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28 March 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 28 March 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hopkinson, Brigadier General McKinley, Mr. Antolini, Brigadier Upjohn, Major General Kislenko, Lieut. de Noue, Col. Parkin, Mr. Brown, Rear Admiral Warren, Lt. Col. Baldrige, Colonel Kerr, Colonel Fiske.

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6. Political Resume

Mr. Hopkinson stated that beyond the appointment of a number of Ambassadors there was nothing new in the political field.

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7. Olive Oil

Mr. Antolini produced the latest olive oil amassing figures and the Chief Commissioner repeated his ruling (para 6c of the Minutes of 19 March 1945) that the olive oil "teams" were not to be withdrawn from Southern Italy so long as they were doing useful work.

8. Miscellaneous Points from Civil Affairs Section

Brigadier Unjohn reported:

a. That the proceeds of the Art Exhibition at the Palazzo Venezia had amounted to 1,600,000 lire and that this sum had been handed to the Italian Government as a contribution to the restoration of damaged monuments.

b. That the Royal Yugoslav Mission in Rome had been closed on Monday, 26 March 1945, and that other Royal Yugoslav Missions in Italy were to be closed shortly.

9. Press Plan for Northern Italy

The Director of the Public Relations Branch informed the meeting that agreement had been reached by the Psychological Warfare Branch, the Allied Commission, and the Italian Government on the proposed press plan for Northern Italy and that this plan had now been submitted to AFHQ.

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Colonel Kerr reported that there still were complaints from the Italian Government against the alleged enticement of Italian soldiers by the Yugoslav Military (Partisan) Mission in Rome. The men were alleged to have been sent to Bari, but it had been impossible, Col. Kerr said, to apprehend any of these alleged deserters.

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19 March 1945

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Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Dowling, Mr. Hopkinson, Brigadier General McKinley, Mr. Antellini, Brigadier Upjohn, Major General Sviloparov, Commodore Zirelli, Colonel Fiske, Air Vice Marshal Foljambe-Buscarlet, Major General Browning, Brigadier Rush.

1. Political Advisers.

The Chief Commissioner suggested that at future meetings a brief statement on the week's political developments might be given by the Political Advisers alternately.

2. Naval Subcommission.

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that a new directive for the Naval Subcommission had been received which was altogether satisfactory.

3. New Italian Draft Decree.

The Chief Commissioner stated that the Council of Ministers had been and were still considering a proposed draft decree which had been submitted by Minister Resenti. The decree, an anti-fascist measure, was aimed not only against individuals but also would strike at many large industrial plants the socialization of which might affect the Allied war effort. For this reason a copy of the decree had been forwarded to AFHQ with a request for guidance in the matter.

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Mr. Hopkinson gave a short resume of recent political developments in Italy, drawing attention to the fact that none of the parties had tried to use the Roatta incident as a lever to overthrow the Government.

5. A Fresh Aspect of the New Deal.

Mr. Hopkinson said that he was submitting a draft memorandum for circulation to heads of Sections and Independent Subcommissions urging these to exercise their good offices in assisting diplomatic representatives of those United Nations' Governments who had not yet established direct relationships with the Italian Government in their dealings with the Italian authorities, when they were unable to reach satisfactory agreements with the Italian Govern- [illegible]

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6. Olive Oil.

a. Mr. Antolini gave the latest figures for the amassing of olive oil and estimated that 45,000 tons would eventually be collected, thereby ensuring a minimum oil ration in Italy.

b. Referring to para 6 of the minutes of meeting CC 131/9 of 22 February,

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Mr. Antolini reported that there was no truth in the allegation that unsuitable containers were being used and that this was merely a ruse on the part of the farmers to retain their own crop.

c. The Chief Commissioner gave a ruling that the olive oil "teams" were to be kept in Southern Italy as long as was necessary in spite of the general withdrawal from the South.

7. Prison Rations.

When the point was raised by Mr. Antolini, the Chief Commissioner gave a ruling that the ration scale in Rome prisons was not to be reduced at the present. The Executive Commissioner suggested that the proposal should be reviewed two months from now. This was agreed to.

8. Import Program.

Brigadier General McKinley spoke of the great difficulties in screening the "A" and "B" import program chiefly owing to the complexity of the work and the scarcity of skilled requisition officers. The General said that he well realized the need for speed on which the Chief Commissioner laid much emphasis, but refused to commit himself to a firm date when the import program would be ready prepared. The Chief Commissioner again stressed the need for completing this work at the earliest possible date.

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The Executive Commissioner suggested that in order to speed up the epurative machine first priority should be given to collaborators since the Armistice.

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10. Personnel.

Colonel Fiske reported that the personnel of the Commission are now being withdrawn from Italian Government Territory and are being re-allocated to the military government regions. Twenty-five U.K. officers, chiefly from the 5th Army, are at present undergoing a two weeks course of instruction in Rome in matters of military government on completion of which they will be returned to their units and will be available later for military government duties.

11. Reduction of Italian Air Force.

Air Vice Marshal Bower-Buscarlet reported that pending a final word on the subject from AFHQ, he was not implementing the MAAF decision to reduce the Italian Air Force. The Chief Commissioner undertook to raise the matter at SACMED's Political Conference if it should prove necessary.

12. Report by GOC, Land Forces Subcommission (MMLA).

General Browning gave a short report on various matters concerning the Italian Army. There had been a gratifying improvement in discipline, morale, and achievements. He hoped and expected that by the end of April the Italian Army would be up to its ceiling of 310,000, that five combat groups would be in the line, and that the Ministry for War and Army generally would be properly organized, administered and going concern. The Garibaldi Division were now back in this country from Yugoslavia and numbered three or four thousand out of the original 17 or 18 thousand. First impressions of the Garibaldi Division were very good, and an attempt would be made to retain the remains of the Division as an entity. He also mentioned the matter of "cooperators" being absorbed into the Italian army and the proposed solution of this intricate problem which has been forwarded to AFHQ.

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22 February 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 22 February 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Colonel Densmore, Brig. General McKinley, Mr. Schott, Mr. Halford, Brigadier Upjohn, Lieutenant de Moue, Major General Kislenko, Rear Admiral Warren, Commodore Zinoni, Wing Commander de Veen, Major General Browning, Mr. Brown, Colonel Fiske, Brigadier Lush.

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The Chief Commissioner directed the Political Section to draft a letter to the Prime Minister and to the Foreign Secretary informing them of this decision.

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The Chief Commissioner stated that on Saturday, February 24th, there would be a special meeting of the Advisory Council to discuss the terms of the new directive, following which the A/President accompanied by Admiral Stone would call on the Prime Minister and inform him of the new relationship. In the late afternoon Mr. Macmillan would hold a press conference and would give a fairly detailed explanation of the situation.

A time was arranged for the meeting with the Russian and French representatives on the Allied Commission when the Chief Commissioner would explain to them the terms of the new directive. (Saturday, February 24th, after the Advisory Council meeting--approximately 1200 hours.)

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4. Call-Up

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5. Price of Bread

Brigadier General McKinley gave an explanation of the Italian Government's proposal to substitute an economic price for bread in place of the present political price, and enumerated those classes of workers who would receive a bonus to meet this increased price. The Chief Commissioner stated that the Allied Commission would approve a similar bonus in AMG territory.

6. Olive Oil

Colonel Densmore reported that 26,000 tons of olive oil have now been amassed, or 52% of the target.

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Lieutenant de Roux reported that he had received information that the farmers in the area of Rimini and Terni were not handing over their olive oil since they believe it would be ruined in the containers which were being used for the amassing. Colonel Densmore undertook to look into this.

7. Political Developments

Mr. Schott gave a resume of the week's political activities mentioning that Italian disappointment at the result of the Crimea Conference had been partially offset by the invitation received by Italian labor leaders to attend the Labor Conference in London.

A newsprint shortage in Naples had been followed by a similar shortage in Rome.

Plans for local elections were progressing; the elections would probably be held during May.

8. Rehabilitation Program

When the Chief Commissioner asked when the big rehabilitation program would be ready for submission to Washington, Brigadier General McKinley replied that that depended in part on processing at AFHQ. Brigadier Lush urged that the program be submitted to Washington direct without processing at AFHQ, which he considered redundant. The Chief Commissioner stated that the presence of General McKinley in the Commission was expected to ensure minimum delay at AFHQ.

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13. Newsprint

Mr. Brown reported that the Italian Government had asked the Allied Commission to help them in their present shortage of newsprint by advancing 150 tons against repayment.

The Executive Commissioner protested strongly against the extravagant and irresponsible use of paper in Italy and contrasted the situation in this country with the U.K. where it was difficult to buy a newspaper. Brigadier Lush said that he considered the importation of newsprint into this country a waste of shipping space and recommended that the Italians be made to rely on their own production of newsprint or do without.

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Brigadier General McKinley stated that he was collecting accurate figures on this subject and would shortly put up a recommendation.

14. Planning for Austria

Colonel Fiske reported that a difference with AFHQ on the subject of officers allocated to Austria would be cleared with Brigadier General Spofford when he visited Rome.

The Executive Commissioner made the point that the number of specialists allocated should be proportionate to the grade number being taken from the American strength. The Chief Commissioner concurred.

15. Meeting of Regional Commissioners

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that it was proposed to hold a meeting of Regional Commissioners on March 8th. The agenda would be circulated later.

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Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - Thursday, 1 March, 1000 hours

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15 February 1945

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Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 15 February 1945, office of the Chief Commissioner, HQ Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Colonel Benenore, Brigadier General McKinley, Mr. Melford, Mr. Schott, Brigadier Upjohn, Captain de Roue, Major General Kisselenko, W/Cdr de Haan, Colonel Kerr, Commodore Zirolli, Commodore Farren, Mr. Baum, Brigadier Lush.

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The Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to hold a meeting with Mr. Keeny and straighten out the matter.

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6. Local Elections

Referring to item 12 of the minutes of the VP meeting held on February 1st, the Chief Commissioner said that a letter had been sent to the Prime Minister requesting clarification of the forthcoming local elections.

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7. Radio-Telegraph Service to U.S. and U.K.

Referring to the resumption of radio-telegraph communications between Italy on the one hand and U.S. and U.K. on the other, the Chief Commissioner said that in view of failure to establish service, the Italian Government had now proposed to employ the regular radio facilities of Italcable and that the system should follow the same pattern as had been used in establishing communication with Moscow. The proposal had been forwarded to AFHQ.

8. Olive Oil Amassing

Colonel Lansmore reported that 30% of the target of 80,000 tons had been amassed. The main difficulty being encountered was the lack of transport for the police forces.

9. Artificial Rubber

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that he had heard authoritatively that there were large quantities of artificial rubber available in the States for shipment to Italy should it be possible to get any of the Italian tire factories into working order. The Admiral commented that he naturally realized that this could have no immediate effect on the great shortage of tires in the country but requested the Economic Section to follow through.

10. Activities of Sig. Secondari

The Vice President, Civil Affairs Section, referred to Item 6 of the minutes of the WP meeting of 25th January and stated that he had spoken to Sig. Secondari and had forbidden him to continue making subversive speeches in AMG territory.

11. Education

Brigadier Upjohn informed the meeting that in the Command of Naples all education functions had been handed over to the Italian authorities.

12. Planning for Austria

Colonel Fiske reported that 45 officers had been designated and would be immediately transferred from the Allied Commission to form a permanent planning staff for Austria. Additional officers had been ear-marked but would remain at their present duties until called for.

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14. Northwest Planning

The Chief of Staff informed the meeting of the progress which had been made in planning for the Northwest Provinces and made the following points:

a. It would be six or seven weeks after the liberation of the port of Genoa before ships the size of a Liberty ship could enter the harbor, though smaller vessels could doubtless begin unloading somewhat earlier.

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b. As far as 15th Army Group was concerned, there was as yet no firm and approved operational plan and therefore planning for the establishment of Allied Military Government was delayed.

c. AFHQ 5th Army, and 15th Army Group also, were taking the line that the Allied Commission was responsible for the moving of civilian supplies in the Army Area. This was an old bone of contention and the Chief of Staff stated that Colonel Monfort would be instructed to clear this disagreement on the lines that the moving of civilian supplies in an Army area was not an A. C. responsibility.

d. Owing to the great scarcity of transport which we should find in the North, the authority to requisition vehicles by AFHQ was needed more urgently than ever.

e. The Chief of Staff was satisfied that we had a sufficiency of officers standing by ready to carry out the duties of military government immediately upon the liberation of the Northwest Provinces.

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MINUTES

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Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Halford, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore, Brigadier Upjohn, Lieut. de Noue, Major General Susloparov, Major General Browning, Commodore Zirelli, Commodore Warren, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Brigadier Lush, Major General Kislenko, Colonel Robertson.

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The Admiral said that he understood that AFHQ were waiting for assurances from the Combined Chiefs of Staff that this tonnage could be maintained before authorizing the increase.

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c. On a suggestion by the [illegible] Civil Affairs Section, the [illegible] Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to hold a meeting with Mr. Keeny of UNRRA and the heads of Civil Affairs and Economic Sections in order to coordinate various proposed UNRRA activities which impinged on the work of the Allied Commission.

d. Colonel Densmore reported that UNRRA had received a signal showing that 5,000 tons of UNRRA stores had been called forward.

Admiral Stone said that if it could be confirmed that the stores were not only called forward but actually on their way to this theatre, then he was perfectly ready to advance 2,000 tons from AC stores to UNRRA as agreed.

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4. Attacks on Serving Officers

a. The Chief Commissioner reported that he had left an aide-memoire with the Prime Minister protesting against the frequent attacks in the press on serving officers.

b. Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet confirmed that there was no sign of the proceedings against Colonel Remondino ceasing, in spite of the Chief Commissioner's letter to the Italian Government requiring that it should be stopped.

c. The Chief Commissioner said he would pursue the matter.

5. Votes for Women

The Chief Commissioner recorded his pleasure and satisfaction that the Council of Ministers had decided to grant the vote to women, and that the decree was to become effective before the first elections were held. The Admiral stated that this act would, in his opinion, have a stabilizing effect on Italian politics.

6. Requisitioning of Schools

Brigadier Upjohn pointed out that while Allied authorities had taken action to de-requisition school buildings, exactly the reverse was the case with the Italian authorities who were requisitioning more and more.

The Chief Commissioner directed the DCOS Civil Affairs Section to prepare for him a letter on this subject which he regarded as of high importance.

7. Non-Participation of Allied Forces in Italian Politics

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The Headquarters Commandant, Colonel Robertson, reported that means have been found to provide a meal for civilian employees of this Headquarters and that service would begin in a week's time. The price of the meal would be 10 lire.

10. Information and Reception Desk

Colonel Robertson informed the meeting that steps were being taken to improve the information and reception desks in the entrance hall of the Headquarters building.

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The Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to publish an order instructing any Section or Sub-Commission which was holding a conference to furnish this information to the Information Desk so that outside visitors attending the conference could be directed to the room where the meeting was being held.

11. Motor Pool

The Headquarters Commandant maintained that the Motor Pool had been a success and in support of this stated that there had been a great reduction in payment of overtime to drivers as well as a saving in petrol of over 2,000 gallons a month.

12. Local Elections

The DCOS Civil Affairs Section drew the attention of the Chief Commissioner to the fact that although local elections were to be held in late spring it was not clear precisely what they were being held for. Brigadier Upjohn undertook to put up a letter to the Italian Government on this subject for the Chief Commissioner's signature.

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The Chief of Staff informed the Chief Commissioner that the Allied Commission was now being asked to provide many more officers for Austria than had been previously requested, and he stated his dislike for interfering with the lists of personnel already allocated to the northern Provinces. 3805

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The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that by arrangement with General Clark a small G-5 for 15th Army Group was being established of which Colonel Monfort would be the Head with the title of [illegible] Chief of Staff. Colonel Monfort would assume these duties in addition to his present functions as Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - Thursday, 8 February, 1000 hours

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AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION
EARLY ASSESSMENT REPORT

31 January

REGION	Average date of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture s/t estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agr c.s/e tinate collected at latest report	Percent of Agr c.s/e tinate collected at report preceding week	Percent of in 1942-43 31 Oct. 1942
Calabria	10/1	108,814	250,000	57	57	91
Lucania	23/1	774,171	350,000	91	80	93
Puglie	15/1	1,573,152	2,170,000	73	73	95
Campania	23/1	262,218	250,000	105	105	88
Campobasso	1/1	227,363	300,000	82	82	84
SOUTHERN		3,050,755	3,950,000	77	77	92
Sicilia	20/1	1,305,498	2,000,000	65	65	93
Sardegna	20/1	275,516	300,000	92	91	93
Lazio-Umbria	15/1	1,619,326	1,600,000	101	101	93
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	26/1	2,458,528	2,250,000	109	107	95
Toscana	20/1	1,688,811	1,500,000	113	111	93
GRAND TOTAL		(b) 10,443,090	11,600,000	90	89	93

(*) Not including Campobasso
(b) Including Forli Province (69,893 qls)
Bologna " (4,475 ")

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10/1	188,844	250,000	52	57	91	93	94
25/1	774,171	950,000	81	80	93	94	94
15/1	1,573,152	2,170,000	73	73	95	96	96
25/1	262,218	250,000	105	105	88	90	91
15/1	217,363	300,000	82	82	84	85	86
	3,050,755	3,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
20/1	1,305,490	2,000,000	65	65	93	95	96
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25 January 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 25 January 1945, office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Halford, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore, Brigadier Upjohn, Lieut. de Roue, Major General Susloparov, Major General Browning, Commodore Zirelli, Commodore Warren, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Brigadier Lush.

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A reply was now in draft form, and was expected to be sent off shortly, in which SAC would express his unwillingness to raise the bread ration unless he saw a substantial increase in the shipping program for February and had assurances for the future.

2. Feeding of Civilian Employees

Referring to para 4 of the minutes of January 18th, the Chief Commissioner drew Colonel Densmore's attention to the urgency of implementing the suggestion that surplus food could and should be saved from Allied Commission messes in Rome.

3. Medical Supplies

DCOS Civil Affairs Section reported that there had been no improvement in the distribution of medical supplies and that ENTIMEA continued to perform its functions with scandalous inefficiency. He said that he had ready a memorandum for the Chief Commissioner to take up with Sig. Bonomi.

4. Call-Up

General Browning reported that phase 3 of the call-up in Sicily, which had been postponed owing to the civil disturbances, would be resumed on February 13th.

The General also said that he had spoken to the Minister for War and that plans were in hand for a publicity campaign in aid of the call-up.

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5. Unrest in Sardinia

Brigadier Upjohn stated that the town of Cagliari was now quiet after disturbances which had taken place on the 17th and 18th of January. These disturbances had been linked with the military call-up.

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General Browning reported that phase 3 of the call-up in Sicily, which had been postponed owing to the civil disturbances, would be resumed on February 13th.

The General also said that he had spoken to the Minister for War and that plans were in hand for a publicity campaign in aid of the call-up. 3804

5. Unrest in Sardinia 3704

Brigadier Upjohn stated that the town of Cagliari was now quiet after disturbances which had taken place on the 17th and 18th of January. These disturbances had been linked with the military call-up.

6. Activities of Sig. Secondari

Brigadier Upjohn reported that a certain Sig. Secondari, a member of the staff of the newspaper "Partigiani", had been making a series of speeches in Perugia advising "Patriots" not to enlist in the Italian Army, and that there was no proclamation under which he could be specifically prosecuted for so doing.

The Chief Commissioner authorized Brigadier Upjohn to send for Secondari and order him not to make such speeches in AMG territory. If this individual persisted in so doing after this interview, he could then be prosecuted under present standing proclamations.

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7. Patriots

General Browning informed the meeting that there had been a large voluntary influx of Patriots for enrolment in the Italian Army. He believed that this was partly due to the opportunity which was now being given them to join forward combat units. Brigadier Upjohn suggested that a contributory reason was the better treatment they were now receiving after crossing the line.

8. UNRRA

PCCS Civil Affairs Section informed the meeting that UNRRA would assume final responsibility for the management of the Displaced Persons camps on April 1st.

In reply to a question of the Chief of Staff, Admiral Stone stated that if the functioning of UNRRA proved efficient he was in favor of them being allowed to operate in AMG territory.

The Chief Commissioner instructed Colonel Demarco to find out whether UNRRA had completed their direct arrangements with the Italian Government and if not to find out what agreement they had arrived at for the reimbursement for supplies.

9. Pisa University

PCCS Civil Affairs Section reported that Pisa University had at last been derequisitioned and was again functioning as a university.

10. Protected Monuments

Brigadier Upjohn informed the meeting that AFHQ Memorandum # 54, which permitted the use of protected monuments as welfare centers for troops, was being amended as requested by the Commission.

11. Attacks on Serving Officers

Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buccarlet reported that there had been several attacks in the press recently on serving officers in various branches of service, the latest of which was an attack on Admiral de Courten carried in Avanti of 25 January.

The Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to prepare a coordinated report on these various attacks so that steps could be taken to put an end to them.

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The Chief of Staff made a report on a short tour of Toscana Region in which he made the following points:

a. The greatest handicap to the work of the AMG officers was their extreme shortage of transport and tires, due in part to the new AFHQ order on derequisitioning of Italian transports.

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c. Local opinion on the prospects of the olive oil pressing was not optimistic.

d. There was considerable unemployment of mines in the Valdona Valley.

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EARLY ACREAGE REPORT - WHEAT

REGION	Average Cadastral Capable	Collected at latest report (Ha)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept.1944) (Ha)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at		Percent of total in 1942-43 collected	
				latest report	report preceding	31 Oct. 1943	30 Nov. 1943
Calabria	7/1	183,[illegible]	280,000	67	56	91	93
Lucania	3/1	748,609	950,000	80	80	93	94
Puglia	5/1	1,577,711	2,170,000	73	73	95	96
Campania	15/1	261,492	250,000	105	104	88	90
Campobasso	31/12	246,399	300,000	82	82	84	85
SOUTHERN		3,036,877	3,950,000	77	77	92	93
Sicilia	3/1	1,259,178	2,000,000	65	65	93	95
Umbria	31/12	274,118	300,000	91	91	94	96
Lazio-Umbria	3/1	1,612,225	1,600,000	101	101	93	94
Abruzzi-Marche(*)	3/1	2,411,422	2,250,000	107	107	95	95
Toscana	3/1	1,665,670	1,500,000	111	110	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,340,394(#)	11,600,000	89	89	93	94

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WEEKLY CEREAL REPORT - WHEAT

24 January 1943

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		latest report	report preceding	31 Oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 1942
...853	280,000	97	97	91	93	94
...699	950,000	80	80	93	94	94
...711	2,170,000	73	73	95	95	96
...492	250,000	103	104	88	90	91
...399	200,000	82	82	84	85	86
...877	3,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
...179	4,000,000	65	65	93	95	96
...110	300,000	91	91	92	94	94
...2.5	1,600,000	101	102	93	94	95
...422	2,250,000	107	107	95	95	96
...070	1,500,000	111	110	93	94	95
...94(#)	11,600,000	87	89	92	94	95

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HEAVY HARVEST REPORT - WHEAT

24 January 1943

Area sq.km.	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept.1941) Qls	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at		Percent of total harvest in 1942 collected on		
		latest report	report preceding	31 Oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 1942
1,883	280,000	87	87	91	93	94
1,809	580,000	80	80	93	94	94
2,711	2,170,000	73	73	95	96	96
1,492	250,000	105	104	88	90	91
1,399	900,000	82	83	84	85	85
1,877	5,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
1,779	3,000,000	65	65	93	95	96
1,110	800,000	91	91	93	94	94
1,215	1,600,000	101	101	93	94	95
1,422	2,250,000	107	107	95	95	96
1,070	1,500,000	111	110	95	94	95
17,894(#)	14,600,000	89	89	93	94	95

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Army Subcommission
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18 January 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 16 January 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hoskinson, Brigadier Upjohn, Colonel Fiske, General de Sevin, General Quaiquerny, Commodore Ward, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Colonel Demmore, Colonel Kerr.

1. News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that the commercial news agencies had begun to function beginning January 15th.

2. Bread Ration.

The Chief Commissioner drew attention to the recent declaration that the British and American Governments were in agreement on an increased ration for liberated countries, but said that the Allied Commission had received no specific information to support this statement.

3. Patriots

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4. Feeding of Civilian Employees

Colonel Demmore made a suggestion that rations should be drawn direct from Depral for the purpose of feeding civilian employees to which the Chief Commissioner agreed, provided that the AFHQ directive on the subject was not contravened.

Admiral Stone suggested that a better use could be made of excess food from military messes--and from AC messes in particular. He pointed out that the Navy ran good soup kitchens for civilians with material obtained from similar sources.

It was decided that Colonel Demmore and Colonel Fiske should together work out a scheme incorporating both of the foregoing suggestions.

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5. Medical Supplies

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Brigadier Upjohn undertook to prepare an aide-memoire which the Chief Commissioner could leave with Sig. Bonomi.

6. Film Board

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that SACMED had directed the setting up of a temporary film board on which Allied representatives would sit and whose object would be to revise, if not completely restore, this industry. The setting up of this board was connected with the withdrawal of PWB from this sphere

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of activity.

7. Promotion

The Chief Commissioner took note of the satisfying break of the "promotion block" of American officers.

8. Call Up

Colonel Norr gave details of the forthcoming and current call-up. Admiral Stone commented that the Ministry of War had failed to give an adequate publicity campaign prior to the call-up and emphasized the great importance of instructing the Italian people so that they should know what they were fighting for. Without a strong and coordinated press campaign, the Chief Commissioner stated, there was bound to be more trouble.

9. The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting of the arrival of Commodore Guy L. Warren, R.N. to relieve Commodore Palmer, DSC, R.N.

10. Admiral Stone offered congratulations on behalf of the meeting to General Susloparov on the striking Russian advance.

11. UNRRA

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12. Sicily

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Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - Thursday, 25 January, 1100 hours.

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WEEKLY ARASSIN REPORT - WHEAT

REGION	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at		Percent of total amas in 1942-43 collected	
				latest report.	report preceding week	31 oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942
Calabria	23/12	187,393	280,000	67	67	91	93
Lucania	31/12	761,246	950,000	80	80	93	94
Puglie	31/12	1.576,394	2,170,000	73	72	95	96
Campanie	30/12	259,918	250,000	104	103	88	90
Campobasso	31/12	246,399	300,000	82	82	84	85
SOUTHERN		3,031,350	3,950,000	77	76	92	95
Sicilia	30/12	1,288,327	2,000,000	64	64	93	95
Sardegna	22/12	272,518	300,000	91	91	93	94
Lazio-Umbria	15/12	1,585,686	1,600,000	99	99	95	94
Abruzzi-Marche *	2/1	2,395,387	2,250,000	106	101	95	95
Toscana	23/12	1,634,908	1,500,000	109	108	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,249,069 #	11,500,000	89	87	93	94

(*) Not including Campobasso
(#) Including Forli (40,893 qls)

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WEEKLY AMASSING REPORT - WHEAT

Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at		Percent of total amassed in 1942-43 collected on		
		latest report	report preceding week	31 Oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 1942
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1,585,686	1,600,000	99	99	93	94	95
2,395,987	2,250,000	106	101	95	95	96
1,534,903	1,500,000	102	108	93	94	95
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WEEKLY AMASSING REPORT - WHEAT

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Calabria	3/1	188,605	280,000	67	67	91	93
Lucania	3/1	761,323	950,000	80	80	93	94
Puglie	3/1	1,576,465	2,170,000	73	73	95	96
Campania	5/1	250,723	250,000	104	104	88	90
Campobasso	31/12	246,299	300,000	82	82	84	85
SOUTHERN		3,033,315	3,950,000	77	77	92	93
Sicilia	2/1	1,297,660	2,000,000	65	64	93	95
Sardegna	31/12	274,110	300,000	91	91	93	94
Lazio-Umbria	31/12	1,611,732	1,600,000	101	99	93	94
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	7/12	2,405,660	2,250,000	107	106	95	95
Toscana	1/1	1,655,830	1,500,000	110	109	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,319,408 (#)	11,500,000	89	89	93	94

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17 January 1945

WEEKLY AMASSING REPORT - WHEAT

Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at report preceding week	Percent of total amassed in 1942-43 collected on 31 Oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 1942
188,605	280,000	67	67	91	93	94
761,323	950,000	80	80	93	94	94
1,576,465	2,170,000	73	73	95	96	96
261,723	250,000	104	104	86	90	91
246,299	300,000	82	82	84	85	86
5,093,515	3,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
1,257,366	2,000,000	65	64	93	95	96
274,118	300,000	91	91	93	94	94
1,511,732	1,600,000	101	99	93	94	95
2,405,650	2,250,000	107	106	95	95	96
1,655,830	1,500,000	110	109	93	94	95
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4 January 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 4 January 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hopkinson, Colonel Densmore, General Browning, Brigadier Upjohn, Colonel Fiske, Commodore Zirelli, Mr. Schott, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Brigadier Lush.

1. News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that Field Marshal Alexander had given approval for Allied News Agencies to operate in Rome commencing January 15th. He had also given approval for local Italian news agencies to sell news to the Rome newspapers. PWB, he stated, would continue to supply news to papers in AMG and forward regions. Radio Rome would not initially use the outside news service.

2. Bread Ration

The meeting was informed that Field Marshal Alexander had as yet received no firm reply from the Combined Chiefs of Staff on the question of supplementing the 300 gram bread ration.

3. Food Situation in Rome

Colonel Densmore reported that the city held food stocks for 25 days--as against a short time ago when it had dropped to as low as two days' supply in reserve. Colonel Densmore undertook to furnish the Chief Commissioner with a report showing the daily tonnage of food importation into Rome.

4. Ministry of Occupied Italy

Brigadier Upjohn, DCOS Civil Affairs Section, reported that a new draft decree covering functions and responsibilities of the new Ministry for Occupied Italy had been received from the Italian Government. He stated that it involved many difficult questions which would almost certainly have to be referred to SACMED. The Chief Commissioner requested the CA Section's comments as soon as possible.

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5. Clothing for Patriots

Brigadier Upjohn reported that a satisfactory quantity of clothing and mess tins for patriots in both 5th and 8th Army areas had been made available from different sources--chiefly from Land Forces Subcommission (LFSA).

6. Feeding of Civilian Employees

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b. Colonel Densmore reported that he had good hopes that CARITAS, a church charity organization, would be willing to give help and thus make possible the feeding of these employees.

c. The Chief Commissioner stated that this was a disgrace to Allied administration, and directed that a memorandum should be sent to AFHQ pointing out the absurdity of an Allied military body, desiring to feed their Italian civilian employees, having recourse to the assistance of an Italian charitable body.

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7. Medical Supplies

The Chief Commissioner directed the attention of the DCOS, Civil Affairs Section to the fact that the most elementary medical supplies such as aspirin and cotton wool were unprocureable in the chemists' shops and that little was even reaching the clinics. Brigadier Upjohn confirmed that the stores were in fact being brought into the country by the Allies and the fault lay, as the Chief Commissioner suspected, with the weakness of distribution on the part of the Italian Government. He undertook to go into the matter energetically.

8. Acting President's Press Conference

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that at a press conference on January 3rd Mr. Macmillan had given a very full exposition of the present position of the Allied Commission. He had explained the proposals which he had made to the British and U.S. Governments with a view to implementing the statements of the President and Prime Minister of September 20th, and he had also spoken of the acute shipping problem which lay at the root of our troubles. The Chief Commissioner said that if the Allied Commission were further misrepresented in the press, it could not be on the grounds of lack of information.

9. Olive Oil Amassing

The meeting had before them a paper from the Chief of Staff stating that the Italian Government had formally requested the Allied Commission to provide 100 officers and NCO's and 80 vehicles to assist in the amassing of olive oil. The problem appeared to be one of principle versus practical necessity. The Chief Commissioner directed that such Allied help must be supplied if only to keep tonnage demands to a minimum and that, at the same time, the Italian Government must be pressed to take the most energetic measures on its own behalf. He directed that DCOS, Economic Section should implement this decision.

10. UNRRA

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to the British and U.S. Governments with a view to implementing the statements of the President and Prime Minister of September 28th, and he had also spoken of the acute shipping problem which lay at the root of our troubles. The Chief Commissioner said that if the Allied Commission were further misrepresented in the press, it could not be on the grounds of lack of information.

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Colonel Fiske pointed out various ways in which discrimination seemed to have been made by MTOUSA against the Allied Commission. The Chief Commissioner directed that letters should be prepared for his signature contesting the various points.

14. Carabinieri Parade

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that Field Marshal Alexander would take the salute at a parade of Carabinieri to be held in Rome at 1030 hours, Saturday, 6 January. This was a matter to which, for security reasons, no advance publicity was to be given.

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Agriculture Sub-Commission
Weekly Harvesting Report - Wheat

3 January 1945

REGION	Average rate of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agr. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agr. S/C estimate collected at report preceding week	Percent of total crop in Italy 45 collected 31 Oct. 1942	Percent of total crop in Italy 45 collected 30 Nov. 1942
Calabria	1?/12	187,[illegible]2?	2?0,?00	67	67	91	93
Lucania	?/12	760,?62	850,000	89	89	93	94
Puglie	21/12	1,57?,994	2,1?0,000	72	72	95	96
Campania	19/12	258,?31	250,000	103	103	88	90
Campobasso	?/12	285,?50	300,000	82	82	84	8?
SOUTHERN		3,?25,156	3,950,000	76	76	92	93
Sicilia	20/12	1,?85,115	2,000,000	64	64	91	95
Sardegna	22/12	272,?18	300,000	91	9?	95	96
Lazio-Umbria	1?/12	1,585,686	1,600,000	99	99	95	9?
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	20/12	2,?70,505	2,?50,000	101	100	95	95
Toscana	15/12	1,614,?61	1,500,000	108	107	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,?9?,?36	# 11,600,000	87	87	93	9?

(*) Not including Campobasso

Including Forli province (40,?23 qls)

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Weekly Summaries Report Sheet

	collected at latest report (qlts)	Agriculture -/c estimate (1st Sept. 1944) (qlts)	Percent of Agric. b/c estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. b/c estimate collected at report preceding week	Percent of total harvested collected on 31 Oct. 1942	Percent of total harvested collected on 30 Nov. 1942	Percent of total harvested collected on 31 Dec. 1942
	187,025	280,000	67	65	91	93	94
	780,252	950,000	80	80	93	94	94
	1,57[illegible],994	2,170,000	72	72	92	96	96
	258,231	250,000	101	103	95	90	91
	245,250	300,000	82	82	84	80	86
	[illegible],160	3,250,000	75	76	92	93	94
	[illegible],115	2,000,000	64	64	92	95	95
	272,418	300,000	91	90	93	94	96
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% Including Tura Province (40,393 qtls)

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15 February 1945

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1300 hours, 15 February 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, 4% Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Colonel Benvore, Brigadier General McKinley, Mr. Selfors, Mr. Schott, Brigadier Upjohn, Captain de Rouge, Major General Kislenko, W/Cdr de Haen, Colonel Kent, Commodore Zirolli, Commodore Warren, Mr. Ivone, Brigadier Lush.

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2. Call-Up

The Chief Commissioner drew the attention of the Chief of Staff and Land Forces sub-Commission (MMIA) to the request of the Prime Minister that the call-up in Sicily should not be resumed until March 15th.

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The Chief Commissioner said that the status of the agreement between UNRRA and the Italian Government was still confused. Mr. Keeny believed apparently that the Italian Government had accepted the terms and had signaled Washington to this effect; the Italian Government on a high level, on the other hand, was not satisfied with all the terms of the agreement.

The Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to hold a meeting with Mr. Keeny and straighten out the matter.

4. Attacks on Serving Officers

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6. Local Elections

Referring to item 12 of the minutes of the CP meeting held on February 1st, the Chief Commissioner said that a letter had been sent to the Prime Minister requesting clarification of the forthcoming local elections.

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7. Radio-Telegraph Service to U.S. and U.K.

Referring to the resumption of radio-telegraph communications between Italy on the one hand and U.S. and U.K. on the other, the Chief Commissioner said that in view of failure to establish service, the Italian Government had now proposed to employ the regular radio facilities of Italcable and that the system should follow the same pattern as had been used in establishing communication with Moscow. The proposal had been forwarded to AFHQ.

8. Olive Oil Amassing

Colonel Densmore reported that 30% of the target of 80,000 tons had been amassed. The main difficulty being encountered was the lack of transport for the police force.

9. Artificial Rubber

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that he had heard authoritatively that there were large quantities of artificial rubber available in the States for shipment to Italy should it be possible to get any of the Italian tire-factories into working order. The Admiral commented that he naturally realized that this could have no immediate effect on the great shortage of tires in the country but requested the Economic Section to follow through.

10. Activities of Sig. Secondari

The Vice President, Civil Affairs Section, referred to item 8 of the minutes of the VP meeting of 25th January and stated that he had spoken to Sig. Secondari and had forbidden him to continue making subversive speeches in AMG territory.

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12. Planning for Austria

Colonel Fiske reported that 45 officers had been designated and would be immediately transferred from the Allied Commission to form a permanent planning staff for Austria. Additional officers had been ear-marked but would remain at their present duties until called for.

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The Chief of Staff informed the meeting of the progress which had been made in planning for the Northwest Provinces and made the following points:

a. It would be six or seven weeks after the liberation of the port of Genoa before ships the size of a Liberty ship could enter the harbor, though smaller vessels could doubtless begin unloading somewhat earlier.

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b. As far as 15th Army Group was concerned, there was as yet no firm and approved operational plan and therefore planning for the establishment of Allied Military Government was delayed.

c. AMG 5th Army, and 15th Army Group also, were taking the line that the Allied Commission was responsible for the moving of civilian supplies in the Army Area. This was an old bone of contention and the Chief of Staff stated that Colonel Poujade would be instructed to clear this disagreement on the lines that the moving of civilian supplies in an Army area was not an A. C. responsibility.

d. Owing to the great scarcity of transport which we should find in the North, the authority to requisition vehicles by AMG was needed more urgently than ever.

e. The Chief of Staff was satisfied that we had a sufficiency of officers standing by ready to carry out the duties of military government immediately upon the liberation of the Northwest Provinces.

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22 February 1945

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 22 February 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Colonel Demaree, Brig. General McKinley, Mr. Schott, Mr. Welford, Brigadier Upjohn, Lieutenant de Noue, Major General Kislenko, Rear Admiral Warren, Commodore Ziroli, Wing Commander de Mean, Major General Browning, Mr. Brown, Colonel Fiske, Brigadier Lush.

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The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting of certain points which had arisen at SACMED's Political Conference on Tuesday, 20 February, including (a) the issuance of a new directive to the Air Forces Sub-Commission, and (b) SACMED's ruling that cipher facilities could not be granted to the Italian Government at present. Bag facilities, however, would be permitted.

The Chief Commissioner directed the Political Section to draft a letter to the Prime Minister and to the Foreign Secretary informing them of this decision.

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The Chief Commissioner stated that on Saturday, February 24th, there would be a special meeting of the Advisory Council to discuss the terms of the new directive, following which the A/President accompanied by Admiral Stone would call on the Prime Minister and inform him of the new relationship. In the late afternoon Mr. Macmillan would hold a press conference and would give a fairly detailed explanation of the situation.

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5. Price of Bread

Brigadier General McKinley gave an explanation of the Italian Government's proposal to substitute an economic price for bread in place of the present political price, and enumerated those classes of workers who would receive a bonus to meet this increased price. The Chief Commissioner stated that the Allied Commission would approve a similar bonus in AMG territory.

6. Olive Oil

Colonel Densmore reported that 25,000 tons of olive oil have now been amassed, or 92% of the target.

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Lieutenant de Roue reported that he had received information that the farmers in the area of Rimini and Forni were not handing over their olive oil since they believe it would be ruined in the containers which were being used for the amassing. Colonel Benmore undertook to look into this.

7. Political Developments

Mr. Schott gave a resume of the week's political activities mentioning that Italian disappointment at the result of the Crimea Conference had been partially offset by the invitation received by Italian labor leaders to attend the Labor Conference in London.

A newsprint shortage in Naples had been followed by a similar shortage in Rome.

Plans for local elections were progressing; the elections would probably be held during May.

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W/Cmdr de Haan reported two more attacks in the press on Italian serving officers, but the Executive Commissioner stated that the measures which had been taken should definitely bring these to an end.

13. Newsprint

Mr. Brown reported that the Italian Government had asked the Allied Commission to help them in their present shortage of newsprint by advancing 150 tons against repayment.

The Executive Commissioner protested strongly against the extravagant and irresponsible use of paper in Italy and contrasted the situation in this country with the U.K. where it was difficult to buy a newspaper. Brigadier Lush said that he considered the importation of newsprint into this country a waste of shipping space and recommended that the Italians be made to rely on their own production of newsprint or do without.

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Brigadier General McKinley stated that he was collecting accurate figures on this subject and would shortly put up a recommendation.

14. Planning for Austria

Colonel Fiske reported that a difference with AFHQ on the subject of officers allocated to Austria would be cleared with Brigadier General Stofford when he visited Rome.

The Executive Commissioner made the point that the number of specialists allocated should be proportionate to the gross number being taken from the American strength. The Chief Commissioner concurred.

15. Meeting of Regional Commissioners

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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1 February 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 1 February 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome .

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Halford, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore, Brigadier Upjohn, Lieut. de Noue, Major General Susloparov, Major General Browning, Commodore Ziroli, Commodore Warren, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Brigadier Lush, Major General Kislenko, Colonel Robertson.

1. Bread Ration

Admiral Stone informed the meeting that though nothing new had been heard from the Combined Chiefs of Staff on the question of increasing the bread ration, the February shipping program was stated to be sufficient to warrant an increase up to 300 grams for a period of 45 days, from February 15th to March 31st. The Admiral had recommended to AFHQ that this should be done.

The Admiral said that he understood that AFHQ were waiting for assurances from the Combined Chiefs of Staff that this tonnage could be maintained before authorizing the increase.

2. Call-Up

Admiral Stone directed the attention of the meeting to an error in the minutes of the last conference. General Browning on that occasion did not say that Phase 3 of the call-up in Sicily would be resumed on February 13th. What he said was that he had proposed to the Italian Government that the call-up should be resumed on February 13th.

General Browning stated that as yet he had had no reply to this request, but that he understood unofficially that the call-up was likely to be postponed until the end of February. He did not object to this as considerable numbers of patriots were coming forward for enrollment in the Italian Army.

3. UNRRA

a. Colonel Densmore reported that the contract arrangements between UNRRA and the Italian Government were still in process of negotiation and that the sum of 50 million dollars had been earmarked by the Italian Government for reimbursement for supplies.

b. Admiral Stone stated that he did not consider that the Italian Government should be responsible for the payment of the salaries of UNRRA personnel in Italy and he directed Colonel Densmore to bring to him the contract between the Italians and UNRRA as it stood, no matter what stage the negotiation had been reached.

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c. On a suggestion by the DCOS Civil Affairs Section, the Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to hold a meeting with Mr. Keeny of UNRRA and the heads of Civil Affairs and Economic Sections in order to coordinate various proposed UNRRA activities which impinged on the work of the Allied Commission.

d. Colonel Densmore reported that UNRRA had received a signal showing that 5,000 tons of UNRRA stores had been called forward.

Admiral Stone said that if it could be confirmed that the stores were not only called forward but actually on their way to this theatre, then he was perfectly ready to advance 2,000 tons from AC stores to UNRRA as agreed.

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4. Attacks on Serving Officers

a. The Chief Commissioner reported that he had left an aide-memoire with the Prime Minister protesting against the frequent attacks in the press on serving officers.

b. Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet confirmed that there was no sign of the proceedings against Colonel Resonduno ceasing, in spite of the Chief Commissioner's letter to the Italian Government requiring that it should be stopped.

c. The Chief Commissioner said he would pursue the matter.

5. Votes for Women

The Chief Commissioner recorded his pleasure and satisfaction that the Council of Ministers had decided to grant the vote to women, and that the decree was to become effective before the first elections were held. The Admiral stated that this act would, in his opinion, have a stabilizing effect on Italian politics.

6. Requisitioning of Schools

Brigadier Upjohn pointed out that while Allied authorities had taken action to de-requisition school buildings, exactly the reverse was the case with the Italian authorities who were requisitioning more and more.

The Chief Commissioner directed the DCOS Civil Affairs Section to prepare for him a letter on this subject which he regarded as of high importance.

7. Non-Participation of Allied Forces in Italian Politics

The Chief Commissioner drew the attention of the meeting to an order which the C-in-C had issued at the time of the Bari Conference last year which read as follows: "As a matter of general principle members of Allied Forces must refrain from any participation in Italian politics."

The Chief Commissioner directed the heads of Sections to impress this on officers and men serving under them in view of the interest which had been displayed in the Separatist movement in Sicily by members of Allied Forces -- not, however, members of the Commission -- and the interest which they might be tempted to take on the liberation of the northern provinces.

8. Price of Bread

Colonel Denamore reported that Minister Solari had put up a plan to the Council of Ministers proposing a scheme for an increase in the price of bread. The Chief of Staff, while agreeing that this was primarily a matter for the Italian Government to decide themselves, stressed that careful coordination with the Allied Commission would be necessary since both AMG territory and territory about to be liberated would be affected.

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9. Feeding of Civilian Employees

The Headquarters Commandant, Colonel Robertson, reported that means have been found to provide a meal for civilian employees of this Headquarters and that service would begin in a week's time. The price of the meal would be 10 lire.

10. Information and Reception Desk

Colonel Robertson informed the meeting that steps were being taken to improve the information and reception desks in the entrance hall of the Headquarters building.

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The Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to publish an order instructing any Section or Sub-Commission which was holding a conference to furnish this information to the Information Desk so that outside visitors attending the conference could be directed to the room where the meeting was being held.

11. Motor Pool

The Headquarters Commandant maintained that the Motor Pool had been a success and in support of this stated that there had been a great reduction in payment of overtime to drivers as well as a saving in petrol of over 2,000 gallons a month.

12. Local Elections

The DCOS Civil Affairs Section drew the attention of the Chief Commissioner to the fact that although local elections were to be held in late spring it was not clear precisely what they were being held for. Brigadier Upjohn undertook to put up a letter to the Italian Government on this subject for the Chief Commissioner's signature.

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In reply to a question of Commodore Warren's, the Chief Commissioner confirmed that as a matter of general principle the Allied Commission left to the Italians their own task of epuration or retirement of officers, and that it was a process in which it was generally not our policy to interfere unless definitely counter to Allied military interests.

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The Chief of Staff reported that several conferences had been held at Allied Commission Headquarters, at AFHQ, and at 15th Army Group to plan the establishment of Allied Military Government in Northwest Italy as soon as it should be liberated, and stated that satisfactory progress was being made.

15. Olive Oil Amassing

The Chief of Staff informed the meeting that he had received a report from Brigadier Dunlop to the effect that the amassing of olive oil was progressing as well as could be expected in Southern Region and that he was reasonably satisfied with the results to date.

16. Austria

The Chief of Staff informed the Chief Commissioner that the Allied Commission was now being asked to provide many more officers for Austria than had been previously requested, and he stated his dislike for interfering with the lists of personnel already allocated to the northern Provinces.

The Chief Commissioner stated that he wishes to discuss this matter with both the Chief of Staff and Colonel Pic..e, and pointed out that some of the required numbers for Austria might be found by reducing the strength of the Headquarters--a reduction which would be consistent with the "New Deal for Italy."

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17. Establishment of G-5 Section at Hq 15th Army Group

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that by arrangement with General Clark a small G-5 for 15th Army Group was being established of which Colonel Monfort would be the Head with the title of ASSISTANT Chief of Staff. Colonel Monfort would assume these duties in addition to his present functions as Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - Thursday, 8 February, 1000 hours

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Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to CC

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ALLIED COMMISSION
AFHQ
AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION
EIGHTEENTH FIELD REPORT

31 January 1945

REGIONS	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture c/c estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. c/c estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. c/c estimate collected at preceding week	Percent of total in 1942-43 collected 31 Oct. 1942	Percent of total in 1942-43 collected 30 Nov. 1942
Calabria	10/1	168,944	230,000	67	67	91	93
Lucania	23/1	774,171	850,000	91	80	93	94
Puglie	15/1	1,378,153	2,170,000	75	73	95	96
Campania	23/1	262,218	250,000	105	105	83	90
Campobasso	1-/1	217,353	300,000	82	82	84	85
SOUTHERN		3,050,755	3,950,000	77	77	92	95
Sicilia	20/1	1,805,490	2,000,000	65	65	93	95
Sardegna	20/1	275,516	300,000	92	91	93	94
Lazio-Umbria	15/1	1,619,826	1,600,000	101	101	92	94
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	26/1	2,458,528	2,250,000	109	107	95	95
Toscana	20/1	1,688,811	1,500,000	113	111	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		(-) 10,443,090	11,600,000	90	89	93	94

(*) Not including Campobasso
(-) Including Forli Province (10,893 qls)
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL
AFHQ 94
AGRICULTURAL SUB-COMMISSION
WHEAT ACQUISITIONS RECAPITULATION

31 January 1945

Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qtls)	Agricultural C/C estimate (12 Sept. 44) (qtls)	Percent of Agr C/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agr C/C estimate collected at report preceding last	Percent of total amassed in 1942-43 collected on 31 Oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 1942
16/1	183,844	250,000	87	67	91	93	94
23/1	774,171	950,000	91	80	93	94	94
13/1	1,573,1[illegible]	2,170,000	73	73	95	96	96
23/1	262,218	250,000	105	105	83	90	91
15/1	2[illegible],363	300,000	82	82	84	85	86
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
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25 January 1945

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 25 January 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Halford, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore, Brigadier Upjohn, Lieut. de Rose, Major General Susloparov, Major General Browning, Commodore Zirelli, Commodore Warren, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Brigadier Lush.

1. Bread Ration

The Chief Commissioner reported that AFHQ had received a signal from the Combined Chiefs of Staff authorizing SACMED to increase the bread ration up to 300 grams so long as he bore in mind the current shipping program; virtually, therefore, responsibility for any increase was passed to Field Marshal Alexander.

A reply was now in draft form, and was expected to be sent off shortly, in which SAC would express his unwillingness to raise the bread ration unless he saw a substantial increase in the shipping program for February and had assurances for the future.

2. Feeding of Civilian Employees

Referring to para 4 of the minutes of January 18th, the Chief Commissioner drew Colonel Densmore's attention to the urgency of implementing the suggestion that surplus food could and should be saved from Allied Commission messes in Rome.

3. Medical Supplies

DCOS Civil Affairs Section reported that there had been no improvement in the distribution of medical supplies and that EMBIMEA continued to perform its functions with scandalous inefficiency. He said that he had ready a memorandum for the Chief Commissioner to take up with Sig. Bonomi.

4. Call-Up

General Browning reported that phase 3 of the call-up in Sicily, which had been postponed owing to the civil disturbances, would be resumed on February 13th.

The General also said that he had spoken to the Minister for War and that plans were in hand for a publicity campaign in aid of the call-up.

5. Unrest in Sardinia

Brigadier Upjohn stated that the town of Cagliari was now quiet after disturbances which had taken place on the 17th and 18th of January. These disturb-

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6. Activities of Sig. Secondari

Brigadier Upjohn reported that a certain Sig. Secondari, a member of the staff of the newspaper "Partigiani", had been making a series of speeches in Perugia advising "Patriots" not to enlist in the Italian Army, and that there was no proclamation under which he could be specifically prosecuted for so doing.

The Chief Commissioner authorized Brigadier Upjohn to send for Secondari and order him not to make such speeches in AMG territory. If this individual persisted in so doing after this interview, he could then be prosecuted under present standing proclamations.

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7. Patriots

General Browning informed the meeting that there had been a large voluntary influx of patriots for enrolment in the Italian Army. He believed that this was partly due to the opportunity which was now being given them to join forward combat units. Brigadier Upjohn suggested that a contributory reason was the better treatment they were now receiving after crossing the line.

8. UNRRA

DCOS Civil Affairs Section informed the meeting that UNRRA would assume final responsibility for the management of the Displaced Persons camps on April 1st.

In reply to a question of the Chief of Staff, Admiral Stone stated that if the functioning of UNRRA proved efficient he was in favor of their being allowed to operate in AFHQ territory.

The Chief Commissioner instructed Colonel Dinsmore to find out whether UNRRA had completed their contract arrangements with the Italian Government and if so to find out what agreement they had arrived at for the reimbursement for supplies.

9. Pisa University

DCOS Civil Affairs Section reported that Pisa University had at last been derequisitioned and was again functioning as a university.

10. Protected Monuments

Brigadier Upjohn informed the meeting that AFHQ Memorandum # 548, which permitted the use of protected monuments as welfare centers for troops, was being amended as requested by the Commission.

11. Attacks on Service Officers

Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet reported that there had been several attacks in the press recently on serving officers in various branches of service, the latest of which was an attack on Admiral de Courten carried in Avanti of 25 January.

The Chief Commissioner directed the Chief of Staff to prepare a coordinated report on these various attacks so that steps could be taken to put an end to them.

12. Tuscana Region

The Chief of Staff made a report on a short tour of Tuscana Region in which he made the following points:

a. The greatest handicap to the work of the AMG officers was their extreme shortage of transport and tires, due in part to the new AFHQ order on derequisitioning of Italian transport.

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c. Local opinion on the prospects of the olive oil messing was not optimistic.

d. There was considerable unemployment of mines in the Valdone Valley.

Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - Thursday, 1 February, 1000 hours

J. A. JAMES
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to CC

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AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

[illegible] REPORT - WHEAT

REGION	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept.1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C est.data collected at		Percent of total amassed in 1942-43 collected on		
				latest report	report preceding	31 Oct. 1944	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 1942
Calabria	7/1	188,[illegible]	280,000	67	67	91	93	94
Lucania	3/	762,309	950,000	80	80	93	94	94
Puglie	5/	1,377,711	2,170,000	63	62	95	96	96
Campania	15/1	261,492	250,000	105	104	88	90	91
Campobasso	31/12	216,399	300,000	82	82	94	85	85
SOUTHERN		3,[illegible],877	5,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
Sicilia	5/1	1,259,[illegible]72	1,800,000	85	65	93	93	96
Sardegna	31/12	274,118	300,000	91	91	93	94	94
Lazio-Umbria	3/1	1,612,2[illegible]5	1,600,000	104	101	93	94	95
Abruzzi-Marche(*)	5/1	2,411,422	2,250,000	107	107	95	95	96
Toscana	5/1	1,365,676	1,500,000	111	110	95	94	95
GRAND TOTAL		10,[illegible]3,594(#)	11,600,000	89	89	93	94	95

(*) Not including Campobasso (#) Including Forli province (46,893 qls)

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AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

24 January 1944

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WEEKLY REPORT - WHEAT

Collected at latest report (kg)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept.1943) (qle)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at		Percent of total assessed in 1943-44 collected on		
		latest report	report preceding	31 Oct. 1943	30 Nov. 1943	31 Dec. 1943
103,[illegible]	290,000	37	37	91	92	94
754,309	930,000	80	80	93	94	94
1,577,711	2,170,000	73	72	95	96	96
251,492	250,000	103	104	88	90	91
246,599	300,000	82	82	84	85	86
3,933,877	4,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
1,259,774	1,900,000	65	65	93	95	96
274,113	300,000	91	91	92	94	94
1,612,253	1,600,000	101	101	93	94	95
2,411,428	2,250,000	107	107	95	95	96
1,565,670	1,500,000	111	110	95	94	95
10,340,394(*)	11,600,000	89	89	93	94	95

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(*) Including Forli province (40,893 qls)

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Major General the Lord Ismay
Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder
Air Marshal Sir John Slessor
Lt. Gen. Sir Hastings Ismay
Colonel E. L. Sparks
Major General R. H. Dewing
Rear Admiral C. E. Lambe
Brigadier Dykes
Brigadier Jacob
Major General the Viscount Cobham
Lt. Gen. Sir Ronald Adam
Air Vice Marshal Sir John Boyd
Air Commodore Elmhirst
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Colonel Wenger
Lt. Col. Harvey-Jones
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G/C. Dodds (2)
Hon. Alexander Hood
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Mr. Kennedy (continued)

Rear Admiral Ross
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18 January 1945

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 2:00 hours, 18 January 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hopkinson, Brigadier Upjohn, Colonel Fiske, General de Tavin, General Susloparov, Commodore Birch, Air Vice Marshal Boyen-Buscarlet, Colonel Romeres, Colonel Hern.

1. News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that the commercial news agencies had begun to function beginning January 15th.

2. Freed Nations.

The Chief Commissioner drew attention to the recent declaration that the British and American Governments were in agreement on an increased ration for liberated countries, but said that the Allied Commission had received no specific information to support this statement.

3. Patriots

ECC Civil Affairs Section reported that the Patriots situation was in hand, and the Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that he had recently made proposals to AFHQ, which he hoped would result in better handling of the whole Patriot question.

4. Feeding of Civilian Employees

Colonel Romeres made a suggestion that rations should be drawn direct from Depral for the purpose of feeding civilian employees to which the Chief Commissioner agreed, provided that the AFHQ directive on the subject was not contravened.

Admiral Stone suggested that a better use could be made of excess food from military messes--and from AC messes in particular. He pointed out that the Navy ran good soup kitchens for civilians with material obtained from similar sources.

It was decided that Colonel Romeres and Colonel Fiske should together work out a scheme incorporating both of the foregoing suggestions.

5. Medical Supplies

The Chief Commissioner drew attention to the intolerable inefficiency of ENDIM, the Italian agency for distributing medical supplies. He said that if the Italian Government could not make this agency function efficiently [illegible] would be forced to take it over.

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Brigadier Upjohn undertook to prepare an aide-memoire which the Chief Commissioner could leave with Sig. Bonomi.

6. Film Board

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that CACNEF had directed the setting up of a temporary film board on which Allied representatives would sit and whose object would be to revise, if not completely restore, this industry. The setting up of this board was connected with the withdrawal of PWB from this sphere

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of activity.

7. Promotion

The Chief Commissioner took note of the gratifying break of the 'promotion blocks' of American officers.

8. Call Up

Colonel Kerr gave details of the forthcoming and current call-up. Admiral Stone commented that the Ministry of War had failed to give an adequate publicity campaign prior to the call-up and emphasised the great importance of instructing the Italian people so that they should know what they were fighting for. Without a strong and coordinated press campaign, the Chief Commissioner stated, there was bound to be more trouble.

9. The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting of the arrival of Commodore Sir C. Warren, R.N. to relieve Commodore Palmer, TSC, R.N.

10. Admiral Stone offered congratulations on behalf of the meeting to General Sbolopatov on the striking Russian advance.

11. UNRRA

Brigadier Hughan raised the point of the practicability of the UNRRA agreement with the Italian Government to AMG territory. The Chief Commissioner said he would discuss the matter later.

12. Sicily

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REGION	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of S/C estimate collected at report preceding week	Percent of total am in 1942-43 collect 31 Oct. 1942	Percent of total am in 1942-43 collect 30 Nov 1942
Calabria	3/1	188,605	280,000	67	67	91	95
Lucania	3/1	761,323	950,000	80	80	93	94
Puglie	3/1	1,576,465	2,170,000	73	73	95	96
Campania	5/1	260,723	250,000	104	104	88	90
Campobasso	31/12	246,399	300,000	82	82	84	85
SOUTHERN		3,033,515	3,950,000	77	77	92	93
Sicilia	2/1	1,297,360	2,000,000	65	64	93	95
Sardegna	31/12	274,116	300,000	91	91	93	94
Lazio-Umbria	31/12	1,611,732	1,600,000	101	99	93	94
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	7/12	2,405,660	2,250,000	107	106	95	95
Toscana	1/1	1,655,830	1,500,000	110	109	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,319,408 (#)	11,600,000	89	89	93	94

(*) Not including Campobasso
(#) Including Forli province (10,893 qls)

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WEEKLY AMASSING REPORT - WHEAT

17 January 1945

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260,739	250,000	104	104	88	90	91
246,359	300,000	82	82	84	85	86
3,033,315	3,950,000	77	77	92	93	94
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Lucania	31/12	761,246	950,000	80	80	93	94
Puglie	31/12	1.576,394	2,170,000	73	72	95	96
Campania	30/12	259,913	250,000	104	103	88	90
Campobasso	31/12	246,393	300,000	82	82	84	89
SOUTHERN		3,031,350	3,950,000	77	76	92	93
Sicilia	30/12	1,288,327	2,000,000	64	64	93	95
Sardegna	22/12	272,518	300,000	91	91	93	94
Lazio-Umbria	15/12	1,585,686	1,600,000	99	99	93	94
Abruzzi-Marche *	2/1	2,395,387	2,250,000	106	101	95	95
Toscana	23/12	1,634,908	1,500,000	109	108	95	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,249,069 #	11,600,000	89	87	93	94

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WEEKLY AMASSING REPORT – WHEAT

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272,518	300,000	91	91	93	94	94
1,585,686	1,600,000	99	99	95	94	95
2,295,587	2,250,000	106	101	95	95	96
1,634,903	1,500,000	109	108	93	94	95
20,249,069 #	11,600,000	89	87	93	94	95

Mr. Hopkinson - NA

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4 January 1945

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Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 4 January 1945, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, ACMC.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hopkinson, Colonel Densmore, General Browning, Brigadier Upjohn, Colonel Fiske, Commodore Zirolli, Mr. Scott, Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Buscarlet, Brigadier Lush.

1. News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that Field Marshal Alexander had given approval for Allied News Agencies to operate in Rome commencing January 15th. He had also given approval for local Italian news agencies to sell news to the Rome newspapers. PWB, he stated, would continue to supply news to papers in AMG and forward regions. Radio Rome would not initially use the outside news service.

2. Bread Ration

The meeting was informed that Field Marshal Alexander had as yet received no firm reply from the Combined Chiefs of Staff on the question of supplementing the 300 gram bread ration.

3. Food Situation in Rome

Colonel Densmore reported that the city held food stocks for 25 days--as against a short time ago when it had dropped to as low as two days' supply in reserve. Colonel Densmore undertook to furnish the Chief Commissioner with a report showing the daily tonnage of food importation into Rome.

4. Ministry of Occupied Italy

Brigadier Upjohn, DCOS Civil Affairs Section, reported that a new draft decree covering functions and responsibilities of the new Ministry for Occupied Italy had been received from the Italian Government. He stated that it involved many difficult questions which would almost certainly have to be referred to SACMED. The Chief Commissioner requested the CA Section's comments as soon as possible.

5. Clothing for Patriots

Brigadier Upjohn reported that a satisfactory quantity of clothing and mess tins for patriots in both 5th and 8th Army areas had been made available from different sources--chiefly from Land Forces Subcommission (MMIA).

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a. Colonel Fiske stated that the difficulties met in providing a meal for civilian employees of Allied Commission Headquarters had up to now proved insuperable, chiefly owing to the firm attitude of the U.S. Quartermaster, R&C, in abiding strictly by the AFHQ memorandum on this subject.

b. Colonel Densmore reported that he had good hopes that OWRR, a church charity organization, would be willing to give help and thus make possible the feeding of these employees.

c. The Chief Commissioner stated that this was a disgrace to Allied administration, and directed that a memorandum should be sent to AFHQ pointing out the absurdity of an Allied military body, desiring to feed their Italian civilian employees, having recourse to the assistance of an Italian charitable body.

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7. Medical Supplies

The Chief Commissioner directed the attention of the DCOS, Civil affairs Section to the fact that the most elementary medical supplies such as aspirin and cotton wool were unprocureable in the chemists' shops and that little was even reaching the clinics. Brigadier Upjohn confirmed that the stores were in fact being brought into the country by the Allies and the fault lay, as the Chief Commissioner suspected, with the weakness of distribution on the part of the Italian Government. He undertook to go into the matter energetically.

8. Acting President's Press Conference

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that at a press conference on January 3rd Mr. Macmillan had given a very full exposition of the present position of the Allied Commission. He had explained the proposals which he had made to the British and U.S. Governments with a view to implementing the statements of the President and Prime Minister of September 26th, and he had also spoken of the acute shipping problem which lay at the root of our troubles. The Chief Commissioner said that if the Allied Commission were further misrepresented in the press, it could not be on the grounds of lack of information.

9. Olive Oil Amassing

The meeting had before them a paper from the Chief of Staff stating that the Italian Government had formally requested the Allied Commission to provide 100 officers and NCO's and 80 vehicles to assist in the amassing of olive oil. The problem appeared to be one of principle versus practical necessity. The Chief Commissioner directed that such Allied help must be supplied if only to keep tonnage demands to a minimum and that, at the same time, the Italian Government must be pressed to take the most energetic measures on its own behalf. He directed that DCOS, Economic Section should implement this decision.

10. UNRRA

Colonel Denmore reported that a draft of a proposed General Routine Order had been received from AFHQ setting out the relationship of UNRRA with all military formations in the theatre including the Allied Commission. The draft had been approved (with amendments) by the Economic Section and by the Chief of Staff. The Chief Commissioner directed that it should be referred to the CA Section for their comments and that he also wished to see it before it was returned in final form to AFHQ.

11. Removals and Transfers of Italian Government Officials

To a question of Brigadier Upjohn's the Chief Commissioner replied that pending the decision of Washington, the Allied Commission should make no change in the present procedure in this matter.

12. Chief of Staff of Italian Air Force, Lt. Gen. Aimone Cat

Air Vice Marshal Bower-Buscarlet informed the meeting that during a tour of operational units which he had made during Christmas with the Italian Air Force Chief of Staff, Lt. Gen. Aimone Cat had received a cordial reception.

13. Discrimination against AC by MTOUSA

Colonel Fiske pointed out various ways in which discrimination seemed to have been made by MTOUSA against the Allied Commission. The Chief Commissioner directed that letters should be prepared for his signature contesting the various points.

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14. Carabinieri Parade

The Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that Field Marshal Alexander would take the salute at a parade of Carabinieri to be held in Rome at 1030 hours, Saturday, 6 January. This was a matter to which, for security reasons, no advance publicity was to be given.

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Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - Thursday, 11 January, 1000 hours.

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REGION	Average date of reports	Collected at latest report (ql.)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (ql.)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at: latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at: report preceding week	Percent of total in 32-43 collected at: 31 Oct.	Percent of total in 32-43 collected at: 30 Nov.
Catanzaro	1-/12	187,02	200,000	67	57	91	93
Lucania	25/11	750,252	750,000	80	80	93	94
Puglie	21/12	1,57[illegible],394	2,100,000	72	72	95	96
Campania	19/12	258,051	250,000	103	105	98	98
Campobasso	25/12	245,250	300,000	82	82	84	85
SOUTHERN		3,0[illegible],162	3,350,000	76	76	92	93
Sicilia	20/12	1,285,115	2,000,000	64	64	95	95
Sardegna	22/12	272,[illegible]18	500,000	92	88	89	94
Lazio-Umbria	15/12	1,585,685	1,600,000	99	99	93	94
Abruzzi-Marche (x)	20/12	2,[illegible]70,305	2,250,000	101	100	95	95
Toscana	15/12	1,614,561	1,500,000	108	107	93	94
GRAND TOTAL		10,[illegible]90,[illegible]38*	11,400,000	87	87	92	94

(x) Not including Campobasso

* Including Forli province (45,093 ql.)

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3 January 1943

Collected at latest report (ql.)	Agriculture S/C estimate 15 Sept. 1942 (qls.)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at: latest report	report preceding week	Percent of total amassed in 1942-43 collected on: 31 Oct.	30 Nov.	31 Dec. 1942
187,025	265,000	67	67	91	93	94
250,249	450,000	80	80	93	96	96
1,571,994	2,170,000	72	72	92	96	98
298,591	350,000	103	103	88	90	91
245,250	297,000	82	82	84	87	88
3,052,160	3,950,000	76	76	92	93	94
1,288,115	2,000,000	64	64	92	95	96
272,518	300,000	91	90	93	94	94
1,535,388	1,550,000	99	99	96	97	95
2,370,405	2,350,000	101	100	95	98	96
1,641,521	2,500,000	166	107	93	94	95
10,394,136*	11,300,000	87	87	93	94	95

* Including Paris province (1,000,892 qls.)

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The next Vice Presidents' Meeting will be held in the Office of the Chief Commissioner at 1000 hours on Thursday, 4 January 1944.

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28 December 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1130 hours, 28 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hopkinson, Colonel Densmore, General Susloparov, Brigadier Upjohn, Colonel Fiske, Major General Browning, Captain Butler, Mr. Schott, Sqdr. Leader de Hahn, Brigadier Lush.

1. News Agencies

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The Chief Commissioner said there was no change in the situation over the appointment of an Italian Ambassador to the United States, which was still not made.

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The Chief Commissioner hoped that, as a result of the current discussions in Washington, the situation would be ameliorated.

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The Chief Commissioner said that no further developments had taken place in this matter though, further concessions having been made by the Italian Government, he expected an early solution.

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8. Food Situation

Colonel Densmore reported that the harvesting result was up 1% on the last report. He was satisfied with the influx of food into Rome.

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9. Local Elections

DCOS, CA Section raised the question of local elections and was anxious to know what steps had been taken during his absence. He was informed that a circular letter had been sent to all Regional Commissioners asking for their views on when the elections could and should be held. The Chief Commissioner stressed the importance of holding these elections as soon as possible and said he hoped that women's franchise might be granted before the elections took place.

10. Proclamations Concerning the Formation of Military Zones

DCOS, CA Section reported that Field Marshal Alexander would be asked to sign blank forms, in which Regional Commissioners could insert the names of towns if a rapid advance took place. The Chief Commissioner said he particularly wished to see this request before it was sent to G-5.

11. Ministry of Occupied Italy

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Colonel Fiske reported that an AFHQ memorandum on the question of feeding of civilian employees was a considerable obstacle to providing a meal for the civilian employees of Allied Commission Headquarters. The Chief Commissioner said that the employees must be fed, and that therefore a way must be found to overcome the difficulty.

17. Reduction in Enlisted Personnel Strength

Colonel Fiske reported that enlisted men of this Headquarters were going through an examination with a view to making them available for the front, and

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that approximately 50% of the present enlisted strength would be affected. The Chief Commissioner directed that strong protest should be made in the case of such men as had special qualifications in the way of language, etc., particularly in forward or AMG Regions.

18. Sicily

The Chief of Staff stated that Brigadier Carr had reported that the High Commissioner had reduced the Sicilian ration to 200 grams by the elimination of the pasta ration.

19. Distressed Areas

DCOS, CA Section reported that quantities of Mr. Myron Taylor's relief supplies had been distributed and that conditions generally were getting better. He also said that he had good hopes of the new Housing Decree. He further reported that the Prime Minister's Committee for Distressed Areas had dissolved, which was a good thing, and that Prince Doria was forming another committee which looked likely to be more energetic and efficient.

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Weekly Assessing Report Wheat

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R E G I O N	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (1 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at report preceding week	Pe in 31 Dec 1942
Calabria	13/12	136,954	200,000	67	66	91
Lucania	13/12	159,368	250,000	80	80	97
Puglie	13/12	1,[illegible],698	2,[illegible],000	72	72	95
Campania	12/12	257,157	250,000	103	103	90
Campobasso	1/12	214,856	300,000	72	72	84
SOUTHERN		3,023,133	3,920,000	76	75	92
Sicilia	13/12	1,276,779	2,000,000	64	64	93
Sardegna	13/12	270,443	300,000	90	89	93
Lazio-Umbria	13/12	1,[illegible],070	1,600,000	99	99	95
Abruzzi-Marche*	13/12	2,256,768	2,250,000	100	99	1[illegible]
Toscana	12/12	1,[illegible],385	1,500,000	107	107	93
GRAND TOTAL		**15,058,501	13,600,000	87	86	93

* Not including Campobasso
** Including Forli' Province (10,893 qls)

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Agriculture Sub-Commission
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28 December 1944

Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at preceding week	Percent of total assessed in 1942-43 collected on 31 Oct. 1942	30 Nov. 1942	31 Dec. 19
15/12	136,954	280,000	57	66	91	93	94
12/12	758,368	958,000	80	80	93	94	94
13/12	1,[illegible],638	2,[illegible]70,000	72	72	95	96	96
6/12	[illegible],457	250,000	163	163	83	90	91
12/12	204,866	300,000	82	82	84	85	85
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13/12	1,276,779	2,000,000	64	6[illegible]	93	95	96
3/12	270,443	308,640	90	89	92	94	94
10/12	1,[illegible]5,670	1,500,000	99	98	93	94	95
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21 December 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 21 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Parkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Commodore Ziroli, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske, Colonel Densmore, Colonel Noakes.

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2. Food in Jails

The Chief Commissioner expressed his reluctance to lower the bread ration in jails without further careful consideration. C.C.S. and Brigadier Parkinson would discuss further.

3. Political

Count Sforza had decided not to accept the invitation to become Italian Ambassador to the U.S.

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The Chief Commissioner read to the meeting SACMED's signal to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, which was expected to be brought personally to the notice of the President and Prime Minister. The gist of the cable was to press for the 300 gram bread ration and a firm shipping program with which to implement it.

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The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that dispute still continued on the question of the resumption of radio and cable communications between this country and the U.S. and U.K. He hoped that a recent concession on the part of the Italian Government might solve the deadlock.

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7. Withdrawal of A.C. Personnel

When the C.O.S. reported that Brig. Dunlop was making a gradual withdrawal of personnel from Sicily, the Chief Commissioner directed that as far as possible the withdrawal should take place on an even-nationality basis.

8. Clothing for Patriots

Brig. Parkinson reported that the American Red Cross would allot clothing for 2,500 patriots. The Chief of Staff reported that Colonel Henn (G-5) was also raising the patriot clothing question at the C.A.C.'s conference.

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9. Transportation in Rome

When the C.O.S. reported that the Rome transport workers were going to take a week's holiday at Christmas thereby possibly endangering the city's food stocks, the Chief Commissioner directed that a letter be prepared for his signature to the Prime Minister should the situation seem to warrant it. (Colonel Densmore).

10. Hardships for Civilian Population

The C.O.S. stated that civilians in the regions of Toscana and Abruzzi would undoubtedly experience hardship there during the winter through lack of housing, owing to large number of troops going into winter quarters. The Chief Commissioner suggested that the Chief Administrative Officer AFHQ should instruct the District Commander to issue an order to troops that they should refrain from buying civilian food.

11. Motor Pool.

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Captain Butler (Naval Subcom)
Colonel Densmore
Colonel Monfort
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Colonel Mitchell, G-5 AFHQ
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Agriculture Sub-Commission
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REGIO	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture s/c estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. s/c estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. s/c estimate collected at report preceding week	Percent of total amount in 1942-43 collected at 31 Oct. 1942	Percent of total amount in 1942-43 collected at 30 Nov. 1942
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Toscana	8/12	1.534.516	1,500,000	107	103	93	94
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(*) No. including Campobasso.

LELAND C. ALLGAUER,
Director.

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21 December 1944

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219.358	950,000	80	80	93	94	94
272.723	2,170,000	72	72	95	96	96
257.026	250,000	103	102	88	90	91
254.356	300,000	82	81	84	85	86
360.624	3,950,000	76	76	92	93	94
274.027	2,000,000	69	63	95	95	96
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14 December 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 14 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Parkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske, Captain Butler, USN (for Naval Subcommission), Colonel Noakes (for Army Subcommission).

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The Chief Commissioner said that this question would be taken up at the next AFHQ Political Committee meeting and that there seemed to be no objection to the use of uncensored news sources by the Italian press.

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The Chief Commissioner said that he had suggested to UNRRA that they open discussions with the new Italian Government with regard to the agreement they desire with the Government before beginning operations.

3. National Committee for the Distribution of Relief in Italy

The Chief Commissioner said that the suggestion that Mr. Taylor's organization should be allowed to draw on the Allied Commission pool for care had been approved.

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The Chief Commissioner read a letter which he had sent to the Supreme Allied Commander regarding the food situation for Italy. Brigadier Lush reported on a meeting which General Clark had held at AFHQ to consider this letter. The Brigadier said that A.C. now has a good deal of support for the conclusions drawn by the letter, but the meeting had decided that it would not be wise to send the proposed telegram to the Combined Chiefs of Staff at this time. It seemed to be the opinion of those present at this meeting that the President and Prime Minister should be fully informed of the details of the Italian food situation. The decision was to ask the Supreme Allied Commander to send a cable to the President and Prime Minister, through the Combined Chiefs of Staff, directing their attention to their statements and to their openly expressed wish to help Italy at this time. Brigadier Lush said the cable would also point out the serious consequences to the civilian population of any further cut in the shipping allocated to

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this theater. The Brigadier said that he was hoping to get a draft of this cable from AFHQ today. Brigadier Lush said that the eight additional ships per month necessary to carry out the 300 gram ration in Italy would be asked for, as they could not be allocated from shipping already available to this theater. The Chief Commissioner said that the Italian Government would not be told of any impending decrease in the bread ration at this time.

7. Italian Prisoners of War

Mr. Schott said that a request had been received to make a documentary film of the treatment and living conditions of Italian Prisoners of War, steps involved in their repatriation, processing at reception camps and return to Italy. The Chief Commissioner said that he saw no advantage in making a graphical record of certain violations of the Geneva Convention.

8. Hemp Situation

Brigadier Lush said that great difficulty was being experienced in organizing the hemp industry into an efficient working unit chiefly owing to difficulties with the Rome Consorzio. It was decided that Mr. Antolini should go into the matter with the Chief of Staff.

9. Administration of Properties of Historical Value

Brigadier Parkinson said that the administrative memorandum put out by AFHQ on this subject had been changed by the AFHQ Army Educational Authorities and it may now convey a wrong impression as to availability of these properties for use. The Chief Commissioner said that this memorandum should be contested.

10. Repatriation of Italians from Eritrea

The meeting was informed that Brigadier McCarthy was in Rome to see if the repatriation could be arranged of considerable numbers of Italians from Eritrea.

11. Planning for Northwest Italy

Brigadier Lush said that AAI was prepared to open the port of Genoa as a military commitment and not to leave it to civilian responsibility as was earlier proposed. They were also prepared to open up some of the railway lines.

12. Italian Undersecretary of State for War

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graphical record of certain violations of the Geneva Convention.

8. Home Situation

Brigadier Lush said that great difficulty was being experienced in organizing the hemp industry into an efficient working unit chiefly owing to difficulties with the Rome Consorzio. It was decided that Mr. Antolini should go into the matter with the Chief of Staff.

9. Administration of Properties of Historical Value

Brigadier Parkinson said that the administrative Memorandum put out by AFHQ on this subject had been changed by the AFHQ Army Educational Authorities and it may now convey a wrong impression as to availability of these properties for use. The Chief Commissioner said that this Memorandum should be contested.

10. Repatriation of Italians from Eritrea

The meeting was informed that Brigadier McCarthy was in Rome to see if the repatriation could be arranged of considerable numbers of Italians from Eritrea.

11. Planning for Northwest Italy

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Weekly Harvesting Report Wheat

REGIONS	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture Sub-estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. Sub-estimate to Collected at latest report	Percent of latest report preceding week
Calabria	5/12	186,435	280,000	66	56
Lucania	7/12	758,152	250,000	300	61
Puglia	5/12	1,570,355	2,170,000	72	72
Campania	5/12	234,896	250,000	94	101
Campobasso	7/12	243,680	300,000	81	91
SOUTHERN		3,614,115	[illegible]	[illegible]	74
Sicilia	3/12	1,265,324	2,000,000	63	63
Sardegna	27/11	356,847	300,000	119	88
Lazio-Umbria	27/11	1,354,139	1,400,000	97	97
Abruzzi-Marche*	5/12	1,209,774	2,350,000	50	97
Toscana	5/12	1,546,519	1,500,000	103	103
GRAND TOTAL		9,358,344	12,600,000	85	85

* Not including Campobasso

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186,435	280,000	66	66	91	93	94
[illegible]	250,000	80	[illegible]	92	94	94
2,370,351	2,170,000	72	72	95	96	96
254,[illegible]	250,000	102	101	88	90	91
243,[illegible]	300,000	81	81	84	85	87
3,[illegible]	3,[illegible]	75	76	92	93	94
[illegible],268,724	2,600,000	62	62	90	92	93
[illegible],266,[illegible]	300,000	88	88	93	94	94
[illegible],550,[illegible]	1,500,000	97	97	93	94	95
[illegible],209,745	3,250,000	93	97	95	95	96
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[illegible],358,264	11,600,000	85	85	95	94	95

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7 December 1944

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MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 Hours, 7 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, APO.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Air Vice Marshal Dower Discarnet, Commodore Strutt, Brigadier Low, Brigadier Parkman, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Archibald, General Gousgarev, General de Sevin, Colonel Pinto, Colonel Spicer, Colonel Kerr.

1. Mr. Brayne

Brigadier Low stated that although the British Government had not yet released Mr. Brayne for assignment to the Allied Commission as Member of the Labor Sub-Commission, it was fully expected.

2. Outside Newspapermen in Italy

To explain the present situation on the release of news in Italy, the Chief Commissioner said that all news, except that which is put through TASS, came into Italy through the PWB. The Administration has taken the view that Italy should be permitted to receive news from private sources when cleared and translated by PWB, and it was expected that by January 15, 1945, outside agencies would be permitted to bring news into Italy. This is subject to approval from AFHQ.

3. UNRRA

The Chief Commissioner said that, on condition of repayment, he had agreed to loan Unrra two thousand tons of supplies (one month in advance of the arrival of their own) when they could produce an assurance that supplies and shipping had been allocated to them for use in this theater.

4. Medical Committee for the Distribution of Relief in Italy

The Chief Commissioner said that Dr. Myron Taylor's relief organization had now received from America for distribution some 1500 tons of relief supplies; clothing, typical medical supplies, etc. Allied Commission had arranged its transport to the devastated areas. The Chief Commissioner said that he hoped it would be the forerunner of a great deal of supplies from outside sources which the Army could not furnish.

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The Chief Commissioner said that the political situation

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1. Mr. Bevin.

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5. Political Situation.

a. The Chief Commissioner said that the political situation was very thoroughly reported in the papers and that the only thing he could add was that if Sig. Bonomi informed the Luogotenente that he could not form a government, then the six parties of the CLN were to begin whether or not they might fall in behind de Gasperi (Christian Democrat).

b. The Chief Commissioner said that since direct diplomatic relations had now been established with the Italian Government, the only concern which the Allied Commission had in the formation of any new government was as those ministries directly engaged in the war (War, Navy and Air Force) and to other posts which affected the war effort (Undersecretary of State for Communications, Director General of Railroads). These five posts were the only ones on which the

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Commander, on behalf of the Supreme Allied Commander, would take a position.

4. Food Situation in Italy

Brigadier Hughes, upon attention to the fact that in the Regina Coeli jail the prisoners' ration had been cut to 900 grams, in other prisons in Italy the ration is 300 grams. As a result of certain prisoners having removed elsewhere from the Regina Coeli jail trouble had broken out due to the news of the higher ration in Rome getting about. Ciano Badoglio and Aquila prisons had already been affected. Commodore Stone reported that Brigadier Lush and Brigadier Parkinson should live with a free evacuation of this matter with a view to deciding whether a PoW proclamation was in fact necessary.

Brig. Lush & Parkinson

5. Special Detachment

Brigadier Parkinson said that a special mobile striking force of Carabinieri, 600 strong, had been formed in Sicily. He also reported that some personnel of the Ente Ippico into the Italy Army was to be diverted into the Carabinieri.

6. Patriots

To a suggestion from Colonel Stiver that there should be established in Undersecretary of State to deal with Patriots, the Chief Commissioner replied that what was likely to be done in Sig. Bonomi formed a Government. Brigadier Lush suggested that the proposed new Ministry should not concern itself with problems in AMG territory.

7. Diplomatic Relations

Brigadier Lush read a cable from the Combined Chiefs of Staff to SACMED which stated that the American and British Ambassadors were to handle only political questions of specific interest to their respective governments. Economic and Administrative matters were to be handled by Allied Commission. The Chief of Staff pointed out that this might lead to the handling of such political questions as might be of common interest to both governments.

8. Grain Situation

a. The Chief Commissioner said that he was not ready to accept the proposal of the Deputy Supreme Allied Commander to ship no more grain to Sicily, as he believed the supposition to be unrealistic. The Chief Commissioner instructed Mr. Antolini to explore this question with Sig. Alberto.

b. Mr. Antolini said that AFHQ had asked for the requirements in terms to implement the three hundred grain ration for Italy and Sardinia.

11. Status of PW & WD Subcommission

Colonel Wade said it had been decided to recommend that the

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11. Status of P/W & WD Subcommission

Colonel Fiske said it had been decided to recommend that the Italian Prisoners of War Subcommission be transferred to Land Forces Subcommission. The transfer of the War Material Disposal half of the Subcommission was still under consideration. The Chief Commissioner said that he was opposed to attaching War Material Disposal to the Economic Section, and that it should remain an independent subcommission.

12. Headquarters Car Pool

Colonel Fiske said that the headquarters car pool was expected to be in full operation by the 15th of this month and perhaps by the

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10th. The pool has been able to handle all legitimate requests for transport so far. The Chief Commissioner said that he was very desirous of having as many Indians decorticicators as possible, and that the sub-rank outside the headquarters should be reduced to the minimum as the sight of the idle tanks was justifiably offensive to the Romans.

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Calabria	25/11	155,295	280,000	66	5	91
Lucania	20/11	151,467	250,000	60	7	93
Puglie	20/11	1,563,545	2,170,000	72	1	95
Campania	30/11	259,715	250,000	101	24	30
Campobasso	30/11	259,345	300,000	91	7	64
SOUTHERN		3,388,772	3,950,000	76	7	92
Sicilia	25/11	1,261,762	2,000,000	63	61	92
Messina	23/11	268,192	300,000	89	92	92
Trapani-Palermo	25/11	1,523,630	1,300,000	97	30	92
Abruzzi-Marche*	25/11	2,195,499	2,250,000	97	77	85
Toscana	25/11	1,422,108	1,500,000	103	70	93
GRAND TOTAL		3,813,774	11,600,000	85	7	92

* Not including Campobasso

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[illegible],315	500,000	51	72	34	85	86
3,000,772	3,950,000	76	74	92	93	94
1,264,765	2,000,000	63	61	91	93	95
265,[illegible]08	300,000	89	82	93	94	94
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1,31[illegible],774	1,600,000	85	73	92	94	95

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23 November 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 0930 hours, 23 November 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Monfort, Colonel Fiske.

1. Changes - Italian Government

The Chief Commissioner said that a number of rumors had been going round regarding changes within the Italian Government, but he did not believe anything concrete had yet occurred. The rumors seem to have their origin in the shuffling of certain posts rising out of the departure of Carandini to London and Sforza's expected departure for Washington, both having held posts of Minister without Portfolio.

2. Civilian Wage Increase

The list granting increase of wages for civilians with the armed forces had gone out.

3. Mr. Macmillan

The Chief Commissioner said that the working members had a very profitable day with Mr. Macmillan on Monday of this week. Mr. Macmillan had left for London and Washington to go over many of the Commission's problems with high government authorities. Among the problems he would discuss, other than the one of demilitarization, was the one of the supply program for Italy. He would try to resolve the question of how long the armies would pay for the civilian necessities now being brought in and what portion of the dollar credits might have to be used for first-aid material for Italy.

4. Mr. Braine

Brigadier Lush said that he had asked Mr. Macmillan to take this question up with the War Office in London while he was there.

5. Road Blocks

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6. Food Distribution Plan

Mr. Antolini said that this plan was presented to the Council on the 22nd, but as yet he had received no report on their reaction to it.

7. Anti-French Literature

The Chief Commissioner said that on the question of anti-French literature a reply had been received from the Italian Government, who were going to look into the matter and take steps to correct the situation.

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8. Italian News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner said that the question had not yet been resolved as to whether the Italians should be permitted to open up competitive news agencies. There was a difference of opinion between the Commission and PWB; the Commission feeling that the Italians should operate their own agencies and that outside agencies should be allowed to enter Italy at once, while PWB wished to control the press until hostilities ceased.

9. Pantelleria

a. Nothing has been done as yet to put this Island under AC control.

b. Owing to the recent attempted suicide of the Civil Affairs Officer on the Island, the Chief of Staff took note that it was probably undesirable to leave an officer there for longer than one month at a time.

10. Women's Suffrage

The Chief Commissioner said that he had a discussion with the Prime Minister on this subject and was informed that while the parties of the extreme left and right favored it, the other parties were waiting to see what the feeling in the North would be. It was, therefore, rather unlikely that a decree would be adopted at an early date.

11. Review of Carabinieri

The Chief Commissioner said that General Alexander wished to review the Carabinieri and that the parade would probably take place early in December.

12. Russian Party

Mr. Hopkinson said that a telegram had been received from Moscow saying that Diplomatic Visas had been given to a party of eleven men to come to Italy. A copy had been repeated to AFHQ. General Susloparov said that this party was to replace the party of General Sudakov and take over all of his duties. Most of these men would be working in the camps with former prisoners of war.

13. Amassing Figures

Brig. Lush — Brigadier Lush said that he would speak to Colonel French on the seemingly too large jump in the figures for Abruzzi.

14. Coal Shortage

Brigadier Upjohn said that Public Health Subcommission had received a report from the Italian Red Cross that the hospitals in Rome were likely to run out of coal within a week or so. This was partially due to delays in bringing in lignite coal from Grossetto. The Chief Commissioner said that this had to have a number one priority and had to be averted at all costs. Mr. Antolini took note.

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15. Devastated Areas

Brigadier Upjohn said that the Italian Government was not doing at all well on this problem. The Brigadier said that, with the permission of the Chief Commissioner, he would send a letter to the appropriate officials pointing out that the Commission's only function was one of advice and assistance to the Italian Government.

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16. Visit of General Spofford

Brigadier Lush said that General Spofford would be in Rome on the 24th and that he would want to discuss the question of communication channels. The Chief Commissioner said he would like the Chief of Staff to hold a meeting with the CA Section, Economic Section, Political Section and the Deputy Chief of Staff to submit a preliminary plan which he could discuss with General Spofford. The Chief Commissioner also said that he thought they might want to consult Colonel Henderson, not from the technical standpoint, but because the Communications Subcommission had recently been confronted with the need for direct communication with the U.S. State Department and Federal Communications Commission on resumption of international services.

17. Land Forces Subcommission

Brigadier Lush said that he had received an appreciation from General Browning in which the General stated that the Land Forces Subcommission was prepared to take over the entire functions of the organization for repatriating Italian soldiers and POW, provided that the POW part of War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners of War Subcommission was transferred to Land Forces Subcommission, and that he was given a small additional staff and that the necessary change was made in the charter of the Land Forces Subcommission (LFSIA). This approach should be followed up.

18. UNRRA

a. The decision as to what material the Commission could loan to UNRRA has not been made and the Chief Commissioner said that he would like to be in on this decision. Brigadier Lush said that UNRRA special shipments are set for February. The Chief Commissioner said he thought it was a good idea to tell them that since these shipments were a firm commitment they should plan to start operation from that date.

b. The Chief of Staff said that the proposed directive submitted by UNRRA to us for approval before sending to AFHQ was quite unacceptable. Brigadier Upjohn said that the matter of coordinating this, he thought, was up to Colonel Murphey.

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Weekly Wheat Threshing Report

24 November 1944

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Lucania	15/11	734,306	950,000	79	79	85
Puglia	15/11	1,565,251	2,170,000	73	72	94
Campania	15/11	246,422	250,000	98	96	94
Campobasso	15/11	240,821	300,000	80	78	79
SOUTHERN		2,990,790	3,950,000	76	75	88
Sicilia	15/11	1,252,671	2,000,000	63	62	88
Sardegna	5/11	256,750	300,000	85	85	95
Lazio-Umbria	10/11	1,457,284	1,600,000	95	95	91
Abruzzi-Marche*	19/11	2,165,438	2,250,000	96	97	94
Toscana	11/11	1,488,697	1,500,000	99	97	92
GRAND TOTAL		9,632,130	11,600,000	83	81	90

* Not including Campobasso

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Agriculture Sub-Commission
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		Last report	report preceding week	30 Sept. 1943	31 Oct. 1943
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1,[illegible],[illegible]7	1,500,000	99	97	92	93
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Mr. Hopkinson

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Office of the Chief Commissioner
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28 December 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1130 hours, 28 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Rear Admiral Stone, Mr. Hopkinson, Colonel Densmore, General Susloparov, Brigadier Upjohn, Colonel Fiske, Major General Browning, Captain Butler, Mr. Schott, Sqdr. Leader de Hahn, Brigadier Lush.

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2. Food Ration in Prisons

The Chief Commissioner directed that the ration in the Regina Coeli Prison should not be reduced.

3. Political Situation

The Chief Commissioner said there was no change in the situation over the appointment of an Italian Ambassador to the United States, which was still not made.

4. Food Imports

The Chief Commissioner hoped that, as a result of the current discussions in Washington, the situation would be ameliorated.

5. Radio and Cable Communications

The Chief Commissioner said that no further developments had taken place in this matter though, further concessions having been made by the Italian Government, he expected an early solution.

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8. Food Situation

Colonel Densmore reported that the harvesting result was up 1% on the last report. He was satisfied with the influx of food into Rome.

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9. Local Elections

DCOS, CA Section raised the question of local elections and was anxious to know what steps had been taken during his absence. He was informed that a circular letter had been sent to all Regional Commissioners asking for their views on when the elections could and should be held. The Chief Commissioner stressed the importance of holding these elections as soon as possible and said he hoped that women's franchise might be granted before the elections took place.

10. Proclamations Concerning the Formation of Military Zones

DCOS, CA Section reported that Field Marshal Alexander would be asked to sign blank forms, in which Regional Commissioners could insert the names of towns if a rapid advance took place. The Chief Commissioner said he particularly wished to see this request before it was sent to C-S.

11. Ministry of Occupied Italy

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S/Ldr de Hahn reported a slight reduction in Italian Air Force operations due to weather conditions.

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16. Feeding of Civilian Employees

Colonel Fiske reported that an AFHQ memorandum on the question of feeding of civilian employees was a considerable obstacle to providing a meal for the civilian employees of Allied Commission Headquarters. The Chief Commissioner said that the employees must be fed, and that therefore a way must be found to overcome the difficulty.

17. Reduction in Enlisted Personnel Strength

Colonel Fiske reported that enlisted men of this Headquarters were going through an examination with a view to making them available for the front, and

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that approximately 50% of the present enlisted strength would be affected. The Chief Commissioner directed that strong protest should be made in the case of such men as had special qualifications in the way of language, etc., particularly in forward or AMG Regions.

18. Sicily

The Chief of Staff stated that Brigadier Carr had reported that the High Commissioner had reduced the Sicilian ration to 200 grams by the elimination of the pasta ration.

19. Distressed Areas

DCOS, CA Section reported that quantities of Mr. Myron Taylor's relief supplies had been distributed and that conditions generally were getting better. He also said that he had good hopes of the new Housing Decree. He further reported that the Prime Minister's Committee for Distressed Areas had dissolved, which was a good thing, and that Prince Doria was forming another committee which looked likely to be more energetic and efficient.

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Agriculture Sub-Commission
Weekly Amending Report Wheat

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Lucania	15/12	799,960	950,000	80	80
Puglie	15/12	5,[illegible]72,638	2,170,000	72	72
Campania	17/12	257,157	250,000	103	102
Campobasso	15/12	24,886	300,000	82	82
SOUTHERN		2,023,189	3,950,000	76	77
Sicily	15/12	1,274,779	2,000,000	64	63
Sardegna	15/12	270,448	300,000	90	89
Lazio-Umbria	10/12	1,585,070	1,600,000	99	97
Abruzzi-Marche*	13/12	2,256,768	2,250,000	100	99
Toscana	12/12	1,305,345	1,500,000	87	87
GRAND TOTAL		**10,050,501	11,600,000	87	86

* Not including Campobasso
** Including Friuli' Province (10,893 qls)

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	2,296,780	2,250,000	102	99	95	95	96
	1,665,365	1,500,000	107	107	93	94	95
	10,558,501	11,600,000	87	86	93	94	95

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21 December 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 Hours, 21 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Parkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Commodore Zirolli, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske, Colonel Densmore, Colonel Noakes.

1. Outside News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner said that it was improbable that outside news-agencies would be able to operate by January 15 as SACMED wished to give more consideration to the matter.

2. Food in Jails

The Chief Commissioner expressed his reluctance to lower the bread ration in jails without further careful consideration. C.C.S. and Brigadier Parkinson would discuss further.

3. Political

Count Sforza had decided not to accept the invitation to become Italian Ambassador to the U.S.

4. Wheat

The Chief Commissioner read to the meeting SACMED's signal to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, which was expected to be brought personally to the notice of the President and Prime Minister. The gist of the cable was to press for the 300 gram bread ration and a firm shipping program with which to implement it.

5. Communications

The Chief Commissioner told the meeting that dispute still continued on the question of the resumption of radio and cable communications between this country and the U.S. and U.K. He hoped that a recent concession on the part of the Italian Government might solve the deadlock.

6. Sicily

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7. Withdrawal of A.C. Personnel

When the C.O.S. reported that Brig. Dunlop was making a gradual withdrawal of personnel from Sicily, the Chief Commissioner directed that as far as possible the withdrawal should take place on an even-nationality basis.

8. Clothing for Patriots

Brig. Parkinson reported that the American Red Cross would allot clothing for 2,500 patriots. The Chief of Staff reported that Colonel Henn (G-5) was also raising the patriot clothing question at the C.A.O.'s conference.

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9. Transportation in Rome

When the C.C.C. reported that the Rome transport workers were going to take a week's holiday at Christmas thereby possibly endangering the city's food stocks, the Chief Commissioner directed that a letter be prepared for his signature to the Prime Minister should the situation seem to warrant it. (Colonel Densmore).

10. Hardships for Civilian Population

The C.C.S. stated that civilians in the regions of Toscana and Abruzzi would undoubtedly experience hardship there during the winter through lack of housing, owing to large number of troops going into winter quarters. The Chief Commissioner suggested that the Chief Administrative Officer AFHQ should instruct the District Commander to issue an order to troops that they should refrain from buying civilian food.

11. Motor Pool.

Colonel Fiske reported that Mr. Myron Taylor's relief organization was already making use of the motor pool, and would be making heavy demands on it in January.

12. Requisitioning of Vehicles

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Sir Noel Charles
General Spofford
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Captain Butler (Naval Subcom)
Colonel Densmore
Colonel Monfort
Mr. Harlan Cleveland
Colonel Mitchell, G-5 AFHQ
Lt Col Brown

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Lazio-Umbria	5/12	1.571.254	1,600,000	98	97	93	94
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	7/12	2.219.509	2,250,000	99	97	95	95
Toscana	8/12	1.534.516	1,500,000	107	103	93	94
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(*) Not including Campobasso

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69.256	550,000	80	86	93	94	94
72.725	2,170,000	72	72	95	96	96
27.226	250,000	103	102	88	90	91
74.866	300,000	82	81	84	85	86
00.534	3,900,000	75	76	92	93	94
72.047	2,000,000	69	65	93	95	96
68.056	00,000	89	89	93	94	94
71.294	1,600,000	98	97	93	94	95
19.503	2,250,000	99	97	95	95	96
24.513	1,500,000	107	103	93	94	95
58.634	11,600,000	85	85	93	94	95

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14 December 1944

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Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 14 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Parkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske, Captain Butler, USN (for Naval Subcommission), Colonel Noakes (for Army Subcommission).

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3. National Committee for the Distribution of Relief in Italy

The Chief Commissioner said that the suggestion that Mr. Taylor's organization should be allowed to draw on the Allied Commission pool for cars had been approved.

4. Food Situation in Jails

Brigadier Parkinson said that he had discussed the matter with Colonel Ames. The Chief Commissioner said that he would like to see any recommendations on this matter before they went out, and before the ration in the Rome prisons was cut it should be given very serious consideration.

5. Political Situation

The Chief Commissioner said that regarding the political situation little could be added to what had already appeared in the newspapers. He felt that Bonomi had done well and that the distribution between parties had been fair. The appointment of Ministers to the Ministries directly engaged in the war had been satisfactory to the Commission and no pressure had been brought to bear on any other appointments.

6. Wheat Situation

The Chief Commissioner read a letter which he had sent to the Supreme Allied Commander regarding the food ration for Italy. Brigadier Lush reported on a meeting which General Clark had held at PWB to consider this

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The Chief Commissioner said that regarding the political situation little could be added to what had already appeared in the newspapers. He felt that Bonomi had done well and that the distribution between parties had been fair. The appointment of Ministers to the Ministries directly engaged in the war had been satisfactory to the Commission and no pressure had been brought to bear on any other appointments.

6. Wheat Situation

The Chief Commissioner read a letter which he had sent to the Supreme Allied Commander regarding the food ration for Italy. Brigadier Lush reported on a meeting which General Clark had held at AFHQ to consider this letter. The Brigadier said that A.C. now has a good deal of support for the conclusions drawn by the latter. But the meeting had decided that it would not be wise to send the proposed telegram to the Combined Chiefs of Staff at this time. It seemed to be the opinion of those present at this meeting that the President and Prime Minister should be fully informed of the details of the Italian food situation. The decision was to ask the Supreme Allied Commander to send a cable to the President and Prime Minister, through the Combined Chiefs of Staff, directing their attention to their statements and to their openly expressed wish to help Italy at this time. Brigadier Lush said the cable would also point out the serious consequences to the civilian population of any further cut in the shipping allocated to

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this theater. The Brigadier said that he was hoping to get a draft of this cable from AFHQ today. Brigadier Lush said that the eight additional ships per month necessary to carry out the 300 gram ration in Italy would be asked for, as they could not be allocated from shipping already available to this theater. The Chief Commissioner said that the Italian Government would not be told of any impending decrease in the bread ration at this time.

7. Italian Prisoners of War

Mr. Schott said that a request had been received to make a documentary film of the treatment and living conditions of Italian Prisoners of War, steps involved in their repatriation, processing at reception camps and return to Italy. The Chief Commissioner said that he saw no advantage in making a graphical record of certain violations of the Geneva Convention.

8. Hemp Situation

Brigadier Lush said that great difficulty was being experienced in organising the hemp industry into an efficient working unit chiefly owing to difficulties with the Rome Consorzio. It was decided that Mr. Antolini should go into the matter with the Chief of Staff.

9. Administration of Properties of Historical Value

Brigadier Parkinson said that the administrative memorandum put out by AFHQ on this subject had been changed by the AFHQ Army Educational Authorities and it may now convey a wrong impression as to availability of these properties for use. The Chief Commissioner said that this Memorandum should be contested.

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The meeting was informed that Brigadier McCarthy was in Rome to see if the repatriation could be arranged of considerable numbers of Italians from Eritrea.

11. Planning for Northwest Italy

Brigadier Lush said that AAI was prepared to open the port of Genoa as a military commitment and not to leave it to civilian responsibility as was earlier proposed. They were also prepared to open up some of the railway lines.

12. Italian Undersecretary of State for War

The Chief Commissioner requested that the Land Forces Subcommission inform him when they heard who was proposed as the new Military Undersecretary of State for War.

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Colonel Fiske
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Sir Noel Charles
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AVM Bowen-Buscarlet
Commodore Zirolli
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Calabria	5/12	186,435	280,000	66	66	1
Lucania	7/12	758,755	950,000	80	61	73
Puglie	5/12	1.570,335	2,170,000	72	72	55
Campania	5/12	254,690	250,000	102	101	88
Campobasso	7/12	245,680	300,000	81	81	84
SOUTHERN		3,511,215	3,950,000	78	76	92
Sicilia	1/12	1,265,721	2,000,000	63	63	90
Salerno	27/11	256,047	300,000	89	88	93
Lazio-Umbria	27/11	1,554,182	1,600,000	97	97	95
Abruzzi-Marche	5/12	2,209,74[illegible]	2,250,000	98	97	95
Toscana	5/12	1,[illegible]46,575	1,500,000	103	103	93
GRAND TOTAL		9,353,954	11,600,000	80	80	93

Not including Campobasso

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186,430	280,000	65	66	91	93	94
703,155	950,000	80	81	93	94	94
2,270,355	2,170,000	72	72	95	96	96
254,890	250,000	102	101	88	90	91
243,880	300,000	81	81	84	85	86
3,654,710	3,950,000	76	76	93	93	94
1,265,724	2,000,000	63	61	93	95	96
266,040	300,000	89	88	92	94	94
1,354,139	1,400,000	97	97	95	94	95
2,209,732	2,250,000	98	98	95	95	96
1,348,578	1,500,000	102	103	93	94	95
5,853,424	6,600,000	89	89	93	94	95

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NOTICE

The next Vice Presidents' Meeting will be held in the office of the Chief Commissioner at 1000 hours on Thursday, 21 December 1944.

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DCOS, Economic Section
DCOS, Establishment Section
Joint VPs, Political Section
Director, Army Sub-Commission
Chief, Naval Sub-Commission
Director, Air Sub-Commission
DCAC
General Susloparov
General de Sevin
Lt Col Brown (Liaison)

Mr Hopkinson

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7 December 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 7 December 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Air Vice Marshal Bower Brownlet, Commodore Zarcin, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Hawthorn, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hop Hunt, Mr. Amborni, General Susloparov, General de Sena, Colonel Pirnie, Colonel Spicer, Colonel Noce.

1. Mr. Erskine

Brigadier Lush stated that although the British Government had not yet released Mr. Erskine for assignment to the Allied Commission as Director of the Labor Sub-Commission, it was fully expected.

2. Outside News Articles in Italy

In explaining the present situation on the release of news in Italy, the Chief Commissioner said that all news, except that which came through TASS, came into Italy through the PWB. The Commission was of the view that Italy should be permitted to receive news from private sources unscreened and unedited by PWB, and it was expected that on January 15, 1945, outside agencies would be permitted to bring news into Italy. This is subject to approval from AFHQ.

3. UNRRA

The Chief Commissioner said that, on condition of repayment, he had agreed to loan UNRRA two thousand tons of supplies (one month in advance of the arrival of their own) when they could produce an assurance that supplies and shipping had been allocated to them for use in this theater.

4. National Committee for the Distribution of Relief in Italy

The Chief Commissioner said that Mr. Myron Taylor's relief organization had now received from America for distribution some 1900 tons of relief supplies; clothing, special medical supplies, etc. Allied Commission had arranged its transport to the devastated areas. The Chief Commissioner said that he hoped it would be the forerunner of a great deal of supplies from outside sources which the Army could not furnish.

5. Political Situation

a. The Chief Commissioner said that the political situation was very thoroughly reported in the papers and that the only thing of

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1. Mr. Byrnes

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The Chief Commissioner said that Mr. Myron Taylor's relief organization had now received from America for distribution some 4300 tons of relief supplies; clothing, general medical supplies, etc. Allied Commission had arranged its transport to the devastated areas. The Chief Commissioner said that he hoped it would be the forerunner of a [illegible] of supplies from outside sources which the Army could not furnish.

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b. The Chief Commissioner said that since direct diplomatic relations had now been established with the Italian Government, the only concern which the Allied Commission had in the formation of any new government was in those ministries directly engaged in the war (War, Navy and Air Power) and to other posts which affected the war effort (Under-secretary of State for Communications, Director General of Railroads). These five posts were the only ones on which the

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Commissioner, on behalf of the Supreme Allied Commander, would take a position.

6. Food Situation in Italy

Brigadier Parkinson drew attention to the fact that in the Regina Coeli jail in Rome the ration had been set at 300 grams, in other parts of Italy the ration is 300 grams. As a result of certain prisoners there reported elsewhere from the Regina Coeli jail trouble had broken out due to the news of the higher ration in Rome prisons. Brig. Lush & Parkinson to meet. Commissioner Spicer & Air Vice Marshal Slessor agreed that Brigadier Lush and Brigadier Parkinson should have him a recommendation on this matter with a view to deciding whether a 300 gram ration was in fact necessary.

7. Special Carabinieri

Brigadier Parkinson said that a special mobile striking force of Carabinieri, 600 strong, had been formed in Sicily. He also reported that four regiments of the Italian Army was to be diverted into the Carabinieri.

8. Patriots

On a suggestion from Colonel Spicer that there should be established in the Secretary of State to deal with Patriots, the Chief Commissioner replied that this would likely to be done if Mr. Bonomi formed a Government. Brigadier Lush suggested that the proposed new Ministry should not concern itself with problems in AMG territory.

9. Diplomatic Relations

Brigadier Lush read a cable from the Combined Chiefs of Staff to SACMED which stated that the American and British Ambassadors were to handle only political matters of specific interest to their respective governments. Economic and Administrative matters were to be handled by Allied Commission. The Chief of Staff pointed out that this ruling left undefined the handling of such political questions as might be of common interest to both governments.

10. Grain Situation

a. The Chief Commissioner said that he was not ready to accept the decision of the Deputy Supreme Allied Commander to ship no more grain to Sicily, as he believed the suggestion to be unrealistic. The Chief Commissioner instructed Mr. Attolico to explore this question with Mr. Riddle.

b. Mr. Mitchell said that ATSC had asked for the requirements in command to implement the three hundred gram ration for Italy and Sardinia.

11. Status of PW & MD Subcommission

should have had a Headquarters of this nature under Allied Control, whereupon a psychological situation was in fact necessary.

7. Special Surveillance

Brigadier Lush also said that a special mobile searching force of Scotland Yard, CID officers, had been formed in Sicily. He also reported that four percent of the intake into the Italy Army was to be diverted into the Carabinieri.

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b. Mr. Archbold said that AFHQ had asked for the requirements in tonnage to implement the three months ration for Italy and Sardinia.

11. Status of PW & MAD Organization

Colonel Viele said it had been decided to recommend that the Italian Prisoners of War Subcommission be transferred to Land Forces Subcommission. The transfer of the War Material Disposal unit of the Subcommission was still under consideration. The Chief Commissioner said that he was opposed to attaching War Material Disposal to the Economic Section, and that it should remain an independent subcommission.

12. Headquarters Car Pool

Colonel Viele said that the headquarters car pool was expected to be in full operation by the 15th of the month and perhaps by the

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106h. The pool had been able to handle all legitimate requests for transport so far. The Chief Commissioner said that he was very desirous of having as many tradesmen dere-mobilized as possible, and that the cab-rank outside the Headquarters would be reduced to the minimum on the night of the Cake Walk was undoubtedly offensive to the Borgias.

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Commodore Stone
Brigadier Lush
Mr. Anwelund
Brigadier Upjohn
Rear Admiral Parkinson
General de Sevin
General Shaloparev
Mr. Schott
Mr. Hominson
Colonel Fiske

Mr. Alexander Kirk
Sir Noel Charles
General Stafford
AVM Bowen-Morcarlet
Commodore Zirolli
Colonel Kurr
Colonel Dramaro
Colonel Monfort
Mr. Marlon Cleveland
Colonel Mitchell, G-5 AFHQ
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Brigadier Hankinson
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General Dunlop-Gray
Mr. Schott
Mr. Hopkinson
Colonel Blake

Mr. Alexander (Air)
Sir Noel Charles
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AVM Bowen-Hinxcliet
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Colonel Kerr
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Colonel Monfort
Mr. Harlan Cleveland
Colonel Mitchell, G-5 AFHQ
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Calabria	23/11	185,309	280,000	* 63	63
Lucania	20/11	197,467	250,000	80	70
Puglie	30/11	1,568,845	2,176,000	72	1
Campania	30/11	259,716	350,000	101	94
Campobasso	30/11	249,345	300,000	84	76
SOUTH		3,000,772	3,956,000	76	72
Sicilia	27/11	1,261,962	2,000,000	63	44
Marche	27/11	283,302	360,000	83	82
Lazio-Umbria	27/11	1,351,150	1,500,000	90	91
Abruzzi-Marche*	27/11	2,185,392	2,210,000	97	77
Toscana	27/11	1,312,163	1,500,000	105	90
GRAND TOTAL		9,815,774	11,600,000	85	73

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16 November 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 16 November 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Mr. Harold Macmillan, Commodore Lillery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske.

The Chief Commissioner opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. Macmillan as Acting President and read a message from Mr. Macmillan to all members of the Commission.

Mr. Macmillan, in thanking the Chief Commissioner, said that he hoped to be the means by which the Commission could obtain what it needed for the proper carrying out of its functions. He said that he proposed to work upward rather than downward and that he saw himself somewhat in the position of the Chairman of a Company of which the Chief Commissioner was the President or Managing Director.

1. Wage Scale

The Chief Commissioner stated that it had been impossible to release to the press the news of the increase in rates of pay of civilians employed by Allied Armed Forces as confirmation had not been received from the Office of the CAO, AFHQ.

2. General O'Dwyer

The Chief Commissioner said that as yet there was no news on the appointment of a successor for General O'Dwyer.

3. UNRRA

In reply to a question by the Chief Commissioner as to whether or not UNRRA still hoped to borrow supplies from AC for their program, Mr. Antolini replied that they had not abandoned hope as yet, but were at present working through AFHQ to see whether or not they can borrow from Army stocks for their needs. We have given them little hope that any stocks will be available from the Commission. Brigadier Upjohn said that the draft paper from UNRRA containing points which they would like to have incorporated in the AFHQ directive to them was at present being circulated to the various Subcommissions concerned for their comments and it appeared that several changes would be suggested

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4. Dollar Credits

The Chief Commissioner said that the position re [illegible] dollar credits at the disposition of the Italian Government [illegible] ambiguous. Mr. Macmillan requested that the Economic Section prepare for him, as a basis for forthcoming discussions in London and Washington, a memorandum containing the Allied Commission's proposals for the employment of these dollar credits basing them on hypothetical figures.

Mr. Antolini

Mr. Antolini undertook to have a rough estimate ready by Monday evening for Mr. Macmillan to take with him to London and a more detailed plan for General Spofford to take to Washington later in the week.

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5. Interview with Lieutenant General

Mr. Hopkinson said that the storm created by this interview had calmed down and there was nothing new to report.

6. Head of the Labor Sub-Commission

Mr. Hopkinson said that he had spoken to Sir Noel Charles who was quite willing to make Mr. Braine available to the Allied Commission, provided that he would still be available as adviser on labor matters for the British Embassy. Mr. Braine, however, was of the opinion that before a decision could be taken the matter should be cleared with London. The Chief Commissioner said that he understood the Chief of Staff was doing so.

Brig. Lush

7. Food Distribution Plan

Mr. Antolini said the plan was still being reviewed by the Italian Ministry and he intended to have it ready to present to the Chief Commissioner sometime before the next meeting of the Council of Ministers when this subject would come up for review.

Mr. Antolini

8. Anti-French Literature

The Chief Commissioner told General de Sevin that as yet he had no word from the Italian Government in reply to his letter asking what steps might be taken to eliminate objectionable literature on this shoject.

9. Public Health, Naples Area

Brigadier Upjohn reported that the outbreak of smallpox in the Naples area was not becoming an epidemic and was well under control. He also said that a typhus control team was ready to go into action at the first signs of an outbreak of this disease.

10. Civilianizing of AC Personnel

The Chief Commissioner said that recommendations of the Allied Commission had gone to the War Department. The Chief Commissioner further stated that he was confident that a satisfactory solution to this question would be found upon the return of Brigadier Lush from London and after Mr. Macmillan had visited both London and Washington.

11. Films and News Agencies

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Mr. Macmillan — b. Mr. Macmillan would undertake the task of reconciling the divergent points of view of the Allied Commission and PWB on the subject of civilian news agencies -- AC being of the opinion that they should be permitted to function at an early date, while PWB opposed this.

12. Pantelleria

Mr. Macmillan suggested that no action should be taken on the question of the change in administration of Pantelleria from AMG to AC. It was a matter to be decided at a very high level.

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13. Army Personnel - Italian Government Territory

The Chief Commissioner said he was circulating a memorandum to Vice Presidents of the Economic and Administrative Sections and the Chief of Staff on the functions which the Allied Commission might dispense with in King's Italy and what withdrawal of Army personnel we should make. The only recommendation from the Italian Government for suspension of supervision in King's Italy was in the educational field. The Italian Government also requested that we do not withdraw our personnel from Sicily for the time being. On the Mainland, they suggested January 1st as a tentative date for withdrawing personnel south of Salerno.

14. Appointment of Italian Officials

Brigadier Upjohn said that the Italian Government had proposed a list of limited classes of officials whose appointments would not be made without our approval. The Chief Commissioner said he had no objection to this move as he felt that the Government should be given somewhat more freedom of action, but the Vice Presidents would probably want to add other categories to those already listed. The Chief Commissioner suggested that a meeting be held to discuss the details of this plan.

15. Ration Increase

Mr. Antolini

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Brigadier Upjohn [illegible]

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Brigadier Upjohn said [illegible] posed a list of limited classes of officials whose appointments would not be made without our approval. The Chief Commissioner said he had no objection to this move as he felt that the Government should be given somewhat more freedom of action, but the Vice Presidents would probably want to add other categories to those already listed. The Chief Commissioner suggested that a meeting be held to discuss the details of this plan.

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Weekly Wheat Amassing Report

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Lucania	3/11	748,797	950,000	79	79	65
Puglie	4/11	1,559,040	2,170,000	72	71	94
Campania	7/11	246,888	250,000	96	95	84
Campobasso	7/11	238,976	300,000	78	76	79
SOUTHERN		2,955,068	3,950,000	75	75	88
Sicilia	6/11	1,242,539	2,000,000	62	62	98
Sardegna	28/10	259,931	300,000	85	84	86
Lazio-Umbria	31/10	1,522,177	1,600,000	95	94	91
Abruzzi-Marche (*)	4/11	1,948,490	2,250,000	87	83	94
Toscana	25/10	1,450,562	1,500,000	97	91	92
GRAND TOTAL		9,382,867	11,500,000	81	79	90

(*) Not including Campobasso

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9 November 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 9 November 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske, Colonel Monfort.

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The A/Chief Commissioner said that the Italian Economic and Financial Mission, accompanied by Lt. Comdr. Lawler of this Headquarters, had arrived in New York on 7 November for their meeting with representatives of the United States Government.

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7. Italian Representative to London

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Count Carandini, the Italian Ambassador, has now informed the Political Section that he wants to leave for London on the 20th of November and has submitted a list of his staff.

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8. Head of the Labor Sub-Commission

As the result of a question of Mr. Antolini's as to what action had been taken to replace Colonel Bain, Mr. Hopkinson undertook to speak to Sir Noel Charles and recommend to him that Mr. Braine should duplicate the position of head of the Labor Sub-Commission as well as Labor Adviser to the British High Commissioner.

9. Food Distribution Plan

Mr. Antolini informed the Chief Commissioner that the plan for food distribution would be ready for review by November 12.

10. Anti-French Literature

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11. Public Health, Naples Area

a. Brigadier Upjohn reported that 359 cases of smallpox had broken out in the province and city of Naples. It was not a serious epidemic, nor was it a serious type of smallpox. The matter was well in hand.

b. The A/Chief Commissioner said that a watchful eye should be kept on the typhus situation in Naples, ready for the first indications of an outbreak of this disease. If this should be the responsibility of the Italian authorities, then AC should be prepared to bring pressure on them to act quickly in case of an emergency.

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Brigadier Upjohn reported that the Italian National Patriots Committee were proposing to issue a further set of certificates. They felt that those issued by General Alexander were, in many cases, wrongly distributed. Brigadier Upjohn said he had referred the matter to General Alexander through Colonel Monfort before recommending any action.

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Weekly Wheat Amassing Report

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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7 November 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 2 November 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Antolini, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Colonel Fiske, General de Sevin.

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The A/Chief Commissioner announced that General Vasiliev had been detached from his position on the Advisory Council and was being temporarily replaced by General Susloparov, who will continue as Russian representative on the Allied Commission. Commander Grischinsky had also been detached and was returning to Moscow.

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6. Civilianizing of American Personnel in A.C.

A/CC and C of S — The A/Chief Commissioner reported that two cables from Washington had been received at AFHQ on this subject. The A/Chief Commissioner and the Chief of Staff were to make recommendations to AFHQ.

7. Vice-President, Political Section.

The A/Chief Commissioner welcomed Mr. Henry Hopkinson as new Acting Joint Vice-President (B) in place of Mr. Caccia who had been sent to another theatre, and might or might not return.

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8. Wheat Situation.

DCOS, Economic Section asked if a copy of a cable on the wheat requirements of the country had been received from AFHQ, as he had heard rumors of its contents which were disquieting. No copy had yet been received.

Copies of the Amassing Reports were distributed. Chief of Staff reported on a meeting between the DCOS, Economic Section and Brigadier Carr on the wheat situation and the request for increase in price of olive oil in Sicily. These subjects would be reviewed with the A/Chief Commissioner, and the question of the Transportation Sub-Commission was also to be discussed later.

9. Palermo Riots.

DCOS, Civil Affairs reported on the recent incident at Palermo. Much of the trouble was due to the handling of the situation by the Italian military. The casualties were 26 dead and 150 injured. DCOS, Civil Affairs undertook to draft a memo for COS to present to Army Sub-Commission on the matter of specific drill and instruction being issued on the use of troops in civil disturbances.

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10. Italian Soldiers from Greece.

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Sicilia	21/10	1,222,728	2,000,000	61	60
Sardegna	6/10	241,240	300,000	80	79
Lazio-Umbria	20/10	1,493,870	1,600,000	93	92
Abruzzi-Marche *	21/10	1,739,052	2,250,000	77	76
Toscana	21/10	1,355,232	1,500,000	90	87
GRAND TOTAL		8,974,850	11,800,000	77	76

* Not including Campobasso

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2 November 1944.

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18 October 1944.

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1030 hours, 18 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, H.Q. ACC, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, Lt. de None (for General de Sevin), Lt. Comdr. Grishaldinsky (for General Suslaparov), Colonel Parkin, Major Quayle (Secretary).

1. Acting Chief Commissioner.

a. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed the Meeting that as a result of his telegram of 5 October and in view of the statements emanating from Washington, General Wilson had sent a telegram to CCS recommending that there should be no reduction in the bread ration, but rather that an increase up to 300 grams should be made. A copy of his message may be expected shortly. The A/Chief Commissioner arranged to hold a small meeting at the end of the VP's Meeting, with the Head of the Economic Section and the Chief of Staff to discuss an immediate release of more pasta - its area and extent.

b. The A/Chief Commissioner said he had received on behalf of General Alexander a full and unconditional apology from the Minister of Justice for his behaviour in visiting forbidden areas and his activities therein.

c. The A/Chief Commissioner said he had had a conversation with General Clarke during which the General told him that AFHQ would re-issue AAI's orders which placed all civilian restaurants in Rome out of bounds to Allied troops. The Chief of Staff said he had already written to PAAC recommending this measure on the understanding that it should be applied to all the large towns in Italy and that the ban should be rigorously enforced. The Chief of Staff also undertook to ask General Clark to issue a statement to the troops explaining that the reason for this step was the acute food shortage in the country and the approach of harder times during the Winter months.

Brig. Lush

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1. Acting Chief Commissioner.

a. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed the Meeting that as a result of his telegram of 5 October and in view of the statements emanating from Washington, General Wilson had sent a telegram to COS recommending that there should be no reduction in the bread ration, but rather that an increase up to 300 grams should be made. A copy of his message may be expected shortly. The A/Chief Commissioner arranged to hold a small meeting at the end of the VP's Meeting, with the Head of the Economic Section and the Chief of Staff to discuss an immediate release of more pasta - its area and extent.

b. The A/Chief Commissioner said he had received on behalf of General Alexander a full and unconditional apology from the Minister of Justice for his behaviour in visiting forbidden areas and his activities therein.

c. The A/Chief Commissioner said he had had a conversation with General Clarke during which the General told him that AFHQ would re-issue AAI's orders which placed all civilian restaurants in Rome out of bounds to Allied troops. The Chief of Staff said he had already written to RAAC recommending this measure on the understanding that it should be applied to all the large towns in Italy and that the ban should be rigorously enforced. The Chief of Staff also undertook to ask General Clark to issue a statement to the troops explaining that the reason for this step was the acute food shortage in the country and the approach of harder times during the Winter months.

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b. In reply to a question of Mr. Caccia's, Commodore Stone said that neither AFHQ nor ACC had received amplification of the recent statement from Washington on "Trading With the Enemy Act." He said that in view of questions already asked by Italian Ministries enquiries of exact scope of measures intended should be sent to AFHQ. No reply had yet been received on our query as to the exact meaning of repayment of lire in dollars.

Mr. Antolini

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5. Mr. Schott.

a. Mr. Schott reported that after several months delay Signor Roselleghi, Italian Ambassador to Portugal, was sailing in about 4 days with his family and staff.

Mr. Schott

b. Mr. Schott was asked to expedite the permission for Signors Quintieri and Micheli to proceed to USA where they would represent the Italian Government on financial matters, as soon as their formal application was received.

4. Mr. Antolini.

a. Mr. Antolini said that there had been a request from Washington that five Italian technicians be sent on a visit to the Chamber of Commerce in USA. This request had not come through the ACC. (The A/Chief Commissioner pointed out the irregularity of the approach and instructed that it be brought to the notice of AFHQ.)

Mr. Antolini

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The A/Chief Commissioner requested that Section Heads should produce points for discussion with the Italian High Commissioner in Sicily, who would be seeing him tomorrow.

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Mr. Antolini

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b. Brigadier Upjohn said that some communes in S. Region had held elections to the Giunta Comunale, which was irregular as appointments must be made by the Sindaco. He undertook to inform the Italian

Brig. Upjohn Government.

6. Lt. de Roue.

Lt. de Roue asked for complete information on the Taranto incident to be compiled (see Minutes of Meeting, 13 Oct 44, para 6). He was directed to apply to the COS Office.

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7. Brigadier Lush.

a. Brigadier Lush reported that he had discussed the question of vigorous representation of ACC at Washington with Colonel Mitchell of C-5 (See Minutes of Meeting 13 Oct 44, para 8c). He had been informed there were already two representatives there and Colonel Mitchell's opinion was that visits from high level officials at ACC would be more valuable than low level permanent representation.

b. The COS reported there was a possibility that ACC would be asked in the near future to assume responsibility for collection of information and sifting of evidence in connection with war crimes. Hitherto the Judge Advocate General's Department at AFHQ had dealt with this. It was agreed that no action should be taken till it could be more clearly seen what work would be involved.

c. The COS said that it appeared orders were still referred to by the Ufficio Stampa as being issued in the name of Colonel Poletti. The A/Chief Commissioner said the Ufficio Stampa should be informed this was incorrect and orders should be stated as being issued in the name of the Italian Government. Brigadier Upjohn stated he had just received a report that a Committee of Liberation set up by Colonel Poletti was continuing to function in Italian Government Territory.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Agriculture Sub-Commission
APO 394

AGR./211.12

1st October 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Wheat Arassing Report

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Lucania	7/10	728,952	950,000	76	75	85	95
Puglie	8/10	1,531,512	2,170,000	70	69	94	95
Campania	8/10	213,212	250,000	85	78	84	98
Campobasso	7/10	219,979	300,000	73	67	79	84
SOUTHERN		2,867,049	3,950,000	72	71	88	93
Sicilia	7/10	1,198,212	2,000,000	59	57	88	95
Sardegna	7/10	235,587	300,000	78	75	85	93
Lazio-Umbria	2/10	1,441,270	1,600,000	90	80	91	93
Marche-Abruzzi *	2/10	1,521,307	2,250,000	72	67	94	95
Toscana	4/10	1,298,930	1,500,000	84	81	92	93
GRAND TOTAL		8,616,385	11,600,000	74	72	90	93

* Not including Campobasso

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14 October 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1030 hours, 13 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, HQ AAC, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, Colonel Fiske, Lieut. de Roue, Major Quayle (Secretary).

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Commodore Stone said that at General Wilson's weekly Political meeting at AFHQ there had been discussion on the problem of the food situation in Italy in view of the political repercussions involved. Commodore Stone said that although the import program, so far as we have been advised, was inadequate to maintain for long the 300 grammes bread ration, yet he had pointed out that SACMED would appear to be relieved of the need to cut back the ration in view of the President's statement that rationing was to be increased. A signal would be sent from AFHQ to Combined Chiefs of Staff to pose the question.

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b. Commodore Stone emphasized the need for making the most, and encouraging the Italians to make the most, of local resources. He cited the blocked pulses, and Colonel Poletti's suggestion of mixing chestnut with wheat flour.

c. The Commodore urged Mr. Antolini to press for the relaxation of restrictions on fishing. It was pointed out that it seemed paradoxical for restrictions to be so much more severe on the West Coast than on the East. The Acting Chief Commissioner said that he would take the matter up with C-in-C Mediterranean if Mr. Antolini could not clear it through FCWIT.

d. Commodore Stone expressed concern over transport "bidding". He had been informed, he said, that Q movements of AFHQ stated that they were able to make a bigger civilian supply lift than was at present being asked of them. He drew Mr. Antolini's attention to this in relation to the olive oil situation.

e. The Acting Chief Commissioner spoke at length on the text of the President's recent statement on Imports for Italy.

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Brig. Lush

2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Mr. Caccia referred to the inadvisability of Italian Ministers being allowed to visit Army (as opposed to AMG) areas. On this point, he said, General Hume and Group-Captain Benson were in agreement. In the event of disputes such as had arisen and might again arise between the Prefect and Committee of Liberation, the disputants should come to Rome rather than a Minister visit the spot. There might, of course, be special exceptions.

Brigadier Lush said that he would put up a memorandum on the subject to the Acting Chief Commissioner and also a draft letter to Prescott Bonomi. 3757

Mr. Antolini

3. Mr. Antolini:

Mr. Antolini stated that the Economic Section were fully alive to the emergency of the present food situation, to meet which they were now working on a

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radical plan which included the lifting of many controls, and which they would have ready by Sunday evening.

4. Brigadier Dejohn:

a. The Brigadier referred to various points from the minutes of the last meeting on October 5th.

(1) Para 4a. The Salvation Army had been informed that they could not send two more representatives.

(2) Para 4b. With reference to the Central Medical Depot, he was submitting for the Acting Chief Commissioner's signature a letter to AFHQ embodying an alternative plan.

(3) Para 3a. A plan for approving Italian Government Decrees had been worked out with Finance and Legal Sub-Commissions, and was now before the Chief of Staff.

(4) Para 1a(2). There were difficulties in the way of increasing the rations for Police Agencies up to the scale of the Army and Carabinieri. The matter was still under discussion.

b. The Brigadier said that a conference had been held between members of AUC, the Italian Government, the Allied and Italian Red Cross, and the Vatican, on the devastated areas of the Abruzzi-Marche Region. He would send the minutes of the meeting to the A/CC for his consideration.

5. Colonel Fiske:

Reported that AMG Headquarters had not been able to move into Monte-catini for operational reasons, and that Caserta was to remain as Headquarters and transit camp for surplus personnel.

6. Lieut. de Noue:

Said that before leaving for France, General de Sevin had heard that the sentence imposed on the Italian sailors involved in the disturbance at Taranto on July 31, in which one French sailor had been killed and several wounded, had only been one month's imprisonment. General de Sevin had instructed him to tell the meeting that such a light sentence would produce a most unfavourable impression in Paris. Till the return of General de Sevin, however, no further action was requested.

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It was agreed that Regional Commissioners were to be encouraged to suggest Prefects from local personalities rather than call on candidates produced from Rome.

b. The Chief of Staff said that General Robertson had held a meeting after the Siena Conference at which he had described the expected developments of the occupation of north-western Italy. He said that civilian interests would be of first importance. General Mason' headquarters would probably be in a different town from those of the Regional Commissioners.

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Brig. Lush

c. The Chief of Staff mentioned Colonel Poletti's statement at the Siena Conference that we had asked 8 months ago for clothes and boots for the Carbinieri which had never been supplied but that supplies were now coming in for welfare bodies. He said that fundamental needs should be fulfilled first. Commodore Stone said it was necessary that AGC be represented at Washington by a vigorous personality who would state our case forcibly and ensure that our demands were met. The Chief of Staff undertook to follow up this matter.

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Dr. Kirk

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

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3 October 1944

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Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 hours, 3 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General De Sevin, General Susloparov, Colonel Fiske, Major Quayle.

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General Susloparov / Brig. Lush

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The request, prompted no doubt by the recent joint declaration following the Quebec Conference, had been referred to higher authority.

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(2) Freedom to nominate appointees to government posts without prior reference to the Commission.

(3) Possible elimination of certain sub-commissions. e.g., Education.

These proposals were equally obviously prompted by the Quebec declaration. The third referred only to territory under Italian Government control.

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f. Captain Stone discussed Executive Memorandum No. 31. It was, he said, doubtful if the Italians would react favorably to the question of establishing a lira account since it would increase the government deficit and would be considered as not in keeping with the Hyde Park declaration. He proposed to discuss the question with AFHQ.

Captain Stone

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2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Mr. Caccia was assured by the Acting Chief Commissioner that the Italians referred to by Captain Stone would be attached--if at all--to sub-commissions and not sections.

b. Mr. Caccia stated that the authorities of San Marino, though realizing that the Allied forces must pass through the republic, were most anxious that a stop be put to pilfering and requisitioning. Mr. Caccia thought that San Marino claims for compensation would be influenced by the speed with which we dealt with these two questions.

Brig. Lush — Brigadier Lush undertook to phone General Robertson and find out what action was contemplated by AAI before Captain Stone raised the matter at Caserta.

c. Mr. Caccia called General Susloparov's attention to the question of 116 Via Fomentana, which was originally requisitioned by AAI and had remained so at the orders of AFHQ. Mr. Caccia disclaimed the responsibility for this action imputed to the Political Section by General Brown in a letter to General Susloparov, and pointed out that the Political Section merely acted as a channel of communication--it was AFHQ who was the deciding authority.

3. Mr. Antolini:

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7. Colonel Fiske:

Reported that Regions IX and XII were going well and put in a plea for better living conditions for Prefects--the Prefect of Ancona, for example, whom he had just seen, was living in extremely difficult conditions.

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8. The Acting Chief Commissioner: said that it had been reported to him that Frascati, where there was an orphan's home, had been without milk since June. It was a Region IV matter and he requested Brigadier Lush to look into it.

Brig. Lush

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23 November 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 0930 hours, 23 November 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Monfort, Colonel Fiske.

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6. Food Distribution Plan

Mr. Antolini said that this plan was presented to the Council on the 22nd, but as yet he had received no report on their reaction to it.

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7. Anti-French Literature

The Chief Commissioner said that on the question of anti-French literature a reply had been received from the Italian Government, who were going to look into the matter and take steps to correct the situation.

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B. Italian News Agencies

The Chief Commissioner said that the question had not yet been resolved as to whether the Italians should be permitted to open up competitive news agencies. There was a difference of opinion between the Commission and PWB; the Commission feeling that the Italians should operate their own agencies and that outside agencies should be allowed to enter Italy at once, while PWB wished to control the press until hostilities ceased.

9. Pantelleria

a. Nothing has been done as yet to put this Island under AC control.

b. Owing to the recent attempted suicide of the Civil Affairs Officer on the Island, the Chief of Staff took note that it was probably undesirable to leave an officer there for longer than one month at a time.

10. Women's Suffrage

The Chief Commissioner said that he had a discussion with the Prime Minister on this subject and was informed that while the parties of the extreme left and right favored it, the other parties were waiting to see what the feeling in the North would be. It was, therefore, rather unlikely that a decree would be adopted at an early date.

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Mr. Antolini

15. Devastated Areas

Brigadier Upjohn said that the Italian Government was not doing at all well on this problem. The Brigadier said that, with the permission of the Chief Commissioner, he would send a letter to the appropriate officials pointing out that the Commission's only function was one of advice and assistance to the Italian Government.

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16. Visit of General Spofford

Brigadier Lush said that General Spofford would be in Rome on the 24th and that he would want to discuss the question of communication channels. The Chief Commissioner said he would like the Chief of Staff to hold a meeting with the CA Section, Economic Section, Political Section and the Deputy Chief of Staff to submit a preliminary plan which he could discuss with General Spofford. The Chief Commissioner also said that he thought they might want to consult Colonel Henderson, not from the technical standpoint, but because the Communications Subcommission had recently been confronted with the need for direct communication with the U.S. State Department and Federal Communications Commission on resumption of international services.

17. Land Forces Subcommission

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Agriculture Sub-Commission
AGO 204
Weekly Wheat Amassing Report

24 November 1944

REGION	Average date of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at report preceding week	Percent of total in 1942-43 collec 30 Sept. 1942	31
Calbria	15/11	185,190	280,000	66	63	87	
Lucania	15/11	134,306	350,000	79	79	95	
Puglia	15/11	1,365,251	2,170,000	72	72	94	
Campania	15/11	246,422	250,000	98	96	94	
Campobasso	15/11	246,021	300,000	80	78	79	
SOUTHERN		2,990,790	5,956,000	76	75	88	
Sicilia	15/11	1,[illegible]2,671	2,000,000	93	92	88	
Sardegna	5/11	206,750	360,000	85	85	86	
Lazio-Umbria	10/11	1,[illegible]37,284	1,600,000	96	95	91	
Abruzzi-Marche*	13/11	2,16[illegible],438	2,250,000	96	97	94	
Toscana	11/11	1,[illegible]88,[illegible]57	1,500,000	99	97	92	
GRAND TOTAL		5,[illegible]02,170	13,666,000	86	84	90	

* Not including Campobasso

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AGO 594
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1,252,671	2,000,000	89	62	88	90
256,756	300,000	85	85	86	93
1,521,384	1,600,000	95	95	91	93
2,139,430	2,250,000	96	87	94	95
1,458,457	1,500,000	99	97	92	93
9,828,170	11,000,000	92	91	90	93

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Office of the Chief Commissioner
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22 November 1944.

NOTICE

The Vice Presidents' Meeting scheduled for 1000 hours, tomorrow 23 Nov., will be held at 0930 hours.

cc: Brig. Lush
Mr. Antolini
Brig. Upjohn
Gen. de Sevin
Gen. Suriopatov
Mr. Schott
Mr. Perkinson
Col. Fiske
Col. Tennant
Col. Penfort
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Mr. Hopkinson

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16 November 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 16 November 1944, Office of the Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Mr. Harold Macmillan, Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske.

The Chief Commissioner opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. Macmillan as Acting President and read a message from Mr. Macmillan to all members of the Commission.

Mr. Macmillan, in thanking the Chief Commissioner, said that he hoped to be the means by which the Commission could obtain what it needed for the proper carrying out of its functions. He said that he proposed to work upward rather than downward and that he saw himself somewhat in the position of the Chairman of a Company of which the Chief Commissioner was the President or Managing Director.

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4. Dollar Credits

The Chief Commissioner said that the position regarding dollar credits at the disposition of the Italian Government was still ambiguous. Mr. Macmillan requested that the Economic Section prepare for him, as a basis for forthcoming discussions in London and Washington, a memorandum containing the Allied Commission's proposals for the employment of these dollar credits basing them on hypothetical figures.

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Mr. Antolini — Mr. Antolini undertook to have a rough estimate ready by Monday evening for Mr. Macmillan to take with him to London and a more detailed plan for General Spofford to take to Washington later in the week.

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5. Interview with Lieutenant General

Mr. Hopkinson said that the storm created by this interview had calmed down and there was nothing new to report.

6. Head of the Labor Sub-Commission

Mr. Hopkinson said that he had spoken to Sir Noel Charles who was quite willing to make Mr. Braine available to the Allied Commission, provided that he would still be available as advisor on labor matters for the British Embassy. Mr. Braine, however, was of the opinion that before a decision could be taken the matter should be cleared with London. The Chief Commissioner said that he understood the Chief of Staff was doing so.

Brig. Lush

7. Food Distribution Plan

Mr. Antolini said the plan was still being reviewed by the Italian Ministry and he intended to have it ready to present to the Chief Commissioner sometime before the next meeting of the Council of Ministers when this subject would come up for review.

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10. Civilianizing of AC Personnel

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12. Pantelleria

Mr. Macmillan suggested that no action should be taken on the question of the change in administration of Pantelleria from AMG to AC. It was a matter to be decided at a very high level.

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13. Army Personnel - Italian Government Territory

The Chief Commissioner said he was circulating a memorandum to Vice Presidents of the Economic and Administrative Sections and the Chief of Staff on the functions which the Allied Commission might dispense with in King's Italy and what withdrawal of Army personnel we should make. The only recommendation from the Italian Government for suspension of supervision in King's Italy was in the educational field. The Italian Government also requested that we do not withdraw our personnel from Sicily for the time being. On the mainland, they suggested January 1st as a tentative date for withdrawing personnel south of Salerno.

14. Appointment of Italian Officials

Brigadier Upjohn said that the Italian Government had proposed a list of limited classes of officials whose appointments would not be made without our approval. The Chief Commissioner said he had no objection to this move as he felt that the Government should be given somewhat more freedom of action, but the Vice Presidents would probably want to add other categories to those already listed. The Chief Commissioner suggested that a meeting be held to discuss the details of this plan.

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The Chief Commissioner said that no further word had been received on the implementation of the proposed universal 300 gram bread ration. Mr. Antolini was to give Mr. Macmillan a summary of the food situation and wheat imports, which Mr. Macmillan could take to London and Washington with him.

16. Trial of Fascist Crimes

a. Brigadier Upjohn said that he had talked to the High Commissioner for Fascist Crimes regarding the failure to bring Generals Del Tetto and Pentimalli to trial. He thought it was nothing but the slowness of the Italian judicial system which caused these delays. Brigadier Upjohn said that the High Commissioner was worried about the delay and wanted to be assured of Allied assistance should it be needed. Brigadier Upjohn said that if the High Commissioner put forward any request for aid he thought we should do what we could to help.

b. Brigadier Upjohn said that the Minister of Justice was becoming increasingly uncooperative with both the Italian Government and the Allies.

17. Women's Suffrage

Commodore Stone

On the question of women's suffrage Mr. Macmillan suggested that the Chief Commissioner should mention informally to the Italian Government that the Allies would view with favor the extension of the vote to women in this country.

18. Mine Clearance

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a. Brigadier Upjohn said that he had talked to the High Commissioner for Fascist Crimes regarding the failure to bring Generals Del Tetto and Pentimalli to trial. He thought it was nothing but the slowness of the Italian judicial system which caused these delays. Brigadier Upjohn said that the High Commissioner was worried about the delay and wanted to be assured of Allied assistance should it be needed. Brigadier Upjohn said that if the High Commissioner put forward any request for aid he thought we should do what we could to help.

b. Brigadier Upjohn said that the Minister of Justice was becoming increasingly uncooperative with both the Italian Government and the Allies.

17. Women's Suffrage

On the question of women's suffrage Mr. Macmillan suggested that the Chief Commissioner should mention informally to the Italian Government that the Allies would view with favor the extension of the vote to women in this country.

Commodore Stone

18. Mine Clearance

Brigadier Upjohn said that Colonel Cripps had just returned from the forward areas, and had reported that the scheme for the clearance of mines was working quite well, though the Italians were somewhat handicapped by antiquated detectors.

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Campania	7/11	240,886	250,000	96	95	84
Campobasso	7/11	233,976	300,000	78	76	79
SOUTHERN		2,945,068	3,950,000	75	75	83
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Sardegna	28/10	253,911	300,000	85	84	86
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Abruzzi-Marche (*)	4/11	1,948,490	2,250,000	87	85	94
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7 November 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 2 November 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, HQ Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Antolini, Mr. Schott, Mr. Hopkinson, Colonel Fiske, General de Sevin.

1. Russian Mission.

The A/Chief Commissioner announced that General Vasiliev had been detached from his position on the Advisory Council and was being temporarily replaced by General Susloparov, who will continue as Russian representative on the Allied Commission. Commander Grischinsky had also been detached and was returning to Moscow.

2. Finance & Economic Mission to U.S.

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3. Wage Scale Strikes.

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4. Infant Mortality.

The A/Chief Commissioner reported that the figures for September were finally proved at 90 per thousand as against 96 per thousand for September 1943, which was very satisfactory. DCOS, Civil Affairs Section undertook to obtain statistics from Naples, Bari, Palermo and Taranto. It was reported that the PAO was preparing a statement for the Press.

5. Release of Colonel Temperley.

The A/Chief Commissioner announced with regret that Colonel Temperley was returning to the U.K. to take up a post there. Southern Region would be temporarily administered by Brigadier Dunlop.

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7. Vice-President, Political Section.

The A/Chief Commissioner welcomed Mr. Henry Hopkinson as new Acting Joint Vice-President (B) in place of Mr. Caccia who had been sent to another theatre, and might or might not return.

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8. Wheat Situation.

DCOS, Economic Section asked if a copy of a cable on the wheat requirements of the country had been received from AFHQ, as he had heard rumors of its contents which were disquieting. No copy had yet been received.

Copies of the assessing reports were distributed. Chief of Staff reported on a meeting between the DCOS, Economic Section and Brigadier Carr on the wheat situation and the request for increase in price of olive oil in Sicily. These subjects would be reviewed with the A/Chief Commissioner, and the question of the Transportation Sub-Commission was also to be discussed later.

9. Palermo Riots.

DCOS, Civil Affairs reported on the recent incident at Palermo. Much of the trouble was due to the handling of the situation by the Italian military. The casualties were 26 dead and 156 injured. DCOS, Civil Affairs undertook to draft a memo for COS to present to Army Sub-Commission on the matter of specific drill and instruction being issued on the use of troops in civil disturbances.

DCOS, CA Section

10. Italian Soldiers from Greece.

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Weekly Wheat Arriving Report — 2 November

REGION	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected as latest report	report preceding week
Calabria	21/10	175,996	280,000	63	63
Lucania	21/10	742,770	950,000	78	78
Puglie	23/10	1,544,954	2,170,000	71	71
Campania	21/10	230,589	250,000	92	88
Campobasso	23/10	228,409	300,000	76	75
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Sicilia	21/10	1,222,728	2,000,000	61	60
Sardegna	16/10	241,240	300,000	80	79
Lazio-Umbria	19/10	1,493,879	1,600,000	93	92
Abruzzi-Marche *	21/10	1,739,052	2,250,000	77	76
Toscana	21/10	1,355,232	1,500,000	90	87
GRAND TOTAL		8,974,850	11,600,000	77	76

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9 November 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 9 November 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General de Sevin, Colonel Fiske, Colonel Monfort.

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The A/Chief Commissioner said that the Italian Economic and Financial Mission, accompanied by Lt. Comdr. Lawler of this Headquarters, had arrived in New York on 7 November for their meeting with representatives of the United States Government.

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Reference wage scale for civilians employed by the armed forces, the A/Chief Commissioner said that General Clark, AFHQ, had accepted the recommendations made for an increase.

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The A/Chief Commissioner said that he had received word that General O'Dwyer was not returning. His successor had not yet been nominated.

4. UNRRA

a. A further meeting had been held with UNRRA on the question of advancing stores to them. The matter was being taken up with AFHQ.

b. An agreement has been reached between Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission and UNRRA. A letter has been sent to AFHQ referring to them points outside the scope of this Commission.

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7. Italian Representative to London

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Count Carandini, the Italian Ambassador, has now informed the Political Section that he wants to leave for London on the 20th of November and has submitted a list of his staff.

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8. Head of the Labor Sub-Commission

As the result of a question of Mr. Antolini's as to what action had been taken to replace Colonel Bain, Mr. Hopkinson undertook to speak to Sir Noel Charles and recommend to him that Mr. Braine should duplicate the position of Head of the Labor Sub-Commission as well as Labor Adviser to the British High Commissioner.

9. Food Distribution Plan

Mr. Antolini informed the Chief Commissioner that the plan for food distribution would be ready for review by November 12.

10. Anti-French Literature

General de Sevin brought up the question of the sale in Italy of anti-French books and literature. The A/Chief Commissioner stated that he had already sent a letter to Sig. Sonomi on that subject.

11. Public Health, Naples Area

a. Brigadier Upjohn reported that 359 cases of smallpox had broken out in the province and city of Naples. It was not a serious epidemic, nor was it a serious type of smallpox. The matter was well in hand.

b. The A/Chief Commissioner said that a watchful eye should be kept on the typhus situation in Naples, ready for the first indications of an outbreak of this disease. If this should be the responsibility of the Italian authorities, then AC should be prepared to bring pressure on them to act quickly in case of an emergency.

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26 October 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 Hours, 26 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, Lieutenant de Noue (for General de Sevin), Colonel Fisko, Colonel Monfort, Major Quayle (Secretary).

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SUBJECT: Weekly Wheat Amassing Report

REGION	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at report preceding week	Perc... in l... 30 l...
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MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 26 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Hq Allied Commission, Rome.

Present: Commodore Hillery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, Lieutenant de Roue (for General de Sevin), Colonel Fiske, Colonel Monfort, Major Quayle (Secretary).

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b. The A/Chief Commissioner reported that 20 South American republics (the exception being Argentina) had agreed to resume diplomatic relations with Italy.

c. AFHQ have authorized a fortnightly distribution of 300 gram bread ration in the cities and areas where the daily bread ration was less than 300 grams. General Wilson would continue to press Washington to agree to an overall daily ration of 300 grams of bread or pasta equivalent.

d. The A/Chief Commissioner said that it was hopeful that by November 15th private cable and radio communication would be established between Italy and the rest of the world.

e. The A/Chief Commissioner reported that the Commission had been asked to send an officer to Washington to accompany the Italian financial mission. Lt Comdr Lawler had been selected.

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16 October 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1030 hours, 16 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, HQ ACC, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, Lt. de Roue (for General de Sevin), Lt. Comdr. Grishchinsky (for General Susloparov), Colonel Haskin, Major Quayle (Secretary).

1. Acting Chief Commissioner.

a. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed the Meeting that as a result of his telegram of 5 October and in view of the statements emanating from Washington, General Hilldring had sent a telegram to COS recommending that there should be no reduction in the bread ration, but rather that an increase up to 200 grams should be made. A copy of his message may be expected shortly. The A/Chief Commissioner arranged to hold a small meeting at the end of the VP's Meeting, with the Head of the Economic Section and the Chief of Staff to discuss an immediate release of more pasta - its area and extent.

b. The A/Chief Commissioner said he had received on behalf of General Alexander a full and unconditional apology from the Minister of Justice for his behaviour in visiting forbidden areas and his activities therein.

c. The A/Chief Commissioner said he had had a conversation with General Clarke during which the General told him that AFHQ would re-issue AAI's orders which placed all civilian restaurants in Rome out of bounds to Allied troops. The Chief of Staff said he had already written to RAAC recommending this measure on the understanding that it should be applied to all the large towns in Italy and that the ban should be rigorously enforced. Brig. Lush The Chief of Staff also undertook to ask General Clark to issue a statement to the troops explaining that the reason for this step was the acute food shortage in the country and the approach of harder times during the winter months.

d. The A/Chief Commissioner said that AFHQ were working on the final plans for the application of AMG in the Northwest provinces.

e. In the future Vice Presidents' Meetings are to be held once a week on Thursdays at 1000 hours.

2. Mr. Caccia.

a. Mr. Caccia reported that General Connell had sent a letter to

de Sevin), Lt. Comdr. Grisholdinsky (for General Suslaparov), Colonel Rowlin, Major Quayle (Secretary).

1. Acting Chief Commissioner.

a. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that as a result of his telegram of 5 October and in view of the statements emanating from Washington, General Wilson had sent a telegram to COS recommending that there should be no reduction in the bread ration, but rather that an increase up to 500 grams should be made. A copy of his message may be expected shortly. The A/Chief Commissioner arranged to hold a small meeting at the end of the VP's Meeting, with the Head of the Economic Section and the Chief of Staff to discuss an immediate release of more pasta - its area and extent.

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2. Mr. Caccia.

a. Mr. Caccia reported that General Connell had sent a letter to the Advisory Council about an Italian request for a public statement that the Allies do not intend to allow to go unpunished the Germans responsible for the atrocities now being committed in the North of Italy.

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b. In reply to a question of Mr. Caccia's, Commodore Stone said that neither AFHQ nor ACC had received amplification of the recent statement from Washington on "Trading with the Enemy Act." He said that in view of questions already asked by Italian Ministries enquiries of exact scope of measures intended should be sent to AFHQ. No reply had yet been received on our query as to the exact meaning of repayment of lire in dollars.

Mr. Antolini

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3. Mr. Schott.

a. Mr. Schott reported that after several months delay Signor Rossilonghi, Italian Ambassador to Portugal, was sailing in about 4 days with his family and staff.

Mr. Schott

b. Mr. Schott was asked to expedite the permission for Signors Quintieri and Mattioli to proceed to US, where they would represent the Italian Government on financial matters, as soon as their formal application was received.

4. Mr. Antolini.

a. Mr. Antolini said that there had been a request from Washington that five Italian economists be sent on a visit to the Chamber of Commerce in USA. This request had not come through the ACC. The A/Chief Commissioner pointed out the irregularity of the approach and instructed that it be brought to the notice of ./Th).

Mr. Antolini

b. Mr. Antolini produced a chart of the unloading figures. He undertook to send a telegram to Brigadier Carr in Sicily asking for a statement on the exact position with regard to the L.100 bonus. It was decided that no action should be taken until full information was received.

c. Mr. Antolini reported that the transportation situation in Sicily was very bad. This was an Italian responsibility under our supervision. Mr. Antolini said drastic action should be taken with the Italian Government on this.

The ./Chief Commissioner requested that Section Heads should produce points for discussion with the Italian High Commissioner in Sicily, who would be seeing him tomorrow.

The A/Chief Commissioner said that there had been a broadcast from America denying reports that the United States Government supported the Separatist movement. Political Section were asked to arrange with PWB to have this publicised in Italy.

Mr. Antolini

d. The A/Chief Commissioner enquired the Head of the Economic Section that he wished the question of fishing restrictions cleared immediately. Mr. Antolini said this tied up with a general plan for lifting restrictions now under discussions, and that the whole matter would be put before the A/Chief Commissioner during the next 48 hours.

5. Brigadier Upjohn.

a. Brigadier Upjohn said that orders from AFHQ that 5,000 soldiers of the Italian Army should be released to implement members of the Carabinieri had been objected to by AMI, and that MMLA had been instructed to do nothing pending consideration of an alternative plan suggested by AMI. The A/Chief Commissioner said this should be reported

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4. Mr. Antolini.

a. Mr. Antolini said that there had been a request from Washington that five Italian technicians be sent on a visit to the Chamber of Commerce in USA. This request had not come through the ACC. The A/Chief Commissioner pointed out the irregularity of the approach and instructed that it be brought to the notice of AFHQ.

Mr. Antolini

b. Mr. Antolini produced a chart of the crossing figures. He undertook to send a telegram to Brigadier Carr in Sicily asking for a statement on the exact position with regard to the L.100 bonus. It was decided that no action should be taken until full information was received.

c. Mr. Antolini reported that the transportation situation in Sicily was very bad. This was an Italian responsibility under our supervision. Mr. Antolini said drastic action should be taken with the Italian Government on this.

The A/Chief Commissioner requested that Section Heads should produce points for discussion with the Italian High Commissioner in Sicily, who would be seeing him tomorrow.

The A/Chief Commissioner said that there had been a broadcast from Moscow denying reports that the United States Government supported the Separatist movement. Political Section were asked to arrange with PWB to have this publicised in Italy.

Mr. Antolini

d. The A/Chief Commissioner informed the Head of the Economic Section that he wished the question of fishing restrictions cleared immediately. Mr. Antolini said this ended up with a general plan for lifting restrictions now under discussions, and that the whole matter would be put before the A/Chief Commissioner during the next 48 hours.

5. Brigadier Upjohn.

a. Brigadier Upjohn said that orders from AFHQ that 5,000 soldiers of the Italian Army should be released to implement numbers of the Carabinieri had been objected to by AMG, and that MSLO had been instructed to do nothing pending consideration of an alternative plan suggested by AMG. The A/Chief Commissioner said this should be reported at once to AFHQ.

Brig. Upjohn

b. Brigadier Upjohn said that some communes in S. Region had held elections to the Giunta Comunale, which was irregular as appointments must be made by the Sindaco. He undertook to inform the Italian Government.

6. Lt. de Rone.

Lt. de Rone asked for complete information on the Taranto incident to be compiled (see Minutes of Meeting, 13 Oct 44, para 6). He was directed to apply to the COS Office.

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7. Brigadier Lush.

a. Brigadier Lush reported that he had discussed the question of vigorous representation of ACC at Washington with Colonel Mitchell of G-5 (See minutes of Meeting 19 Oct 44, para 8c). He had been informed there were already two representatives there and Colonel Mitchell's opinion was that visits from high level officials at ACC would be more valuable than low level permanent representation.

b. The COS reported there was a possibility that ACC would be asked in the near future to assume responsibility for collection of information and sifting of evidence in connection with war crimes. Hitherto the Judge Advocate General's Department at AFHQ had dealt with this. It was agreed that no action should be taken till it could be more clearly seen what work would be involved.

c. The COS said that it appeared orders were still referred to by the Ufficio Stampa as being issued in the name of Colonel Poletti. The A/Chief Commissioner said the Ufficio Stampa should be informed this was incorrect and orders should be stated as being issued in the name of the Italian Government. Brigadier Upjohn stated he had just received a report that a Committee of Education set up by Colonel Poletti was continuing to function in Italian Government Territory.
Brig. Upjohn — He would investigate the matter further.

d. The COS drew the attention of the VPs to a recent directive of P/B concerning the Patriots. This was considered acceptable.

e. The COS reported that General Wuros had asked for a high powered liaison officer from AFHQ who will come under the DCCAO Forward.
Brig. Lush — The COS undertook to consult Colonel Lamfort on this.

f. The COS reported that Sir Frank Brooks of UK Constabulary had just completed his tour and expressed his appreciation of all arrangements for his officers working in ACC.

g. Brigadier Upjohn stated he had arranged with Sir Frank that Colonel Young would not leave the Commission before the liberation and re-organisation of the North Italian Provinces.

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Brig. Upjohn — He would investigate the matter further.

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Brig. Lush — The COS undertook to consult Admiral Ramsay further on this.

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NOTICE

The next Vice-President's Meeting will be held Thursday, 26 October, at 1000 hours, in the Office of the A/Chief Commissioner.

DISTRIBUTION:
Chief of Staff
VP, Establishment Section
VP, Civil Affairs Section
VP, Economic Section
Joint VPs, Political Section
Deputy CCAO
General de Sevin
General Susloparov
Lt Col Brown, Liaison Officer

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1st October 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Wheat Arassing Report

REGION	Average dates of reports	Collected at latest report (qls)	Agriculture S/C estimate (12 Sept. 1944) (qls)	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at latest report	Percent of Agric. S/C estimate collected at preceding week	Percent of total amount in 1942-43 collected 30 Sept. 1942	Percent of total amount in 1942-43 collected 31 Oct 1942
Calabria	7/10	173,394	280,000	62	61	87	91
Lucania	7/10	708,952	950,000	75	75	85	93
Puglie	8/10	1,531,612	2,170,000	70	69	94	95
Campania	6/10	213,412	250,000	85	78	84	88
Campobasso	7/10	210,679	300,000	73	70	79	82
SOUTHERN		2,887,049	3,950,000	72	71	85	92
Sicilia	7/10	1,192,212	2,000,000	60	57	86	93
Sardegna	7/10	325,587	300,000	78	75	86	93
Lazio-Umbria	2/10	1,441,270	1,600,000	90	82	91	93
Abruzzi-Marche *	2/10	1,623,367	2,250,000	72	67	94	96
Toscana	6/10	1,758,960	1,500,000	117	91	97	98
GRAND TOTAL		8,616,385	11,600,000	74	72	90	93

* Not including Campobasso

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235,387	300,000	78	75	86	93
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14 October 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1030 Hours, 13 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, HQ ACC, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Bush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General Gusiloparov, Colonel Fiske, Lieut. de Haue, Major Quayle (Secretary).

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Commodore Stone said that at General Wilson's weekly Political meeting at AFHQ there had been discussion on the problem of the food situation in Italy in view of the political repercussions involved. Commodore Stone said that although the import program, so far as we have been advised, was inadequate to maintain for long the 300 gramme bread ration, yet he had pointed out that SACMED would appear to be relieved of the need to cut back the ration in view of the President's statement that rationing was to be increased. A signal would be sent from AFHQ to Combined Chiefs of Staff to pose the question.

Mr. Caccia mentioned that possible alterations in the bread ration had been discussed with General Hume and other authorities in Florence where demonstrations had already taken place. Their opinion was that if the ration was reduced to 200 grammes in the South there would certainly be civil disturbances; with a ration of 235 grammes there would quite possibly be trouble, and only with a ration of 300 grammes were the prospects fairly good.

b. Commodore Stone emphasized the need for making the most, and encouraging the Italians to make the most, of local resources. He cited the blocked pulses, and Colonel Poletti's suggestion of mixing chestnut with wheat flour.

c. The Commodore urged Mr. Antolini to press for the relaxation of restrictions on fishing. It was pointed out that it seemed paradoxical for restrictions to be so much more severe on the West Coast than on the East. The Acting Chief Commissioner said that he would take the matter up with C-in-C Mediterranean if Mr. Antolini could not clear it through PWIT.

d. Commodore Stone expressed concern over transport "bidding". He had been informed, he said, that G Movements of AFHQ stated that they were able to make a bigger civilian supply lift than was at present being asked of them. He drew Mr. Antolini's attention to this in relation to the olive oil situation.

e. The Acting Chief Commissioner spoke at length on the text of the President's recent statement on Imports for Italy.

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2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Mr. Caccia referred to the inadvisability of Italian Ministers being

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Present: Commodore Mallory W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Lyon, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Benoit, Mr. Antolini, General Qualaparev, Colonel Fiske, Lieut. de Sous, Major Quayle (Secretary).

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2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Mr. Caccia referred to the inadvisability of Italian Ministers being allowed to visit Army (as opposed to AMG) areas. On this point, he said, General Romo and Group-Captain Benson were in agreement. In the event of disputes such as had arisen and might again arise between the Prefect and Committee of Liberation, the disputants should come to Rome rather than a minister visit the spot. There might, of course, be special exceptions.

Brig. Lush

Brigadier Lush said that he would put up a memorandum on the subject to the acting Chief Commissioner and also a draft letter to President Bonomi.

3. Mr. Antolini:

Mr. Antolini stated that the Economic Section were fully alive to the emergency of the present food situation, to meet which they were now working on a

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radical plan which included the lifting of many controls, and which they would have ready by Sunday evening.

4. Brigadier McJohn:

a. The Brigadier referred to various points from the minutes of the last meeting on October 9th.

(1) Para 4a. The Salvation Army had been informed that they could not send two more representatives.

(2) Para 4b. With reference to the Central Medical Depot, A.G. was submitting for the Acting Chief Commissioner's signature a letter to AFHQ embodying an alternative plan.

(3) Para 3a. A plan for approving Italian Government Decrees had been worked out with Finance and Legal Sub-Commissions, and was now before the Chief of Staff.

(4) Para 1a(2). There were difficulties in the way of increasing the rations for Police Agencies up to the scale of the Army and Carabinieri. The matter was still under discussion.

b. The Brigadier said that a conference had been held between members of ACC, the Italian Government, the Allied and Italian Red Cross, and the Vatican, on the devastated areas of the Abruzzi-Marche Region. He would send the minutes of the meeting to the A/CC for his consideration.

5. Colonel Fiske:

Reported that A/G Headquarters had not been able to move into Monterotondi for operational reasons, and that Caserta was to remain as Headquarters and transit camp for surplus personnel.

6. Lieut. de Noue:

Said that before leaving for France, General de Sevin had heard that the sentence imposed on the Italian sailors involved in the disturbance at Taranto on July 31, in which one French sailor had been killed and several wounded, had only been one month's imprisonment. General de Sevin had instructed him to tell the meeting that this light sentence would produce a most unfavourable impression in Paris. Till the return of General de Sevin, however, no further action was requested.

7. General Susloparov:

Said that the arrangements were satisfactory for attaching as observers the officers of his mission to sub-commissions.

8. The Chief of Staff:

a. Brigadier Lush reported that Colonel Spicer had been sent to Florence with a directive for the guidance of A.G. officers in their relations with the Comitato di Liberazione. The Brigadier pointed out that it was not to be expected [illegible] between Prefect and Committee of Liberation would not take place in

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It was agreed that Regional Commissioners were to be encouraged to suggest Prefects from local personalities rather than call on candidates produced from Rome.

b. The Chief of Staff said that General Robertson had held a meeting after the Siena Conference at which he had described the expected developments of the occupation of north-western Italy. He said that civilian interests would be of first importance. General Maron' Headquarters would probably be in a different town from those of the Regional Commissioners.

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c. The Chief of Staff mentioned Colonel Poletti's statement at the Siena Conference that we had asked 8 months ago for clothes and boots for the Chasseurs which has never been supplied but that supplies were now coming in for welfare bodies. He said that fundamental needs should be fulfilled first. Commodore Stone said it was necessary that ACC be represented at Washington by a vigorous personality who would state our case forcibly and ensure that our demands were met. The Chief of Staff undertook to follow up this matter.

Brig. Lush

Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - 1000 hours, Wednesday, 18 October 1944.

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Brigadier Upjohn
Lieut. de Nouo
General Suslopsrov
Mr. Caccia
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9 October 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1030 Hours, 9 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, HQ ACC, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, Colonel Fiske, Colonel Cripps, Colonel Monfort, Major Quayle (Secretary).

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Commodore Stone referred to various points from the Minutes of the last conference:

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Brig. Upjohn (2) Reference para 6, Minutes of Meeting, 3 Oct 44, what steps had been taken to increase the ration for the Public Safety bodies to the level of that of the Italian Army and Carabinieri?

Brigadier Upjohn undertook to see that the Italian Government were informed of the measure as well as our own Regional Commissioners.

Col. Fiske (3) Reference para 1c, Minutes of Meeting, 3 Oct 44, what progress had been made with attaching the recently arrived Russian officers as observers to various sub-commissions?

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(5) Reference para 2b, Minutes of Meeting, 3 Oct 44, Commodore Stone said that he would inform G-5, AFHQ of AAI's action in instructing 8th Army to keep requisitioning and billeting in San Marino to the barest essential minimum.

b. The Acting Chief Commissioner instructed Mr. Antolini to make sure that Regional Commissioners had advance advice of the itinerary of the Russian Trades' Union Delegation, and also requested General Susloparov to pass the word to the Chief of the Delegation that he should choose non-working hours for holding meetings at works, dockyards, etc., so that important war-work was not dislocated. He explained that the reason for this request was the serious delay caused by the recent American and British delegation which held a meeting at Taranto in the middle of a work-shift.

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c. As a result of a general discussion it was agreed that, while allowing greater freedom to the Italian Government, it was necessary to clarify the ACC's position as regards its authority and jurisdictional level in approving appointments. This matter was to be discussed at COS meeting.

d. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that SACMED had posed certain specific questions to the Combined Chiefs of Staff regarding the implementation of the recent statements on Italy made by the President and the Prime Minister.

General Wilson has given orders that pending the receipt of a reply the name and functions of the ACC would not be altered.

2. Mr. Caccia:

Mr. Caccia stated that the authentic text of the statement recently made by the British Foreign Secretary on the subject of the Italian colonies was not at hand, but that it had been asked for by Sir Noel Charles.

3. Mr. Antolini:

Brig. Upjohn

a. Mr. Antolini requested clarification of the Commission's position vis a vis the Italian Government in issuance of decrees. He drew attention to two which had been passed without the receipt of the Commission's concurrence or comment. It was decided that the whole policy must be immediately reviewed and recommendations would be made by Civil Affairs Section.

b. Mr. Antolini reported that General Hume had called saying that there had been a food demonstration in Florence, and that the Florentines should be given an extra pasta allowance. It was decided that a decision on this point should pend Mr. Antolini's visit to Florence. It was further decided that this brought up the whole crucial food problem and that a further conference on the food situation must be held forthwith before giving any decision on the immedtate Florence question.

c. Mr. Antolini produced the latest amassing figures. The Acting Chief Commissioner suggested that there should be a column showing comparison with the preceding week.

4. Brigadier Upjohn:

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b. AFHQ, in setting up an organization to deal with the distribution of medical supplies throughout the Mediterranean, had proposed Colonel Griffin, the Chief of the Medical Supply Branch, as its head. The Brigadier doubted the wisdom of imposing on Colonel Griffin this double duty and said that he would raise it at the next COS conference.

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Next Vice Presidential Meeting - 1000 hours, Friday, 13 October 1944.

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Major, R. A.

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Mr. Antolini
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The next Vice Presidents' Meeting will not be held on Monday 16 October 1944, but instead will take place on Wednesday 18 October 1944, at 1000 hours.

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9 October 1944

M I N U T E S

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1030 hours, 9 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, HQ ACC, Rome.

Present: Commodore Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General Susloparov, Colonel Fiske, Colonel Cripps, Colonel Monfort, Major Quayle (Secretary).

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Col. Fiske (1) Reference para 1b, Minutes of Meeting, 3 Oct 44, what was the status of the proposal to establish a mid-day soup meal for civilian employees in ACC Headquarters? Colonel Fiske said that this was done, but undertook to clarify the question of price.

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Brigadier Upjohn undertook to see that the Italian Government were informed of the measure as well as our own Regional Commissioners.

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The Prime Minister and his Minister of Finance had received the news of the proposal with dismay. The Prime Minister had stated that the political effect on his Government would be "disastrous." Commodore Stone said that he had represented their point of view to AFHQ and that he expected the implementation of the Memorandum to be indefinitely deferred.

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b. The Acting Chief Commissioner instructed Mr. Antolini to make sure that Regional Commissioners had advance advice of the itinerary of the Russian Trades' Union Delegation, and also requested General Susloparov to pass the word to the Chief of the Delegation that he should choose non-working hours for holding meetings at works, dockyards, etc., so that important war-work was not dislocated. He explained that the reason for this request was the serious delay caused by the recent American and British delegation which held a meeting at Taranto in the middle of a work-shift.

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c. As a result of a general discussion it was agreed that, while allowing greater freedom to the Italian Government, it was necessary to clarify the ACC's position as regards its authority and jurisdictional level in approving appointments. This matter was to be discussed at COS meeting.

d. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed the meeting that SACMED had posed certain specific questions to the Combined Chiefs of Staff regarding the implementation of the recent statements on Italy made by the President and the Prime Minister.

General Wilson has given orders that pending the receipt of a reply the name and functions of the ACC would not be altered.

2. Mr. Caccia:

Mr. Caccia stated that the authentic text of the statement recently made by the British Foreign Secretary on the subject of the Italian colonies was not at hand, but that it had been asked for by Sir Noel Charles.

3. Mr. Antolini:

Brig. Upjohn

a. Mr. Antolini requested clarification of the Commission's position vis a vis the Italian Government in issuance of decrees. He drew attention to two which had been passed without the receipt of the Commission's concurrence or comment. It was decided that the whole policy must be immediately reviewed and recommendations would be made by Civil Affairs Section.

b. Mr. Antolini reported that General Hume had called saying that there had been a food demonstration in Florence, and that the Florentines should be given an extra pasta allowance. It was decided that a decision on this point should pend Mr. Antolini's visit to Florence. It was further decided that this brought up the whole crucial food problem and that a further conference on the food situation must be held forthwith before giving any decision on the immediate Florence question.

c. Mr. Antolini produced the latest amassing figures. The Acting Chief Commissioner suggested that there should be a column showing comparison with the preceding week.

4. Brigadier Upjohn:

a. The Brigadier said that the Salvation Army wished to send two additional representatives to Italy to look into their interests. He would go into the matter further before giving a reply.

b. AFHQ, in setting up an organization to deal with the distribution of medical supplies throughout the Mediterranean, had proposed Colonel Griffin, the Chief of the Medical Supply Branch, as its head. The Brigadier doubted the wisdom of imposing on Colonel Griffin this double duty and said that he would raise it at the next COS conference.

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Next Vice Presidents' Meeting - 1000 hours, Friday, 13 October 1944.

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Major, F. A.

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NOTICE

To: (See distribution)

The next Vice-President's meeting will be held at 1000 hours on Monday, 9 October 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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3 October 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 hours, 3 October 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, General De Sevin, General Susloparov, Colonel Fiske, Major Quayle.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Captain Stone called attention to an error in para 1 a of the minutes of the meeting of 29 September 1944. The second sentence should be altered so as to read: "He pointed out that although Sir Noel Charles now acquired ambassadorial rank, thus placing him on the same footing as Mr. Kirk, it was not clear as yet whether either was in fact to function as an ambassador".

b. Captain Stone asked what progress had been made with the accommodation and feeding of civilian employees (see minutes of 29 Sept para 1 e.) Brigadier Lush said that the Headquarters Commandant had been instructed to take the matter up with Colonel Poletti and to find a solution. He stated that it should be possible to devise a scheme similar to that employed by Region IV.

General Susloparov / Brig. Lush

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The request, prompted no doubt by the recent joint declaration following the Quebec Conference, had been referred to higher authority.

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(3) Possible elimination of certain sub-commissions. e.g., Education.

These proposals were equally obviously prompted by the Quebec declaration. The third referred only to territory under Italian Government control.

Captain Stone

f. Captain Stone discussed Executive Memorandum No. 31. It was, he said, doubtful if the Italians would react favorably to the question of establishing a lira account since it would increase the government deficit and would be considered as not in keeping with the Hyde Park declaration. He proposed to discuss the question with AFHQ.

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2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Mr. Caccia was assured by the Acting Chief Commissioner that the Italians referred to by Captain Stone would be attached--if at all--to sub-commissions and not sections.

b. Mr. Caccia stated that the authorities of San Marino, though realizing that the Allied forces must pass through the republic, were most anxious that a stop be put to billeting and requisitioning. Mr. Caccia thought that San Marino claims for compensation would be influenced by the speed with which we dealt with these two questions.

Brig. Lush — Brigadier Lush undertook to phone General Robertson and find out what action was contemplated by AAI before Captain Stone raised the matter at Caserta.

c. Mr. Caccia called General Susloparov's attention to the question of 116 Via Nomentana, which was originally requisitioned by AAI and had remained so at the orders of AFHQ. Mr. Caccia disclaimed the responsibility for this action imputed to the Political Section by General Brown in a letter to General Susloparov, and pointed out that the Political Section merely acted as a channel of communication--it was AFHQ who was the deciding authority.

3. Mr. Antolini:

Mr. Antolini asked if there was any news of Colonel Butterworth's success or failure in Washington. Captain Stone told him that there
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a. Reported that the Italian army had released quantities of stores to the CC.RR. which should greatly assist that body.

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6. Brigadier Lush:

Reported that he had looked into the question of feeding the CC.FF. and Public Safety agencies, so that their scale be brought up to that of the Army and the CC.RR. This would effect various bodies, he said, and amount in all to an increase of 10,000 tons per annum. It was agreed that this measure should be put into effect as soon as possible.

7. Colonel Fiske:

Reported that Regions IX and XII were going well and put in a plea for better living conditions for Prefects--the Prefect of Ancona, for example, whom he had just seen, was living in extremely difficult conditions.

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8. The Acting Chief Commissioner: said that it had been reported to him that Frascuti, where there was an orphan's home, had been without milk since June. It was a Region IV matter and he requested Brigadier Lush to look into it.

Brig. Lush

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NOTICE OF VICE PRESIDENTS' MEETING

Please note that the next Vice Presidents' Meeting will not be held on Monday, 2 October 1944, but instead will take place on TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 1944, at 1000 hours.

J.A QUAYLE
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION JAC/drr
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

29 September 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 hours, 29 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Artolini, General de Sevin, Lt. Comdr Grishchinsky (for General Susloparov), Colonel Fiske, Colonel Morfort, and Major Quayle.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Captain Stone read aloud the full communique on Italy released by the President and the Prime Minister as a result of the Quebec Conference. He pointed out that although Sir Noel Charles now acquired embassadorial status, thus placing him on the same footing as Mr. Kirk, it was not clear if he was in fact to function as an ambassador. As to the announced change of name of the Allied Control Commission, he had telegraphed to find out if this was to take place forthwith, and similarly if there was to be any change in the function or structure of the Commission. The Acting Chief Commissioner said that he would have copies of the communique distributed to members, and also to the field. Of all these matters, the Acting Chief Commissioner stated, we knew no more than had already been made known to the general public.

b. In speaking of the future working possibilities of UNRRA in this country, the Acting Chief Commissioner pointed out that the degree to which UNRRA would be able to implement the relief programme depended crucially on the quantity of tonnage they could obtain from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

c. The Acting Chief Commissioner stated that the internal reorganization plan had been approved by AFHQ, and that it was to go into effect as from Monday next (October 2).

d. Both AFHQ and AAI had indicated their willingness to see more territory transferred to the Italian Government. This matter would
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e. Captain Stone referred to para 4 (b) of the minutes of the meeting on 18 September, which dealt with the accomodation and feeding of civilian employees. He said that Colonel Fiske had made recommendations which would now have to be referred to Heads of Sections for their final approval.

f. There had been complaints that the quality of bread was falling below the required standard, and already several bakers had been penalized by suspension. This was a matter, the Acting Chief Commissioner said, that he wanted closely watched. Brigadier Lush said that Regional

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Brigadier Upjohn

g. There were reports of bad conditions from the areas of Chieti and Pescara. Brigadier Upjohn told the meeting that this was the subject of a special enquiry now proceeding, and that mine clearance schools were being set up to teach local civilians how to clear mines from their own areas.

These civilians were at present using the old "prodding" method of mine detecting. Brigadier Upjohn undertook to find out if it was not possible to produce a more scientific means with the help of Italian Army and Navy engineers.

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"The Italian people freed of their Fascist and Nazi overlordship have in these last twelve months demonstrated their will to be free to fight on the side of the democracies and to take a place among the United Nations devoted to principles of peace and justice. We believe we should give encouragement to those Italians who are standing for a political rebirth in Italy and are completing the destruction of the evil Fascist system. We wish to afford the Italians a greater opportunity to aid in the defeat of our common enemies. The American and the British people are of course horrified by the recent mob action in Rome but feel that a greater responsibility placed on the Italian people and on their own government will most readily prevent a recurrence of such acts. An increasing measure of control will be gradually handed over to the Italian administration subject of course to that administration's proving that it can maintain law and order and the regular administration of justice. To mark this change the Allied Control Commission will be renamed the Allied Commission. The British High Commissioner in Italy will assume the additional title of Ambassador. The United States Representative in Rome already holds that rank. The Italian Government will be invited to appoint direct representatives to Washington and London. First and immediate considerations in Italy are the relief of hunger and sickness and fear. To this end we instructed our representatives at the UNRRA conference to declare for the sending of medical aids and other essential supplies to Italy. We are happy to know that this view commended itself to other members of the UNRRA Council. At the same time first steps should be taken toward the reconstruction of an Italian economy. An economy laid low under the years of the misrule of Mussolini and ravished by the German policy of vengeful destruction. These steps should be taken primarily as military aims to put the full resources of Italy and the Italian people into the struggle to defeat Germany and Japan. For military reasons we should assist the Italians in the restoration of such power systems, their railways, motor transport roads and other communications as enter into the war situation and for a short time send engineers, technicians and industrial experts into Italy to help them in their own rehabilitation. The application to Italy of the Trading With The Enemy Acts should be modified so as to enable business contacts between Italy and the outside world to be resumed for the benefit of the Italian people. We all wish to speed the day when the last vestiges of Fascism in Italy will have been wiped out and when the last German will have left Italian soil and when there will be no need of any Allied troops to remain, the day when free elections can be held throughout Italy and when Italy can earn her proper place in the great family of free nations."

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N O T I C E

To: Executive Commissioner
V.P.'s Economic Section,
CA ~~Adm. Section~~
Political Section
Colonel Monfort
Liaison Officer for Russian and French Members.

The next vice-presidents' meeting will be held at 1000 hrs.

on 5 October 1944.

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NOTICE OF VICE PRESIDENTS' MEETING

Please note that the next Vice Presidents' Meeting will not be held on Monday, 2 October 1944, but instead will take place on TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 1944. at 1000 hours.

J.A. Quayle

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION JAQ/drr
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29 September 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 hours, 29 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Antolini, General de Sevin, Lt. Comdr Grishchinsky (for General Susloparov), Colonel Fiske, Colonel Monfort, and Major Quayle.

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a. Captain Stone read aloud the full communique on Italy released by the President and the Prime Minister as a result of the Quebec Conference. He pointed out that although Sir Noel Charles now acquired ambassadorial status, thus placing him on the same footing as Mr. Kirk, it was not clear if he was in fact to function as an ambassador. As to the announced change of name of the Allied Control Commission, he had telegraphed to find out if this was to take place forthwith, and similarly if there was to be any change in the function or structure of the Commission. The Acting Chief Commissioner said that he would have copies of the communique distributed to members, and also to the field. Of all these matters, the Acting Chief Commissioner stated, we knew no more than had already been made known to the general public.

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c. The Acting Chief Commissioner stated that the internal reorganisation plan had been approved by AFHQ, and that it was to go into effect as from Monday next (October 2).

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These civilians were at present using the old "prodding" method of mine detecting. Brigadier Unjohn undertook to find out if it was not possible to produce a more scientific means with the help of Italian Army and Navy engineers.

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"The Italian people freed of their Fascist and Nazi overlordship have in these last twelve months demonstrated their will to be free to fight on the side of the democracies and to take a place among the United Nations devoted to principles of peace and justice. We believe we should give encouragement to those Italians who are standing for a political rebirth in Italy and are completing the destruction of the evil Fascist system. We wish to afford the Italians a greater opportunity to aid in the defeat of our common enemies. The American and the British people are of course horrified by the recent mob action in Rome but feel that a greater responsibility placed on the Italian people and on their own government will most readily prevent a recurrence of such acts. An increasing measure of control will be gradually handed over to the Italian administration subject of course to that administration's proving that it can maintain law and order and the regular administration of justice. To mark this change the Allied Control Commission will be renamed the Allied Commission. The British High Commissioner in Italy will assume the additional title of Ambassador. The United States Representative in Rome already holds that rank. The Italian Government will be invited to appoint direct representatives to Washington and London. First and immediate considerations in Italy are the relief of hunger and sickness and fear. To this end we instructed our representatives at the UNRRA conference to declare for the sending of medical aids and other essential supplies to Italy. We are happy to know that this view commended itself to other members of the UNRRA Council. At the same time first steps should be taken toward the reconstruction of an Italian economy. An economy laid low under the years of the misrule of Mussolini and ravished by the German policy of vengeful destruction. These steps should be taken primarily as military aims to put the full resources of Italy and the Italian people into the struggle to defeat Germany and Japan. For military reasons we should assist the Italians in the restoration of such power systems, their railways, motor transport roads and other communications as enter into the war situation and for a short time send engineers, technicians and industrial experts into Italy to help them in their own rehabilitation. The application to Italy of the Trading With The Enemy Acts should be modified so as to enable business contacts between Italy and the outside world to be resumed for the benefit of the Italian people. We all wish to speed the day when the last vestiges of Fascism in Italy will have been wiped out and when the last German will have left Italian soil and when there will be no need of any Allied troops to remain, the day when free elections can be held throughout Italy and when Italy can earn her proper place in the great family of free nations."

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Mr. Schott

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21 September 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 21 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Brigadier Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, General Susloparov, General de Sevin, Colonel Denmore, Colonel Monfort, Major Quayle.

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a. Captain Stone gave the August figures for infant mortality and tuberculosis in the Rome Area. Though still high, these showed a gratifying drop, and he hoped that they would be reduced still further by the expected arrival of relief supplies (powdered milk, etc.) from the United States.

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a. Mr. Schott quoted from what he called an unofficial and preliminary message from American sources whereby AFHQ had approved the transportation in Allied ships of certain relief commodities despatched from the Argentine, with the proviso that the Allied authorities would reduce those supplies entering the Vatican from their own resources to an extent comparable with the amount of supplies brought in from Argentine resources.

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b. Brigadier Lush told the meeting that the teams for the following Northern regions were in process of being formed:- Liguria, Piedmont, Lombardy, and Venezia. He urged that sub-commissions do not cling to officers doing duty with them pending their posting to forward regions.

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Colonel Monfort reported that the group representing ACC at H.Q. A.A.I. would be ready to move early in the coming week, and that a draft directive had been prepared.

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Colonel Densmore reported that the High Commissioner in Sicily

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Captain Stone directed that reference be made to the original correspondence which passed on this subject between the Government and General Mason MacFarlane.

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N O T I C E

TO : Executive Commissioner
V.P.'s Economic Section
Administrative Section
Political Section —
Colonel Monfort
Liaison Officer for Russian and French Members.

The next vice-presidents' meeting scheduled for 1000 hours on 25 Sept 1944 is hereby cancelled.

FRANK J SLAUGHTER
Captain, A.G.D.
Acting Secretary General.

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Mr. Caccia

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Mr. Caccia

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION JAQ/ajp
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

18 September 1944

MINUTES

Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 hours, 18 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, General De Sevin, Colonel Monfort, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Major Quayle.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. The Acting Chief Commissioner said that certain figures had appeared in the press purporting to show the Italian rate on Infant Mortality and Tuberculosis. He added that these figures were greatly exaggerated and gave the statistics in support of his statement. Brigadier Upjohn was asked to produce as soon as possible the figure on Infant Mortality for Rome during the month of August.

Brig. Upjohn

b. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed General De Sevin that during a conversation with Signor Bonomi the Italian Prime Minister had told him that owing to the present stage of reconstruction work in Italy, the Italian Government regretted that it was unable to comply with the French request for the recruiting of 2000 workers.

2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Reported that at a recent meeting of the Labour Democrats at Naples the Party had declared that they were Republicans. The Christian Democrats had also held a meeting recently, but refused to commit themselves on the institutional question until the country was liberated and the Party as a whole could decide.

b. San Marino - Our intentions had been to respect the neutrality of San Marino so long as it was similarly respected by the enemy. Our attitude will now probably have to be modified in view of the fact that definite information has been received indicating that enemy forces are using the roads passing through this state. During the period of military occupation AMG has instructions to establish a modified form of military government for a temporary period.

c. To a query on the question of restoration of further

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de Savin, Colonel Monfort, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Major Smyle.

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a. Reported that at a recent meeting of the Labour Democrats at Naples the Party had declared that they were Republicans. The Christian Democrats had also held a meeting recently, but refused to commit themselves on the institutional question until the country was liberated and the Party as a whole could decide.

b. San Marino - Our intentions had been to respect the neutrality of San Marino so long as it was similarly respected by the enemy. Our attitude will now probably have to be modified in view of the fact that definite information has been received indicating that enemy forces are using the roads passing through this state. During the period of military occupation AMG has instructions to establish a modified form of military government for a temporary period.

c. To a query on the question of restoration of further territories to the Italian Government, the Acting Chief Commissioner replied that this matter was under consideration by the military authorities, and that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs could be informed of this. Pol. Section 3700

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Pol. Section

3. Mr. Antolini:

a. Mr. Antolini stated that 1500 Italian soldiers now assigned to the Refugees Sub-Commission have been ordered released 1 Sept 44 by AAI, and that he would like to employ them as drivers, etc for 500 trucks promised by G-5, AFHQ by the 15 October 44. The Acting Chief Commissioner agreed to this in principle with the proviso that Mr. Antolini check these facts.

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b. Brigadier Upjohn requested that twelve of these trucks be allotted to the Italian Red Cross.

Admin & Eco Sections

c. Latest guessing report was discussed, and it was decided that it be sent weekly to G-5 Section, AFHQ (see copy attached as appendix "A").

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a. Brigadier Upjohn inquired whether the Allied Control Commission would permit the Italian Government to effect the interchange of judges in Tripoli, as it presented a question of policy. The Acting Chief Commissioner replied that an answer would be given after the next Political Meeting, when the matter would be discussed.

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b. Brigadier Upjohn stated that the orders recently issued by the G-1 Section (Civilian Personnel) whereby civilian employees in ACC HQ forfeited their accommodation and rations, but retained the 900 lire hitherto deducted from their pay, would seriously affect several highly trained employees who have been brought up from

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Next Vice Presidents' meeting - 1000 Hrs. Thursday, 21 Sept 44

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Chief Staff Officer

DISTRIBUTION:
Captain Stone
Brigadier Lush
Mr. Antolini
Brigadier Urquhart
General De Sevin
General Susloparov
Mr. Caccia
Mr. Schott
Hon. Alexander Kirk
Sir Noel Charles
Colonel Spofford
Colonel Donovan
Colonel Menfort
Major Quayle

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:

Region	Amassing in Quintals: Agric. S/C total estimate Aug 44	Reports from Regions	Date of Report	Percentage of total estimate
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	11,340,000	6,933,335		61

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Souther Region 2,600,427

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Mr. Schott

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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18 September 1944

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Vice Presidents' meeting, 1000 hours, 18 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Upjohn, General de Sevin, Colonel Monfort, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Major Quayle.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. The Acting Chief Commissioner said that certain figures had appeared in the press purporting to show the Italian rate on Infant Mortality and Tuberculosis. He added that these figures were greatly exaggerated and gave the statistics in support of his statement. Brigadier Upjohn was asked to produce as soon as possible the figure on Infant Mortality for Rome during the month of August.

Brig. Upjohn

b. The Acting Chief Commissioner informed General De Sevin that during a conversation with Signor Bonomi the Italian Prime Minister had told him that owing to the present stage of reconstruction work in Italy, the Italian Government regretted that it was unable to comply with the French request for the recruiting of 2000 workers.

2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Reported that at a recent meeting of the Labour Democrats at Naples the Party had declared that they were Republicans. The Christian Democrats had also held a meeting recently, but refused to commit themselves on the institutional question until the country was liberated and the Party as a whole could decide.

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c. To a query on the question of restoration of further territories to the Italian Government, the Acting Chief Commissioner replied that this matter was under consideration by the military authorities, and that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs could be informed of this.

Pol. Section

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Mr. Antolini

b. Brigadier Upjohn requested that twelve of these trucks be allotted to the Italian Red Cross.

Admin & Eco Sections

c. Latest evacuee report was discussed, and it was decided that it be sent weekly to G-5 Section, AFHQ (see copy attached as appendix "A").

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Next Vice Presidents' meeting - 1000 Hrs. Thursday, 21 Sept 44

J. A. QUAYLE
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Chief Staff Officer

DISTRIBUTION:
Captain Stone
Brigadier Lush
Mr. Antolini
Brigadier Upjohn
General De Sovin
General Susloparov
Mr. Caccia
Mr. Schott
Hon. Alexander Kirk
Sir Noel Charles
Colonel Spofford
Colonel Donsmore
Colonel Monfort
Major Quaylo

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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11 September 1944

N O T E S

Vice President's Meeting,1000 hours, 11 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, General Suslaparov, General De Sevin, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Cripps (for Admin. Sec.), Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore (for Economic Sec.)

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Announced that General O'Dwyer has gone to Washington in connection with program of "aid for Italy".

b. Mr. A. G. Antolini to be Acting Head, Economic Section and Colonel L. D. Densmore to be C.S.O. during absence of General O'Dwyer.

Capt. Stone

c. Report of Manpower and Reorganization Committee approved with modifications. To be sent to AFHQ for final approval.

Capt. Stone

d. Ref. Para 4a notes of 31 August, Acting Chief Commissioner stated that request of French Government to recruit Italian workers had been submitted to the Italian Government and the reply had not been received.

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e. Steps being taken to return additional territory to Italian Government.

f. AFHQ-AAI jurisdictions and geographical change discussed.

CSO, A/CC

g. Economic Section request that transport plane be assigned to Commission concurred in and CSO of Acting Chief Commissioner office directed to refer to Air Forces Sub-Commission.

h. Acting Chief Commissioner explained steps taken by HQ ACC and AFHQ to obtain food for Northern Regions.

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a. Review of political situation. Discussed question of local and provincial elections in Italy. Question of plans of Italian Government. Mr. Caccia to obtain Government views.

3. Col. Crimps:

a. With respect to question of turning over to Government certain AMG functions at Naples. No changes to be made at present.

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4. Col. Densmore:

a. Wheat Amassing - Presented report as of 11 September 44. Copy attached hereto Appendix "A".

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Col. Densmore

b. Economic Section directed to check into matter of intensifying bridge construction and replacement of temporary bridges on Adriatic side. Possibility of moving construction facilities from Southern and Central Italy to North-East sector.

5. Brig. Lush:

a. Reported on Northern Regions.

b. Discussed need of personnel.

c. Discussed need of transport - 400 vehicles short.

All V.P.'s

d. All Vice Presidents to check assignment of transport to their Sections and Sub-Commissions and report any that can be released.

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

DISTRIBUTION:
Captain Stone
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Mr. Antolini
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SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing

Region	Amassing in Quintals FROM: S/C total estimate Aug 44	Reports from Regions	Date of Report	Percentage of total estimate
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	11,340,000	6,043,905		53

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Executive Director
Economic Section

Mr Schott

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION LDD/Pa
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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11 September 1944

NOTES

Vice President's Meeting,1000 hours, 11 September 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, General Suslonarov, General De Sevin, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Crimes (for Admin. Sec.), Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore (for Economic Sec.)

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2. Mr. Caccia:

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Lush, Colonel Cripps (for Admin. Sec.), Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Colonel Densmore (for Economic Sec.)

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SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

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2	1,530,000	932,073	4 Sep	61	
FOGGIA	1,590,000	1,134,032	6 Sep	71	
3	350,000	142,900	29 Aug	41	
4	1,400,000	967,018	28 Aug	69	
5	2,550,000	945,048	31 Aug	37	
6	430,000	214,760	3 Sep	50	
7	280,000	158,000	29 Aug	57	
8	1,000,000	607,064	29 Aug	61	
	11,340,000	6,043,905		53	

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To: Executive Commissioner
V.P.'s Economic Section
Administrative Section
Political Section
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Liaison Officer for Russian and French Members.

The next vice-presidents' meeting ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ scheduled for 1000 Hrs.

on 14 September 1944, is hereby cancelled.

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31 August 1944

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28 August 1944

NOTES

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c. Discussion was had relative to press release quoting U. S. visiting labour representative. The Acting Chief Commissioner announced that he had informed G-5 Section, AFHQ, relative to the matter.

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a. Reported plans for northern regions are based on assumption that AMG will operate in those parts of Italy, which are occupied, until territory is turned back to the Italian government, whether occupation is by force of arms or enemy collapse.

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Region X (less Liguria)	360
Liguria Province	120
Region XI	360
Region XII (less Istria)	360
Istria	120
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Brig. Lush

c. Discussion had on additional turn over of territory to Italian government. Brigadier Lush to start work on matter.

Next Vice Presidents' meeting - 1000 hours, Thursday, 31 August 1944.

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a. Reported plans for northern regions are based on assumption that AMG will operate in those parts of Italy, which are occupied, until territory is turned back to the Italian government, whether occupation is by force of arms or enemy collapse.

b. Recommendation has been made to G-5 that under certain circumstances armies be directed to place at the disposal and under the command of SCAO Army or the Regional Commissioner complete units with officers and EM/OR's, who can provide and maintain the following minimum trucks:

Region X (less Liguria)	360
Liguria Province	120
Region XI	360
Region XII (less Istria)	360
Istria	120
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Brig. Lush

c. Discussion had on additional turn over of territory to Italian government. Brigadier Lush to start work on matter.

Next Vice Presidents' meeting - 1000 hours, Thursday, 31 August 1944.

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:

Region	Amassing in Quintals			
	Agric. S/C total estimate Aug 44	Reports from Regions	Date of Report	Percentage of total estimate
1	2,210,000	649,409	23 Aug	29
2	1,530,000	776,019	23 Aug	50
Foggia	1,590,000	1,000,356	19 Aug	63
3	350,000	76,110	22 Aug	22
4	1,400,000	568.747	15 Aug	40
5	2,550,000	557,044	15 Aug	22
6	430,000	167,788	19 Aug	39
7	280,000	136,000	21 Aug	48
8	1,000,000	293,953	17 Aug	29
	11,340,000	4,225,426		37

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	776,019	23 Aug	50	54	85
	1,000,356	19 Aug	63	54	85
	76,110	22 Aug	22	54	85
	568.747	15 Aug	40	78	91
	557,044	15 Aug	22	78	91
	167,788	19 Aug	39	63	87
	136,000	21 Aug	48	54	85
	293,953	17 Aug	29	78	91
	4,225,426		37	60	88

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION LDD/ajp
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

21 August 1944

NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 21 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, General O'Dwyer, Brigadier Lush, General De Sevin, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

Brig. Lush

a. Item 1 d. of notes on VP's meeting of 18 August 44, reference transport permit for Vatican. Brigadier Lush to follow through.

b. Reference item 3 a of notes on VP's meeting of 18 August 44, Colonel Upjohn reported that in the opinion of the Chief Legal Officer no action appropriate with respect to Lt. Col. Hill, former AMG officer.

Gen O'Dwyer

c. Acting Chief Commissioner stated that he had been informed by the Office of the British High Commissioner in Italy that Mr. Nosworthy had been reappointed to Rome with the rank of Minister to organize the Economic Wing of the British Embassy; that Mr. Nosworthy desires to cooperate more closely than has heretofore been possible with the Economic Section of the Allied Control Commission. The Acting Chief Commissioner requested General O'Dwyer to contact Mr. Nosworthy and Mr. Charles Livengood of the American Embassy and arrange for cooperation between these two gentlemen and the Economic Section.

Captain Stone

d. The question of permitting "The March of Time" to take moving pictures of the Regional Commissioners meeting discussed. It was considered that the Commission should in every way cooperate with the suggestion, but it was felt nothing should be done which will interfere with or distract from the meeting. The Acting Chief Commissioner to clear with P.R.O.

Col. Upjohn

e. The Acting Chief Commissioner brought up the matter of a proposed decree by the Italian government relative to entrusting to a Commissioner the administration of those private enterprises which involve the public services or which engage in an activity recognized to be of general interest under certain conditions. Col. Upjohn to follow through and obtain report from Finance Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

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f. Memorandum 1/285 dated 19 August 44 from Minister of Foreign Affairs together with translation of proposed "Legislative Decree on the Constitution of Regional Bodies for the Most Urgent Repairs and Reconstruction Works" referred to Economic Section for appropriate action in coordination with Administrative Section.

2. Mr. Caccia:

a. Gave review of current political situation.

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b. Called attention to statement which was made by Patriot Branch at Regional Commissioners' meeting with respect to Allied and Italian Government activities with reference to Patriots on the liberated side of the combat line.

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Captain Stone

c. Mentioned P.R.O. is having some difficulty in connection with publishing "Trend of Copy Filed by Correspondents" Acting Chief Commissioner to discuss with P.R.O.

d. Discussion had on providing Italian press with more information as to efforts being made by the Allied Control Commission to solve critical Italian problems.

3. Colonel Upjohn:

Col. Upjohn

a. Question of payment by Italian Government to employees who were suspended. It was announced that they will continue to be paid, unless they are within one of the three accepted classifications. Colonel Upjohn to follow through.

4. General O'Dwyer:

Gen. O'Dwyer

b. Called attention to the large tonnage of food being provided by the Italians to Allied Forces as one of their contribution to the war efforts. It was agreed that specific information as to the extend of food furnished by the Italians should be brought to the attention of the Allied Forces.

Mr. Antolini

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Mr. Antolini

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Brig. Lush

e. General O'Dwyer again mentioned the fact that the contractor who is clearing the south of the Tiber river was exceedingly slow. Brigadier Lush to follow through on the matter with Region IV.

f. Wheat amassing report dated 21 August 44 discussed. Copy attached as Appendix "A".

5. Brigadier Lush:

Brig. Lush

a. Called attention to message G 3950 from AAI dated 19 August 44 which follows: "Disthree signal forwarded to you for information on request of ACC. Difficulties arising in and around Naples Central Station from considerable numbers refugees from southern Italy unable proceed further by train. No action appears to have been taken through ACC transportation Sub-Commission for provision of trains for removal from Naples and request that orders issued MOVWIT to provide stock. MRO concerned possibility outbreak [illegible] further to request ACC be asked to take urgent action to

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4. General O'Dwyer:

a. Reported on program with respect to feeding of Rome.

Gen. O'Dwyer

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f. Wheat amassing report dated 21 August 44 discussed. Copy attached as Appendix "A".

5. Brigadier Lush:

Brig. Lush

a. Called attention to message Q 3953 from AAI dated 19 August 44 which follows: "Disthree signal forwarded to you for information on request of ACC. Difficulties arising in and around Naples Central Station from considerable numbers refugees from southern Italy unable proceed further by train. No action appears to have been taken through ACC transportation Sub-Commission for provision of trains for removal from Naples and request that orders issued MOVNIT to provide stock. MED concerned possibility outbreak epidemic further to request ACC be asked to take urgent action to prevent unauthorized travel to Naples." In connection with this emigration problem the Acting Chief Commissioner suggested that consideration be given to recruiting of Special Police Force to handle the matter and in the interim to obtain 1000 carabinieri on loan. Brigadier Lush to discuss the entire matter with General Browning, with intention of having AFHQ issue definite orders on emigration.

Brig. Lush

b. Problem of safeguarding places of great economic importance in the Po Valley by partisans was discussed. Brigadier Lush to discuss with Colonel McCarthy and Brigadier Mainwaring, and bring forth a recommendation for the Acting Chief Commissioner to put up.

Next Vice Presidents' meeting - 1000 hours, Friday, 25 August 1944

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1,400,000	450,765	10 Aug	32	32	78
2,550,000	579,940	12 Aug	23	32	78
430,000	167,788	19 Aug	39	12	63
250,000	111,900	12 Aug	40	21	54
1,000,000	251,000	16 Aug	25	32	78
11,320,000	3,692,346		33	24	60

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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21 August 1944

NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 21 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, General O'Dwyer, Brigadier Lush, General De Sevin, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Cecchi, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

Brig. Lush

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b. Reference item 3 a of notes on VP's meeting of 18 August 44, Colonel Upjohn reported that in the opinion of the Chief Legal Officer no action appropriate with respect to Lt. Col. Hill, former AMG officer.

Gen O'Dwyer

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Captain Stone

d. The question of permitting "The March of Time" to take moving pictures of the Regional Commissioners meeting discussed. It was considered that the Commission should in every way cooperate with the suggestion, but it was felt nothing should be done which will interfere with or distract from the meeting. The Acting Chief Commissioner to clear with P.R.O.

Col. Upjohn

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f. Memorandum 1/285 dated 19 August 44 from Minister of Foreign Affairs together with translation of proposed "Legislative Decree on the Constitution of Regional Bodies for the Most Urgent Repairs and Reconstruction Works" referred to Economic Section for appropriate action in coordination with Administrative Section.

2. Mr. Caccia:

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a. Gave review of current political situation.

Brig. Lush

b. Called attention to statement which will be made by Patriot Branch at Regional Commissioners' meeting with respect to Allied and Italian Government activities with reference to Patriots on the liberated side of the combat line.

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c. Mentioned P.R.O. is having some difficulty in connection with publishing "Trend of Copy Filed by Correspondents" Acting Chief Commissioner to discuss with P.R.O.

d. Discussion had on providing Italian press with more information as to efforts being made by the Allied Control Commission to solve critical Italian problems.

3. Colonel Upjohn:

Col. Upjohn

a. Question of payment by Italian Government to employees who were suspended. It was announced that they will continue to be paid, unless they are within one of the three accepted classifications. Colonel Upjohn to follow through.

4. General O'Dwyer:

a. Reported on program with respect to feeding of Rome.

Gen. O'Dwyer

b. Called attention to the large tonnage of food being provided by the Italians to Allied Forces as one of their contribution to the war efforts. It was agreed that specific information as to the extend of food furnished by the Italians should be brought to the attention of the Allied Forces.

Mr. Antolini

c. Economic Section will follow through on the question of disposing of ten buses for lease by the Rome Allied Area Command.

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d. Mr. Antolini reported, that in lieu of authorizing the importation of rationed goods that the limit be increased from 10 to 15 kilos on unrationed goods. Mr. Antolini to follow through.

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e. General O'Dwyer again mentioned the fact that the contractor who is clearing the mouth of the Tiber river was exceedingly slow. Brigadier Lush to follow through on the matter with Region IV.

f. Wheat amassing report dated 21 August 44 discussed. Copy attached as Appendix "A".

5. Brigadier Lush:

Brig. Lush

a. Called attention to message Q 3958 from AAI dated 19 August 44 which follows: "Disthree signal forwarded to you for information on request of ACC. Difficulties arising in and around Naples Central Station from considerable numbers refugees from southern Italy unable proceed further by train. No action appears to have been taken through ACC transportation Sub-Commission for provision of trains for removal from Naples and request that orders issued MCWWIT to provide stock. MCD concerned possibility outbreak epidemic further to request ACC be asked to take urgent action to

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5. Brigadier Lush:

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a. Called attention to message Q 3956 from AAI dated 19 August 44 which follows: "Distress signal forwarded to you for information on request of ACC. Difficulties arising in and around Naples Central Station from considerable numbers refugees from southern Italy unable proceed further by train. No action appears to have been taken through ACC transportation Sub-Commission for provision of trains for removal from Naples and request that orders issued NOW IT to provide stock. MED concerned possibility outbreak epidemic further to request ACC be asked to take urgent action to prevent unauthorized travel to Naples." In connection with this emigration problem the Acting Chief Commissioner suggested that consideration be given to recruiting of Special Police Force to handle the matter and in the interim to obtain 1000 carabinieri on loan. Brigadier Lush to discuss the entire matter with General Browning, with intention of having AFHQ issue definite orders on emigration.

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Next Vice Presidents' meeting - 1000 hours, Friday, 25 August 1944

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Political Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

LDD/ajp

18 August 1944

NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 18 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, General O'Dwyer, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Relative necessary changes in Administrative Instructions No. 36 (1061 Q1 HQ AAI) dated 28 June 44, subject "Establishment of Rome Allied Area Command, etc" occasioned by transfer of territory to Italian government. Brigadier Lush reported that conference has been had on the matter and that it is in hand.

Captain Stone

b. Acting Chief Commissioner reported that Soviet Representative to the Allied Advisory Council for Italy had on 16 August written a letter to Rome Allied Area Command with copy to the Allied Control Commission protesting relative to "Polish Anti-Soviet Propaganda", complaining particularly about a poster shown at a Polish exhibit. The Acting Chief Commissioner also reported Soviet Representative had made oral protest to him. Exhibit has been closed and Soviet Representative will be informed.

Brig. Lush

c. With reference to item 1 d. notes of Vice Presidents' meeting of 14 August, relative to channels for dealing with Vatican, Brigadier Lush reported that AAI had issued a new directive on the matter. Brigadier Lush will follow through on this.

Brig. Lush

d. Matter of transport permits for Vatican discussed. Brigadier Lush will prepare letter for Acting Chief Commissioner's signature to Msgr. Carroll.

Brigadier Lush

e. Marchese Ferroe to be attached to Political Section for liaison work, and not to CA Branch. Brigadier Lush to clear.

General O'Dwyer

f. Publicity on "Transportation". General O'Dwyer is working on this.

Mr. Antolini

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Colonel Upjohn

h. Colonel Upjohn to report on question of continuing to give rations to the R. Guardia di Finanza--see par. 1 j. of notes VP's meeting of 14 August.

Colonel Upjohn

i. Question of strength of Carabinieri. Colonel Upjohn to follow through.

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j. The Acting Chief Commissioner pointed out that as a result of the fall of Rome and other cities, and the consequent increase in Italian (and neutral) journalistic and literary activities, the following points, which concern all officers, should be stressed:

(1) Pursuant to Executive Memorandum 47 of 1 April 1944, the Public Relations Branch ACC is the sole channel through which information relating to ACC/AMG may be given

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to the Press. No officer is entitled to give information, on or off the record, to press correspondents, unless such interviews have been arranged through the Public Relations Branch.

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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13 August 1944

NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 13 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, General O'Dwyer, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Unjohn, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

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Colonel Upjohn

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Colonel Upjohn

i. Question of strength of Carabinieri. Colonel Upjohn to follow through.

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j. The Acting Chief Commissioner pointed out that as a result of the fall of Rome and other cities, and the consequent increase in Italian (and neutral) journalistic and literary activities, the following points, which concern all officers, should be stressed:

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SUBJECT: Wheat Ammassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on ammassing of wheat:-

Region	Ammassing in Quintals			
	Agric. S/C total estimate Aug 44	Reports from Regions	Date of Report	Percentage of total estimate
1	2,210,000	553,000	17 Aug	25
2	1,530,000	597,371	15 Aug	39
FOGGIA	1,590,000	915,421	12 Aug	58
3	350,000	65,161	15 Aug	18
4	1,400,000	450,765	10 Aug	32
5	2,550,000	579,940	12 Aug	23
6	430,000	167,788	19 Aug	39
7	280,000	111,900	12 Aug	40
8	1,000,000	251,000	16 Aug	25
	11,340,000	3,692,326		33

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14 August 1944

NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 14 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Cascia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

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Col. Upjohn

i. Colonel Upjohn to look into question of how Italian doctors and drug stores obtain medical supplies.

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Col. Upjohn

j. Question of continuing to give rations to [illegible] Guardia di Finanza. Letter F 2104/X-9, from E. E. Ponomi, 9 August, to be referred to Administrative Section, who will draft reply for Acting Chief Commissioner's signature.

l. Two memoranda dated 13 August, "Food for Rome" and "Cooking Gas for Rome" from General O'Dwyer, Acting Chief Commissioner to discuss with Mr. Antolini.

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2. Mr. Caccia:

Mr. Caccia — a. Gave review of current political developments. Political Section to prepare memorandum for AFHQ.

Mr. Caccia — b. Draft with respect to AMG relations San Marino now in hands of Political Section to be coordinated with Legal, Finance, and RC & MG.

Mr. Caccia — c. Question of Italian Military Mission to Titi/s Forces, being handled by Army Sub-Commission, who will coordinate with Political Section.

3. Mr. Schott:

Mr. Schott — a. Announced establishment of additional recognized consulates. Political Section to provide list of all recognized Consuls and notify AFHQ on new changes.

4. Colonel Upjohn:

a. Reports indicate monuments in Florence not destroyed.

Col. Upjohn — b. Mid East has requested assistance with respect to "text books". Request to be made that Lieutenant Colonel Smith, Education Sub-Commission, be sent to Near East for 10 days or 2 weeks. Allied Control Commission has no objection.

Col. Upjohn — c. AFHQ direction with respect to release of Count Pellegrini carried out. Allied Control Commission to send HQ AAI copies of correspondence.

5. Mr. Antolini:

a. Wheat arrearage report dated 14 August 44 discussed. Copy attached as Appendix "A".

6. Brigadier Lush:

a. Brigadier Carr has taken over Region I. Colonel Hancock will be here in a few days to take up his new assignment.

b. New Regional Commissioner Southern Region will take over 22 August. Turn over period 15-21 August.

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

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8	1,000,000	42,127	7 Aug	4	
	11,340,000	2,238,778		20	

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224,255	7 Aug	16	32	78
37,093	5 Aug	1.5	32	78
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ADMIN WT MEETING

No. 33

1 Aug

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

a Officers going forward must report to HQ. AMG Armies.

b Monthly reports will be full.

c San Marino is neutral.

d Private cars of Ministers are not exempt from requisition.

e SC meeting 22 Aug.

f Directors to ensure that all cars in their SD are turned in.

g Messages to Region V should at present go by courier.

h Requests for permanent ACC HQ passes must be in by 2 Aug.

3 The meeting closed at 1040 hrs.

DISTRIBUTION:

1 - DCC
1 - RCMG
1 - POLITICAL
1 - FINANCE
9 - ADMIN & SUB-COMS
1 - INDUSTRY & COMMERCE
1 - FILE

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31 July 1944

NOTES

1. Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 31 July 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

2. Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Hilary W. Stone, Col. O'Dwyer, Brigadier Lush, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Col. Upjohn, Mr. Antolini, Col. Monfort, and Col. Densmore.

3. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Italian Epuration law has been passed. Instructions to be given AMG. Col. Upjohn to arrange meeting Col. Chapman and Col. Poletti today so instructions will be uniform. Political Section to coordinate press release with PBO.

b. Section Heads asked to follow through on officers visiting Army areas without prior permission from SCAD, Armies, also failing to report to SCAO's upon arrival.

c. Effective with the July report, monthly reports to AFHQ to include complete reports of Sub-Commissions with covering letter. Special reports to be made as required. Brigadier Lush to issue instructions and cause reports previously made to be resubmitted, including Sub-Commissions' reports.

d. Italian Government (10906/10720 - 1/3.1) on 25 July (received 28 July) submitted the question of rations for Italian Government personnel and suggested six or seven thousand rations required. Brigadier Lush, Col. O'Dwyer and Col. Densmore to confer and make recommendations to Acting Chief Commissioner.

4. Mr. Caccia:

a. Letter 8653/a/BGS, Hq Adv AAI, 27 July, received, sense being instructions to 8th Army relative neutrality of Republic of San Marino. Brig. Lush reported AMC instructions have been issued. A request has been made to AAI that Consul General be permitted to go to San Marino as soon as possible.

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3. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Italian Epuration law has been passed. Instructions to be given ASG. Col. Upjohn to arrange meeting Col. Chapman and Col. Poletti today so instructions will be uniform. Political Section to coordinate press release with PRO.

b. Section heads asked to follow through on officers visiting Army areas without prior permission from SCAO, Armies, also failing to report to SCAO's upon arrival.

c. Effective with the July report, monthly reports to AFHQ to include complete reports of Sub-Commissions with covering letter. Special reports to be made as required. Brigadier Lush to issue instructions and cause reports previously made to be resubmitted, including Sub-Commissions' reports.

d. Italian Government (10908/10720 - 1/3.1) on 25 July (received 28 July) submitted the question of rations for Italian Government personnel and suggested six or seven thousand rations required. Brigadier Lush, Col. O'Dwyer and Col. Densmore to confer and make recommendations to Acting Chief Commissioner.

4. Mr. Caccia:

a. Letter 8653/4/BSB, Hq Adv AAI, 27 July, received, same being instructions to 5th Army relative neutrality of Republic of San Marino. Brig. Lush reported AMG instructions have been issued. A request has been made to AAI that Consul General be permitted to go to San Marino as soon as possible.

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c. Political Section reported having received a letter from 5th Army relative to disposition of certain fine arts, etc. Political Section to confer with FWB and PRO relative to the matter.

d. Letter from Italian Foreign Office relative to question of exempting from requisition privately owned cars of officials of Foreign Office. Matter referred to Brig. Lush to handle along with letter 10859/7.2 of July 25 from Prime Minister Bonomi which was referred to Executive Commissioner for action per A/CC 386.8, 28 July.

e. Mr. Caccia to follow up with FWB relative to story of June 5th on equipment, etc., property of the King of Italy.

5. Colonel Upjohn:

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a. Regional Commissioners' Meeting - Brig. Lush instructed to give

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Regional Commissioners warning notice that August 22, 1944, is probable date of next meeting in Rome.

6. Brigadier Lush:

a. Brig. Lush requested approval for a change to be made in Office Memorandum No. 14, July 29th, "Billeting - ACC Officers - Officials", by permitting officers of grade of Commander (Navy) Lieut. Colonel (Army) to assume the responsibility for Villas or Apartments under present regulations except that authorised military messes for less than 20 officers will not be established for Villas or Apartments over which Commanders (Navy) Lt. Colonels (Army) assume responsibility. Approved.

b. Man Power Committee appointed by Acting Chief Commissioner consisting of Brigadier Lush as Chairman, Mr. Antolini representing Economic Section, and 1 member from Administrative Section and 1 from M.C. & H.G. Section to be named by Sections Heads. Committee to study and make reports with respect to possible reduction in personnel, officers, NM/ORs and Italian civilians, and possible consolidation of Sub-Commissions, Offices and Branches.

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" 5.	Present Available Capacity	56,000 KW"

See ACC/051/PWB, 14 July 1944, Report.

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d. Following assessing report given:

29 July 1944

Wheat assessed on Date indicated

Region	Quantity (Quintals)	Tentative Total Goal	Date Reported
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Report on Wheat Amassed (Continued)

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Apulia	501,203	2,800,000	22 "
Campania	11,940	704,600	25 "
Sardinia	54,750	545,700	27 "
Lazio	61,150)	931,000	23 "
Umbria	6,520)		23 "
Tuscany	3,200	1,051,000	15 "
Total reported	855,803		
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2	78,544	2,020,400	15 "
Foggia	800,000	1,200,000	22 "
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7 August 1944

NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 7 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

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b. Medical supplies general - Brigadier Lush to clear with A.A.I.

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f. Rations for employees of Italian government raised by letter 10908/10720 of July 25 from Prime Minister Bonomi, which was referred to the RC & MG and Economic Sections, came up for discussion. Both Brigadier Lush and Colonel O'Dwyer stated that the matter had had careful consideration and that it was their recommendation that the Commission should not request A.A.I. for the issue of any rations for officials or employees of the Italian government.

f. The question of travel rations for Italian officials and employees who had been detailed to assist with AMG work in the forward areas was referred to Brigadier Lush to handle with Hq. Commandant. SCAO's Armies will cover the ration situation for such people while working in their areas.

2. Colonel Upjohn:

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c. The matter of providing ACC officers with a statement with regard to ACC's policy toward the Italian government discussed. Mr. Caccia in co-ordination with Brigadier Lush and Colonel O'Dwyer to prepare memorandum for A.F.H.Q.

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b. It has been decided for operational reasons to activate teams for Regions X, XI, and XII. Officers for those regions will be drawn from existing regions, ACC Hq. and from other sources extraneous to the Allied Control Commission. In planning the final lay-out for regional control in this territory parity will be maintained as far as it is possible between British and American Regional Commissioners. Provincial arrangements at present are as follows:-

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Regions I, VI, Southern Region, and XII - British Regional Commissioners

Regions IV, V, VII, IX, and XI - American Regional Commissioners

c. Brigadier Lush gave a general report with respect to situation in each region.

d. Attention was called to the fact that AMG officers in Army areas had been under heavy duty and strain for three months and that reports from SCAO's Armies indicate possible health problem. Brigadier Lush was instructed to look into the matter of establishing a rest camp for ACC/AMG officers.

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5. Colonel O'Dwyer:

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a. Wheat Assessed (see appendix "A" attached).

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Acting Chief Commissioner:

Urged all section heads to read PRB/RS, Public Relations Branch "Daily Digest of Rome Press" and PRB/RIO Public Relations Branch "Trend of Copy Filed by Correspondents".

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:

Region	Amassing in Quintals: Agric. S/C total estimate Jun 44	Reports from Regions	Date of Report	Percentage of total estimate
1	2,210,000	311,490	6 Aug.	14
2	1,530,000	354,532	31 Jul	23
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3	350,000	26,831	2 Aug	8
4	1,400,000	110,487	4 Aug	8
5	2,550,000	20,497	22 Jul	1
6	430,000	108,757	5 Aug	24
7	280,000	83,500	5 Aug	30
8	1,000,000	20,289	22 Jul	2
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10 August 1944

NOTES

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Col. Upjohn

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"At the same time the Italian Cabinet announced the setting up of an emergency Committee to work on the problem of reconstruction. Headed by Bonomi, the Committee had already started work on housing but owing to shortage of raw materials and transport this can probably only mean emergency provisions for sheltering the homeless before winter comes.

"The representatives also mentioned that salaried workers in Rome were in a deplorable condition because of the rising prices. Wages did not suffice to buy even rationed goods."

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3. Colonel Upjohn (Administrative Section):

a. Reference made to correspondence between Acting Chief Commissioner and H.E. Bonomi relative transfer of administrative functions to Italian Government Naples-- Colonel Upjohn to draft further reply to H.E. Bonomi for Acting Chief Commissioner's signature.

4. Brigadier Lush (MC & MG Section):

a. Requested correction of note para 1 a of Vice-Presidents' meeting of 7 August 1944, stating that medical supplies referred to had to do with Ancona.

b. The matter of atrocities covered by AFHQ Directive. No action required--see note para 4 h of Vice-Presidents' meeting of 7 August 1944.

c. Reviewed latest report on situation in Florence.

d. Reported Manpower Committee now at work.

e. Conveyed appreciation from the Pope for work being done by ACC.

5. Colonel O'Dwyer (Economic Section):

a. Reported that Commission's policy to deal with organized labor through Italian Government and not direct had been laid down, also that situation with respect to labor legislation was being clarified with Italian Government and that a further examination would be made of General Orders No. 28.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ALLIED VI'e MEETING
No 37

14 Aug 44

1 The meeting op ened at 1600 hrs.

2 The following matters were discussed or are for action;
a medical supplies for private practitioners;
b ration scale for GC. FF.,
c amalgamation of Regions II,III & VII;
d issue of permits of doctors' cars;
e Sub Comms to submit bids for cars for Italian officers, re-treading of tyres, provision of batteries and spare parts for 15 to 20 cars possible;
f War Crimes, forwarding to AFHQ to be through Admin Sec;
g letters to Higher or parellel authorities on policy etc matters to be signed for CC;
h Clothing for Italian civilians;
i MFA filling cards are an essential tool.

3 The meeting cl osed at 1705 hrs.

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14 August 1944

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Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 14 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Cascia, Mr. Schott, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

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a. The Italian government has requested publication of Armistice terms and application of Lend Lease. Acting Chief Commissioner referring matter to AFHQ (W. 1/203--Aug 10).

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c. With additional territory, including Rome, to be transferred to Italian government as of 0001 hours 15 August 1944, Brigadier Lush to check Administrative Instructions No. 36 (1561 Q1 HQ AAI) dated 28 June 44, subject "Establishment of Rome Allied Command with RAAC and AAI for necessary changes".

Col. Upjohn

d. The matter of channels for dealings with the Vatican discussed. Colonel Upjohn will, in coordination with the other sections, work out something on this matter. Allied Control Commission, Rome Allied Area Command and Region IV all affected.

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Col. Upjohn

i. Colonel Upjohn to look into question of how Italian doctors and drug stores obtain medical supplies.

Col. Upjohn

j. Question of continuing to give rations to the R. Guardia di Finanza. Letter # 2124/X-9, from H. M. Bonomi, 9 August, to be referred to Administrative Section, who will draft reply for Acting Chief Commissioner's signature.

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l. Two memoranda dated 13 August, "Food for Rome" and "Cooking Gas for Rome" from General O'Dwyer, Acting Chief Commissioner to discuss with Mr. Antolini.

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2. Mr. Caccia:

Mr. Caccia — a. Gave review of current political developments. Political Section to prepare memorandum for AFHQ.

Mr. Caccia — b. Draft with respect to AMG relations San Marino now in hands of Political Section to be coordinated with Legal, Finance, and RC & MG.

Mr. Caccia — c. Question of Italian Military Mission to Tito's Forces, being handled by Army Sub-Commission, who will coordinate with Political Section.

3. Mr. Schott:

Mr. Schott — a. Announced establishment of additional recognized consulates. Political Section to provide list of all recognized Consuls and notify AFHQ on new changes.

4. Colonel Unichn:

a. Reports indicate monuments in Florence not destroyed.

Col. Unichn — b. Mid East has requested assistance with respect to "text books". Request to be made that Lieutenant Colonel Smith, Education Sub-Commission, be sent to Near East for 10 days or 2 weeks. Allied Control Commission has no objection.

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APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Wheat Amassing

Herewith latest information available to Economic Section on amassing of wheat:

Amassing to Quintals

Region	Agric. S/C total estimate Aug 4/	Reports from Regions	Date of Report	Percentage of total estimate
1	2,210,000	350,674	8 Aug	16
2	1,530,000	476,756	8 Aug	32
Foggia	1,590,000	810,965	5 Aug	51
3	350,000	35,350	9 Aug	10
4	1,400,000	224,255	7 Aug	16
5	2,550,000	37,093	5 Aug	1.5
6	430,000	147,458	12 Aug	34
7	280,000	111,900	12 Aug	40
8	1,000,000	42,127	7 Aug	4
	11,340,000	2,238,778		20

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ANNEX NAN

available to Economic Section on amassing of sheet:

Quintals

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473,756	8 Aug	32	28	54
810,965	5 Aug	51	21	54
35,350	9 Aug	10	21	54
234,255	7 Aug	16	32	78
37,093	5 Aug	1.5	32	78
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10 August 1944

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Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 10 August 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Colonel O'Dwyer, Mr. Caccia, Mr. Schott, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Antolini, and Colonel Densmore.

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"At the same time the Italian Cabinet announced the setting up of an emergency Committee to work on the problem of reconstruction. Headed by Bonomi, the Committee had already started work on housing but owing to shortage of raw materials and transport this can probably only mean emergency provisions for sheltering the homeless before winter comes.

"The representatives also mentioned that salaried workers in Rome were in a deplorable condition because of the rising prices. Wages did not suffice to buy even rationed goods."

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3. Colonel Upjohn (Administrative Section):

a. Reference made to correspondence between Acting Chief Commissioner and H.E. Bonomi relative transfer of administrative functions to Italian Government Naples--Colonel Upjohn to draft further reply to H.E. Bonomi for Acting Chief Commissioner's signature.

4. Brigadier Lush (MC & MG Section):

a. Requested correction of note para 1 a of Vice-Presidents' meeting of 7 August 1944, stating that medical supplies referred to had to do with Ancona.

b. The matter of atrocities covered by AFHQ Directive. No action required--see note para 4 h of Vice-Presidents' meeting of 7 August 1944.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 36

11 Aug. 44

1 The meeting opened at 1705 hrs.

2 Matters for attention:
a Finance was opening a Statistical Branch.
b Sub Comms have responsibility for approving promotions and transfers of senior Italian Government officials as well as the appointments.

3 The meeting then discussed the question of manpower.

4 The meeting closed at 1750 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 35

8 Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action -
a Weekly return on Trips is no longer required.
b Ministers should be asked to speek more frequently in Provinces.
c Italian officials should be discouraged from visiting their homes.
d Prepare for amalgamation of Regions II, III and VII.
e Precis of speeches for EC meeting to be with Admin before 1200 hrs Aug 20.
f Plans for sudden expansion must be got ready.

3 Meeting closed at 1045 hrs.

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ADMIN WP's MEETING
No. 35

8 Aug 44

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Minutes of Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 24 July 1944.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Hillery W. Stone, Brigadier Lush, Colonel O'Dwyer, Colonel Upjohn, Col Monfort Mr. Antolini (for certain items). The meeting was also attended by Major General Susloparov.

1. The Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Absence of the representatives of the Political Section.

b. No particular political developments in Italian Government. The Epuration Decree, finally approved in a form which, as far as we know, is acceptable to us, now awaits Lieutenant's signature.

c. Conversations have been held with Mr. Dallas Dort (U.S. State Department) and Mr. Workman (British Ministry of Supply).

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d. Requisitioning. Captain Stone drew attention to the ambiguity of AAI's recent directive. Although our right to requisition was clear he hoped the directive would be interpreted with restraint, and that touch would always be kept in such matters with Prince Doria.

e. Grain Collection. This seemed to be going well, particularly at Foggia. A report on progress should be prepared for all VPs meetings. It was hoped that transport difficulties with 5th Army would soon be solved.

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c. Colonel Zellars reported good progress with Amassi, Foggia being 50% better than expected.

d. In the North there was transport difficulty but Regions 5 and 8 reported wheat coming in well.

For future meetings he would have a table showing target and achievement in amassing.

e. The Sardinian coal-mine strike had been due to the bad distribution of the extra food ration. It was now rectified.

f. From now on HQ Region V would be AQUILA.

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a. A signal from AFHQ had stated the postponement of the arrival of phosphate rock fertilizer from 15 August till "early September". This was very serious.

He undertook to call on A/CGs office for help in the matter if needed.

b. Mr. Antolini would look into mal-distribution of signals within the section, and would produce a weekly report on the Amassi from July 26 onwards.

c. When Brigadier Lush raised the question of the wine deposits in Region II, Colonel O'Dwyer undertook to press hard on the Local Resources Board for increased allocation of transport to deal with the wine, and also to try to obtain, through MEDBO, a ship (say, 8,000 tons) to be used solely for ACC shipping.

d. The Electricity Program, though not yet far enough advanced to report on firmly, looked hopeful.

Finally, Brigadier Lush and Colonel O'Dwyer were to investigate jointly the possibility of recovering from the army big cratings which contained valuable plant, and which the Germans had left behind.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 34

3 Aug 44.

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

a PWB reports - Sub Comsns to say what they require.

b Prodigal criticism of any defect - Public ignorant of immense amount of sound constructive work. Sub Comsn should keep PRO informed.

c Irregular passes in forward areas - only the yellow form will be recognised.

d CC. RR. coming in are of better type may not ceiling exclude acceptance of men of better type to some now in.

e Minister of Justice has expert draftsmen. Sub Comsns requiring decrees should call them in at an early stage.

f Policy as to recording evidence of atrocities. Channel - who should check - who should store.

g Comments on W.E. proposals to show whole requirements not distinguish between US and Br.

3 The meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR

ADMIN VP MEETING

No. 32

28 Jul

1 Meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Acting Admin Head reported on A/CC meeting, items covered:

a Feeding Civil Employees.

b Feeding Italian Government employees.

c Movement to N. Africa.

3 Passes into building to be issued to a restricted number of Italian Officials. All Sub-Commissions to submit a list of names for onward transmission to Secretary General to issue permanent passes.

4 CSO to issue copies of appendix "C" (Strength in Regions).

5 CSO to raise question of necessity of continuance of weekly trip return.

6 It was agreed that Sub-Commissions need not make any contribution to weekly letter to Regional Commissioners if there was nothing to report. No answer by 1200 hrs Sundays will be accepted as a NIL return.

7 Colonels Kirk, and Spicer to attend next ACC meeting at Adv. A.A.I. HQ. August 2.

8 The meeting closed at 1040.

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NOTES

Vice Presidents' Meeting 1000 hours, 27 July 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner.

Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, Colonel O'Dwyer, Mr. Cecchi, Mr. Schott, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Upjohn, Mr. Antolini, Colonel Densmore.

1. Acting Chief Commissioner:

a. Introduction and welcome to Mr. Schott, who has reported as relief for Mr. Reber, Joint VP, Political Section, during his absence.

b. Consolidation Rome Region with Region IV agreed to by AAI. Consolidation will be made.

c. Question of noon meal for HQ ACC - Italian employees and pick-up transportation service for employees discussed. Brigadier Lush and Colonel O'Dwyer to look into both matters and report next VP meeting.

d. Meal tickets for troops visiting Rome. Brigadier Lush to check with General Johnson.

e. Italian Government has not made official request for rations.

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a. The Brigadier made reference to letter dated July 24, 1944, from Tito Zanibone, High Commissioner for War Refugees, Italian Government, relative to relaxation of policy on returning refugees to their homes, particularly with reference to farm labor. Brigadier Lush to confer with Colonel O'Dwyer and make a joint recommendation.

b. Clearance of mine fields in Region IV. Brigadier Lush to follow up.

c. Brigadier Lush will report on Regions next meeting. 3643

3. Colonel O'Dwyer:

a. Assessing program - system of reporting - set up.

b. Electric Program (see 1f.) - Committee Program not yet approved by AAI - will be clear this week.

c. Report of survey on requisitioned plants sent to General Robertson through Acting Chief Commissioner.

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d. ACC representation on Local Resources Board to be strengthened.

4. Colonel Upjohn:

a. Reports action of Sicilian judges with respect to enforcement of assessing laws satisfactory.

b. The question of permanent passes to enter ACC HQ - for Italian Ministers and Under-Secretaries and other key government personnel discussed. Brigadier Lush to issue instructions to Security Branch.

c. It was agreed that the Commission would not consider requesting that Sicilian civil prisoners be transferred to North Africa to release crowded conditions in civil jails.

d. Question of policy as to O.V.R.A. personnel. Colonel Upjohn to write memo and discuss with Italian Government.

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AIDE MEMOIR

ADMIN VF MEETING

25 Jul

1 The meeting opened at 1005 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

Ed a Omodeo purporting to act in Naples in name of ACC.

b Sicily, consider whether sufficient Italian Judges, carabinieri, prison accomodation are available.

c "Civilising" of ACC. Proforma for completion.

d Files should not be sent out of HQ.

e Italians removed from office should be suspended rather than dismissed.

f Whether ACC can borrow Specialist Officers from replacement centers on condition they are returnable at short notice.

3 The meeting closed at 1105 hrs.

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NOTES

1. Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 20 July 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

2. Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Ellery W. Stone, Mr. E. Grady, Colonel W. O'Dwyer, Mr. H. Caccia, Mr. S. Reber, Brigadier Lush, Colonel G. Upjohn, Colonel Monfort, and Colonel Densmore.

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3. To what extent military authorities are concerned with the continuance of the flow of civilian supplies to Sicily, Sardinia and areas in Southern Italy.

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g. Question of establishment of separate Prisoner of War Branch discussed. It was concluded that the Acting Chief Commissioner would discuss the matter further with General Browning.

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7. Mr. Caccia (Political Section).

a. Food tickets for use of 5TH and 8TH Army troops in Rome. Brig. Lush to check status.

b. Provisions of letter AAI/5058/A (PS) dated 26 June from Hq. AAI, subject: "Accommodation Policy-Rome" discussed.

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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE HELD AT HQ. AAI
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Twenty Seven Officers were present including :

2 from each Section - R.C. & M.G., Admin. Economic, & Political.
3 from Fifth & Eighth Armies (each).
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Econ.Sec.

4. Political Section.

They asked for every support to be shown by CAO's in forward areas and Provinces to the present Italian Government. Need was felt for bigger and stronger teams of Italian officials. After discussion it was thought that certain suitable Italians might be found in the towns when they were captured who could be employed and that therefore it would be more suitable to have a pool of officials rather than a team. Admin Section listed the officials required, and would take action.

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ACTION.

5. Patriots.

(a) Col. McCarthy handed out copies of the new memorandum giving a general directive on Patriots and the terms of reference of the Patriots Branch. He explained briefly this document to Armies and Regions, who had no comments. 2,000 of the new Patriot Certificates were also distributed to each Army. This would be enough for immediate needs and further supplies were being printed.

(b) Policy. The policy is laid down in the memorandum which had been agreed by all concerned and was quite clear except for the re-habilitation of those young Patriots who wished to continue fighting as Patriots and not join the Italian Army. The Executive Commissioner said that there was only one Italian Army. The Patriots must be absorbed into civilian life. (It might however be possible to train some of those young men for mine clearance duties, see later para.6 (c)).

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P.R.O.

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(c) Mine Clearance. The Allied Armies will not accept the responsibility for mine clearance in any areas except for operational requirements in the forward areas. This is roughly a 20 ft. strip each side of main roads. This is now becoming a major problem in the liberated areas of Regions IV, V and VIII. It is getting worse and not better. Many Italians are killed every day, and it retards development. Some organisation is required to be set up to deal with this problem but it must be composed of Italians.

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ACTION

Measures taken at present consist in the employment of two mine lifting Coys of the Italian Army, one in Region IV and one in Region V. There is none to spare at present for Region VIII. These Coys are training two Italian Army Inf Coys who will eventually replace them. It was suggested that a school to train young volunteer Partisans in these duties was started. It was hoped that the Army might loan instructors and equipment. Executive Commissioner said he would talk to General Browning on this point.

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NOTES

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a. Food tickets for use of 5th and 8th Army troops 3835 Brig. Lush to check status.

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Econ.Sec.

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NOTES

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3. To what extent military authorities are concerned with the continuance of the flow of civilian supplies to Sicily, Sardinia and areas in Southern Italy.

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b. Report on meeting held at Hq. A. A. I. on 19 July 1944 (see attached).

7. Mr. Cassio (Political Section).

a. Food tickets for use of 5TH and 8TH Army troops in Rome--Brig. Lush to check status.

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b. Provisions of letter AAI/5050/A (P2) dated 28 June from Hq. AAI, subject: "Accommodation Policy-Rome" discussed.

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Econ.Sec.

4. Political Section.

They asked for every support to be shown by CAO's in forward areas and Provinces to the present Italian Government. Need was felt for bigger and stronger teams of Italian officials. After discussion it was thought that certain suitable Italians might be found in the towns when they were captured who could be employed and that therefore it would be more suitable to have a pool of officials rather than a team. Admin Section listed the officials required, and would take action.

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ACTION

5. Patriots.

(a) Col. McCarthy handed out copies of the new memorandum giving a general directive on Patriots and the terms of reference of the Patriots Branch. He explained briefly this document to Armies and Regions, who had no comments. 2,000 of the new Patriot Certificates were also distributed to each Army. This would be enough for immediate needs and further supplies were being printed.

(b) Policy. The policy is laid down in the memorandum which had been agreed by all concerned and was quite clear except for the re-habilitation of those young Patriots who wished to continue fighting as Patriots and not join the Italian Army. The Executive Commissioner said that there was only one Italian Army. The Patriots must be absorbed into civilian life. (It might however be possible to train some of those young men for mine clearance duties, see later para.6 (c)).

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(c) Mine Clearance. The Allied Armies will not accept the responsibility for mine clearance in any areas except for operational requirements in the forward areas. This is roughly a 20 ft. strip each side of main roads. This is now becoming a major problem in the liberated areas of Regions IV, V and VIII. It is getting worse and not better. Many Italians are killed every day, and it retards development. Some organisation is required to be set up to deal with this problem but it must be composed of Italians.

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Measures taken at present consist in the employment of two mine lifting Coys of the Italian Army, one in Region IV and one in Region V. There is none to spare at present for Region VIII. These Coys are training two Italian Army Inf Coys who will eventually replace them. It was suggested that a school to train young volunteer Partisans in these duties was started. It was hoped that the Army might loan instructors and equipment. Executive Commissioner said he would talk to General Browning on this point.

R.C.& M.G. Sec.

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(c) ANCONA. Here POL is the problem. There is not enough transport in this Province. Col. French of Region V asked whether schooners could be made available. POL is chiefly required for the collection of the harvest. No.2 District are prepared to

Econ.Sec. help over this and supply all requirements of Region V in POL if AAI

Col.French approved. Col. French to take up with Col. Adams in [illegible]

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(d) Misc. Supplies. The need for these was stressed. They were actually required at present more urgently than flour. A fair quantity had arrived at PIOMBINO but there was no transportation for distribution. Food Sub-Commission stated that these supplies were still all arriving at NAPLES and had to be re-shipped or railed up to forward areas.

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Political Section

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
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d. The matter of release of paroled POW's in Sicily was discussed. The Acting Chief Commissioner reports that he had informally discussed the matter with Prime Minister Bonomi and had pointed out to the Prime Minister that under Italian military law such prisoners were liable to prosecution, having given their parole not to escape, and be-

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fore granting them their proposed liberty the Commission would desire to receive the Italian Government's committment in writing that they would not be prosecuted. The Prime Minister stated that the Government would be glad to take such an undertaking. Further in connection with the question of release of paroled prisoners in Sicily, it was agreed that since AAI and AFHQ are not in agreement, the Acting Chief Commissioner will discuss the matter further with the Political Section for the purpose of making the Commission's position and views known to AFHQ and AAI.

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6. Mr. Caccia:

a. Discussed the matter of whether or not approval should be given to Mideast for a visit by the Bishop of Tripolitania to the Vatican. Visit approved for the purpose of visiting Vatican only.

7. Mr. Reber:

a. Discussed the question of whether or not private motor

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vehicles of members of the Italian Foreign Office could be made exempt from requisition. After discussion, it was suggested that no exception should be made and a suggestion was made that perhaps the Italian Government could requisition such vehicles and assign them to members of the Italian Foreign Office for official use.

b. The matter of requisition by Allied Forces of one of the seven locations mentioned in Monuments and Fine Arts list was referred to Colonel Monfort to follow through.

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AIDE MEMOIR OF MEETING

NO. 89

16 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for attention.

a Italian Liaison Section is being abolished. If any Sub-Comm desire the services of any officers they should submit the grounds.

b Villa Farnese, MFA to watch position and report if there is any danger of this ville being used.

c Reduction of staff. Sub-Comm to report all staff which can be spared to move forward.

d Movement. In AMG territory AAI requires restriction of movement over provincial boundaries. Rules re to movements across ACC-AMG line are being issued. Permits to ministers may be issued under orders of A/Head. Ministers permanent passes will require endorsement by AAI Sub-Comm will arrange to obtain through this Section.

3 The meeting closed at 1050 hrs.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(Rear Echelon)
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31 January 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO: All Heads of Sub-Commissions & Sections.

1. The Chief Commissioner will hold Vice President's conferences on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 1100 Hr, in the Palace of Justice.

2. First conference will take place Tuesday 1, Feb 44.

3. This memorandum supersedes all previous notices.

By command of Lieutenant General McFARLANE:

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

No. 27

11 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 0905 hrs.

2 The following points are for action

a Accommodation. Officers should be able to rely on certain amount of stability. Enquiry would be made as to the right to live out (i) in requisitioned apartments (ii) as paying guests and also as to rations of these so living out. The allotting of quarters was stated to be not entirely satisfactory especially of junior officers.

b Whether simple instructions as to the use of telephone could be issued.

c Instructions as to reports on officers whose work was not satisfactory would be issued and Directors must be prepared to accept responsibility for making such reports. Specialist officers should only be reported on by Regions after consultation with Sub-Coms.

d Monthly reports should be in as soon as possible.

e It was desirable to continue the weekly news letter to regions. Sub-Coms would supply the material as before.

f The AMGOT bible was dangerous and should either be revised or withdrawn.

g Sub-Coms would report whether they had any further amendments of the "Handbook" since their last report early in May.

h Could anything be done to improve the appearance of the Italian drivers.

3 The meeting closed at 0955 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

No. 28

14 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

All — a Foggia is to be temporarily administered direct from HQ. Sub-Coms may wish to appoint a "Field" officer to take charge of their interests.

Admin, All — b Weekly conference at Adv Hq. 5 Army and 8 Army. Admin Sec will be represented. Agenda to be asked for. Sub-Coms may attend if directly instructed either in agenda or some urgent matter.

All — c Regional Commissioner's Meeting, Mid August.

Int, Legal, Educ. — d Defascising of Ministers. Ministers are appointing investigatory commissions. Sub-Commissions will be responsible for seeing that these are appointed and get to work quickly and efficiently. Progress reports to be rendered. Personnel of these commissions must be screened.

Admin — e Food Scales and Prices. FH Sub-Commission should be consulted when these matters are under discussion.

f Civil Personnel. Enquiry to be made as to feeding.

The meeting closed at 1038 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

6 June 1944

1 The meeting opened at 1100 hrs.

2 Matters for attention

Legal — a Legal Sub-Com to discuss with RCMG most convenient method of clarifying to regional officers the difference in scope of the epuration decree - penal, and the defascistisation decree - dismissal.

Admin — b Admin to ask Italian Government to obtain from Prefects the figures as to dismissals, cases investigated (dismissals - dismissed) and cases in hand.

VP — c VP was considering obtaining speakers to explain ramifications of Fascist organisation so that officers could understand ramifications of the organisation which had to be uprooted and the organisation which would have to be devised to replace it.

All — d All Sub-Coms must consider what organisation they would require if large parts of Italy came rapidly under control.

RCMG — e RCMG was asked to supply an estimate of time when advance parties of Italian Officials which had been formed for Rome would be called forward.

RCMG — f. When young active and efficient Italian officials were selected for army areas rear regions were apt to state that the officials selected could not be spared or were key men. RCMG was asked to make it clear to Regions that army areas were to have priority rights and that Regions must loyally release active and efficient men selected and must make do with the second best.

3 The meeting closed at 1200 hrs.

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MOTES

1. Vice Presidents' Meeting, 1000 hours, 13 July 1944, Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner, Rome.

2. Present: Acting Chief Commissioner Captain Hillery W. Stone, Mr. H. Grady, Brigadier Lush, Mr. H. Caccia, Mr. S. Reber, Colonel Upjohn, Colonel Monfort, and Colonel Densmore.

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h. Message No. FX 70649 of 10 July from AFHQ, relative to POWs in Sicily, was read and Col. Densmore directed to obtain a service to clear up the question as to whether the word in line 4 of above message was "now" or "not".

i. The following changes with respect to Russian representation on ACC was announced:

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(1) Ambassador N. Andrei Vishinsky, the Vice President of the Council of the People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R., and the Deputy of the People's Commisser for Foreign Affairs of the U.S.S.R., is relieved from the duties of the Plenipotentiary Representative of the U.S.S.R. to the Advisory Council for Italy.

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(2) Ambassador M. Alexander S. Kogomolov is appointed the Plenipotentiary Representative of the U.S.S.R. to the Advisory Council for Italy.

(3) Major General A. F. Vasiliev, the Expert for Military Affairs of the Plenipotentiary Representation of the U.S.S.R. to the Advisory Council for Italy, is appointed the Deputy of the Plenipotentiary Representative of the U.S.S.R. on the Advisory Council for Italy.

(4) Major General Soledovnik N. S. is relieved from the duties of the Soviet representative on the Allied Control Commission.

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a. Announcement in connection with transfer of Foggia Province to Region II after assessing program complete.

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c. Next regional commissioners' meeting will be in Rome, tentatively between 10 August and 15 August.

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d. AFHQ to be established in Italy shortly.

e. Overstrength American officers must be reduced. Brigadier Lush through Establishments Branch to prepare letter laying the matter before G-5 AFHQ.

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8. Colonel Upjohn:

a. Defascistization matter to be handled in conference with Acting Chief Commissioner.

b. Carabinieri 2000 overstrength in Sicily to be discussed in meeting General Browning and Colonel Upjohn.

c. Overcrowding of civilian jails due to military prisoners to be discussed with General Browning by Colonel Upjohn and Colonel Kirk.

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Col Hammond

Mr. Caccia says no action has been taken on this matter by him, and that he does not plan to do so until discussions at present taking place with P.W.B. are finished.

The matter was principally concerned with disposition of United Nations News Service and allocation of the Rome newspapers.

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