Government has requested that certain areas now occupied by the Allied Forces be restored to the jurisdiction of the Italian government and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the United Nations to comply with this request in so far as may be compatible with the successful prosecution of the war and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the successful prosecution of the war that certain rights, powers and immunities in all Italian territory which has been liberated from German domination be retained by the Allied Forces,

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regard to such territory as they may deem necessary for the protection of the Allied Forces and for the successful prosecution of the war and to occupy such other portions of Italian territory as they may deem necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Italian government has declared war on Germany and has become a co-belligerent with the United Nations and

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Territory Restored: That portion of the Mainland of Italy south of the northern boundaries of the provinces of Salerno, Potenza and Bari, and Sicily and Adjacent Islands (but not Pantelleria or Lampedusa and Linosa.)

Terms of Restoration: Without prejudice to any rights, powers and immunities of the United Nations under the Armistice terms heretofore granted to the Italian government, all of which remain in full force and effect throughout all Italian territory, there is hereby reserved to the

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United Nations and to the Commander in Chief of the Allied Forces and to such officers or other representatives, including the Allied Control Commission, as he may designate, the rights, powers and immunities described below, in any part of the said territory and in all other Italian territory which has been liberated from German domination and is now under the jurisdiction of the Italian government, hereinafter referred to as "the Unoccupied Territory":

1. There will be made available to the Allied Forces such facilities, utilities and installations as may be required by the Allied Commander in Chief or his agents for such disposition, use or operation as may be determined.
2. To maintain and quarter troops in such parts of the Unoccupied Territory as they may see fit.
3. To hold or require the Italian Government to hold in custody prisoners of war and civilian internees as may be directed by the Allied Commander in Chief.
4. To declare any area to be a Military Zone and to exercise therein the rights of an occupying power or enforce such other controls as may be determined by the Allied Commander in Chief.
5. To convene Allied Military Tribunals for the trial of any person violating any order or regulation issued by the Allied Military authorities and of any person otherwise doing any act hostile to the Allied Forces or any member thereof, and to inflict such punishment upon such person as such Tribunals may direct.
6. To conduct and carry to ultimate conclusion the trial by Allied Military Tribunals of any person charged with an offense heretofore committed and cognizable under any proclamation or order heretofore issued by or on behalf of the Allied Military Governor.

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6. To conduct and carry to ultimate conclusion the trial by Allied Military Tribunals of any person charged with an offense heretofore committed and cognizable under any proclamation or order heretofore issued by or on behalf of the Allied Military Governor.
7. To requisition private and public property and services.
8. To reoccupy the whole or any part of the Unoccupied Territory at any time or to take such other steps or exercise such other powers in any part of such territory as may from time to time be deemed necessary for the proper prosecution of the war.
9. To import and export and to control and supervise the distribution to the civilian population of such civilian supplies as the Allied Forces may determine without the payment of any impost, tax, charge, or duty of any

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kind whatsoever either to the Italian government or to any of its political subdivisions or agencies.

10. To engage in such operations and import and export such military or other supplies or property of any nature as may be deemed necessary for the proper prosecution of the war free from the imposition of any impost, tax, charge or duty of any kind whatsoever by the Italian government or any of its political subdivisions or agencies.

11. Any official or other representative or agent of the United Nations, civilian or military, may enter and remain within the Unoccupied Territory free from the imposition of any impost, tax, charge or duty of any kind whatsoever by the Italian government or any of its political subdivisions or agencies.

12. No member of the Allied Forces or any official or other representative or agent of the United Nations, civilian or military, shall be brought to trial in any Italian Court for any cause whatsoever either civil or criminal without the consent of the Allied Powers.

13. All expenses and costs arising from the maintenance of Allied Troops or other personnel within the said territory will be chargeable to the Italian Government as a part of the costs of occupation.

14. Proclamations and Decrees in the form annexed hereto and made a part of these terms and conditions will be issued by the Italian Government at the time of transfer of the territory.

General,
Military Governor.

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DOCUMENT B

Draft Proclamation for Military Governor.

WHEREAS I assumed all powers of government and jurisdiction in the territory of Italy and Sicily occupied by my troops and over its inhabitants and established military government to exercise these powers in such territory under my direction, and

WHEREAS in the exercise of such powers, Proclamations and Orders have been issued from time to time by me or under my authority throughout such territories, and

WHEREAS an armistice has been concluded with the Italian Government and an Allied Control Commission has been appointed, and

WHEREAS the Italian Government has declared war on Germany and has become a co-belligerent with the United Nations, and

WHEREAS the United Nations have consented at the request of the Italian Government to restore as much of the occupied territory to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government as may be compatible with military exigencies,

NOW, therefore, I, HAROLD R. L. G. ALEXANDER, G. C. B., G. C. I., D. S. O., M. C., General, Military Governor of all the Occupied Territory, by virtue of authority vested in me by General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Commander in Chief of the Allied Forces, hereby Proclaim as follows :-

Allied Military Government established by me and all Proclamations and Orders heretofore issued by me or under my authority in that portion of the Mainland of Italy south of the northern boundaries of the provinces of Salerno, Potenza, and Bari, and Sicily and Adjacent Islands (but not Pantelleria or Lampedusa or Linosa) are hereby terminated as of 0001 hours on ____ day of ____.

The Italian Government will thereafter administer the above territory, subject to all powers,

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NOW, therefore, I, HAROLD S. I. O. ALMOND, G. O. B., S. S. I., D. S. G., M. C., General, Military Governor of all the occupied territory, by virtue of authority vested in me by General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Commander in Chief of the Allied Forces, hereby proclaim as follows :-

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General,
Military Governor.

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DOCUMENT C

Draft Proclamation by the Italian Government to be signed by Marshal Badoglio

To the Italian People:

WHEREAS, the United Nations have agreed to the request of the Italian Government that certain territories heretofore occupied by the Allied Forces be relinquished and restored to the Italian government upon such terms and conditions as are necessary for the proper prosecution of the war,

NOW, THEREFORE, I,

hereby proclaim and decree as follows:

1. Military government in the territory restored having been terminated by the Allied Military Government, all powers of government and jurisdiction in the territory restored and over its inhabitants, and final administrative responsibility, subject only to the rights reserved to the United Nations, are vested in the government of Italy.

2. All Proclamations and Orders heretofore issued by the Military Governor or under his authority in the said territory and which have been terminated therein by the Military Governor as upon its restoration, are hereby recognized by the Italian Government as having been validly issued and are declared to be of the same legal effect as if they had been issued by the Italian government in accordance with Italian law, and they will be so recognized by all Italian courts and officials.

3. All acts done by any member of the Allied Forces in pursuance of such Proclamations or Orders, and all official action of any nature taken by the Allied Military Government in pursuance thereof including all appointments to and removals from any office, public or private, will be recognized by all Italian courts and officials as legal, valid and binding, except that any person so appointed may be removed at any time by the Italian government with the consent of the Allied

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4. All sentences imposed by Allied Military Courts are hereby recognized by the Italian government as valid and legal and of the same effect as if imposed by an Italian court and will be so recognized by all Italian courts and Italian officials unless set aside or modified by or with the consent of the Allied Control Commission.
5. The Allied Forces are fighting our common enemy against whom Italy

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has declared war, for the purpose of driving the German invaders from Italian territory and restoring Italy as a free nation, liberated from Nazi domination and from the abuses of Fascism. I call upon all Italians in every walk of life to aid in this fight upon the successful outcome of which the future of Italy depends.

6. In prosecuting the war it will be necessary for troops to be maintained and quartered, for military zones to be established, and for members of the Allied Forces and officials and other representatives and agents of the United Nations to circulate freely within the restored territory. It is the duty of every Italian to cooperate fully with all members of the Allied Forces and all such officials and representatives and agents, and to obey all orders and regulations which may from time to time be issued by the Allied Forces in the military zones. All persons within such zones will be subject to the jurisdiction of the Allied Military Forces and of Allied Military Tribunals.

7. Only by the most whole-hearted cooperation can the war be won. Any person doing any act hostile to the Allied or Italian Forces or any member thereof or doing any act which in any way impedes the war effort or aids the enemies of Italy, will be subject to punishment by an appropriate Allied Military Tribunal or Italian Court.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION W

27 November 1943

SUBJECT: Handing over to Italian Government.

TO: Major General Joyce

1. From the Italian point of view, as revealed in conferences on 26 November, the time factors are as follows:-

- (a) All estimates of time were based on previous provision of communications.
- (b) Minister of Justice requires accommodation and reference library. He is prepared to set up at short notice at Bari, otherwise a library and staff have to be moved to Sorrento/Salerno.
- (c) Minister of Communications requires release of AFHQ restrictions on posts and telegraph service.
- (d) Minister of Public Works estimates seven days after arrival at Sorrento/Salerno.
- (e) Minister of Industry and Commerce required accommodation and made an impracticable condition of availability of all transportation and communications he might require.
- (f) Minister of Interior is setting up a temporary organization at Bari and could work from there at short notice.
- (g) Other Ministries' estimates varied from immediately now in the case of Finance to several months in the case of Education.

2. No minister had a clear conception of all the problems involved. It appeared to the Allied officers that the minimum time was three weeks after AFHQ orders to clear accommodation and provide Signals aid.

E. GUETERBOCK
Brigadier

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Copy to Brig. Gen. Taylor
Brig. Gueterbock

Large Areas Restored To Italian Government

Allies Transfer Territory To King, Badoglio

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, Feb. 10—All of Italy south of the northern boundaries of the provinces of Salerno, Potenza and Bari, together with the islands of Sicily and Sardinia, will be restored to the jurisdiction of the Italian government at midnight tonight, it was announced today by Lt. Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Allied Supreme Commander. The islands of Pantelleria, Lampedusa and Lampona were not included in the order.

King Vittorio Emanuele III and the government of Marshal Pietro Badoglio will take control of approximately 30,000 square miles of Italian territory with a population of about 5,000,000. This partial restoration of Italian sovereignty was in accord with principles set forth at the Moscow conference. One of those principles was that the Italian people should be given opportunity to establish a democratic government.

The Allied Advisory Council for Italy, representing the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union and the French Committee of National Liberation, last December set the boundaries of the territory to be returned to Italian jurisdiction under provisions of the Moscow parity.

"The transfer," said General Wilson, "was recommended with the understanding that it should be subject to two conditions. That the administration, central and local, should be carried on by officials of substantial good faith and Allied sympathies, and that the transfer should involve no commitment to the present administration after the capture of Rome."

It was stated that the change would not affect rights of the United Nations under the terms of the armistice with Italy. Although the Allied Military Government which has been operating in this region is thus terminated, it will be replaced by regional controllers in Sardinia and Sicily and south of the Salerno-Potenza-Bari line who will advise the Badoglio administration.

These three regional Allied executives are members of the Allied Control Commission. They will insure, General Wilson said, the use of Italian resources in the war against Germany, and provide the people of Italy with opportunity to develop their political activities.

General Wilson added that AMG would continue to operate in the combat zones immediately behind the 5th and 8th Armies. As the Allied armies advance and normal conditions are restored, future transfers of jurisdiction to the Italian government will be made.

Enlarging upon General Wilson's statement, Lt. Gen. Sir Noel Mason MacFarlane, chief civil affairs officer for the ACC, declared:

"This is the first major step we are taking to hand back to the Italians the government of their own territory. On this depends the speed and extent to which we will be able to make successive transfers. The ultimate ideal is to be able to hand back to Italian administration all territory behind the rear boundaries of our armies' operational areas."

Although various political parties already exist in what the ACC now calls the "King's Italy," no elections will be permitted until after the capture of Rome. Meanwhile, all officials under the Badoglio government will hold office by virtue of appointment. The ACC personnel who will be left behind in the Italian territory will include representatives of the various sub-commissions of the main headquarters of the Allied Control Commission.

A closer integration of the Allied Military Governments and the Allied Control Commission has been recently effected, General MacFarlane disclosed during the course of his press conference. He said:

"Experience to date in our first experiment in dealing with a piece of liberated European mainland has proved that it is quite essential that the control of AMG and ACC must be fused to get the best results. That fusion has taken place. It means that from the moment AMG takes charge of areas occupied by the advancing armies, it secures advice, control and technical direction from the heart of the control commission (ACC) which is provided with experts in various fields and skilled technical advisors. Thereby, from the front to the rear, AMG and ACC activities are co-ordinated and guided by the same policy."

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