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Draft of a legislative decree of the Lieutenant General establishing supplementary provisions and modifications to the Decree - Law of the Lieutenant General No. 151 of 25 June of 1944, relating to the Assembly for the new Constitution of the State, oath of the members of the Government and the powers of the Government to issue new legislative rules.

UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

Prince of Piedmont

Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

By virtue of the powers vested upon me;

Having seen the Decree - Law of the Lieutenant General No. 151 of 25 June 1944 relating to the Assembly for the new Constitution of the State, oath of the members of the Government, and to the powers of the Government to issue new legislative rules;

Having seen Decree - Law of the Lieutenant General No. 58 of 1 February 1945 relating to the new rules regulating to the issue, promulgation and publication of the Decrees of the Lieutenant General and other provisions; Having considered the necessity to establish supplementary provisions and modifications to the above mentioned Decree - Law of the Lieutenant General No. 151 of 25 June 1944;

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Having based the opinion of the Consulta Nazionale;

Having seen the decision of the Council of Ministers;

On proposal of the President of the Council of Ministers; Prime Ministers Secretary of State, and of the Minister of the Constituents, in

agreement with all the Ministers:

We have hereby Decreed as follows:

Art. 1

The people will decide by means of a referendum on the constitutional form of the State at the same time of the elections for the Assembleia Constituyente.

The following question will be submitted at the referendum: "Do you want the constitution of a Republic ?

Art. 2

If the majority of electors giving the vote will give an alternative answer to the question referred to in art. 1. The "Asamblea Constituyente" in its first sitting will elect the temporary Chief of the State who will exercise his functions until the Chief of the State will be appointed according to Constitution approved by the said Assembly. A majority of three fifths of the members of the Assembly is requested for the election of the temporary Chief of State. If such majority will not be reached after the third ballot an absolute majority will be sufficient.

In the hypothesis referred to in the first para the functions of the Chief of the State will be exercised, from the date of the publication of the results of the referendum to the date of the election of the temporary Chief of State, by the President of the Council of Ministers in charge at the time of elections.

If the majority of the voters are against the proposal as to Art. 1,
the Regime of the Lieutenant General will continue until the decisions
taken by Assembly ^a on/new constitution and Chief of the State shall come
into force.

Art. 3

As long as the Costituyente will last and until the convocation of the Parliament, according to the new constitution, the legislative power remains in the hands of the Government, with the exception of the electorate laws and of the law approving international treaties, which will be discussed by the Assembly.

The Government has the right to submit to the Assembly any other matter for which its decision is deemed necessary.

The Government is responsible to the "Asamblea Costituyente".

The refusal to accept a proposal made by the Government on the part of the Assembly does not carry as a consequence the dismissal of the Government itself. The dismissal of the Government is strictly required only pursuant to an unfavourable vote resulting from a motion of diffidence, which must take place not before two days after the date in which it has been presented and which shall be approved by an absolute majority of the members of the Assembly.

ART. 4

The "Asamblea Costituyente" shall hold its first meeting in Rome, Montecitorio Palace, on the second day after the date of election.

The Assembly shall cease on the day when the new constitution shall come into force and in any case not later than the 8th month after its first meeting. This time limit can be extended for not over 4 months.

The Assembleia Constituinte shall apply the internal regulations of the "Chamber of Deputies" dated 1 - 7 - 1900 and following amendments until its own internal regulations will be deliberated.

ART. 5

Up to the time when the new constitutions will function the powers of the Chief of the States shall be regulated by the provisions now in force as far as they are applicable.

ART. 6

The provisions of Laws which are not under the competence of the Assembleia Constituinte according to para 1st. of Article 3rd. and have been passed in the time referred to in such article, must be submitted to the ratification of ^{the} new Parliament within one year since ^{the same} ~~it~~ began functioning.

ART. 7

Prior to the holding of the elections of the Assembleia Constituinte civilian and military dependents of the States shall pledge their honour to respect and have respected the result of the referendum on the institutional issue as well as the respective decisions of the Assembleia Constituinte.

None of the pledges previously given by them shall limit the freedom of the opinion and of voting of the civilian/^{and military} dependants of the State.

ART. 8

By Decree of the President of Council of Ministers in agreement with

the Ministers of the Costituente and of Interior, the regulations relating to the operations of the referendum shall be issued, with authority to modify, if necessary, the State voting card, according to the law relating to elections of the "Assemblea Costituente."

Two different marks, one for the affirmative, the other for the negative, are required in answers to be given to the referendum.

Draft of a legislative Decree of the Lieutenant General establishing supplementary provisions and modifications to the Decree-Law of the Lieutenant General No. 151 of 25 June 1944, relating to the assembly for the new Constitution of the State, both of the members of the Government and the powers of the Government to issue new legislative regulations.

UNITED KINGDOM OF SAVOIA
Prince of Aosta

Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

By virtue of the powers vested upon me;
Considering the Decree-Law of the Lieutenant General No. 151 of 25 June 1944 relating to the assembly for the new Constitution of the State, both of the members of the Government, and to the powers of the Government to issue new legislative rules;
Considering Decree-Law of the Lieutenant General No. 58 of 1 February 1945 relating to the new rules regulating the issue, promulgation and publication of the Decrees of the Lieutenant General and other provisions;
Having considered the necessity to establish supplementary provisions and modifications to the above mentioned Decree-Law of the Lieutenant General No. 151 of 25 June 1944;
Having requested the opinion of the Consulta Nazionale;
Following the decision of the Council of Ministers;
On proposal of the President of the Council of Ministers;
Vice Minister Secretary of State, and of the Minister of the Constitution, in agreement with all Ministers;

We have hereby decreed as follows:

Art. I

The people will decide by means of a referendum on the constitutional form of the State at the same time as the elections for the Assembly Constituent shall take place;
The following question will be submitted at the referendum:
"Do you want the constitution of a Republic?"

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Art. II

If the majority voting will give an affirmative answer to the

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question referred to in art. I The "Asamblea Constituyente" in its first sitting will elect the temporary Chief of the State who will exercise his functions until the Chief of the State will be appointed according to the Constitution approved by the said Assembly. A majority of three fifths of the members of the Assembly will be required for the election of the temporary Chief of State. If such majority is not reached after the third ballot an absolute majority will be sufficient.

In the hypothesis referred to in the first para, the functions of the Chief of State will be exercised, from the date of publication of the results of the referendum to the date of the election of temporary Chief of State, by the President of the Council of Ministers in charge at the time of the elections.

If the majority of the voters are against the proposal set out in art. I, the Regime of the Lieutenant General will continue until the decisions taken by the Assembly on a new constitution and the Chief of the State shall come into force.

Art. III

As long as the "Constituyente" will last and until the convocation of the Parliament, in accordance with the Constitution, the legislative power will remain in the hands of the Government, with the exception of the electoral laws and of the law approving international treaties, which shall be approved by the Assembly.

The Government has the right to submit to the Assembly any other matter for which its decision is deemed necessary.

The Government is responsible to the "Asamblea Constituyente".

The refusal by the Assembly to agree to a motion presented by the Government will not carry as a consequence the resignation of the Government itself. The resignation is compulsory only pursuant to an unfavorable vote resulting from a motion of disaffection, which must take place not earlier than two days after the date it has been presented and which shall be approved by an absolute majority of the members of the Assembly.

Art. IV

The "Asamblea Constituyente" shall hold its first meeting in Rome, Montecitorio Palace, on the 22nd day after the date of election.

The Assembly shall cease its function on the day when the new Constitution shall come into force and in any case not later than the 6th month after the first meeting. This time limit can be

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extended for not over 4 months.

The "Asamblea Constituyente" shall apply the Internal Regulations of the Chamber of Deputies dated 1/7/1900 and following amendments, until its own internal regulations shall be agreed upon.

Art. V

Up to the time when the new Constitution will function, the powers of the Chief of State shall be regulated by the provisions now in force as far as they are applicable.

Art. VI

The legislative provision which do not lie within the jurisdiction of the "Asamblea Constituyente" as set out in para one of art. 3 and which have been passed during the time referred to in this article, must be submitted ~~to~~ for the ratification of the new Parliament no later than one year after the first sitting of the said Parliament.

Art. VII

Prior to the holding of the elections of the "Asamblea Constituyente" civilian and military dependents of the State shall pledge their honour to abide by the result of the referendum on the institutional issue as well as the decisions of the "Asamblea Constituyente" and make them respected.

None of the pledges previously given by them shall limit the freedom of opinion and voting of the civilian and military dependents of the State.

Art. VIII

By Decree of the President of Council of Ministers in agreement with the Ministers of the Constituyente and of Interior, the regulations dealing with the operations of the referendum shall be issued with the authority to modify, if necessary, the electoral card, in accordance with other provisions of the law relating to elections of the "Asamblea Constituyente".

Two different marks, one for the affirmative, the other for the negative, are required as answers to be given for the referendum.

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4 March 1946.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Draft Decree Law on Institutional Question.

TO : G-5, AFHQ.

There is forwarded herewith translation of letter dated 1 March 1946 from the President of the Council of Ministers which forwarded a copy of a draft decree dealing with the powers of the Constituent Assembly and the determination of the institutional question by referendum, translation of which is also enclosed.

HARRY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

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Ref. : 310/101/EC.

2 July 1946.

My Dear Mr Key,

I am forwarding for your information a copy of letter No. 3/650 dated 22 June 1946 from the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs containing a copy of the communication that has been passed to all Representatives of the Italian Government abroad regarding the proclamation of the Italian Republic.

Yours Very Truly,

/s/ ELLSWY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Mr. David McK. Key,
U.S. Charge d'Affairs ad interim,
Rome.

*Also sent to Sir Wood Churchill
Gen. Amb.*

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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Rome, June 22nd, 1946

Dear Admiral Stone,

I beg to transcribe here below the written communication which all the Italian Representatives abroad have been instructed to notify immediately to the Governments where they are accredited:

"By virtue of the act of March 1st, the Italian people have been called to decide, through a referendum, on the institutional form of the State (Repubblica o Monarchia).

The Supreme Court of Cassation have proclaimed the final results of the referendum which took place on June 2, 1946: the majority of the voting electors have declared themselves in favour of the Republic.

Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

In compliance with the same act on the institutional referendum, the President of the Council of Ministers in office, On. Alcide DE GASPERI, shall exercise the functions of Head of the State up to the election of the temporary Head of the State, which shall be decided on the 25th inst. at the meeting of the Constituent Assembly elected on June 2nd, 1946.

The temporary Head of the State, who is to be elected by the Constituent Assembly, shall exercise his functions until the Head of the State is elected, under the terms of the new Constitution passed by the same Assembly.

The Italian diplomatic and consular Representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the Italian Republic.

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

very sincerely yours

/s/ DE GASPERI

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission

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Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

very sincerely yours

/s/ DE GASPERI

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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(Translation)

THE PRESIDENT
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Rome, 4 January 1946.

Dear Admiral:

Following the examination by the "Commissione per gli affari politici ed amministrativi" of the Consulta, the Council of Ministers approved on the 2nd instant, in its definitive text, the electoral draft law for the reconstitution of the communal councils.

As it has already been officially announced, the provisions concerning the election of the provincial councils have been omitted from the project, since the Government decided to provide thereto in due course by separate legislation.

I gladly welcome the occasion to assure you that the new law has entirely accepted the remarks made by your Allied Commission as to the adoption of the State ballot paper, the anticipated publication of the lists of candidates, the extension of the term between the issuance of the decree convoking the electoral meetings and the date set for the election, in order to allow the public to get acquainted with the lists in question, as well as the abolition of the article concerning the modalities for the implementation of the law in the territories under the Allied Military Government jurisdiction.

Please accept, dear Admiral, my cordial regards,

/s/ De Gasperi

To: Admiral ELLERY W. STONE
Chief of the Allied Commission
Rome.

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March 16, 1946

TRANSLATION

Dear Mr. President,

I return to you, with my approval, the decrees with which the referendum on the Institutional form of the State is proclaimed, and in which the Constitutional Assembly, which will decide the new Constitution, is convened.

Risorgimento
In taking this step I feel I am recalling the glorious traditions of the National ~~Regeneration~~, by means of which unforgettable events inseparably tied with the history of Italy, the Monarchy was able to seal the unity of the Country and plebiscites were the expression of popular will and ~~a~~ foundation of a new unitarian State.

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This respect for the people's will inspired the decision of my August Parent to irrevocably retire from public life, in order to facilitate - as he himself affirmed - the National Unity. This same thought induced me to sanction the decree of the 24 June, 1946, which gave the Italian people freedom to choose their own institutions.

The sanction of today is therefore the fulfilment of a ~~constant~~ tradition, which is at the base of the pact between the people and the monarchy; a pact which, if confirmed, will constitute the foundation of a renewed monarchy which may fully actuate ~~the~~ popular self-government and social justice.

In this solemn moment I cannot help but turn a thought to our brothers who are still prisoners or internees, to all the citizens of all Italian territories, who, for reasons wholly independent of our will, and whom, in respect of justice, must be considered contingent, will not be in a position to take part in the consultation, which will decide also their own future.

I trust that the Government will be able to ensure that the Elections take place in the greatest liberty, both of individuals and of consciences; in order to assure this I have given, with the dispositions that I have just approved, freedom of vote to all those who are ~~bound~~ *bound* by the ~~voter~~ *voter* *card* *(To the Government)*.

I, profoundly united to the destinies of the Nation, will respect, as any other Italian, the free choice of the people, who, I am sure, will be inspired for the best future of the Nation.

I will be grateful to you Mr. President, if you will communicate to the Ministers this letter, which I consider a dutiful contribution to the calmness of the popular consultations.

(s) Umberto di Savoia.

Alcide DE GASPERI
President of the Council of Ministers
Rome.

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Signor Presidente,

Lo restituisco muniti della mia sanzione i provvedimenti con i quali si indice il referendum sulla forma istituzionale dello Stato e si convoca l'Assemblea Costituente che dovrà decidere della nuova Costituzione.

Nel compiere quest'atto sento d'interpretare le tradizioni millenarie della mia Casa che sempre ha tratto dalla volontà popolare la sua legittimità e il suo prestigio. Soprattutto quando, attraverso eventi memorabili indissolubilmente legati alla storia d'Italia, la Monarchia poté suggellare l'unità della Patria, i plebisciti furono l'espressione della volontà popolare e il fondamento del nuovo Stato unitario.

Questo ossequio alla volontà popolare dettò la decisione del mio Augusto Genitore di ritirarsi irrevocabilmente dalla vita pubblica per facilitare - come Egli stesso affermò - l'unità nazionale. Il medesimo pensiero mi indusse a sanzionare il decreto del 24 giugno 1944, che rimetteva al popolo italiano la scelta delle forme istituzionali.

La sanzione di oggi è dunque il coronamento di una costante tradizione che sta a base del patto fra popolo e monarchia e che lo ha sempre illuminato nel lungo cammino della storia.

In questo solenne momento non posso fare a meno di rivolgere un commosso pensiero ai nostri fratelli ancora prigionieri e internati, ai cittadini tutti di ogni terra italiana, i quali - per ragioni indipendenti dalla nostra volontà e che per rispetto della giustizia devono considerarsi contingenti - non potranno partecipare alla consultazione che dovrà decidere anche del loro avvenire.

Confido che il Governo saprà provvedere affinché le elezioni

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si svolgano nella massima libertà degli individui e delle coscienze: per assicurare quest'ultima, ho dato, con le disposizioni testé sanzionate, libertà di voto a quanti sono legati da giuramento.

Io, profondamente unito alle vicende del Paese, rispetterò come ogni altro italiano le libere determinazioni del popolo, che, ne sono certo, saranno ispirate al migliore avvenire della Patria.

Voglia, Signor Presidente, comunicare ai Signori Ministri questa mia lettera, che considero un doveroso contributo alla serenità della consultazione popolare.

Roma, 16 marzo 1946

F.to Umberto di Savoia

On. Dott. Alcide DE GASPERI
Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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Rome, June 22nd, 1946

Dear Admiral Stone,

I beg to transcribe here below the written communication which all the Italian Representatives abroad have been instructed to notify immediately to the Navy Commands - are they are accurate:

"By virtue of the act of March 1st, the Italian people have been called to decide, through a referendum, on the institutional form of the State (Republic or Monarchy).

The results of the referendum have established the final results of the referendum which took place on June 2, 1946: the majority of the voting electors have declared themselves in favour of the Republic.

Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

In compliance with the new act on the institutional referendum, the President of the Council of Ministers in office, Mr. Alcide DE GASPERI, shall exercise the functions of Head of the State up to the election of the temporary Head of the State, which shall be decided on the 25th inst. at the meeting of the Constituent Assembly elected on June 2nd, 1946.

The temporary Head of the State, who is to be elected by the Constituent Assembly, shall exercise its functions until the Head of the State is elected, under the terms of the new Constitution pending the new assembly.

The Italian diplomatic and consular Representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the Italian Republic.

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

very sincerely yours

AL/ DE GASPERI

Admiral Henry H. Stone
Chief Ambassador
Allied Commission
Rome

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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Rome, June 22nd, 1946

Dear Admiral Stone,

I beg to transcribe here below the written communication which all the Italian Representatives abroad have been instructed to notify immediately to the Governments where they are accredited:

"By virtue of the act of March 14th, the Italian people have been called to decide, through a referendum, on the institutional form of the State (Republic or Monarchy).

The Supreme Court of Cassation have proclaimed the final results of the referendum which took place on June 2, 1946: the majority of the voting electors have declared themselves in favour of the Republic.

Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

In compliance with the same act on the institutional referendum, the President of the Council of Ministers in office, On. Alcide DE GASPERI, shall exercise the functions of Head of the State up to the election of the temporary Head of the State, which shall be decided on the 25th inst. at the meeting of the Constituent assembly elected on June 2nd, 1946.

The temporary Head of the State, who is to be elected by the Constituent Assembly, shall exercise his functions until the Head of the State is elected, under the terms of the new Constitution passed by the same Assembly.

The Italian diplomatic and consular Representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the Italian Republic.

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

very sincerely yours

ALCIDE DE GASPERI

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission

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By virtue of the act of March 18th, the Italian people have been called to decide, through a referendum, on the institutional form of the State (Republic or Monarchy).

The Supreme Court of Cassation have proclaimed the final results of the referendum which took place on June 2, 1946: the majority of the voting electors have declared themselves in favour of the Republic.

Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

In compliance with the same act on the institutional referendum, the President of the Council of Ministers in office, On. Alcide DE GASPERI, shall exercise the functions of Head of the State up to the election of the temporary Head of the State, which shall be decided on the 25th inst. at the meeting of the Constituent assembly elected on June 2nd, 1946.

The temporary Head of the State, who is to be elected by the Constituent Assembly, shall exercise his functions until the Head of the State is elected, under the terms of the new Constitution passed by the same Assembly.

The Italian diplomatic and consular Representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the 'Italian Republic'.

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

very sincerely yours

/s/ DE GASPERI

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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MY ONE FIVE FIVE FIVE OF FOUR MARCH AND ONE FIVE NINE ONE OF NINETEEN MARCH
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 SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING ABDICATION PRIOR TO REFERENDUM IN JUNE PD IF HE SHOULD
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GOVERNMENT OR THE LUOGOTENENTE CMA AND PAREN BAKER PAREN IF ABDICATION SHOULD
TAKE PLACE SUDDENLY WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH ^{OR} ~~FOR~~ NOTICE TO COMMISSION

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ELLERY W. STONE, Read Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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ALCOM ACSCC FROM ADMIRAL STONE

291830 MARCH 1946

AFHQ FOR SAGMED GEORGE FIVE UNCLE SUGAR POLAD BRITISH RESMIN

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MY ONE FIVE FIVE FIVE OF FOUR MARCH AND ONE FIVE NINE ONE OF NINETEEN MARCH
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 OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT PD
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BRITISH EMBASSY,
ROME.

94/201/46

7th July, 1946.

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My dear Admiral,

I write to acknowledge with thanks your letter dated the 2nd July, in which you were kind enough to send me a translation of a letter which you had received from Signor de Gasperi regarding the proclamation of the Republic.

Yours very truly,

Arthur Harris

Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
ROME.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO ████ 794

Ref. : 310/100/EC.

2. July 1946.

My Dear Sir Noel,

I am forwarding for your information a copy of letter
No. 3/650 dated 22 June 1946 from the Italian Minister of Foreign
Affairs containing a copy of the communication that has been
passed to all Representatives of the Italian Government abroad
regarding the proclamation of the Italian Republic.

Yours Very Truly,

/s/ HENRY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Sir Noel Charles, Bt., KCMG.,
British Ambassador,
Rome.

Also sent to Mr. David Mack Key

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

A.P. 1000/794

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Ref: 310/102/EO.2. July 1946.

SUBJECT: Italian Institutional Question.

TO : Supreme Allied Commander,
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

I enclose for your information letter No. 3/650 dated 22nd June 1946 from the Italian Prime Minister containing a copy of the communication that has been sent to all Italian Representatives abroad regarding the institution of the Italian Republic.

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(Sgd) ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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SECRETROUGH TRANSLATION

MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR

3/6/50

Rome, June 22nd, 1946

Dear Mr. Stoen,

I beg to transcribe here below the communication which all the Italian representatives abroad have been instructed to notify the Italian Government where they are accredited.

By virtue of the act of June 16th, the Italian people have been called to decide, through a referendum, on the institutional form of the State (Republic or Monarchy).

The results of the referendum were announced on June 2, 1946: the majority of the voting electors have declared themselves in favor of the Republic.

Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

In accordance with the new act on the institutional reforms, the President of the Council of Ministers in office, Mr. Alcide DE GASPERI, shall exercise the functions of Head of the State up to the election of the temporary Head of the State, which shall be decided on the 25th inst. at the meeting of the Constituent Assembly elected on June 2nd, 1946.

The temporary Head of the State, who is to be elected by the Constituent Assembly, shall exercise its functions until the Head of the State is elected, under the terms of the new Constitution issued by the same Assembly.

The Italian diplomatic and consular representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the Italian Republic.

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear General Stoen,

very sincerely yours

/s/ DE GASPERI

General Henry S. Stoen
Chief Representative
Allied Commission
Rome

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

3/650

Rome, June 22nd, 1946

Dear Admiral Stone,

I beg to transcribe here below the writt a communication which all the Italian Representatives abroad have been instructed to notify immediately to the Governments where they are accredited:

" By virtue of the act of March 16th, the Italian people have been called to decide, through a referendum, on the institutional form of the State (Republic or Monarchy).

The Supreme Court of Cassation have accepted the final results of the referendum which took place on June 2, 1946: the majority of the voting electors have declared themselves in favor of the Republic.

Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

In compliance with the same act on the institutional reform, the President of the Council of Ministers in office, On. Alcide DE GASPARI, shall exercise the functions of Head of the State up to the election of the temporary Head of the State, which shall be decided on the 25th inst. at the meeting of the Constituent Assembly elected on June 2nd, 1946.

The temporary Head of the State, who is to be elected by the Constituent Assembly, shall exercise his functions until the Head of the State is elected, under the terms of the new Constitution passed by the same Assembly.

The Italian diplomatic and consular Representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the Italian Republic".

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

very sincerely yours

/s/ DE GASPARI

Admiral Ellery T. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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Consequently the Italian State has taken the form of a Republic.

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The Italian diplomatic and consular Representatives abroad, shall continue their functions in the name of the Italian Republic.

I should be grateful if you kindly bring the foregoing matter to the knowledge of the Allied authorities.

Believe me, dear Admiral Steno,

very sincerely yours

W. DE GASPERI

Admiral Ellery E. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

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Ref: 310/92/BJ.2. July 1946.

My Dear Dr. de Gasperi:

Thank you for your letter No. 3/650 dated 22 June 1946 containing a copy of the communication that has been sent to all Italian Representatives abroad regarding the institution of the Italian Republic.

I have forwarded a copy of this to the Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations.

Yours very truly,

/s/ ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Alcide de Gasperi,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
ROME.

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 310/EC.

28 May 1946.

I enclose herewith for information of His Majesty the King, copy of a letter which by direction of the Supreme Allied Commander, I have addressed to the President of the Council of Ministers on the subject of the institutional truce.

Handwritten note: 1/10/46 sent to CC for info

Handwritten note: 100/10

HON. FALCONE DEI MARCHESI LUCIFERO,
Ministero della Real Casa.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

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Ref. : 310/EC.

28 May 1946.

Dear Sir Noel,

I enclose for your information as Chairman of the Advisory Council for Italy and for notification to the Council, copy of a letter which by direction of the Supreme Allied Commander I have addressed to the President of the Council of Ministers forwarding the decision of the Allied Governments to relieve the Italian Government of their pledge regarding the institutional

I have been instructed to inform the Italian Government of this decision at the earliest possible moment and am therefore handing it to the Prime Minister at 17.30 hours today, an hour and a half after notifying you.

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Yours sincerely,

/s/ M. LUSH.

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Sir Noel Charles, Bt., KCMG.,
Chairman of the Advisory Council for Italy,
Rome.

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SECRET. Following is text of RAN 66.

Para 1. His Majesty's Government and the United States Government have had under consideration the question of the institutional truce. They are agreed that there is no repeat no case for insisting that the truce should still be observed. It has in fact been repeatedly violated more particularly by ministers of the left.

Furthermore the Italian Government have now issued decree laws providing for the election of the constituent assembly and the holding of a referendum to settle the ^{INSTITUTIONAL} ~~institutional~~ question. In fact had the Italian Government asked to be relieved of their pledge His Majesty's Government and the United States Government would have been prepared to grant their request. No repeat no such request has however been made nor is one likely to be made in the future. His Majesty's Government and the United States Government have therefore decided to take the initiative in order to remove all justification for possible accusations that the Allies have ~~failed~~ by failing to terminate the truce hampered the activities of the political parties and thereby prejudiced the results of the referendum. The Soviet Government have agreed for their part to action being taken in this sense.

Para 2. You should therefore immediately inform the Italian Government that in view of issue of the decree laws of the constituent assembly and the referendum and in view of the insinuation of the elections and the referendum the Allied Government ² ~~consider the undertaking given by successive Italian Governments~~ to the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean in regard to the institutional truce to be no repeat no longer binding. You should explain the reasons for this action as given in the penultimate sentence of the preceding paragraph. You should not ~~repeat not refer to previous violation of the institutional truce since it must be~~

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repeat not refer to previous violation of the institutional truce since it must be difficult to quote instances of such violation without appearing to take sides

Para 3. Matter is urgent. unquote.

You will take action in accordance with para 2 of PAN 664 at the earliest possible moment and inform this headquarters when this has been done.

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 2621/EC

27 May 1944.

Note for file 2621/EC. (Italian Peace Treaty)

The French Representative saw me today. He said that he had seen the text of the proposed revision of armistice terms which he noted had been signed by the four ministers including French and U.S.S.R. He had not seen the proposed Civil Affairs agreements.

He was concerned about two points.

- (1) What representation would the French Government have on the special section under Sarned's Chairmanship to supervise the Italian Armed Forces. France had no little interest on those Forces and though he understood that a quadripartite mission had been ruled out in order to avoid U.S.S.R. participation he considered French representation essential. I reminded him that this presumably had been discussed by the four Foreign Ministers and reminded him that Sarned had a French Liaison Officer on his staff.
- (2) Who would provide him and his staff and the French military representatives in Italy with funds. Were these to be a charge on the Italian or French budget. I told him that as the A.C. was to be abolished I suggested that the question of his own staff did not arise and that he should ask his Government about payment to French military representatives.

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M. S. LUSH

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FORWARD TO HQ ALCON BUCK WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF MY OFFICE AND UNDER COVER
FOLIO I CALLED ON THE KING RECENTLY RECENT AND WAS A LONG AND FRANK TALK WITH HIM
ON THE EFFORTS OF CERTAIN MEMBERS TO INTERVIEW MY OFFICE THROUGH LETTERS AND
PETITIONS OF ME. I HAVE BEEN ALLOWED INTERVIEW TO PREPARE THE DATE OF THE INTERVIEW
BEFORE JUNE SECOND PD

FROM PD TO I REMARK, THE KING THAT I WOULD REFUSE TO RECEIVE ANY SUCH PETITIONS
AND HAVE MADE MY OFFICE LETTERS AND PETITIONS RECEIVED IN OUR USUAL CHANNELS BUT
TO THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE CALLED ON ME. ONE PART OF THEM HAVE REQUEST LETTERS AND
PETITIONS. ONE I HAVE STATED MY POSITION AS FOLLOWS: BELOW PAGES ARE FROM THE
DATE OF JUNE SECOND WAS SET BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND ONE BY HIS SIGNATURE ON
THE RECORD. ONE WAS CONTAINED BY THE KING WHEN HE WAS LOCATED PD SINCE THE
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WITH THE KING INTERVIEW WAS SET THE DATE. ONE IT WAS NOT CORRECT
TO ANSWER UPON THE COURT AND I MUST REFUSE TO RECEIVE ONE. THEREFORE ONE ANY
PETITIONS OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RE-INTERVIEW ALLIED COMMISSION INTERVIEW PD
FIVE HUNDRED PAGES SINCE THE POSITION OF INTERVIEW HAS NOT BEEN RAISED BY ANY
ONE OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WITH THE ALLIED COMMISSION. ONE I FEEL THAT ANY MOVE
BY THE ALLIED COMMISSION SHALL BE AN UNNECESSARY INTERVIEW IN ITALIAN INTERVIEW

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RE: ALCOHOL ASSOCIATION FROM AMERICAN STORES

1314158 MAY 1946

AFH, FOR BAKED COOKIES FIVE UNITED STATES POLICE BRITISH RESERVE

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THE SECRET

PURSUANT TO YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AND WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF MY SECTION AND UNITED STATES POLICE I CALLED ON THE KING YESTERDAY MORNING AND HAD A LONG AND FRANK TALK WITH HIM ON THE POINTS OF CERTAIN SUBSTANCES TO BEHAVIOR BY WHICH WE WOULD LETTERS AND PETITIONS TO ME TO MAY. THE ALLIED INTERVIEW TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE INTERVIEW BEYOND JUNE SECOND IS

PAGE TWO PD I INFORMED THE KING THAT I WAS REFUSED TO RECEIVE ANY MORE PETITIONS AND HAVE BEEN NO MORE TO LETTERS AND PETITIONS RECEIVED IN OTHER USUAL CHANNELS BUT TO THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE CALLED ON ME. ONE OF THOSE HAVE BROUGHT LETTERS AND PETITIONS. ONE I HAVE STATED BY POSITION AS FOLLOWS. COLON. FARMER AND FARMER THE DATE OF JUNE SECOND WAS SET BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND ONE BY HIS SIGNATURE ON THE RECORD. ONE WAS CONFIRMED BY THE KING WHEN HE WAS LOCATED. PD SINCE THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WITH THE KING'S APPROVAL HAS SET THE DATE. ONE IT WAS NOT CORRECT TO ADDRESS ME ON THE SUBJECT AS I JUST REFUSE TO RECEIVE ONE. THEREFORE ONE ANY PETITIONS OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ALLIED COMMISSION INTERVENTION PD FARMER BAKED FARMER SINCE THE QUESTION OF INTERVIEW HAS NOT BEEN RAISED BY ANY ORDER OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WITH THE ALLIED COMMISSION ONE I FEEL THAT ANY MOVE BY THE ALLIED COMMISSION WOULD BE AN UNWARRANTED INTERVENTION IN ITALIAN INTERNAL AFFAIRS PD

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POLAD I CALLED ON THE KING YESTERDAY MORNING AND HAD A LONG AND FRANK TALK WITH HIM
ON THE EFFORTS OF CERTAIN MONARCHISTS TO HOWEVER BY CALLS TELEGRAPHIC LETTERS AND
PETITIONS TO ME TO HAVE THE ALLIES INTERVENE TO POSTPONE THE DATE OF THE REFERENDUM
BEYOND JUNE SECOND PD

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AND HAVE MADE NO REPLY TO LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS RECEIVED THROUGH USUAL CHANNELS BUT
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TO ADDRESS ME ON THE SUBJECT AND I MUST REFUSE TO RECEIVE CMA THEREFORE CMA ANY
PETITIONS OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RELATING ALLIED COMMISSION INTERVENTION PD
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MEMBER OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WITH THE ALLIED COMMISSION CMA I FEEL THAT ANY DOUBT
BY THE ALLIED COMMISSION WOULD BE AN UNWARRANTED INTERVENTION IN ITALIAN AFFAIRS

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WILLIAM W. BROWN
Rear Admiral, USN
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PARA THREE PD THE KING EXHIBITED HIMSELF AS UNDERSTANDING MY POSITION AND CONCURRED WITH IT COMPLETELY PD HE DEFENDED THE ACTIVITIES OF SOME OF HIS SUPPORTERS PD I INFORMED HIM THAT IF ASKED BY THE PRESS I WOULD BE COMPELLED TO MAKE THE SAME STATEMENT AS I HAVE MADE REPEATEDLY TO VARIOUS MONARCHISTS SET FORTH IN PAPER ABOVE PAREN AND PAREN BAKER PAREN ABOVE PD

PARA FOUR PD THE CONVERSATION WAS CONDUCTED WITH GREATEST CONFIDENTIALITY AND FRANKNESS ON BOTH SIDES AND I AM PERSONALLY CONVINCED THAT THE KING HIMSELF IS NOT INVOLVED IN THESE MANEUVERS AND IN FACT IS CONVINCED THAT THEY ARE HURTING THE MONARCHICAL CAUSE PD PARA FIVE PD I HAD INFORMED THE PRIME MINISTER ON MAY ELEVEN OF THE POSITION WHICH I HAD BEEN TAKING WITH THE VARIOUS MONARCHISTS WHO HAVE APPROACHED ME AND HE EXPRESSED HIS COMPLETE AGREEMENT PD

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