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SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
133	Cbl M240 Perry (for CC)	10 June 44	AFHQ AAI	Unofficial list of Italian govt supposedly made up by Bonomi;
134	Cbl M241 MacFarlane	10 June 44	5 Army	Please tell Bonomi that Reber or Caccia going to Rome with me.
135	Cbl M242 MacFarlane	11 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Saw Bonomi this morning. He is well satisfied with new govt. De Nicola may be in. Sforza may keep emigration post. Expects formal approvla today. Also discussed Rome move of Ital govt.
136	Cbl M243 MacFarlane	11 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Back from Rome this evening. Saw Prince. Feels cabinet under Bon is only possible solution. Hopes for harmony.
137	Cbl M244 MacFarlane	12 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Told Bonomi & Badoglio that Allied govts were considering acceptance of his govt. Meantime Ba's govt will function. BA & Bo anxious that reason for delay be not public Bad & Bon on very friendly terms.
138	Ltr Bonomi	13 June 44	MacFarlane	Requests for consideration on delay occasioned by Allied consideration of govt before acceptance.
139	Ltr CC/P/393 MacFarlane	14 June 44	Bonomi	Going to Algiers to see Gen. Wilson & will probably return with him.
140	Cbl M253 MacFarlane	16 Jun 44	AFHQ Adv CP	Informed Bad. & Bon. that due to diff. of assembling Adv. Council there would be delay in approval.
141	Cbl M254 MacFarlane	18 Jun 44	AFHQ Adv CP	Gov't approved by Allies. Oath subject to signing of pledges.
142	Cbl B 12960 AFHQ Adv	18 Jun 44	AGWAR	Adv Council accepts new govt but subject to renewal of all obligations toward the Allies.
143	Ltr CC/G/406 MacFarlane	19 Jun 44	AFHQ G-5	Enclosed are undertakings signed by Bonomi & his gov't.
144				Roster of new gov't headed by Ivanoe Bonomi

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122	Cbl 3713 5Army MacFarlane	8 June 44	Freedom & Perry	Meetings in Rome today. Part's divided on Badoglio, but will serve under Bonomi, who has been asked by Cr Prince to form govt. Badoglio is out. New govt will make all old undertakings to Allies. Attendance of meeting today. I addressed them, & left. Ask de Nicola to dine with me tonight. Should fly Rome tomorrow. Bonomi hopes to complete his cabinet by tomorrow night. Asked me re Sforza, Badoglio in cabinet. I asked he retain de Courten. Saw Badoglio. Infante will be on Bonomi's pers. staff. Aldisio possibly to Sicily. Bad. asked Bon. to consult Orlando on cabinet. Saw Lt. Gen. in Quirinal, big demonstration. May stay on in Rome. Saw Bonomi. Hopes to have cabinet by tonight, but having trouble with action arty. Think they should stay on & finish up. Comments on pol. developments. All parties united under B., but not under Bad. Bon. never had any fascist connections, but is not strong. Some doubt as to his powers of resolution. Complete list later. In Rome tomorrow & will return will all Ital govt ministers. Folling is unofficial list. Also one from Minific at Rome. Lt Gen tells me Bonomi has practically finished his govt. Will get approval of Lt Gen & then the swearing in.
123	Cbl 3714 5 Army MacFarlane	8 June 44	Freedom & Perry	
124	Cbl MacFarlane	9 June 44	Perry	
125	Cbl M236 (1) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
126	Cbl M236 (2) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
127	Cbl M236 (3) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
128	Cbl M236 (4) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
129	Cbl M237 MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
130	Cbl M238 MacFarlane	10 June 44	5 Army	
131	Ltr CC/G/384 MacFarlane	10 June 44	Charles & Kirk	
132	Cbl M239 MacFarlane	10 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	

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110	Cbl M227 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Received fol. from Caccia & Reber in Rome. Bencivenga says Bad. no longer has great support but no substitute. C & R urge conferences soonest, I agree & think outlook is most hopeful.
111	Cbl M228 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Ref M224. King assures me he will retire completely; dreads Communist menace. Regrets Allies did not take more vigorous action to get more conserv. coalition.
112	Ltr Badoglio	6 June 44	ACC	Some members of govt want some of questions brought up by Prince's press statements settled.
113	Cbl M229 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AAI for Caccia	Thanks for msg. Coming to Rome with party, pls see that Rome leaders are assembled.
114	Cbl M230 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Badoglio tells me ministers renewed protests on Crown Prince's Times interview.
115	Cbl M231 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Text of resolution of ministers, see M230 of 6 June.
116	Cbl M232 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Badoglio & cabinet have resigned, Cr Prince has asked Bonomi to form govt. Accepts. Old govt to remain in office. Released to press.
116 a	Cbl M233 MacFarlane	6 Jun 44	AFHQ (Prince's visit to Rome)	Schedules for visits of ACC & Ital govt officials to Rome.
117	Ltr CC/P/371 MacFarlane	6 June 44	Gen. Lemnitzer	Ref M224, herewith Badoglio's letter to king & document of transfer of the king's powers.
118	Ltr CC/G/372 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ	2 ENCLOSURES: as above
119	Cbl M234 MacFarlane	7 June 44	AAI Reber	Wire received. No delay possible. Arrive Rome tomorrow with party as planned.
120	Cbl M235 MacFarlane	7 June 44	5 Army	Arriving Rome with party tonight. Promise to be good.
121	Cbl 104 MacFrlane	8 June 44	Perry	Inform have arrived safely. Discussions in progress.

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102	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 Jun 44	G-5 AFHQ	Enclosing CC/P/355, urging King to be ready to sign hand-over. Badoglio will impress on him the impossibility of Rome trip.
103	Cbl M223 MacFarlane	5 June 44	Hq AAI (Caccia)	Hope to get trans. signed today. Get me earliest background of Rome sit., & Crown Prince's probable reception.
104	Cbl M224 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Council turned down King's proposal to go to Rome. Badoglio has written ltr to King urging him to sign quickly, which he did. Am fwd'g copies. Press given a bare announcement.
105	Cbl M225 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Cabinet also decided that Crown Prince should not go Rome until after Bad. et al. had made contact & negotiated for new govt. Action party does not want to accept Prince as Lt of the Realm, but Bad. stands firm. Has Togliatti's help. Bad. has list of those going to R. with him. Action party reps not yet known.
106	Ltr CC/P/366 MacFarlane	5 June 44	Sir Noel Charles	Am not sure I should send enclosed ltr Sforza to Bauer in Rome. 2 ENCLOSURES: 1. Ltr of instructions Sforza to Bauer in Rome. 2. Ltr from Sforza to Badoglio
107	Memo JNG	5 June 44	Col Monfort FWB	Caracciolo promises word on choice of Action party for Rome.
108	Cbl - MacFarlane	5 June 44	"S" Force (R & C)	Arranging to bring Bad. et al to Rome wed. 7th. Rely on you to collect Rome leaders for conference Hurry answer on Prince.
109	Cbl M226 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Saw Crown Prince. He wants to go to Rome earliest. Told him Bad. & gov't were opposed. I think a compromise should be effected, allowing Prince to go quickly to R. after Bad. & party arrive, & returning within 24 hours.

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92	Cbl M215 MacFarlane	27 May 44	AAI rptd AFHQ	Saw King & Prince yesterday. King re-pleaded his case for entering Rome, & presented documents. Asks liberal demo.'s to be included in Rome govt. I am strongly opposed to King entering Rome. So is Badoglio.
93	Ltr CC/G/349 MacFarlane	27 May 44	AAI & AFHQ	Enlcosed is aide-memoire from King (see my M215 of 27 May).
94	Cbl M216 MacFarlane	27 May 44	Bari	Badolgio has promised to remove Sandali within a few weeks.
95	Cbl M219 MacFarlane	31 May 44	AFHQ	Kirk thinks it wise to inform Adv. Council of our political plan for Rome. Do you approve?
96	Cbl M220 MacFarlane	1 Jun 44	AFHQ	Ref M219, Murphy & MacMillan agree that Adv Council should be informed.
96a	Ltr CC/P/355	1 Jun 44	Badoglio	Ref M219, yes, on approval of Murphy & MacMillan.
97	Cbl F 53675 AFHQ	1 Jun 44	MacFarlane	Enclose herewith translation of suggested text for King's transfer document. Hope for agreement.
98	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 Jun 44	AFHQ	Badoglio & Sforza agree with my ban on political agents entering Rome before organization done.
99	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 June 44	AFHQ	King still wishes to go to Rome flying to Littoria. Badoglio is definitely opposed.
100	Ltr CC/G/363 MacFarlane	3 June 44	AFHQ	1 ENCLOSURE: Aide-Memoire as communicated to HM Govt, giving Allied decisions on trip to Rome.
101	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 Jun 44	AFHQ G-5	Count Sforza in difficult mood yesterday. Threatens to resign. Is having great diff. with epuration cases.
				1 ENCLOSURE: Note from Sforza re epuration in the army.

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66	Fatima M180 MacFarlane	28 Apr 44	Freedom	Any objection to publicity on Bad's assuming all obligations?
67	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	28 Apr 44	000 Hq AAI	Naples -- Change of attitude towards the Allies. Defense of charges, and request that people be told not to circulate reports on affairs they know little about. Government declaration of policy are enclosed. 1 ENCLOSURE: as above.
68	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	29 Apr 44	MGS AFHQ	
69	Ltr CC/P/249 MacFarlane	29 Apr 44	Badoglio	Have heard of "Knights of Liberty" movement in Sicily. Stop it at once.
70	Cbl 0-2611 Hq AAI	29 Apr 44	AFHQ & ACC	Steps being taken to stop "Knights if Liberty" movement.
70a	Ltr MGS 387.4	29 Apr 44	Hq ACC	Receipt ack of CC/G/231 26Apr
71	Cbl F39466 MacGcm	30 Apr 44	ACC	No objection, re ur M180.
72	Ltr CC/G/251 MacFarlane	1 May 44	Reynor PRD	No objection to publicity to assumption of obligations by Bad.
73	Ltr 1317 Badoglio	2 May 44	MacFarlane	Ref CC/P/249, yr orders have been complied with.
74	Ltr CC/P/265 MacFarlane	4 May 44	Hq AAI	Badoglio has issued orders to stop "Knights of Liberty".
75	Cbl Main ACC M184 MacFarlane	6 May 44	AFHQ	Bad. delighted with new cab. meeting; but says coutry expects something concrete re It war effort
76	Cbl ACC Main M185 MacFarlane	6 May 44	AFHQ	Cab. spent 3 hourson defasc. Zaniboni to go, minister (Sforza?) to take over, no crusade planned.
77	Cbl ACC Main M186	6 May 44	AFHQ	Badolgio trying to fuse a Liberal Bloc to check communists & socialists.
78	Cbl ACC Main M189 MacFarlane	7 May 44	AFHQ	New govt coming well-- I am in favor of Bad. retaining power.
79	Ltr CC/P/273 MacFarlane	8 May 44	Gen. Wilson	After cap. of Rome and attendant problems. Bad. intends to carry on there, & I agree. What about attempting to stabilize pres. sit.?

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80	Ltr 5001/12/CAO AAI Gen Alexander	6 May 44	Gen. MacFarlane	Ref CC 000.1 of 28 Apr ref report on conditions in Naples, Sorry this has annoyed you. Cabinet meeting: defascistization effected re decrees. Refutes statements of Crown Prince. Discussed Epuration with Bad. Messe sees no trouble. Discussed with Bad. repercussions of Cabinet's resolution. He regrets it, but upholds folly of Prince's actions. Resume of situation. Amassi looks good, price soon. Epuration decree soon. Sforza leader of AcP. Problem of representation in new government and decisions. Re gradual restoration of self govt, alderman elected to advise mayor of Naples. Re thought of Prince of making reply to Cabinet's resolution, saw Bad & decided to try and forget all to avoid any further repercussions. Strong protest on way price of wheat was handled, & request for ACC to take responsibility. Saw Sforza about Epuration. Pressure was applied to get death penalty. Remedies being arranged for cases in forward areas. Do not anticipate too much difficulty with Bad. on replacing Sandali with Piacentini. Badoglio asks for closer co-operation of Itals & Allies & asks more Ital. troops at front now.
81	Cbl A66 Main 4767 Pol Sec	12 May 44	AFHQ	
82	Cbl ACC Main M 191 MacFarlane	12 May 44	AFHQ	
83	Cbl ACC Main M195 MacFarlane	12 May 44	AFHQ	
84	Cbl ACC Main M196 MacFarlane	12 May 44	AFHQ	
85	Cbl Fatima 4924 Regis	13 May 44	Secstate	
86	Cbl Fatima 4926 ~~Regis~~	13 May 44	State Dept	
87	Cbl ACC Main M199 MacFarlane	14 May 44	AFHQ	
88	Ltr 1469 Badoglio	15 May 44	MacFarlane	
89	Cbl ACC Main M208 MacFarlane	20 May 44	AFHQ	
90	Cbl ACC Main M210 MacFarlane	20 May 1944	Bari, Air Forces Sub-Comm.	
91	Cbl ACC Main M214	25 May 44	AFHQ	

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57	"Il Corriere"	22 Apr 44		Composition of the new Italian government, with chart of represen.
58	Ltr CC/P/220 MacFarlane	22 Apr 44	Badoglio	Please tell new gov't that agreements entered into by it & V.E. are binding until It. people can express their views. APPENDIX: Cbl F 31721 Freedom to FNMM: re safeguarding allied interest in cas of formation of a new gov't.
59	Ltr #1240 of Prot. Badoglio	24 Apr 44	Gen. MacFarlane	My gov't herewith assumes all obligations to the Allies heretofor undertaken by the preceding gov't.
60	Rpt PRB 20 Public Rel Br	24 Apr 44	All Concerned	Trend of copy filed by correspondents April 23 re new Ital gov't
61	Cbl Fatima M172 MacFarlane	25 Apr 44	Freedom rptd AAI	Spoke to Badoglio re difficulties he anticipates from separatist movement in Sicily. Mtg soon.
62	Cbl Fatima M173 MacFarlane	25 Apr 44	Freedom rptd AAI	Badolgio affected by news of son's capture by Germans. Grateful for assistance thru Vatican & for return of his family from Tangiers. Cabinet mtg today.
63	Cbl Fatima M175 MacFarlane	25 Apr 44	Freedom rptd AAI	Bad. says swearing in of gov't is done. Gov't thinks it should not make radical changes in existing institutional & economic & political structure, but wants to enact electoral legislation now for later
64	Ltr CC/G/231 MacFarlane	26 Apr 44	AFHQ MGS	Ref F 31721 of 13 Apr: enclose original acknowledgment by Badolgio that his gov't agrees on binding nature of present set-up. 1 INCLOSURE;file #1246 of 24 Apr.
65	Cbl Fat Rear 2683 MacFarlane	27 Apr 44	Freedom	Saw Badolgio yesterday. He is very pleased with results of his first cabinet mtg. Text to press.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN OFFICE BY HIGH COMMISSIONER I INFORMED BADOGLIO AND BONOMI TODAY AT NAMING TODAY THAT ALLIED GOVERNMENTS WERE CONSIDERING QUESTION OF ACCEPTING THE PROPOSED GOVERNMENT OF BONOMI AND THAT BONOMI AND HIS GOVERNMENT COULD NOT TAKE OFFICE UNTIL A DECISION HAD BEEN REACHED BY EARLY TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMF BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND CG DESIRED MEANWHILE AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACT MAIN VON MACKENSEN PERSONAL FATAL IN THE MEANTIME THE GOVERNMENT OF BADOGLIO WOULD CONTINUE TO FUNCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LIEUTENANT'S DIRECTIVE SO I TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY OF AGAIN INFORMING BONOMI THAT IF HIS GOVERNMENT WAS ACCEPTED BY THE ALLIES IT WOULD HAVE TO UNDERTAKE ALL THE OBLIGATIONS TOWARDS THE ALLIES ENTERED INTO BY BADOGLIO'S GOVERNMENTS INCLUDING THE LONG ARMISTICE TERMS. BONOMI REAFFIRMED HIS ASSURANCE THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD WORK OVER WITHOUT QUESTION ALL AND ANY SUCH OBLIGATIONS BY PARA T.O BY WE DISCUSSED CURIOSITY THE QUESTION OF DEALING WITH PUBLIC ~~OPINION~~ AS REGARDS DELAY IN TAKING OFFICE BY BONOMI AT YOUR BONOMI AND BADOGLIO WERE ANXIOUS NOT TO PUBLISH THE FACT THAT THE DELAY WAS DUE TO THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS AND IF PRESSED THEY WILL GIVE SOME ORGANIZATIONAL REASON PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU APPROVE BY PARA THREE ZD I ALSO SAW THE CHIEF

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MEMORANDUM:

TO: A.F.H.Q.
(ATTENTION: Chief of Section G5.)

I enclose herewith in original the two undertakings which I required Sig. Bonomi to sign as an essential preliminary to the approval of his Government by the Allied Governments.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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IL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI

To : Lieutenant General Sir Noel M. Mason MacFarlane
K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

On behalf of the Royal Italian Government I accept all obligations towards the Allies entered into by the former Italian Governments since the conclusion of the Armistice signed on the 3rd September, 1943.

I declare that every member of the Government has acquainted himself personally with the terms of all such obligations including the terms of the Armistice signed on the 29th September 1943.

SALERNO, June 18th, 1944.

/s/ Ivanoe Bonomi

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

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IL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI

Al Tenente Generale Sir Noel F. Mason MacFarlane, KCB, DSO, MC.
Capo della Commissione Alleata di Controllo.

Il Regio Governo Italiano si impegna a non riaprire la questione istituzionale, senza il preventivo consenso dei Governi Alleati, fino a che l' Italia non sara stata liberata ed il popolo italiano non avra l' opportunita di scegliersi da se la forma di Governo.

SALERNO, 18 giugno 1944.

IL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI.

/s/ Ivanoe Bonomi

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THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY PASSED FOLLOWING RESOLUTION YESTERDAY: (THIS IS NAF 715). "THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY HAVE EXAMINED THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE FORMATION OF THE PROPOSED NEW GOVERNMENT BY SIGNOR BONOMI. AND THEY CONSIDER THAT IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES THIS GOVERNMENT SHOULD PROVE SATISFACTORY IN FURTHERING THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE ALLIED POWERS WHICH IS THE FINAL DEFEAT OF GERMANY.

THEY MUST HOWEVER INSIST THAT: (1) THE NEW GOVERNMENT EXPRESS THEIR READYNESS IN WRITING TO ACCEPT ALL OBLIGATIONS TOWARD THE ALLIES ENTERED INTO BY THE FORMER ITALIAN GOVERNMENTS. SINCE THE CONCLUSION OF THE ARMISTICE SIGNED ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1943. AND THAT EVERY MEMBER OF THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH THE TERMS OF ALL SUCH OBLIGATIONS INCLUDING THE TERMS OF THE ARMISTICE SIGNED ON SEPTEMBER 29, 1943.

(2) THE NEW GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKE NOT TO REOPEN THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION UNTIL SUCH TIME AS ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED AND THE ITALIAN PEOPLE CAN FREELY EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS."

SINCE PRESUMABLY EACH MEMBER WAS FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND AFTER TAKING ADVISE OF MURPHY AND MACMILLAN, I HAVE ACCEPTED COUNCILS RECOMMENDATIONS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS PROPOSED. I HAVE ADDED THE FOLLOWING IN MY FORMAL REPLY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL: "I TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY OF REAFFIRMING THAT UNDER THE REGIME OF THE ARMISTICE, THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IS BOUND TO CARRY OUT PROMPTLY AND EFFICIENTLY ALL ORDERS GIVEN BY THE UNITED NATIONS. IT IS THEREFORE ESSENTIAL THAT THE PRIOR AGREEMENT OF MYSELF AS PRESIDENT OF THE CONTROL COMMISSION SHOULD BE OBTAINED AND THAT THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED SHOULD BE CONSULTED THROUGH THE MACHINERY ESTABLISHED FOR THIS PURPOSE. BEFORE ANY IMPORTANT DECISIONS

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OF POLICY ARE PUT INTO EFFECT."

I HAVE INSTRUCTED THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, TO INFORM SIGNOR BONOMI ACCORDINGLY AND AFTER THE NECESSARY FORMALITIES REQUIRED BY THE CONDICTIONS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

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I INSTRUCTED CAPTAIN STONE TO INFORM BONOMI LAST NIGHT THAT SUBJECT TO HIS SIGNING THE TWO UNDERTAKINGS AS REQUIRED BY THE RESOLUTION OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF YESTERDAY HIS GOVERNMENT WAS APPROVED BY THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS AND MIGHT TAKE OFFICE WHEN THE NECESSARY CONSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURE HAD BEEN COMPLIED WITH PD PASSW TO AFHQ ADVANCE CP FOR SAC CMA BRITISH MINISTER RESIDENT AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FAIRY PARA 2ND PD CAPTAIN STONE INFORMS ME THAT BONOMI STATED THAT HE WOULD BE READY TO SIGN THE UNDERTAKINGS AT ABOUT ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS TODAY PD PARA THIRD PD BADOGLIO AND THE LIEUTENANT HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE DECISION OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS

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I SAW BADOGLIO AND BONOMI TOGETHER THIS MORNING PD PAREN TO AFHQ ADVANCE CP FOR SAC CMA BRITISH MINISTER RESIDENT AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I EXPLAINED TO THEM THAT OWING TO THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF ASSEMBLING THE ADVISORY COUNCIL BEFORE TOMORROW AFTERNOON THERE MUST BE AN INEVITABLE DELAY IN THE DECISION OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS REGARDING BONOMI'S PROPOSED GOVERNMENT PD BOTH STATED THAT THEY FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE SITUATION BUT STRESSED THE GREAT DESIRABILITY FROM THEIR POINT OF VIEW OF RECEIVING THE DECISION OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS SOONEST POSSIBLE PD I LEFT WITH THEM A SHORT COMMUNIQUE ON THE REASONS FOR DELAY APPROVED YESTERDAY BY EMR AND APA PD THEY WERE GLAD TO HAVE THIS BUT THOUGHT IT MIGHT NOT BE NECESSARY TO USE IT PD SHOULD THEY WISH TO USE IT THEY WILL ARRANGE SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE WITH ME PD ON LEAVING THE ITALIAN OFFICES IN SALERNO I MET SFORZA PD HE WAS CONSIDERABLY MORE CONCERNED AT THE DELAY IN RECOGNITION OF BONOMI'S PROPOSED GOVERNMENT THAN BADOGLIO AND BONOMI WHO HAVE ACCEPTED THE DELAY WITH A COMMENDABLY GOOD GRACE

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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I have just been asked by the Supreme Allied Commander to go to Algiers today, Wednesday, and am leaving very early this morning. I will almost certainly be returning to Italy with the Supreme Allied Commander on Thursday. This will inevitably entail a little delay in the communication to you of the decision of the Allied Governments on the political question.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

His Excellency, Sig. I. Bonomi.

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Salerno, 13 June 1944

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16 JUN 1944

My dear General:

In regard to the urgent communication made to me yesterday and to Marshal Badoglio and by which the outgoing Ministry must remain in charge until the approval of the United Nations for the constitution of the new Cabinet, I must make some friendly observations to you inspired by the warm desire to maintain the closest cordiality between the peoples who fight together against the common enemy: Hitlerian Germany.

I take into consideration the situation of Italy which has accepted pacts which myself and the Government over which I preside intend to respect completely and loyally, but I maintain that it is necessary to avoid all that which can touch the feeling of independence of the Italian people who desire, after the hard fascist domination, to feel free to regulate in their own way their internal life.

I have given proof to you recently not only to accept completely the two conditions indicated by you for the formation of a new Government, but also to keep very much in mind your advice and your suggestions inspired to maintain the best relations between the United Nations and the democratic Italy which now resumes its long interrupted activity. But I would not know, in the face of public opinion of my country, how to justify an initiative in regard to a purely democratic Government and expression of forces which have fought against German oppression, initiative which finds no precedents in the practice followed during the formation of prior Cabinets.

For this, in agreement with Marshal Badoglio (who, as you will have noted in our conversation of yesterday, is fully in agreement with me in evaluating this episode) I have avoided up to now to render public this suspension of the transition from one Cabinet to another, suspension which if known in its true motives, might destroy the work accomplished with the agreement of the various political parties and with the consensus of the majority of my Country.

Please accept my kind greetings.

(Sgd) IVANOE BONOMI

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I RETURNED FROM ROME THIS EVENING AND BROUGHT WITH ME BONOMI AND ALL MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET TO RATIFY TO APPT FOR RAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND CF RELATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC NAIM FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARTM THEY WENT STRAIGHT TO SALERNO FROM NAPLES TO RAFA THO TO LIEUTENANT ASKED ME TO SEE HIM AFTER MY RETURN TO ME SAID THAT HE WOULD BE SENDING FOR BONOMI TOMORROW TO APPROVE THE FINAL LIST OF THE CABINET TO WHEN THE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET ARE PRESENTED TO HIM HE PROPOSES TO MAKE A SHORT ADDRESS WHICH HE WISHES TO HAVE PUBLISHED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE CABINET PRODUCE THEIR DECLARATION OF POLICY TO HE STRESSED THE FACT THAT IN EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES A CABINET UNDER BONOMI WAS THE ONLY POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO THE POLITICAL PROBLEM AND THAT IN HIS OPINION THERE APPEARED TO BE EVERY LIKELIHOOD THAT THE PARTIES WOULD NOW WORK TOGETHER IN HARMONY TO HE HOPED TO BE ABLE TO INDUCE BONOMI TO APPOINT A SOLDIER AS CMA IF NECESSARY CMA AN ADDITIONAL UNDERSECRETARY FOR WAR TO HE WAS MOST ANXIOUS THAT IN THE INTERESTS OF EFFICIENCY IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO ROME AT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE A DATE

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND OS REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN THEY WENT STRAIGHT TO SALERNO FROM NAPLES PD PARA TWO PD LIEUTENANT ASKED ME TO SEE HIM AFTER MY RETURN PD HE SAID THAT HE WOULD BE SENDING FOR BONOMI TOMORROW TO APPROVE THE FINAL LIST OF THE CABINET PD WHEN THE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET ARE PRESENTED TO HIM HE PROPOSES TO MAKE A SHORT ADDRESS WHICH HE WISHES TO HAVE PUBLISHED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE CABINET PRODUCE THEIR DECLARATION OF POLICY PD HE STRESSED THE FACT THAT IN EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES A CABINET UNDER BONOMI WAS THE ONLY POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO THE POLITICAL PROBLEM AND THAT IN HIS OPINION THERE APPEARED TO BE EVERY LIKELIHOOD THAT THE PARTIES WOULD NOT WORK TOGETHER IN HARMONY PD HE HOPED TO BE ABLE TO INDUCE BONOMI TO APPOINT A SOLDIER AS CMA IF NECESSARY CMA AN ADDITIONAL UNDERSECRETARY FOR WAR PD HE WAS MOST ANXIOUS THAT IN THE INTERESTS OF EFFICIENCY IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO ROME AT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE A DATE

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
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TO: AFHQ RPTD AAI

I SAW BONOMI IN ROME THIS MORNING PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G FIVE REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN HE WAS CLEARLY WELL SATISFIED WITH THE RESULTS OF HIS CABINET BUILDING PD XX DE NICOLA WAS PRESENT DURING OUR TALK AND I UNDERSTAND THAT A PLACE WILL BE FOUND FOR HIM IN THE CABINET AT AN EARLY DATE PD PARA TWO PD I ASKED BONOMI IF SFORZA WAS GOING TO REMAIN IN HIS APPOINTMENT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR EPURATION AND ZANIBONI AS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES PD BONOMI SAID THAT NO DECISION HAD YET BEEN REACHED PD PARA THREE BONOMI SAID HE EXPECTED TO OBTAIN THE FORMAL APPROVAL OF THE LIEUTENANT TO HIS CABINET TOMORROW AND THAT THE CABINET WOULD BE SWORN IN ON TUESDAY PD PARA FOUR PD I MENTIONED THE FACT THAT SICILY APPEARED TO BE VERY POORLY REPRESENTED BUT THIS SITUATION HAS BEEN IMPROVED BY THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO SICILIAN UNDERSECRETARIES PD PARA FIVE PD THE REST OF OUR TALK WAS CONCERNED WITH THE MOVE OF THE GOVERNMENT TO SALERNO THIS AFTERNOON AND INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE MINISTRIES AND CIVIL SERVANTS IN ROME PENDING THE DAY WHEN IT WOULD PROVE POSSIBLE TO PERMIT THE GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO ROME

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PLEASE INFORM GENERAL TRUSCOTT REGRET HE CANNOT SEE NICOLA WILL BE ACTIVED

IN HOME WITH HIS CONSENT. CANNOT BE KEPT AWAY FOR LONG OR CAN'T FOR GIRLS FROM

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FIFTH ARMY .

OR

PLEASE INFORM GENERAL THOMAS REPEAT REPEAT CASCIA THAT HE NICOLA WILL BE ARRIVING

IN ROME WITH HE TOMORROW PARTY TO FIFTH ARMY FOR CHIEF OF STAFF FOR CLARK FROM

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OR

PLEASE INFORM DOHONI THROUGH REPEH KEE CADCIA THAT TE NICOLA WILL BE ARRIVING IN ROME WITH ME TOMORROW ARMY TO FIFTH ARMY FOR CHIEF OF STAFF FOR CHAVIS FROM ACC MAIR FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FIELD MORNING

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MY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING TELEGRAM TO BARON TO AFHQ FOR SAC BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER GEORGE FIVE REPEATED HQ AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL BARON FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL BUT PROBABLY ACCURATE LIST OF BONOMI CABINET QUOTE MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO CROCE SFORZA NUNI DI GASPARI CIASCA SARAGAT QUOTE AND TOGLIATTI SMCIN JUSTICE TERRACINI QUOTE SMCIN TREASURY SCELBA SMCIN FINANCE GIGLIOTTI QUOTE SMCIN INDUSTRY COMMERCE AND LABOUR GRONCHI SMCIN AGRICULTURE GULLO SMCIN PUBLIC WORKS ROMITA SMCIN COMMUNICATIONS CERABONA SMCIN EDUCATION DI RUGGIERO SMCIN WAR AND AVIATION CASATI SMCIN MARINE DE COURTEN

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LT.GENERAL EISENHOWER TELEPHONED TO NAPLES THIS AFTERNOON AND ASKED FOR SACC OWN PERSONAL PERSONAL EXPLANATION OF AMERICAN POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND TO REQUEST HE INQUIRE AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FAMILY HE TOLD ME THAT BONOMI HAD PRACTICALLY CONSENTED. HIS CABINET IF IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT SFORZINI WOULD GET PUBLIC WORKS PORTFOLIO IN PLACE OF DEMETA BONOMI WISHES TO FIND A PLACE FOR DE NICOLA WHO IS GOING TO DOES WITH HIS RESOLVED BONOMI CONSIDERED HAD TAKEN HAVE TO GET MINISTRY OF WAR AND AVIATION BUT BONOMI HAD INSTALLED TO PARA TWO OF CABINET REFERS TO SALERNO DEMARCH KIDDY AND LIEUTENANT WILL ANNOUNCE FINAL LIST ON SUNDAY IN PARA THREE TO ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY CABINET WILL TAKE THEIR OATH IF IT HAS BEEN MUTUALLY AGREED THAT PRIME MINISTER WILL TAKE OATH TO THE CROWN TO THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET WILL TAKE OATH TO THE COUNTRY INCLUDING AN UNDERSTANDING THAT THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION WILL NOT BE CHANGED UNTIL ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED IN PARA FOUR A UNOFFICIAL LIST OF CABINET POSTS IN MY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM IT AT END OF MY CONVERSATION WITH LIEUTENANT TODAY HE ASKED FOR A DAY'S LEAVE TO GROSSO TO VISIT HIS FATHER AT RAVELLO I GRANTED HIS REQUEST

MORL MAJOR MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner

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A.F.H.Q. RPTD A.A.I.

LIEUTENANT RETURNED TO NAPLES THIS AFTERNOON PD PARA TO AFHQ FOR EAC C'A BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER C'A AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND C5 MEDITERRANEAN HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARA HE TOLD ME THAT BONOMI HAD PRACTICALLY COMPLETED HIS CABINET PD IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT MANCINI WOULD GET PUBLIC WORKS PORTFOLIO IN PLACE OF ROMITA PD BONOMI WISHES TO FIND A PLACE FOR DE NICOLA WHO IS GOING TO ROME WITH HE TOMORROW PD COMMUNISTS HAD TRIED HARD TO GET MINISTRY OF WAR AND AVIATION BUT BONOMI HAD PREVAILED PD PARA TWO PD CABINET RETURNS TO SALERNO TOMORROW NIGHT AND LIEUTENANT WILL APPROVE FINAL LIST ON MONDAY PD PARA THREE PD ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY CABINET WILL TAKE THE OATH PD IT HAS BEEN MUTUALLY AGREED THAT PRIME MINISTER WILL TAKE OATH TO THE CROWN PD THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET WILL TAKE OATH TO THE COUNTRY INCLUDING AN UNDERTAKING THAT THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION WILL NOT BE CHANGED UNTIL ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED PD PARA FOUR PD UNOFFICIAL LIST OF CABINET FOLLOWS IN MY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM PD AT END OF MY CONVERSATION WITH LIEUTENANT TODAY HE ASKED FOR A DAY'S LEAVE TO GO TO VISIT HIS FATHER AT RAVELLO PD I GRANTED HIS REQUEST

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Lieutenant-General,
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[illegible] TO NAPLES THIS AFTERNOON PD PARA TO ATH FOR SAC CPA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CPA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5 HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARA HE TOLD ME THAT BONOMI HAD PRACTICALLY COMPLETED HIS CABINET PD IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT MANCINI WOULD GET PUBLIC WORKS PORTFOLIO IN PLACE OF ROMITA PD BONOMI WISHES TO FIND A PLACE FOR DE NICOLA WHO IS GOING TO ROME WITH HE TOMORROW PD COMMUNISTS HAD TRIED HARD TO GET MINISTRY OF WAR AND AVIATION BUT BONOMI HAD PREVAILED PD PARA TWO PD CABINET RETURNS TO SALERNO TOMORROW NIGHT AND LIEUTENANT WILL APPROVE FINAL LIST ON MONDAY PD PARA THREE PD ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY CABINET WILL TAKE THE OATH PD IT HAS BEEN MUTUALLY AGREED THAT PRIME MINISTER WILL TAKE OATH TO THE CROWN PD THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET WILL TAKE OATH TO THE COUNTRY INCLUDING AN UNDERTAKING THAT THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION WILL NOT BE CHANGED UNTIL ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED PD PARA FOUR PD UNOFFICIAL LIST OF CABINET FOLLOWS IN MY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM PD AT END OF MY CONVERSATION WITH LIEUTENANT TODAY HE ASKED FOR A DAY'S LEAVE TOMORROW TO VISIT HIS FATHER AT RAVELLO PD I GRANTED HIS REQUEST

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Office of the Chief Commissioner
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10th. June, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Sir Noel Charles, Bt, KCMG,
High Commissioner for Italy.

The Hon. Alexander Kirk,
U.S. Representative on Advisory Council.

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P.W.B. have received information from Rome that Reuters have so far reported the following new Ministers:-

Ministers Without Portfolio	-	Croce. Sforza. Togliatti.
Marine	-	De Courten.
War and Aviation	-	Casati.

This is, of course, still unofficial and you will notice that the appointment of Casati does not tally with what Bonomi told me last night.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

P.S. A further unofficial list has just come in from Minific in Rome. It is as follows:-

Ministers Without Portfolio	-	Croce: Sforza: Ruini: Di Gasperi: Cianca: Saragut (?): Togliatti.
Justice	-	Terpini (?)
Treasury	-	Soleri.
Finance	-	Siglionte (?)
Industry, Commerce & Labour	-	Gronchi.
Agriculture.	-	Gullo.
Public Works	-	Romita.
Communications	-	Corabona.
Education	-	Di Ruggiero.
War & Aviation	-	Casati.
Marine	-	De Courten.

I do not propose to report to S.A.C. until I get complete official list.

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URGENT GEN MACFARLANE

16 JUN 1944

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THIS IS TO CONFIRM THAT I WILL BE IN ROME TOMORROW AND WILL RETURN NAPLES TOMORROW NIGHT TAKING WITH ME ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT PD PAREN TO FIVE ARMY FOR COMMANDING GENERAL FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN HOPE YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION TO MY BRINGING WITH ME FOR THE DAY NOEL CHARLES BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
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URGENT DSM 1108 GEN MACFARLANE

12 JUN 1944

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SUBJECT COMMENT ON POLITICAL DEVELOMENTS PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN PARA ONE PD THE INITIAL CONVERSATIONS IN ROME MADE IT CLEAR THAT BADOGLIO COULD NOT FORM AN ALL PARTY GOVERNMENT AND WOULD HAVE BEEN FACED WITH A STRONG AND VERY ACTIVE AND VOCAL OPPOSITION PD SUCH CONDITIONS WOULD HAVE BEEN A SERIOUS HANDICAP TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND TRANQUILITY OF THE COUNTRY PD PARA TWO PD ON THE OTHER HAND ALL PARTIES WERE UNITED IN THEIR READINESS TO SERVE UNDER BONOMI ON THE CONDITIONS REQUIRED BY ME AS REGARDS THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION AND THE OBLIGATIONS TAKEN BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENTS TOWARDS THE ALLIES PD PARA THREE PD BONOMI HAS NEVER HAD ANY FASCIST CONNECTIONS AND ENJOYS CONSIDERABLE PRESTIGE ESPECIALLY IN ROME ON ACCOUNT OF HIS ACTIVITIES DURING THE GERMAN OCCUPATION PD HE REMAINED IN HIDING IN ROME AND SUCCEEDED IN KEEPING THE ROME COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION ALIVE AND UNITED PD PARA FOUR PD BONOMI HAS ASSURED ME THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL INCLUDE THE MOST REPRESENTATIVE POLITICAL LEADERS IN ROME AND THE REST OF LIBERATED ITALY PD PARA FIVE PD BOTH BONOMI AND I DID OUR UTMOST TO PERSUADE BADOGLIO TO ACCEPT A POST IN THE CABINET BUT THE MARSHAL PROVED QUITE ADAMANT IN HIS DETERMINATION TO RETIRE FROM THE SCENE PD PARA SIX PD SFORZA HAS DONE HIS BEST TO OBTAIN THE POST OF FOREIGN MINISTER BUT I THINK AND HOPE THAT I HAVE PERSUADED BONOMI TO TAKE THIS POST HIMSELF PD PARA SEVEN PD I AM NOT GIVING YOU FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT UNTIL I GET THE COMPLETE LIST BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT THERE WILL BE EVEN MORE MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO THAN IN THE LAST

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GOVERNMENT PD PARA EIGHT PD BONOMI IS WELL PRESERVED AND HAS A GOOD BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE PD HE IS EASY TO GET ON WITH PD IN COMMON WITH A NUMBER OF HIS PROBABLE COLLEAGUES HIS POLITICAL PAST DATES BACK TO THE PRE DASH FASCIST ERA AND ALTHOUGH ALL OF THEM HAVE A CLEAN SLATE AS REGARDS FASCISM THEY ARE A VERY ELDERLY TEAM AND MANY OF THEM SHOW DISTINCT SIGNS OF STRAIN AT THE END OF A DAYS WORK PD AFTER ONLY A FEW CONTACTS WITH HIM I SHOULD SAY THAT ALTHOUGH BONOMI HAS APPARENTLY CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE CMA A GOOD MANNER AND CLEAR BRAIN WHEN NOT TIRED HE SCARCELY SEEMS TO POSSESS THE PERSONALITY AND ENERGY DESIRABLE IN THE LEADER OF A VERY MIXED AND SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT TEAM PD MOST OF THE CRITICISM I HAVE HEARD OF BONOMI FROM VARIOUS QUARTERS HAVE BEEN CONFINED TO DOUBTS AS TO HIS POSSESSING ADEQUATE RESOLUTION

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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A.F.H.Q. RPTD A.A.I.

PART FOUR PD RADIO TO ACHI FOR MAC GEN MILTON DIRIGENT SIMILATES GEN AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND GS REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM AC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARA JUST BEFORE LEAVING FOR NAPLES LATE THIS AFTERNOON I SAW BONOMI AGAIN TO BE WAS WELL SATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS HE HAD MADE AND THOUGHT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO COMPLETE HIS CABINET TONIGHT PD HE WOULD TAKE HIS LIST TO THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL EITHER TONIGHT OR TOMORROW MORNING PD PARA TWO PD HE SAID EVERYTHING HAD GOING SMOOTHLY EXT THAT THE ACTION PARTY AND SFORZA WERE GIVING HIM AS MUCH TROUBLE AS THEY HAD GIVEN BADOGLIO PD SFORZA WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY BE A MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO AND NOT REPEAT NOT FOREIGN MINISTER PD THE NEW FINANCE MINISTER WOULD PROBABLY BE SORELLI PD PARA THREE PD BONOMI THOUGHT THAT HIS CABINET WOULD NUMBER NINETEEN OF WHICH EIGHT WOULD BE MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO INCLUDING TOGLIATTI CROCE AND SFORZA PD PARA FOUR PD BONOMI WAS ALMOST TIRED OUT AND STOCK AND MOST OF THE OTHER ELDER STATESMEN ARE PRACTICALLY EXHAUSTED PD IT WAS CLEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO BREAK OFF THEIR DISCUSSIONS WHEN SO NEAR COMPLETION AND I TOLD BONOMI THAT I WOULD PROVIDE AIR TRANSPORT ON

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SUNDAY TO TAKE THEM ALL BACK TO SAIGON TO PARA FILL TO BONOMI WAS MOST ANXIOUS TO CONTACT DE NICOLA FROM HE WISHED VERY MUCH TO INCLUDE IN HIS CABINET TO RETURNING TO NAPLES TONIGHT I CAN DE NICOLA AND HAVE ARRANGED FOR HIM TO ACCOMPANY ME WHEN I RETURN TO ROME FOR THE DAY ON SUNDAY TO DE NICOLA INFORMED ME THAT HE WOULD BE GLAD TO JOIN BONOMI'S GOVERNMENT

MAJ. GEN. MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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A.F.H.Q. RPTD A.A.I.

PART THREE FD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5 REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN LATER I SAW THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL IN THE QUIRINAL FD A CROWD OF SOME TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE WITH A BAND WERE DEMONSTRATING WITH MUCH ENTHUSIASM OUTSIDE THE MAIN GATES FD I HAD PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED FOR UMBERTO TO RETURN TO NAPLES THIS AFTERNOON BUT I TOLD HIM THAT IF BONOMI HAD NOT COMPLETED HIS CABINET IN TIME TO GET THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL'S APPROVAL HE MIGHT REMAIN IN ROME UNTIL TOMORROW AFTERNOON FD UMBERTO WAS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND IT WAS CLEARLY UNSOUND TO SEPARATE HIM FROM BONOMI AND THE POLITICIANS UNTIL THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN CONSTITUTED FD UP TO DATE THERE HAS BEEN NO TRACE OF HOSTILITY TO UMBERTO IN ROME FD IN FACT VERY MUCH THE REVERSE FD PARA TWO FD PART FOUR FOLLOWS

KARL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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A.F.H.Q. RPTD A.A.I.

PART TWO PD PARAS TWO PARA ONE TWO PARA ONE BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND OF RESTRICTED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAPER LATER IN THE MORNING I SAW BADOGLIO PD HE HAD SEEN THE POPE AND THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL PD PARA TWO PD HE HAS ARRANGED FOR GENERAL ISMAYE AND THE MARQUIS LUCIFERO CMA LATELY MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE CMA TO JOIN THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL'S ~~XXX~~ PERSONAL STAFF PD THESE ARE TWO GOOD APPOINTMENTS AND SHOULD ASSIST THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL GREATLY PD HE HAD DISCUSSED SICILIAN QUESTIONS WITH BONOMI AND HE THOUGHT HE HAD PERSUADED BONOMI TO APPOINT ALDISIO CMA LATE MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR CMA IN PLACE OF RUZZOTTO AS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR SICILY PD THIS SHOULD BE A BIG IMPROVEMENT PD PARA THREE PD BADOGLIO TOLD ME THAT HE HAD ADVISED THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL TO CONSULT THE OLD ORLANDO ~~XXXX~~ GIVING HIS APPROVAL TO BONOMI'S SUGGESTIONS FOR HIS CABINET PD PARA FOUR PD PART THREE FOLLOWS

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TO

G.H.Q. MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q. REPTD A.A.I.

CAIT ONE PD CAIRN TO ATHS FOR SAS SIA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER SIA SPECIAL POLITICAL ADVISER AND SS RUSSIAN REPRESENTATIVE AAA FOR GENERAL MACFARLANE FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL REPEAT I SAW BONOMI THIS MORNING PD HE TOLD ME THAT HE HOPED TO COMPLETE HIS CABINET BY NEXT MONDAY PD SAYS THAT HE HOPED HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO ANNOUNCE A PROGRAMME WHICH WOULD BE A GOOD BASIS FOR SOVIET RECOGNITION PD I TOLD HIM THAT I THOUGHT THAT THE APPOINTMENT COULD NOT MEET WITH MUCH APPROVAL ON THE PART OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS PD I SUGGESTED TO HIM THAT PERHAPS HE HAD SOME OTHER CANDIDATE IN VIEW WHICH WAS MORE TO BE SAID FOR HIS RESERVING THIS APPOINTMENT FOR HIMSELF PD PARA THERE PD BONOMI TOLD ME THAT HE HAD FOUND HARD TO INDUCE BADOGLIO TO ACCEPT A CABINET APPOINTMENT BUT THAT BADOGLIO HAD SUPPLEMENTED IN HIS MIND TO RETIRE FROM POLITICS PD I HAVE ALSO URGED BADOGLIO STRONGLY TO REMAIN IN THE GOVERNMENT IF HE COULD BE PERSUADED AN APPOINTMENT BUT HE HAS QUITE UNDERTAKEN IN HIS DECISION TO RETIRE PD PARA BONOMI TO BONOMI ASKED IF THE ALLIED WOULD HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO CIVILIANS BEING APPOINTED TO THE SERVICE MINISTRIES PD I SAID THAT HE KNEW MOST ANXIOUS THAT ADMIRAL DE COURTEN SHOULD REMAIN MINISTER OF MARINE AND BONOMI PROMISED THAT IN THIS

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A.F.H.Q. REPTD A.A.I.

PART ONE PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5 REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN /I SAW BONOMI THIS MORNING PD HE TOLD ME THAT HE HOPED TO COMPLETE HIS CABINET BY THIS EVENING PD PARA TWO PD HE ASKED ME WHETHER I THOUGHT SFORZA WOULD BE A GOOD CHOICE FOR FOREIGN MINISTER PD I TOLD HIM THAT I THOUGHT THAT THE APPOINTMENT WOULD NOT MEET WITH MUCH APPROVAL ON THE PART OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS PD/I SUGGESTED TO HIM THAT UNLESS HE HAD SOME OTHER CANDIDATE IN VIEW THERE WAS MUCH TO BE SAID FOR HIS RESERVING THIS APPOINTMENT FOR HIMSELF PD PARA THREE PD BONOMI TOLD ME THAT HE HAD TRIED HARD TO INDUCE BADOGLIO TO ACCEPT A CABINET APPOINTMENT BUT THAT BADOGLIO HAD QUITE MADE UP HIS MIND TO RETIRE FROM POLITICS PD I HAD ALSO URGED BADOGLIO STRONGLY TO REMAIN IN THE GOVERNMENT IF HE NOW OFFERED AN APPOINTMENT BUT HE WAS QUITE UNSHAKEABLE IN HIS DECISION TO RETIRE PD PARA FOUR PD BONOMI ASKED IF THE ALLIES WOULD HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO CIVILIANS BEING APPOINTED TO THE SERVICE MINISTRIES PD I SAID THAT WE WERE MOST ANXIOUS THAT ADMIRAL DE COURTEN SHOULD REMAIN MINISTER OF MARINE AND BONOMI PROMISED THAT IN THIS

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ALEXANDER FROM AGO MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARA /I SAW BONOMI THIS
MORNING PD HE TOLD ME THAT HE HOPED TO COMPLETE HIS CABINET BY THIS
EVENING PD PARA TWO PD HE ASKED ME WHETHER I THOUGHT SFORZA WOULD BE A
GOOD CHOICE FOR FOREIGN MINISTER PD I TOLD HIM THAT I THOUGHT THAT THIS
APPOINTMENT WOULD NOT MEET WITH MUCH APPROVAL ON THE PART OF THE ALLIED
GOVERNMENTS PD/I SUGGESTED TO HIM THAT UNLESS HE HAD SOME OTHER CANDIDATE
IN VIEW THERE WAS MUCH TO BE SAID FOR HIS RESERVING THIS APPOINTMENT FOR
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TO REMAIN IN THE GOVERNMENT IF HE WERE OFFERED AN APPOINTMENT BUT HE WAS
QUITE UNSHAKEABLE IN HIS DECISION TO RETIRE PD PARA FOUR PD BONOMI ASKED
IF THE ALLIES WOULD HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO CIVILIANS BEING APPOINTED TO THE
SERVICE MINISTRIES PD I SAID THAT WE WERE MOST ANXIOUS THAT ADMIRAL DE
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CASE HE WOULD MAKE NO CHANGES ED AS REGARDS AVIATION I SAID THAT AS

RANDALI WAS BEING REPLACED IN ANY CASE SHA IT WOULD APPEAR SOUND TO

APPOINT A CIVILIAN MINISTER AS THE ONLY OTHER SUITABLE AIR FORCE OFFICER

SHA GENERAL PIACENTINI DUR COULD ILL BE SPARED FROM HIS OPERATIONAL

APPOINTMENT ED AS REGARDS THE ARMY I SAID THAT ORLANDO HAD PROVED

ADEQUATE BUT THAT I HOLD NO STRONG VIEWS ON THIS APPOINTMENT ED SONNINI

SAID THAT HE WAS PROBABLY GOING TO APPOINT PIGNATI WHO WAS FOR A SHORT

TIME MINISTER FOR CONVERSION IN THE ORIGINAL BADOGLIO ROME GOVERNMENT AND

WHO HAS BEEN SERVING AS A RESERVE OFFICER WITH THE ITALIAN TROOPS AT THE

FRONT EVER SINCE ED PARA FIVE ED PART TWO FOLLOWS

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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GENERAL MACFARLANE

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Ask de Nicola to dine with me tonight 2030. Tell him to be prepared to fly to Rome early tomorrow to contact Bonomi. Am making necessary arrangements.

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FREEDOM FOR SAC GE POLITICAL ADVISER BRITISH RESIDENT G-5
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11 JUN 1944

My immediately preceding telegram. Political meeting in Rome today was attended by following. Non-party. Badoglio Bonomi and Sforza. Liberals. Croce and Casati. Christian Democrats. Rodino and De Gasperi. Labour Democrats. Cerabona and Ruini. Party of Action. Bianco and Lamalfa. Socialists. Longobardi from Nenni. Communits. Togliatti and Scoccimaro. Before the meeting started I gave short address in which I called on the meeting to sink party disputes and form representative coalition government. I reminded them also of their obligations to the Allies both as regards all engagements now in force and the institutional question. I then left them to it.

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WINANT FOR SAC US POLITICAL ADVISOR BRITISH MINISTER RESIDENT MS
RPTD AAA FOR GEN ALEXANDER AND ACC CHAIN FOR PERRY FOR ZINK AND CHALES

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MEETING TOOK PLACE IN ROME TODAY BETWEEN BADOGLIO AND SEVEN MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET AND LEADERS OF 6 PARTIES IN ROME. THE PARTIES WERE DIVIDED IN THEIR SUPPORT OF BADOGLIO BUT DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY TO SERVE CO QUERY A GOVERNMENT UNDER LEADERSHIP OF BONOMI THE PRESIDENT OF THE ROME COMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION AND FORMER PRIME MINISTER. BADOGLIO INFORMED THE LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM ARCHIE KIRKMAN THIS EVENING. LATER THE LIEUT SENT FOR BONOMI AND INVITED HIM TO FORM A GOVERNMENT. BONOMI ACCEPTED. AFTER BADOGLIO HAD SEEN LIEUT I SAW LIEUT AND (ANY) INFORMED UPON HIM THAT THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS INSISTED THAT ANY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD REAFFIRM THE UNDERTAKINGS GIVEN BY BADOG-LIO LAST GOVERNMENT ON THE SUBJECT OF OBLIGATIONS TO ALLIES AND THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION. I AM PERMITTING BADOGLIO SUITE AND GROOM IRISH GE TO REMAIN IN ROME UNTIL 1700 HOURS TOMORROW JUNE 12TH AND THERE APPEARS TO BE REASONABLE PROSPECT THAT BONOMI WILL COMPLETE FORMATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT BY THAT HOUR. LIEUT RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTIC SPONTANEOUS OVATION TODAY LIEUT VISITED VATICAN THIS AFTERNOON AND STAYED FOR TWO HOURS.

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Inform Mirk and Charles that all parties have arrived safely. Discussions in progress. Badoglio got good reception from public. TEA Badoglio party plus myself Capo di Chino 1915 Friday.

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I AM ARRIVING ROME TONIGHT TO ARRANGE DETAILS OF THE POLITICAL CONFERENCE TOMORROW PD PAREN TO FIVE ARMY PERSONAL FOR GENERAL CLARK FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I PROMISE I WILL BE GOOD PD TONY ARRIVES ROME TOMORROW AND I HOPE TO HAND HIM OVER TO YOU PERSONALLY

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GEN MACFARLANE (C COMBS)

YOUR TELEGRAM OF YESTERDAY RECEIVED PD PASSED TO AAI FOR 2 FORCE PERSONAL FOR REBUS AND CAUCIA FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN POLITICAL SITUATION DOES NOT PERMIT DELAY PD UNLESS ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY AAI BADOGLIO AND PARTY ARRIVE ROME TOMORROW PD I WILL ARRIVE MYSELF BY CAR TONIGHT

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Lieutenant-General,
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MEMORANDUM.

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

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Reference my telegram No. 1078 of 5th. June, I enclose herewith translations of the texts of:-

1. Badoglio's Letter to the King.

2. The document in which the King transferred his powers to the Crown Prince as Lieutenant of the Realm.

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TRANSLATION

VICTOR EMANUEL III

BY THE GRACE OF GOD AND THE WILL OF THE NATION

KING OF ITALY

With the report of the president of the council of ministers and having heard said council;

We have ordered and order as follows:

Our beloved son, UMBERTO DI SAVOIA, Prince of Piemonte, is appointed our Lieutenant General. With the report of the responsible ministers, he will discharge in our name all the affairs of administration and will exercise all the royal prerogatives without exception, signing the Royal Decrees, which will be countersigned and approved in the usual manner.

We order whom this may concern to comply with the present decree and to have it observed as law of the State.

Given at Ravello, 5 June 1944.

Signed: VITTORIO EMANUELE

Countersigned: PIETRO BADOGLIO

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS

Salerno, 5 June 1944

TO H.M. THE KING

RAVELLO

I have studied with General Sir Noel Mason Macfarlane the possibility of complying with the warm desire expressed by your Majesty, namely to arrange that the signature of the act of Lieutenancy come about in Rome or in the territory of Rome.

With General Sir Noel Mason Macfarlane we have had to agree that for several days it will not be possible to effect the trip of your Majesty either by ordinary way or by air.

Therefore, contrary to what was expressed by your Majesty, I beg of you that the act be signed at Ravello.

THE MARSHAL OF ITALY
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
(Pietro Badoglio)

(Sgd) Pietro Badoglio

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MEMORANDUM:

TO: A.A.I. personal for General Lemnitzer.

Reference telephone conversation this afternoon, the following is the program for the trips to Rome on Wednesday 8 June:

1. Badoglio's party. This will consist of the following: Croce; Sodino; Cerabona; Togliatti; together with representatives of Socialist and Action Parties, not yet nominated; Sforza will probably be in the party; Badoglio's ADC. Col. Valenzano; myself and two of my staff. Total 12.

We will be at Capodichino aerodrome ready to embark at 0800 hours. The party will drive direct to Rome on arrival at Rome or other airport.

On arrival in Rome, party will drive to rendezvous where Rome political leaders will have been assembled by Reber and Caccia.

The Italian politicians will spend the day in political discussions, and the Marshal's party will leave Rome to return to Naples by air in time to reach Naples by 2000 hours.

2. Crown Prince's party. The party will consist of the Crown Prince and two of his staff, with one Allied liaison officer.

The party will leave Capodichino at 1230 hours in Crown Prince's (our) aircraft.

On arrival at Rome or other airport, the party will be driven straight to the Quirinal, where the Crown Prince will remain throughout his stay in Rome. He will leave the Quirinal once only, probably in the late afternoon, to visit the Pope.

The Crown Prince's party will stay the night in the Quirinal and will return to Naples by air early a.m. on 9 June.

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Notes. It is requested that the following arrangements be made:

1. Aircraft for Badoglio's party to be ready for embarkation at Capodichino by 0300 hours on 8th.

2. Crown Prince's aircraft to be flown to Capodichino on the 7th so as to be ready for him on the 8th.

3. Transportation for both Badoglio's and Crown Prince's parties to be at arrival aerodrome at Rim.

Transportation should, if possible, be at disposal of the parties during their stay in Rome.

I have made no arrangements with 5th Army or Rome Area as I presume you will have done this.

I have asked Peter and Caccia to collect Rome politicians at a rendezvous for the political discussions.

Rome Area should be asked to inform Quirino of intended arrival and stay of Crown Prince but information should be kept as secret as possible.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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I DISCUSSED QUESTION OF GIVING DIPLOMATIC FRONT FLEET TO ROME AS LIEUTENANT OF KINGS WITH BADOGLIO AND GIVEN MYSELF THIS AFTERNOON BY LETTER TO ALTO HIS SUCCESSFUL ESTABLISHMENT MISSIONS OF A POLITICAL ADVISER AND OF FORWARD HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ANNARUMMA FROM AGO MAIN WITH MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARTY GIVEN MYSELF AND BADOGLIO BOTH AGREED TO PROPOSAL OUTLINED IN PARA THREE OF MY LETTER TWO SIX OF FIFTH JUNE PT I AS EARLY ARRANGEMENTS ACCORDINGLY WITH AAI

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GEN MACFARLANE (C COMD)

I DISCUSSED QUESTION OF CROWN PRINCE'S FIRST VISIT TO ROME AS LIEUTENANT OF REALM WITH BADOGLIO AND CROWN PRINCE THIS AFTERNOON PD AGREED TO ASKG FOR HAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5 REPRESENTED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN KINDLY MACFARLANE PERSONAL FAREN CROWN PRINCE AND BADOGLIO BOTH AGREED TO PROPOSAL OUTLINED IN PARA THREE OF MY MIKE THO TWO SIX 2 2 6 5 OF FIFTH JUNE PD I AM MAKING ARRANGEMENTS ACCORDINGLY WITH AAI

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Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE (C CORPS)

THE AFRICAN RADIO IS INSTRUCTED THE NOTIFICATION OF YOU GOVERNMENT TO THE CROWN PRINCE TO FAILED TO APPEAL FOR HAS OWN MINISTER RESIGNED IN PROTEST USA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER SEE GS REPEAT IN REALISATION AAL FOR POSSIBLE ALTERATION WITH ACC MAIN JOINT MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARTY FOR CROWN PRINCE ACCEPTED BY AMG IMMEDIATELY PARTLY TO PROCEED WITH THE FORMATION OF A NEW GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE POLITICAL LEADERS NOW IN LIBERATED ROME IT IS ALSO REPORTED THAT UNTIL THE NEW MINISTRY IS CONSTITUTED THE PRESENT MINISTRY IS TO REMAIN IN OFFICE TO DEAL WITH CURRENT MATTERS PLEASE SEE NO ACCEPTED PRESS RELEASE ON THE ABOVE LINES IS BEING MADE TONIGHT

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MY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING TELEGRAM TO PARIS TO ALTER FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND SE REPEATED MEDITERRANEAN FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACO MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARIS FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF RESOLUTION TO BEGINS AT THE MOMENT IN WHICH THE FRENCH HAS ASSUMED THE OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL CMA SOME MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT CMA REPRESENTING CURRENTS OF OPINION CMA DESIRED TO MAKE THEIR POSITION FOR THE KNOWN STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE DECLARATION WITH THE VIEWS TO END IN THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS MAINTAINED INSTEAD THAT THIS QUESTION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS SETTLED BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENTAL DECLARATION IN THE MATTER TO WHICH TO THE GOVERNMENT CMA ANIMATED BY THE INTENTION TO FAVOR IN EVERY WAY THE DEVELOPMENT OF ARTICULATED IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ITALIAN SITUATION CMA HAS THEREFORE BEEN UNANIMOUS IN REAFFIRMED THE NECESSITY THAT THE ALLIES IN THE COMMON INTEREST ARRIVE AT THE EARLIEST MOMENT AT THOSE DECISIONS INDISPENSABLE FOR A MORE EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION CMA FROM NOW AND FUTURE CMA OF ITALY FOR THE ATTAINMENT OF THE COMMON AIMS ET SEIS

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BADOGLIO CAME TO SEE ME IN NAPLES TODAY PD MAINE TO ARMD FOR MAC CHA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CHA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR AND CG BRANA HQ HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARAM PARA TEC PD HE TOLD ME THAT AT THE CABINET MEETING LAST NIGHT THE ACTION PARTY MINISTERS HAD PROPOSED THAT THE CABINET SHOULD REVIEW THEIR PROTESTS REGARDING THE CROWN PRINCE'S IN DEVIEW WITH THE CHIEFS OF BADOGLIO AND TOGLIATTI OPPOSED THIS STRONGLY AND A RESOLUTION WAS PASSED STATING THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS CONSIDERED THAT THE QUESTION SHOULD BE REGARDED AS FINALLY DISPOSED OF BY THE CABINET'S PREVIOUS DECLARATION AT TIME OF RESOLUTION WHICH WAS HANDED TO ME BY BADOGLIO IN IDENTICALLY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM

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Lieutenant-General,
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GEN MACFARLANE

A.A.I.

ONE PD MANY THANKS YOUR MESSAGE PD FAREN TO AAI FOR S FORCE PERSONAL FOR REBUS AND CARETA FIVE ACC MAIL FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FAREN TWO PD HAVE ARRANGED WITH AAI TO BRING BADOGLIO AND ALL PARTY LEADERS TO ROME ON TUESDAY THE EIGHTH PD TOTAL STRENGTH OF PARTY TWELVE EXCLUDING MYSELF PD DEPART CAPODICHINO ZERO EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS PD WILL TELEGRAPH DETAILS LATER PD AAI ARRANGING FOR TRANSPORT TO BE PROVIDED AT ARRIVAL AERODROME PD THREE PD RELY ON YOU TO HAVE ROME PARTY LEADERS COLLECTED AND AVAILABLE FOR CONFERENCE PD FOUR PD QUESTION OF CROWN PRINCE STILL UNDECIDED PD HOPE FOR EARLY ANSWER TO MY QUERY TO YOU ON THIS SUBJECT

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PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

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Salerno, 6 June 1944

At the moment in which the Prince has assumed the office of Lieutenant General, some members of the Government, representing currents of opinion, desired to renew their protests for the known statements contained in the interview with the "Times".

The majority of the Council of Ministers has maintained instead that this question should be considered as settled by the previous governmental declaration in the matter.

The Government, animated by the intention to favor in every way the development of anticipated improvements in the Italian situation, has therefore been unanimous in reaffirming the necessity that the Allies in the common interest arrive at the earliest moment at those decisions indispensable for a more effective collaboration, present and future, of Italy for the attainment of the common aims.

/s/ BADOGLIO

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Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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A.F.H.Q. REPEATED A.A.I.

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A.F.H.Q. REPEATING A.A.I.

CROWN PRINCE ASKED ME TO SEE HIM TONIGHT TO TALK TO ME ABOUT HIS VISIT TO ROME. I TOLD HIM I WOULD BE GLAD TO SEE HIM BUT THAT I THOUGHT HE SHOULD DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH THE BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER, THE AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND GS REPRESENTATIVE AT MEDITERRANEAN AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FOR MACFARLANE

PERSONAL PARA HE DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF HIS FIRST VISIT TO ROME BY HIMSELF IN MOST ANXIOUS TO ARRIVE IN ROME ON THE SAME DAY AS BADOGLIO AND THE PARTY BRINGING BACK THEIR VISIT TO HIS PEOPLE TO BE STRAIGHT TO THE CHURCHILL CHECK HE WOULD STAY THROUGHOUT HIS TIME IN ROME ACCEPT FOR PAYING A VISIT TO THE POPE AS HE FELT IT WAS ESSENTIAL THAT HIS PRESENCE MIGHT BE SHARED BY PARA TWO BY I TOLD HIM THAT I KNEW THAT AT THE MOMENT BADOGLIO AND HIS GOVERNMENT WERE NOT IN FAVOUR OF THE CROWN PRINCE VISITING ROME UNTIL AFTER THE GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN RECONSTRUCTED TO INCLUDE MORE REPRESENTATIVE BY I SUGGESTED THAT HE SHOULD STAY TO BADOGLIO ON THE QUESTION AND BE PROMISED TO DO SO BY PARA THREE BY CONCERT BY I HAD ALREADY DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION TODAY WITH BADOGLIO AND IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT HE AND HIS GOVERNMENT THINK IT UNWISE TO LET THE CROWN PRINCE VISIT ROME DURING THEIR INITIAL VISIT BY ON THE OTHER HAND IF WE WISH TO BUILD UP THE CROWN PRINCE THERE IS MUCH TO BE SAID FOR ACCEDING TO HIS REQUEST.

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CROWN PRINCE ASKED ME TO SEE HIM TONIGHT FD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5 REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN WE DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF HIS FIRST VISIT TO ROME FD HE HIMSELF IS MOST ANXIOUS TO ARRIVE IN ROME ON THE SAME DAY AS BADOGLIO AND THE PARTY LEADERS MAKE THEIR VISIT FD HE WISHES TO GO STRAIGHT TO THE QUIRINALE WHERE HE WOULD STAY THROUGHOUT HIS TIME IN ROME EXCEPT FOR PAYING A VISIT TO THE POPE FD HE PRESSED VERY STRONGLY THAT HIS REQUEST MIGHT BE GRANTED FD PARA TWO FD I TOLD HIM THAT I KNEW THAT AT THE MOMENT BADOGLIO AND HIS GOVERNMENT WERE NOT IN FAVOUR OF THE CROWN PRINCE VISITING ROME UNTIL AFTER THE GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN RECONSTRUCTED TO INCLUDE ROME REPRESENTATION FD I SUGGESTED THAT HE SHOULD SPEAK TO BADOGLIO ON THE QUESTION AND HE PROMISED TO DO SO FD PARA THREE FD COMMENT FD I HAD ALREADY DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION TODAY WITH BADOGLIO AND IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT HE AND HIS GOVERNMENT THINK IT UNWISE TO LET THE CROWN PRINCE VISIT ROME DURING THEIR INITIAL VISIT FD ON THE OTHER HAND IF WE WISH TO BUILD [illegible] IS MUCH TO BE SAID FOR ACCEDING TO HIS REQUEST

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WITH WHICH IT WAS ORIGINALLY MY INTENTION TO COMPLY FD I THINK IT POSSIBLE THAT A COMPROMISE MIGHT BE FOUND BY LETTING BADOGLIO AND HIS PARTY ARRIVE IN ROME AT AN EARLY HOUR AND LEAVING IN THE LATE AFTERNOON WHILE THE PRINCE COULD ARRIVE DURING THE HOURS OF SIESTA AFTER LUNCH PROCEEDING STRAIGHT TO THE QUIRINALE AND VISITING THE POPE LATER AND SPENDING THE NIGHT IN THE QUIRINALE AND RETURNING TO NAPLES NEXT MORNING FD I WILL EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS AND LET YOU KNOW FD I WILL NATURALLY BE GUIDED BY REPORTS I HAVE CALLED FOR FROM ROME AS TO THE NATURE OF THE RECEPTION THE PRINCE IS LIKELY TO GET

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SIGNAL FOR MESSRS RUBER AND CACCIA "S" FORCE.

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ONE PD MANY THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE PD

TWO PD I AM ARRANGING WITH AAI TO BRING BADOGLIO AND HIS PARTY TO ROME ON WEDNESDAY THE SEVENTH OR FIRST DAY CONVENIENT TO YOU AFT OR THAT DATE PD

THREE PD RELY ON YOU TO ARRANGE TO HAVE ROME PARTY LEADERS COLLECTED AND AVAILABLE FOR CONFERENCE PD

FOUR PD WILL LET YOU HAVE DETAILS LATER BUT PURPOSE ARRIVE ROME BETWEEN ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO AND ONE ONE ZERO ZERO LEAVING AGAIN ABOUT ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO PD WE MAY HAVE TO USE NETUNO AERODROME BUT THIS IS NOT CERTAIN AND I WILL SEND YOU FULL DETAILS AS SOON AS I KNOW THEM PD

FIVE PD QUESTION OF CROWN PRINCE STILL UNDECIDED PD HOPE FOR EARLY ANSWER TO MY QUERY TO YOU OR T TO SUBJECT.

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Chief Commissioner.

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HQ ACC, APO 394
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MEMORANDUM:

OSW 1070
8 JUN 1944

Caracciolo has just come in to see whether there had been any answer to his earlier questions. When he learned that there had not, he said that, upon reflection, he had come to the conclusion that the only course open to the Actionists seems to be to nominate one of the most extreme oppositionitts - i.e. Cianca - to accompany Marshall Badoglio and the leaders of the other parties to Rome.

He said that he would telephone at about 5:30 (thus after his party caucus will have been under way fro over an hour) to see whether there are any recent developments.

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I enclose herewith:-

1. A letter and translation from Sforza to Bauer, head of the Action Party in Rome.

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Sforza told me that he wanted to communicate with Bauer to tell Bauer to keep the peace in Rome and above all to prevent any possibility of demonstrations hostile to Badoglio and the party leaders when they go to Rome.

You will see that his letter is not along these lines and my inclination is not to send it. Alternatively, if I do send it I think I ought to ask Sforza for another letter to go with it containing the instructions which he had told me he was going to send to Bauer.

I would be glad if you would let me know what you think and if you would send this on to the Hon. Alexander Kirk as I would be grateful also for his views.

2. A copy of a letter from Sforza to Badoglio which for some reason or other he saw fit to give to me. It is typical Sforza.

Encl. 2

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

Sir Noel Charles, Bt., KCMG,
British High Commissioner for Italy.

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Naples, 3 June 1944.

(Handwriting illegible)

Dear Richard Bonsar:

A high British Authority affords me to write to you freely. Reply to me in the same manner, and at once; we have no secrets nor designs.

The Coalition Cabinet to which I lent my name on April 21st was forced upon us by the Communist initiative accepted by the parties. My initial repugnance to involve a spotless name with others at least open to question, is proof to me that I had to act thus: why risk a new "Aventino" in front of people who are no longer poor King or poor Facheda, but the representatives of Soviet politics? In expectation of Rome, I had to at least attempt collaboration; I had to sacrifice myself and - because my long fight against the King had in fact been won - and try to act for the honor of Italy from within, all the more that it appeared necessary to me to show the world that the first free ministerial crisis was solved by us, in an orderly fashion, quickly, even after twenty years of fascist slavery.

Naturally this Cabinet is imperfect: is it not a coalition? Badoglio, of whom perhaps we should say: neither this excess of honor nor this Ambiguity in various cases has been very useful as at the time when his name permitted us to force without incidents the denial of the Prince of Piemonte, proposed and written by me. It is harmful when, when ready to accept any ardent proposal in any whatever camp, he opposes a tacit resistance to sanctions against generals guilty of the camarillaism and ruin of September. (but here I have the knife in hand in my capacity as High Commissioner for the Crimes of Fascism; either I will be permitted to render justice also to generals guilty generals or a scandal will occur. How could I lend my name to a final deresponsabilization of the Italian people?)

Badoglio can also consider himself useful for his absolute intimate indifference concerning the King as well as the Lieutenancy (which place he would be glad to accept if offered to him); it is harmful because his past errors (which privately he admits, even those after July 25th) make his name a serious liability for the moral reconstruction of the country.

I only want to do my duty: I know that the Monarchy is finished; that the Lieutenancy is merely a legal and international means of arriving at the Constituent of the postwar period. Nor have I accepted calmly twenty years of persecution by a regime which all those Badoglios despised in private and praised in public to end up as a Pouche of people whom I despise greatly and whom I esteem little. While desiring ardently to come to Rome immediately also to see you and the other few real men, I do not believe I could go in the archaic following of H.H. the Prince of Piemonte, defender of Italy in the columns of the Times. I try to avoid the error of going along with him.

What shall I do, now that Rome will be free and an even greater part of Italy will be able to speak?

On the one hand I feel it my duty to resign to facilitate a freer decision, and also [illegible] so that my name remain perfectly spotless in the service of Italy.

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On the other hand it will not do to give to the world pretexts to criticise "immature very nervous" Italians by resigning without obvious reason for all . My decision must depend essentially from your opinion and from your solemn manifestation.

Badoglio assures me that the National Committee of Liberation has indicated to him its full agreement and has left to him every contact with our Patriots; he added that Bonoivenga has placed himself at his complete disposal. If this and other things be true, I could continue to sacrifice my name. But I have serious reasons to doubt the complete authenticity of all this.

It is up to you, my friends, to let me know. From your attitude will depend mine. Certainly I entered into the Government as an independent, but my relations with the P. d' A. are too well known to dare consider as a blow on the head that which would be a natural alignment with you.

A last word: ready to sacrifice myself and remain if at Rome it is desired that in its makeup the Cabinet still continue; ~~XXXX~~ I cannot hide fon you that I am more and more worried by a strange rising and ascending collusion between Communists and Generals. Beware, I have no communist phobia; there must be. If I were Chief of the Government, I would be so certain of the efficacy of my direct contact with the Masses to whom I would offere with obvious sincerity slow and difficult progress but not immediate miracles which I know that I would be believed; and the Communists defeated. But with "power" in the hands of the ~~XXXX~~ bourgeois without fresh moral forces and of military men only thinking of their material interests, the Communists are a strong force. A common cynicism unites them all. Is is wise that there be no reserves in the Country?

As you see, bound by a most recent inevitable past I can with difficulty make myself the initiator of gestures which the mediocre would interpret as personal restless ambition; but I feel all the painful uncertainty of a situation which every day appears to me more artificial and less fruitful; all the more that I had hoped with my sacrifice for international betterments for Italy which do not come about; personally I would be happy if , becoming free again, I ~~XXXX~~ had known how to interpret even your most intimate thoughts. But for this you should express yourself clearly; otherwise I should fear to give in to the growing disgust of an atmosphere of which I feel more and more the ~~XX~~ weakness and insincerity.

And I do not wish to yield to personal sentiments.

Affectionately Yours

/s/ Carlo Sforza

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XXXXXX Naples, 3 June 1944

HQ ACC
Date 3 June 2020
By

Dear Badoglio,

Our duty is to keep things going; not to irritate them. Therefore, I will not place any importance upon the Alunzio incident which you deplored to me. As for others, it would seem perhaps less credulous to me in view of the fact that secret agents collaborated intimately with the Germans up to yesterday (one of their most trusted members is in jail today as a spy) and who dare to pronounce that a "men of Sforza" is too ampitheun to go with them. (Perhaps Alunzio was also unworthy of their trust because back during the past week he went voluntarily to bend the Germans in question)

But I cannot disinterest myself from the directives for the occupation of Rome. Information comes to me from reliable sources that the people of the SIM (which is accompanied by a group of Lumishukorn) are preparing an intensive and unrestrained artificial commercial publicity for them. I cannot subscribe to similar manoeuvres. An agreed political scheme is to be adopted also in connection with the immediate or not immediate departure of the Prince.

Along with de Gasperi and Croce, I am the author of the "Luogotenente" (deputyship) system; with full loyalty I accept as such all the consequences and I will recommend always--from the government or without--that every discussion about Monarchy or Republic be set aside until the Germans have been ousted. I have also recommended warmly to my friends to forget the incredible interview with the Times.

But ultimately, a bit of intelligent loyalty towards the Prince should impose the obligation not to exasperate publicity scheme schemes. Does one really want to ruin him? Or start a civil war? Do we not have enough strife sacrifices anger and pain and hatred?

It seems to me that on these matters an exchange of ideas either in the Cabinet or in with a small group of interested Ministers, or with me alone should take place immediately.

Not in embarrassed silence, but in the fullest reciprocal frankness does the vitality and the strength of a Cabinet lie.

P.S. The Mosse Circular, as I have officially replied to you, covers a territory altogether different from mine as High Commissioner.

As such, it is well that Mosse should know that I can place an accusation against anyone without consulting anyone; and as a member of the Government which that I try to act in full accord with the military Ministers and rather get along well with them and the Government. But for this they must cooperate. It would be well if you would tell Mosse and them to visit with me immediately.

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ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL.

FREEDOM FOR SAC, BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER, ALGIERS POLITICAL ADVISER, G-5 RFT AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER.

PARA ONE BADOGLIO TOLD ME TODAY THAT AT A CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY THE CABINET HAD CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF THE KING GOING TO ROME STOP ITEM HAVE DEALT WITH THIS IN MY TELEGRAM NUMBER 224 STOP PARA TWO THE CABINET HAD ALSO CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF THE CROWN PRINCE AS LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM GOING TO ROME WITH BADOGLIO AND THE PARTY LEAVES WHEN THEY MAKE THEIR VISIT TO CONTACT THE ROME POLITICAL PARTIES AND INVITING FOR THEIR INCLUSION IN THE GOVERNMENT STOP THE CABINET DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY THAT IT WAS IN THE INTEREST OF THE CROWN PRINCE HIMSELF AND OF THE SUCCESS OF THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE ROME PARTIES THAT THE CROWN PRINCE SHOULD NOT GO TO ROME UNTIL AFTER THE CABINET CHANGES HAD BEEN ARRANGED STOP PARA THREE ACTION PARTY MEMBERS HAD RAISED THE QUESTION OF THE DESIRABILITY OF ACCEPTING THE CROWN PRINCE AS LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM STOP BADOGLIO HAD REGARDED THEIR OF THE UNDERTAKINGS GIVEN BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE ALLIES NOT TO RAISE QUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION UNTIL ALL ITALY HAD BEEN LIBERATED STOP BADOGLIO WAS STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY TOGLIATTI STOP THE QUESTION IS BEING CONSIDERED AGAIN AT A CABINET MEETING TONIGHT AND BADOGLIO INFORMED ME THAT HE WAS GOING TO TAKE A VOTE ON THE ACTION PARTY MOTION STOP HE THOUGHT HE WAS QUITE CERTAIN OF THE SUPPORT OF ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET AND IF THE ACTION PARTY PERSISTED IN THEIR CONTENTION THAT THE CROWN PRINCE COULD NOT BE ACCEPTED AS LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM SIGNOR BADOGLIO PROPOSED TO ACCEPT THEIR RESIGNATION STOP PARA FOUR THE PARTY WHO WILL ACCOMPANY BADOGLIO TO ROME TO CONTACT THE ROME POLITICAL LEADERS AS SOON AS

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SUCH ABLE MEETING BECOMES POSSIBLE WILL CONSIST OF CROCE CMA RODINO CMA CERABONA CMA LONGOBARDI AND TOGLIATI STOP PAREN TO FREEDOM FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR CMA GEORGE DASH FIVE RPT AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARIS RADOGLIO IS NOT YET CERTAIN WHO IF ANYBODY WILL BE SELECTED TO REPRESENT THE ACTION PARTY

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Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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AFTER OBTAINING ALL CLEAR FROM GENERAL ALEXANDER I ARRANGED TO SEE THE KING AT NAVAL HQS AFTERNOON PD PAREN TO FREEDOM FOR SAC CMA BRITISH DEPUTY MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR AND G DASH FIVE REPEATED HQ AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FROM ACC MAIN PAREN IN ADDITION TO REQUESTS SUBMITTED TO SEE THE KING HAD ASKED BADOGLIO AS PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO BE ALLOWED TO PERFORM THE ACT OF TRANSFER OF POWERS TO THE CROWN PRINCE IN ROME FOR REASONS PREVIOUSLY REQUEST WAS CONSIDERED BY THE CABINET YESTERDAY AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE ACT MUST BE PERFORMED AS SOON AS ALLIED TROOPS REACH ROME AND THAT IF IT WERE NOT POSSIBLE FOR OPERATIONAL AND TRANSPORTATION REASONS TO TAKE THE KING TO ROME IMMEDIATELY CMA NO DELAY IN SIGNING THE ACT OF TRANSFER COULD BE PERMITTED AND IT WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE AT ONCE IN NAVELLO PD PARA PD THE KING REPEATED HIS PLEA TO BADOGLIO AND MARSHAL [illegible] EMPHASIZED PD I EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT IT WAS UNFORTUNATELY NOT POSSIBLE TO TRANSPORT HIM TO ROME FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS AND THAT THERE COULD BE NO QUESTION OF DELAYING SIGNATURE OF 3 P 1 3 ACT OF TRANSFER FOR SO LONG A PERIOD PD PARA THE KING SAID THAT HE ACCEPTED THIS AS INEVITABLE BUT THAT BEFORE SIGNING THE ACT OF TRANSFER HE WISHED BADOGLIO AS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO GIVE TO HIM A LETTER EXPLAINING THAT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO MEET THE KINGS WISHES AND THAT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT TO BE SIGNED AT ONCE PD IN CONSULTATION WITH HIMSELF CMA BADOGLIO WROTE A LETTER TO THE KING ON THE ABOVE LINES STATING THAT AFTER CONSULTATION WITH HE IT

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WAS CLEAR TO HIM THAT THE KING COULD NOT IN THE MEANTIME PROCEED TO ROME AND THAT A TRANSFER DOCUMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE SIGNED IMMEDIATELY PD PARA THE KING THEN SIGNED A DOCUMENT OF TRANSFER WHICH I HAD PREVIOUSLY READ ON THE TELEPHONE TO CHARLES AND KIRK PD I HAD ALSO HAD IT APPROVED BY MY LEGAL ADVISORS PD PARA I AM FORWARDING SEPARATELY THE TEXTS OF BADOGLIOS LETTER TO THE KING AND OF THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT WHICH WAS SIGNED BY THE KING AND COUNTERSIGNED BY BADOGLIO AS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS PD PARA A BARE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FACT THAT THE KING HAS TRANSFERRED HIS POWERS INCLUDING THE TEXT OF THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT HAS BEEN AGREED BETWEEN BADOGLIO AND MYSELF AND IS BEING ISSUED TO THE PRESS TONIGHT

AUTHENTICATED:

KYLE MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE

HQ. AAI

I AM HOPING TO GET TRANSFER DOCUMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE KING THIS AFTERNOON PD

HQ AAI FOR

PAREN TOPS FORCE PERSONAL FOR RIBBEN AND CACCIA FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL

PAREN WILL WIRE YOU AT ONCE WHEN ACCOMPLISHED PD PARA TWO PD I WANT EARLIEST

POSSIBLE INFORMATION OF POLITICAL BACKGROUND IN ROME PD IF EARLY ARRIVAL OF BADOGLIO

AND PARTY LEADERS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN TRANQUILLITY OR PREVENT DISCORD I CAN BRING

THEM ALONG AS SOON AS CAN BE ARRANGED WITH FIFTH ARMY AND AAI PD IN ANY EVENT IF

PRACTICABLE VISIT SHOULD TAKE PLACE BEFORE END OF THIS WEEK PD PARA THREE PD LET

ME KNOW EARLIEST POSSIBLE WHETHER YOUR ENQUIRIES INDICATE THAT THE CROWN PRINCE WOULD

BE LIKELY TO RECEIVE UNFAVOURABLE RECEPTION [redacted] VISITS ROME

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7 JUN 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-3, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. Badoglio informed me yesterday that he had communicated to the King the instructions contained in my letter to him, copy attached.

2. Badoglio was going to see the King today to impress upon him the need for immediate compliance and equally to confirm the fact that it would not be possible to permit the King to visit Rome, at least until after the Italian Government has been installed there.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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British Resident Minister
American Political Adviser
General Wilson (personal)

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MEMORANDUM TO: G-5, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

CSM 1022
14 JUN 1944

1. I saw Count Sforza yesterday.

2. He was in his most difficult mood.

3. He indulged in much criticism of Badoglio and complained that Badoglio seldom told him the truth and that he was convinced that Badoglio had some secret and unholy alliance with the Communists. He wrote off Croce as a baby.

4. He said that he was in a terrible dilemma at the moment, as he owed it to his many supporters in the North to resign from the Government, while on the other hand he did not wish to make things difficult for the Government and the Allies, as his resignation from the Government might have disastrous effects.

5. He stated very emphatically that it would be fatal to allow the Crown Prince to go to Rome until after it had been possible to reform the Government by including political representatives from Rome. He was convinced that if the Crown Prince went to Rome before this had been accomplished he would get a bad reception, and the position of the Government might be made very difficult.

6. Sforza stated that he was having considerable difficulty in preparing the first cases in which, as High Commissioner for Epuration, he was proposing to take action. He asked me again to help him, as far as possible, with any evidence at my disposal as regards his intended victims.

7. He mentioned the subject of epuration in the Army and said that he was far from satisfied that adequate steps would be taken if the matter was left in the hands of Badoglio and Roatta and the Army. It would be necessary to make one or two examples, and he was going to insist on handling some of the outstanding cases himself. He gave me a copy of a note he had written to Marshal Roatta, copy of which I attach.

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Naples, 1 June 1944

To: H.E. Marshal Badoglio
President of the council of Ministers
Salerno

and for information

To: H.E. Marshal Messe
Chief of the General Staff
P.M. 135

In reply to communication No. 5979 of May 30th.

The circular communicated to me by the Chief of H.M. Government, is most opportune in regard to "behaviour appraisal of officers", while art. 6 of the law entrusted to me concerns those military personnel or otherwise, "who have committed crimes against loyalty and military defense", threatening heavy penalties.

The "appraisal" provided by the circular may signify a valuable purification; but art. 6 aims at more complex and more general national aims of urgent moral character.

For desirable agreements in the service of common duty and for forthcoming eventual communiques to be agreed upon, I shall be pleased to meet Marshal Messe at the earliest possible moment.

When coming to Naples, he only has to telephone me at No. 16696 and I shall arrange to receive him at once if this is agreeable to him.

/s/ SFORZA

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DSU 1021

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3rd. June, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters.
(ATTENTION: General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, G.B. British Resident Minister and American Political Adviser)

1. I have had the substance of the attached Aide Memoire communicated verbally to Count Aquarone for transmission to the King. Count Aquarone has passed this information to the King and informs me that the King is still extremely anxious to go to Rome and that unless he is permitted to do so it may be very difficult to induce him to carry out his undertaking to transfer his powers to the Crown Prince when the Allied troops reach Rome.

2. It is the King's wish to fly to Littorio aerodrome and to proceed to the Villa Savoya which is extremely close to the aerodrome and which would not involve entering Rome itself. There he would sign the transfer document and would then return at once to Naples.

3. Yesterday evening I had a further talk with Badoglio on the subject.

4. Badoglio said that if the King were permitted to carry out his proposal he would have to take the Crown Prince with him and that the Crown Prince would definitely have to show himself in Rome. Badoglio considered that this would be most unwise as it was most probable that there would be hostile demonstrations and this would clearly prejudice the prospects of his own Government and successful fusion with the political parties in Rome. Badoglio asked whether the King might be allowed to go to Rome as suggested and have the transfer after the formation of the new Government. I replied that this was quite impossible as the King had contracted to make the transfer as soon as Allied troops reached Rome and any delay would have inevitable unfortunate repercussions not only in the Allied countries but in Italy.

5. Badoglio remained emphatic on the point that it was essential that he and the party leaders in liberated Italy should visit Rome at the earliest possible moment

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to effect contact and fusion with the Rome political parties. He was most hopeful of being able to reform his Government in the course of a visit of one day and agreed again that if further discussion were necessary this should be continued at Palermo.

6. Since my last talk with him he had, however, changed his mind on one point. He now considers that the Crown Prince should not be allowed to visit Rome until a day or two after the fused Government has been formed. He was very insistent on this point and is clearly anxious as to type of reception the Crown Prince will get unless he comes Rome under the umbrella of a Government including Rome representation.

7. I think it would be well to amend my original suggestions for action accordingly.

MGEN. MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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31st. May, 1944.

NOTE HANDED

In reply to the requests made by the King, the Supreme Allied Commander has instructed me to communicate the following:-

(a) It will not be possible for the King to return to Rome in the meantime. H.M. is expected to carry out his undertaking to transfer his powers to the Crown Prince as soon as H.M. is informed officially that Allied troops have reached Rome.

(b) The question of H.M.'s return to Naples is under consideration. It will not be possible in the meantime.

Note by Chief Commissioner:

Communicated verbally by Monfort to Acquarone.

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MEMORANDUM TO: C-in-C, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. During my talks with Badoglio and Sforza yesterday they both agreed unreservedly with my ban on any politicians or political agents being allowed to enter Rome before the Party Leaders go to Rome with Badoglio to contact the Rome political parties.

2. I have contracted to forward any communications which the parties in Liberated Italy may wish to make in writing to the leaders of the parties in Rome.

HAROLD MACMILLAN
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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British Resident Minister
American Political Adviser
General Wilson (personal)

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3 June 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Gen. Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

DSZ 1027
4 JUN 1944

1. I enclose herewith translation of the suggested text for the King's transfer documents for transferring his powers to the Crown Prince submitted by Admiral Stone at the last meeting.

2. I understand that the draft which Badoglio is presenting to the King for his approval today, follows closely the lines of Stone's draft.

3. I hope to have the final text as agreed by the King within the next forty-eight hours.

ELLIS MACK MAPHAMS
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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American Political Adviser
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3 June 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-3, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

DSN 1027
4 JUN 1944

1. I enclose herewith translation of the suggested text for the King's transfer document for transferring his powers to the Crown Prince submitted by Sforza to the Cabinet at its last meeting.

2. I understand that the draft which Badoglio is presenting to the King for his approval today, follows closely the lines of Sforza's draft.

3. I hope to have the final text as agreed by the King within the next forty-eight hours.

KARL ROLOF HOFFMANN
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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American Political Adviser
G-3, AFHQ

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3. I understand that the draft which Mosgan is proceeding to the King for his approval today, follows closely the lines of Sforza's draft.

4. I hope to have the final text as agreed by the King within the next forty-eight hours.

MAJ. GEN. JOHN HOPKINS
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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British Resident Minister
American Political Adviser
G.H.Q.

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4 JUN 1944

DRAFT OF THE KING'S DECLARATION ON THE DAY ROME IS TAKEN

(as submitted by Count Sforza to the Cabinet on June 1st, 1944.)

Putting into effect what I already stated on April 12th last, today that the Allied troops have entered Rome, I notify solemnly to the Italian People that I withdraw for always from public life;

and that I appoint as Lieutenant General my son, the Prince of Piedmont, to whom I transfer from this moment all functions and prerogatives, none excepted, which were my responsibility up to now as King;

functions which he will exercise until, after the Germans have been driven from Italy, the Italian People will have decided sovereignly and freely on the institutional form of the State.

CHIEF'S OFFICE
3 JUN 1944
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GENERAL WILSON

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4 JUN 1944

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REF YOUR M 219 OF 31 MAY. SUCH INFORMATION YOU MAY HAVE TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AS CONSIDERED ADVISABLE BY MURPHY AND MACMILLAN

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1st. June. 1944.

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7 JUN 1944

The Supreme Allied Commander has asked me to request you to let me have as soon as possible the text of the document and the terms of the announcement in which the King will transfer his powers to the Crown Prince as Lieutenant of the Realm when the Allied troops reach Rome.

I would be very grateful if you would let me have the above information at the earliest possible moment and I would like to stress the fact that the Supreme Allied Commander hopes that everything will be prepared and arranged in advance so that there will be no delay whatever in the act of transferring the powers of H.M. to the Crown Prince as soon as I inform you that Allied troops have reached Rome.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner.

S.E. Marshal Pietro Badoglio,
Il Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri.

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PRIORITY GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q. 4 JUN 1944

MY NUMBER LIKE TWO ONE NINE OF THIRTYFIRST MAY PD EAREN TO AFHQ PERSONAL FOR GENERAL WILSON FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL EAREN HAVE CONSULTED MACMILLAN AND MURPHY PD THEY AGREE THAT IF NECESSARY I SHOULD PUT ADVISORY COUNCIL IN THE PICTURE LEAVING FLUID THE ACTUAL WAY IN WHICH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PARTY LEADERS IN ROME WILL MAKE CONTACT

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE O COMM) 31st. May. 1944.

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PRIORITY 4 JUN 1944 GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

KIRK AND CHARLES CONSIDER THAT IT MAY PROVE DESIRABLE TO INFORM ADVISORY COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT MEETING ON SECOND JUNE OF OUR SUGGESTED ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEALING WITH POLITICAL SITUATION WHEN WE REACH ROME PD PAREN TO AFHQ PERSONAL FOR GENERAL WILSON FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN PARA TWO PD I HAVE TOLD THEM THAT I MUST REFER QUESTION TO YOU BEFORE GIVING SUCH INFORMATION TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL PD PARA THREE PD SHOULD KIRK AND CHARLES DEEM IT DESIRABLE TO GIVE SUCH INFORMATION DO YOU APPROVE MY GIVING ADVISORY COUNCIL BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUR INTENDED ACTION AS AGREED WITH YOU AT CASERTA QUERY PD PARA FOUR PD RUSSIAN CMA FRENCH CMA GREEK AND YUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PRESENT AND WILL DOUBTLESS COMMUNICATE THE INFORMATION TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS PD PARA FIVE PD I WILL CONSULT MACMILLAN AND MURPHY ON THIS QUESTION TOMORROW AND LET YOU HAVE THEIR REACTIONS PD

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
LIEUTENANT-GENERAL,
CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COMM)

27th. May, 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

3 JUN 1944

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SAW BADOGLIO YESTERDAY PD RAPIN TO AIR FORCE SUBCOMMISSION FOR POWER DASH BUCCANEER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL RAPIN HE HAS PROMISED TO REMOVE SANDALI FROM OFFICE WHEN HE RECONSTITUTES HIS CABINET WHEN WE REACH ROME PD SHOULD THERE BE DELAY IN REACHING ROME HE WILL TAKE EARLIER ACTION PD I AGREED TO THIS BUT WILL PRESS HIM TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION IF DELAY EXCEEDS A FORTNIGHT PD HOPE THIS MEETS YOUR REQUIREMENTS PD PLEASE INFORM SLESSOR PD I ALSO INFORMED BADOGLIO OF PROVISION ALLIED AIRCRAFT FOR LAP AND ADDED THE AGREED CAVEAT PD BADOGLIO NATURALLY VERY PLEASED

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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Ref. CC/G/349.

27th. May, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Headquarters, A.A.I.
(FOR General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson,
GBE, KCB, DSO, MC,
Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre).

1. Reference my telegram No. M216 of today, I enclose herewith translation of the unsigned typewritten aide memoire given my yesterday by the King.

2. I am certain that we should not let it influence our decision not to let the King go to Rome before transferring his powers to the Crown Prince.

nor before the Government and the Crown Prince have been firmly installed there.

WM. MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

Copy to:-
General Sir Harold R. Alexander, GCB, CSI, DSO, MC,
Commander-in-Chief,
Headquarters, A.A.I.

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His Majesty, The King as he has repeatedly affirmed, and officially declared to General MacFarlane on the 21st. February last, intends to re-enter Rome, Capital of the Kingdom, and there entrust to S.A.R. The Prince of Piedmont, the Lieutenant-Generalcy of the Kingdom.

The return of the King to the Capital is held a condition necessary and essential for the Monarchy, for the Crown and for the prestige of the House of Savoy.

Any contract entered into away from the Capital would leave with many, if not the major portion of Italians, the impression of an act not voluntary but imposed by a Southern minority and tolerated by the Allies.

The Allies themselves and the Monarchy, which has for its first thought the wellbeing of the country, must not overlook any particular which will cement the moral union of the Italian people and reinforce the high common aim.

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GEN MACFARLANE

HEADQUARTERS A.A.I. REPEATED A.F.H.Q.

THE KING ASKED ME TO SEE HIM AT RAVELLO YESTERDAY PT PAPER TO HEADQUARTERS AAI PERSONAL FOR GENERALS WILSON AND ALEXANDER REPEATED AFHQ FOR GS CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I SAW HIM AND THE CROWN PRINCE ALONE PD PARA TWO PT THE KING READ ME A LETTER WHICH HE HAD RECEIVED FROM BADOGLIO DESCRIBING HIM OF THE PROCEDURE AGREED BY BADOGLIO AND HIMSELF OF WHICH I HAD PREVIOUSLY HAD NOTICE FROM YOU IN MY MIKE TWO ONE THREE SIX OF TWENTY FIFTH PD PARA THREE PD THE KING ASKED ME TO CONFIRM THAT BADOGLIOS COMMUNICATION WAS ACCURATE PD I DID SO PD PARA FOUR PD THE KING SAID HE HOPED THAT IN RE DASH FORMING HIS GOVERNMENT IN ROME BADOGLIO WOULD NOT OMIT THE LIBERAL ELEMENTS PT HE THEN BEGGED VERY STRONGLY THAT HE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO ENTER ROME AND MAKE THE TRANSFERENCE OF POWERS TO THE CROWN HIMSELF IN ROME PT HE PLEADED HIS REQUEST VERY STRONGLY AND GAVE ME A SHORT NOTE STATING HIS CASE WHICH I WILL PROCEED IN SEPARATE TELEGRAM PD I TOLD HIM THAT I WOULD FORWARD HIS REQUEST TO THE PROPER QUARTERS AND LET HIM HAVE AN ANSWER EARLIEST POSSIBLE PD HE ALSO ASKED WHETHER HE MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO MOVE FROM RAVELLO TO NAPLES WHEN WE REACHED ROME AND HOPED HE MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO HAVE THE VILLA EMMA SO AS TO BE NEAR THE CROWN PRINCE BEFORE THE LATTER MOVED TO ROME PD I TOLD HIM THAT I WOULD HAVE THIS QUESTION

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CONSIDERED PD PARA FIVE PD COMMENT PD I AM MOST STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ALLOWING THE KING TO ENTER ROME UNTIL THE CROWN PRINCE AND THE GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED THERE FOR SOME TIME PD I SAW BADOGLIO IN SALERNO AT THE MY MEETING WITH THE KING AND HE CONFIRMED THAT HE WAS EQUALLY STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ALLOWING THE KING TO GO TO ROME PD HE CONSIDERED THAT SUCH ACTION MIGHT WELL PREJUDICE GRAVELY THE PROSPECTS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND OF THE CROWN PRINCE PD I AM CONVINCED THAT WE OUGHT TO HOLD THE KING STRICTLY TO HIS UNDERTAKING TO TRANSFER HIS POWERS TO THE CROWN PRINCE QUOTE AS SOON AS ALLIED TROOPS REACH ROME UNQUOTE ED PLEASE AUTHORISE MY GC INFORMING THE KING IN YOUR NAME SOONEST POSSIBLE PD AS REGARDS MOVE OF KING TO NAPLES I CONSIDER THAT THIS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED AT ANY RATE UNTIL CROWN PRINCE AND GOVERNMENT ARE INSTALLED IN ROME PD PLEASE SAY IF YOU AGREE

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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25th. May. 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q. REPEATED HEADQUARTERS A.A.I.

DURING MY TALK WITH BADOGLIO YESTERDAY HE BROUGHT UP THE FOLLOWING POINTS PD FARM TO AFHQ FOR CS CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI PERSONAL FOR GENERALS WILSON AND ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FARIN ONE PD HE SAID THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE FEELING IN THE COUNTRY AT THE FACT THAT THE ITALIAN TROOPS NOW IN THE LINE WERE NOT BEING USED IN THE OFFENSIVE AND WERE NEVER MENTIONED IN THE ALLIED COMMUNIQUES PD THE SUBJECT WAS DISCUSSED AT HIS LAST CABINET MEETING AND A COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN SENT TO GENERAL ALEXANDER PD BADOGLIO FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE DIFFICULTY OF INVOLVING THE ITALIAN CONTINGENT IN THE PRESENT OFFENSIVE BUT HOPED THAT WHEN THE ADVANCE BECAME GENERAL THEY WOULD BE GIVEN THEIR OPPORTUNITY AND THAT THEY WOULD BE MENTIONED IN COMMUNIQUES PD TWO PD BADOGLIO TOLD ME THAT HE HAD HAD MANY REPORTS OF VERY BAD BEHAVIOUR BY MOROCCAN TROOPS TOWARDS THE CIVILIAN POPULATION DURING THE RECENT ADVANCE OF THE FRENCH CORPS PD THERE HAD BEEN NUMEROUS CASES OF RAPE AND HE BEGGED ME TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO HAVE THE MOROCCAN TROOPS RESTRAINED PD LETTER FOLLOWS ON THIS SUBJECT PD THIRD PD BADOGLIO AGAIN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS COULD DO SOMETHING TO IMPROVE THE STATUS OF ITALY VIS A VIS THE ALLIES AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT AND NOT LATER THAN OUR ARRIVAL IN ROME PD HE REPEATED ALL HIS USUAL ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF HIS PLEA

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25th May

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE

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YOUR LETTER DO SLANT WABB SLANT TWO THREE OF ONE SIX MAY PD PAREN TO AIR FORCE1 SUBCOMMISSION PERSONAL FOR AVM BOERM DASH RUECABLET FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I DO NOT ANTICIPATE MUCH DIFFICULTY IN GETTING BADOGLIO TO DISMISS SANDALI AND APPOINT PLACENTINI PD HE HAS ALREADY HAD DIFFICULTIES WITH SOME OF HIS CABINET OVER RETAINING HIM IN OFFICE PD IF YOU CAN GIVE ME AN OK FROM AM LIBBEL I WILL APPROACH BADOGLIO AT ONCE

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Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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PRIORITY GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

SUBJECT RECENT INTERVIEW GIVEN BY CROWN PRINCE TO TIMES CORRESPONDENT AND RESOLUTION ON THIS SUBJECT PASSED BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD PARA TWO AFHQ FOR MCD FRM BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARA PARA TWO PD HAVING RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT THE CROWN PRINCE WAS CONTEMPLATING PUBLISHING A REPLY TO THE CABINET'S RESOLUTION I VISITED HIM LAST NIGHT PD PARA THREE PIX I FOUND HIM OBVIOUSLY UPSET AND MOST ANXIOUS TO REFUTE PUBLICLY REMARKS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM BY THE TIMES CORRESPONDENT PD AFTER A LONG TALK IN WHICH I URGED HIM VERY STRONGLY NOT TO REOPEN THE WHOLE UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT HE AGREED NOT TO DO SO PROVIDED NO FURTHER PUBLIC MENTION WAS MADE ON THE SUBJECT PD HE PROMISED THAT IN ANY EVENT HE WOULD CONSULT ME BEFORE RAISING THE QUESTION HIMSELF PD I ASSURED HIM THAT FOR MY PART I WOULD DO MY BEST TO SEE THAT NO FURTHER PUBLICITY WAS GIVEN TO THE MATTER PD PARA FOUR PD I HAD PREVIOUSLY WRITTEN PRIVATELY TO BADOGLIO ASKING HIM TO ENSURE THAT NO FURTHER REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE CASE IN PUBLIC AND ASSURING HIM THAT I WOULD ENDEAVOUR TO PERSUADE THE CROWN PRINCE FROM RAISING THE QUESTION AGAIN ON HIS SIDE PD I HAVE RECEIVED IN REPLY A CATEGORICAL ASSURANCE

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FROM BADOGLIO THAT AS FAR AS THE GOVERNMENT IS CONCERNED NO FURTHER PUBLICITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THE CASE UNLESS THE CROWN PRINCE REOPENS IT HIMSELF PD BADOGLIO AGREES THAT THE WHOLE INCIDENT IS BEST REGARDED AS ENTIRELY CLOSED AND HE IS SENDING A CONFIDENTIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OWN TO URGE THE CROWN PRINCE TO LET THE MATTER DROP PD BADOGLIO EXPRESSED HIMSELF AS VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE ACTION I HAD TAKEN

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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12th. May, 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

IN THE COURSE OF TODAY'S CONVERSATION BADOGLIO MENTIONED THE FOLLOWING POINTS FD ONE FD FAILED TO APPR FOR MGT CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAPER HOWEVER MUCH SFORZA MAY CLAIM TO BE AN ELDER STATESMAN WITHOUT ANY PARTY TIES CMA HE IS IN FACT VERY DEFINITELY THE LEADER OF THE ACTION PARTY FD TWO FD BADOGLIO EXPECTS THE AMASSI PRICE FOR MEAT TO BE PASSED BY THE CABINET AND ISSUED TOMORROW FD THREE FD THE EPURATION DECREE IS NOW PRACTICALLY AGREED IN FINAL FORM AND WILL BECOME LAW AFTER SOVEREIGNTY BY ACC FD FOUR FD BADOGLIO NO LONGER PROPOSES TO REPLACE SANDALI AS AIR MINISTER BY PIACENTINI FD SANDALI [redacted] OFFICE UNLESS THE ALLIED AUTHORITIES DESIRE THAT A CHANGE SHOULD

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12 May

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

I SPOKE VERY STRONGLY TO BADOGLIO TODAY AND STRESSED THE EXTREMELY UNFORTUNATE IMPRESSION WHICH THE GOVERNORS RESOLUTION OF YESTERDAY REGARDING THE CROWN PRINCE'S PRESS INTERVIEW WOULD INEVITABLY HAVE TO CAUSE BOTH IN THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT AND AMERICAN POLITICAL CIRCLES FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARA BADOGLIO SAID HE WAS FULLY AWARE OF THIS AND NATURALLY RESENTED THE WHOLE AFFAIR VERY MUCH PD ON THE OTHER HAND HE SAID THAT IF I HAD SEEN THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION AS PROPOSED BY SPOZZA AND CROCE HE THOUGHT I WOULD CONSIDER THAT HE HAD ACHIEVED A CONSIDERABLE SUCCESS IN GETTING IT WATERED DOWN TO PARA TWO PD SFORZA CROCE AND DI NAPOLI HAD ALL MADE VIOLENT SPEECHES AND TOGLIATTI ALSO HAD SPOKEN IN FAVOUR OF THE RESOLUTION THOUGH IN LESS VIOLENT TERMS PD THE ACTION PARTY HAD THREATENED TO RESIGN UNLESS A RESOLUTION ON THE SUBJECT WAS PASSED AND BADOGLIO THOUGHT IT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND THE ALLIES TO FORCE THE ISSUE TO THIS POINT PD PARA THREE PD BADOGLIO COMMENTED ONCE AGAIN ON THE FOLLY OF THE CROWN PRINCE'S PRESS INTERVIEW AND BLAMED THE PRINCE'S PERSONAL STAFF EVEN MORE PD HE TOLD ME THAT HE WAS GOING TO HAVE THEM ALL DISMISSED AND THAT HE WAS NOW ARRANGING FOR THEIR REPLACEMENT PD THE REPLACEMENTS COULD INCLUDE GENERAL PRALORMO CBA COLONEL LUTINI AND AT LEAST ONE

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner

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RESULTING FROM A LENGTHY CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY A COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED IN THE EVENING FROM WHICH IT APPEARS THAT THE ONLY SERIOUS BUSINESS EFFECTED WAS THE APPROVAL IN A LARGE PART OF THE DEFASCISTIZATION DECREES PD PARRI TO AFHQ FOR GENERAL WILSON AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR AND BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER FROM ACC MAIN SIGNED KEITH MACFARLANE PARRI APPARENTLY MUCH TIME WAS CONSUMED IN A DISCUSSION OF THE CROWN PRINCE'S RECENT INTERVIEW GIVEN TO THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON TIMES IN WHICH HE INDICATED THAT THE ITALIAN PEOPLE HAD A CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITALY'S ENTRANCE INTO THE WAR PD THE CABINET COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT QUOTE THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS CMA REFERRING TO THE INTERVIEW THAT THE PRINCE OF PIEDMONT GAVE THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON TIMES AND HOLDING THAT IT IS NOT IN THE CONSTITUTIONAL AND DEMOCRATIC TRADITION THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CROWN MAKE POLITICAL STATEMENTS NOT AGREED BY THE GOVERNMENT CMA THE COUNCIL THEREFORE UNANIMOUSLY REFUTES ANY IMPUTATION DIRECTED TOWARD THE PEOPLE IN REGARD TO ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FASCIST WAR PD ENDQUOTE

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PARA THE CABINET ALSO APPOINTED A COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE CONSTITUTION OF A CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY BUT NO DECISION WAS ANNOUNCED ABOUT THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM ON THE CABINET'S AGENDA NAMELY THE PRICE OF WHEAT PD THE CABINET WILL HOWEVER MEET AGAIN TOMORROW MAY ONE THREE AND I AM SEEING BADOGLIO MEANWHILE

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L. T. HOSTART JR
2nd Lieutenant AGD
Adjutant

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General the [illegible].Sir H.R.L.G. Alexander,
Commander-in-Chief,
H.Q.
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
ADM. ECHELON, C.M.F.

DS/J 824
18 MAY 1944

Ref on envelope only: 5001/12/CAO

6 May 44.

Dear Mason Mac.

Thank you for your letter of 28 April 44, regarding a report made by Admiral Morse on conditions among the civil population of NAPLES.

Since receiving your letter I have had an opportunity to examine the report in question. I must say that I agree with your point of view in this matter. I do not propose to make any form of official protest, but I intend to take the matter up personally with Admiral Cunningham when next I see him.

Whatever may be one's views, it is undoubtedly unwise to indulge in criticism, particularly when committed to writing of the work of others, unless one is in the position to verify facts very carefully. It so happens that some rather trenchant criticisms by your art experts on the work of the Royal Engineers in the Royal Palace, NAPLES, has also come before me today. The two cases are by no means parallel, but I feel they have this much in common that they represent a somewhat fiery criticism not entirely justified by the facts.

I wish to add that you have my full sympathy and support in your difficult job and I am sorry that you have been subjected to this annoyance, which you are quite justified in resenting.

Yours ever

(Sgd) H.R. ALEXANDER.

Lieut-General F.N. Mason MacFarlane, KCB., DSO., MC.,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

Notes: to Brig. Lush: A pity--I shall never understand this urge to put people with their backs up. NMM, 10/5.

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8th. May. 1944.

I enclose herewith a fuller account of my recent talk with Badoglio in which the latter told me of his intention to carry on after we reach Rome and of the Crown Prince's having already decided to invite him to do so.

2. From the point of view of avoiding any possible hiatus in the administration and of the probable awkward repercussions of a change of government at the moment of our reaching Rome, the retention of Badoglio and his Government in office provides an excellent solution. We ought to ensure that this Government gets every support from us and it is even more necessary to ensure that during the critical phase while we are assimilating Rome nothing is done to foment political controversies.

3. The present solution to the political problem is undoubtedly in our best immediate interests. Yet in spite of the fact that it has been made possible very largely through the recent change in the attitude of the Communist Party, there are not wanting elements in this country who are still strongly opposed to the retention of Badoglio as Prime Minister and continue also to be critical of the fact that the King has not actually abdicated.

4. In the absence of political censorship it is very possible that we may again find attempts to undermine the authority of the Monarchy and Badoglio. I know just how difficult any form of political censorship is. I do, however, hope that it may be possible to issue a strong directive to all concerned forbidding attacks on Badoglio and his Government and on the Monarchy until we are at any rate firmly established in Rome. It is the policy of the Allied Governments to support in the meantime at any rate the Monarchy and a broad-based Government. It is clearly illogical to permit attacks on the administration with which we are cooperating during a period of crisis and of potential political difficulty.

5. In the same connection, the fusion of political talent in Rome with the

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existing Government will have to be carried out as expeditiously and as smoothly as possible. Reber and Caccia will be entering Rome at the earliest possible moment and will, I hope, be able to keep in the closest touch with political developments in the city. It is essential that other individuals and organisations do not interfere during this very important period. In the light of past experience I wish to urge very strongly that a directive be issued informing all concerned that they must scrupulously refrain from endeavouring to influence the cabinet changes and the political developments during the period until we have become firmly established in the capital.

6. The exact wording of the two directives which I have suggested presents obvious difficulty as although I am convinced that they are most necessary we may lay ourselves open to considerable criticism if we commit ourselves to paper. Should you deem it more politic not to commit ourselves to writing I would be prepared to take the necessary action by meeting the heads of the various services concerned in this country and communicating your wishes to them verbally. I would be grateful if you would let me know as soon as possible your reactions to these suggestions.

7. General Alex. agreed that I should write you as above and Noel Charles has seen and agreed this letter.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, GBE, KCB, DSO, AFC,
Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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7th. May, 1944.

VIG MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

PLEASE ASK MACMILLAN TO SHOW YOU CHARLES TELEGRAM NUMBER SIX SAYING FD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GENERAL WILSON FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN IF EVERYTHING BADOGLIO TOLD ME COMES TO PASS WE WILL HAVE A MUCH MORE STRAIGHTFORWARD TASK THAN HAS HITHERTO SEEMED PROBABLE FD FROM MY OWN POINT OF VIEW CONTINUATION IN OFFICE OF BADOGLIO AND HIS GOVERNMENT WILL BE MUCH THE MOST SATISFACTORY SOLUTION FD THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT UP TO DATE BADOGLIO IS MORE THEN SATISFIED WITH THE WAY IN WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT IS PULLING TOGETHER FD PARA TWO FD I DID NOT TELEGRAPH REPORT OF MY TALK WITH BADOGLIO TO YOU AS I UNDERSTOOD CHARLES WAS TELEGRAPHING IT TO MACMILLAN

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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6th. May, 1944.

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A.F.H.Q.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

I SAW BADOGLIO YESTERDAY PD PARTY TO ARMG PD GENERAL WILSON CBE BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARTY HE TOLD ME THAT HIS CABINET MEETING THE PREVIOUS DAY HAD LASTED FOR SIX AND A HALF HOURS AND THAT IT HAD BEEN MOST SATISFACTORY PD ALL THE MEMBERS OF HIS MIXED TEAM WERE PUTTING THEIR BACKS INTO IT AND WORKING IN MARKED HARMONY FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTRY PD HE WAS IN FACT DELIGHTED WITH THE WAY IN WHICH THE SITUATION WAS SHAPING PD BUT HE STATED MOST EMPHATICALLY THAT IT WAS URGENTLY NECESSARY THAT THE ALLIES SHOULD MAKE SOME CONCRETE GESTURE TO IMPROVE THE GENERAL POSITION OF ITALY AND OF ITALY'S WAR EFFORT VIS A VIS THE ALLIES PD HE STATED THAT WITH THE FORMATION OF HIS NEW GOVERNMENT THE WHOLE COUNTRY WAS ANTICIPATING SOMETHING TANGIBLE IN THIS CONNECTION AND THAT IF NOTHING WERE FORTHCOMING HE DOUBTED THE CAPACITY OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO RETAIN THE CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT OF THE PUBLIC FOR MORE THAN A COUPLE OF MONTHS

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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Ref. CC/S/265.

4th. May. 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: "Knights of Liberty."

TO: Headquarters, A. A. I..

1. In continuation of my 330/8/GA of 28th. April and reference your telegram G-2611 of 29th. April.

2. I informed Badoglio that the movement known as the "Knights of Liberty" in Sicily could not be permitted.

3. I have now received information from Badoglio that he has issued specific orders to this effect.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION

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File No. 1317

Palermo, 2 May 1944.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE GOVERNMENT

TO: GENERAL NORL MASON MACFARLANE
Chief of the Allied Control Commission
NAPLES

My dear General:

In reply to your letter of the 27th last, I inform you that in effect some individuals who identified themselves as exponents of the movement called "Cavalieri della Liberta" (Knights of Freedom) appeared before this Government declaring themselves ready to form volunteer units with the complete material and moral assistance of the Allies, which according to them they had already obtained.

It seems in effect that an American officer had given some assurance in this matter.

After having interested the Supreme Command in the matter and having received a negative response to the development of the movement in question, in view of the unfavourable information concerning the reputations of the so-called exponents, the movement has had no success.

Specific orders have been given to the High Commissioner for Sicily to that effect.

Very cordially.

/s/ BADOGLIO

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4 MAG 1944

Ref. CC/G/251.

1st. May. 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Mr John Reyner.
Deputy Psychological officer.
P. W. B.

Public Relations Director.
Allied Control Commission.

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In reply to my query, A.F.H.Q. state there is no objection to giving publicity to the fact that Bacoglio's Government has assumed all the obligations towards the Allies entered into by the previous Government.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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MGS: 387.4

29 April 1944

SUBJECT: Receipt of Acknowledgment by Italian Government

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
(Attention: Chief Commissioner)

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Receipt is acknowledged of your note of 26 April 1944, Ref. CC/G/231, and of the undertaking by Marshal Badoglio, dated 24 April 1944, which it inclosed. The Marshal's letter is being transmitted to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, with a copy to the British Chiefs of Staff.

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief of Section.

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INFORMATION HERE SHOWS FORMATION OF KNIGHTS OF LIBERTY MOVEMENT IN SICILY IS SPONSORED BY ITALIAN GOVT AND LEAD BY LT. COL. PAROLLI UMBERTO. IBS PALERMO STATE SOS YOUR HQ HAVE INSTRUCTED THEM TO ISSUE 150 UNIFORMS TO PROMOTE RECRUITMENT. NO PREVIOUS INTIMATION RECEIVED HERE. CINC AAI HAS INSTRUCTED GENERAL MASON MACFARLANE TO INFORM MARSHALL BADOGLIO THAT NO ENCOURAGEMENT OR ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN BY ALLIED NATIONS AND THAT ITALIAN GOVT MUST TAKE STEPE TO STOP MOVEMENT. REQUEST YOU ISSUE ORDERS TO IBS NOT TO ISSUE UNIFORMS AND SUPPLY US WITH ALL INFORMATION YOU HAVE ON HOW THIS MOVEMENT WAS INITIATED.

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Ref. CC/P/249.

29th. April, 1944.

I have received information from Sicily that a movement known as the Knights of Liberty is being started. I understand also that the High Commissioner has received a communication from the Italian Government directing him to encourage the movement.

2. I am also told that General MARIOTTI has heard that a certain Lieut-Col. PAROLLI UMBERTO, who is apparently the head of the organisation, is stating that the Allies have given their approval and have promised arms, uniforms, equipment and rations.

3. I have referred the question to General Alexander and I am instructed to inform you that the Allies cannot give their approval to any such movement and will certainly give it no assistance. I am instructed further to ask you to take immediate steps to stop the movement.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

Marshal
S.E. Pietro Badoglio.
Capo del Governo.

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29 April 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Military Government Section
Allied Force Headquarters
APO 512

1. With reference to telegram No. 2683 of 27 April, enclosed are copies of the English translation of the Government declaration of policy of the 27th April.

2. It is understood that the original draft of this declaration was made by Senator Croce after discussion with Marshal Badoglio. The draft was reviewed by the Ministers without Portfolio on April 26th and finally passed by the Cabinet at their first formal meeting on April 27th.

3. Copies of this memorandum and its enclosure are being sent to the British Resident Minister and the American Political Adviser.

For the Chief Commissioner:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary General

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ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF GOVERNMENT DECLARATION

The Presidency of the Council of Ministers communicates:

The Council of Ministers held its first meeting this morning, with all Ministers, including those without portfolio. The Secretary of the meeting was the Secretary of State to the Presidency.

"The Council of Ministers, after full discussions, approved unanimously the following declaration which embodies the Government program:

"The program of the present Government is basically that of its origin and composition. Formed by representatives of the anti-Fascist parties, it is not the Government of those parties in competition among themselves but one of union for the good and honor of the Fatherland, to the end of bringing our full strength to the proper settlement of the vital and urgent problems of the hour.

"Many proposals which are well-known and of the utmost importance must be put aside now because they are not timely. First among these is the institutional form of the State, which cannot be decided until the country is fully liberated and the war ended. Then the Italian people shall be called together in free public meetings and, acting under universal suffrage, shall elect a constituent and legislative assembly.

"The Government will in due course present an electoral law inspired by these concepts.

"It should not be forgotten that two world wars have upset conditions of economic and moral life and changed social relations which call for profound reforms. According to their principles and tendencies, the various parties are prepared to contribute, but it should also be remembered that these reforms of governmental, political, administrative and economic organization cannot be carried out in the midst of a war and while Italy is cut into two parts, the greater part of which is still occupied by the enemy.

"The war, then, for the liberation of the Italian lands now invaded and in which to the foreign enemy has been joined the remnants of the nefarious Regime which for twenty-two years oppressed and led us to ruin - this war is our first and supreme objective.

"The war is already in progress. Our soldiers are giving proof of their ancient valor, the spirit of which the fallen regime destroyed by forcing our soldiers to take a road opposed to the centuries old history of the Italian people, and by depriving them also of the material means of fighting. With the renewed democratic Government, and with the obstacles which were separating us one from another removed, that same spirit will now reign once again in the hearts of all. As for the means of

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"To the moral exigency of the war is linked not only the severe punishment to be meted out to traitors, but also what we have now come to call 'epuration' - the feeling of security which we must give to Italians that they are no longer menaced by those who, having taken profitable part in the fallen regime, maintain the aspirations, habits and aims of that regime and thus work for the internal as well as external enemy.

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"This feeling of security can only be obtained by excluding dangerous elements from public life and administrative positions. It is not a passion for vengeance which prompts us to this task, because we all should like to be able to forgive and forget, to heal the wounds and to re-establish the primitive faith of Italians toward Italians. But this work is a necessity for the safety of our country, which must never again fall into the way of life in which she experimented with horror and shame.

"This task has already been started, but the Government will see that under sure and just rules it shall be pressed energetically to its final accomplishment in the shortest possible time.

"The aim of our activities in these directions is to give to the population, and especially those who suffer most, living conditions which are less hard than those endured in recent months and which were caused by the destruction that took place, by the general breakdown of communications.

"This means that we must all take part in a great revival of industry, that we must foster agricultural production by every means possible, that we must improve the food supply and distribution system by means of improved exchange within the country, and that we must fight effectively against speculation as well as obtain indispensible supplies from abroad. This means, too, that we must embark on a public works program involving the reconstruction of buildings, roads and bridges. And remember, all this must be done to the end of winning the war, as well as for the relief of the civilian population.

"The Government is fully aware of the difficulties of the times, but it counts upon the active support of groups in all walks of life to accomplish these tasks.

"Lastly, we must maintain the administrative machinery of the State, which we have already got under way to a certain extent. The normal responsibilities of administration must be resumed despite the dislocation due to damaged premises and records and to the deficiencies in personnel. We are trying to fix these matters. In order to have a proper administration we propose to re-establish the controls represented by the State Accounting Office and the Accounting Court. Thus we expect, in contact with the Committees of Liberation, to give life to a small Consultative Body, a symbol of the Parliament which we lack, and to which we shall make periodic reports of progress.

"Such is the precise program, to the fulfillment of which we consecrate ourselves, calling upon all the energies of the people without distinction of class or party, so that Italy may be restructed to a new life." (UNN)

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CC 000.1 28 April 1944

Subject: Naples - Change of Attitude towards the Allies.

To: General Officer Commanding in Chief, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, C. M. F.

1. I have before me a report from the Flag Officer, Western Italy headed "Naples - Change of attitude towards the Allies," dated 17th April. The report deals entirely with the conditions of the civilian population, its treatment by the Allied authorities, its nourishment and its general condition. Attached to it is a further report from the United States Naval Intelligence Liaison officer, FOWIF, which deals with the same subject.

2. The care and feeding of the civilian population and in some parts of the territory, the government thereof, are the responsibility of the Allied Control Commission for which I am responsible to you. I fail to understand why the Flag Officer did not consult myself or my Staff before committing to paper a report which is highly critical of the work of the Allied Control Commission. He might equally have attempted to learn some of the facts before reporting to his superior officer on a matter which is not directly his concern and certainly before distributing his report to other Naval authorities in the theatre.

3. The report shows up one side, and one side only, of the picture. Such a report could be written in the second phase of any occupied country. It is notorious that the initial enthusiasm of a population towards the Army which has liberated them diminishes if that Army remains in occupation of their country, particularly if operations do not progress with the rapidity anticipated.

4. Similarly it is inevitable that in a country, of which only a part is in occupation by our forces and in which economic conditions have been entirely dislocated and remain disrupted owing to the presence of large numbers of alien troops, a black market of serious proportions should arise.

5. The present ration issued to the population of Southern Italy is low, but I am satisfied that in relation to the world food and shipping situation it is a fair one and that the population is receiving a subsistence ration. The Flag Officer should know only too well that 416,000 tons of food have been imported into this country and distributed to the population since our occupation. He may say that most of this has found its way on to the black market. This is, however, not the case; the bulk of the food which finds its way on to the black market consists of naval and military rations pilfered by civilians and Allied personnel.

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6. The Flag Officer probably does not realize that when steps are taken to prevent food appearing on the black market, black market prices inevitably rise and that this is a sign of control rather than a sign of deterioration.

7. In the fifth paragraph of his report the Rear Admiral infers that humanitarian considerations are not taken into account in dealing with the civilian population. The inference is entirely false and I resent it.

8. No member of this Commission, least of all myself, can view the situation with complacency, but I think that you are probably satisfied that the condition of this population has improved considerably in the last three months.

9. I am sure that the Flag Officer would take the greatest exception if a responsible officer under your command wrote to you a highly critical report on the work of the Royal Navy in these waters and gave that report a wide distribution to other formations in this theatre. The work of this Commission is considerably hindered by the circulation of reports, uninformed, exaggerated and one sided, written by authorities whose responsibility lies in other directions and who do not take the trouble to refer their criticisms to those whose task it is to administer to the needs of the civil population, or consult them before committing their opinions to paper.

10. There is much to criticise in the administration of this territory; my staff and I are only too ready to discuss our problems with constructive critics and I would ask that representations should be made to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, that his officers should be invited to take this course rather than distribute ill-informed reports on matters which, although they may affect them indirectly, are not their responsibility.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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29th. April, 1944.

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PLEASE INFORM ME IF THERE IS ANY OBJECTION PAREN TO AFHQ FOR MCS CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM FATIMA FOR MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN TO GIVING PUBLICITY TO THE FACT THAT BADOGLIO'S GOVERNMENT HAS ASSUMED ALL THE OBLIGATIONS TOWARDS THE ALLIES ENTERED INTO BY HIS PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
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AUTHENTICATED:

MAJ GEN MAXON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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Capt. Stone

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GEN MACFARLANE

FREEDOM REPEATED HEADQUARTERS A.A.I.

I SAW BADOGLIO THIS MORNING PD GAVE TO FREEDOM FOR MOS CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTERS OFFICE AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER AND MACMILLAN FROM FATIMA FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAPER HE TOLD ME THAT THE SWEARING IN OF HIS GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN CARRIED OUT YESTERDAY PD HIS FIRST CABINET MEETING WILL BE HELD THURSDAY TWENTYSEVENTH PD ALL THE MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO ARE TODAY MEETING AT SORRENTO TO DRAFT STATEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENTS POLICY FOR APPROVAL BY THE CABINET AND PUBLICATION THEREAFTER PD STATEMENT OF POLICY WILL BE ON FOLLOWING LINES CLN FIRST PD THE GOVERNMENT IS A WAR GOVERNMENT PD ITS PRIMARY OBJECT WILL BE TO PROSECUTE THE WAR WITH MAXIMUM FORCE WITH THE HELP OF THE ALLIES PD SECOND PD CONTINUE THE PURGE OF FASCISTS WITH INCREASED VIGOUR PD THIRD PD DEVELOP AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION TO THE MAXIMUM AND ASSURE AN EQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD PD FOURTH PD RECONSTRUCTION GENERALLY GIVING PRIORITY TO COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS PD PARA ACCORDING TO BADOGLIO THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT CONSIDER THAT IT SHOULD CONCERN ITSELF WITH MAKING RADICAL ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING INSTITUTIONAL ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL STRUCTURE OF THE STATE PD THE GOVERNMENT WILL HOWEVER INTRODUCE ELECTORAL LEGISLATION WHICH WILL COME INTO FORCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED PD WHEN THIS OCCURS THE GOVERNMENT

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SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
133	Cbl M240 Perry (for CC)	10 June 44	AFHQ AAI	Unofficial list of Italian govt supposedly made up by Bonomi; Please tell Bonomi that Reber or Caccia going to Rome with me. Saw Bonomi this morning. He is well satisfied with new govt. De Nicola may be in. Sforza may keep epuration post. Expects formal approvla today. Also discussed Rome move of Ital govt. Back from Rome this evening. Saw Prince. Feels cabinet under Bon is only possible solution. Hopes for harmony. Told Bonomi & Badoglio that Allied govts were considering acceptance of his govt. Meantime Ba's govt will function. BA & Bo anxious that reason for delay be not public Bad & Bon on very friendly terms. Requests for consideration on delay occasioned by Allied consideration of govt before acceptance. Going to Algiers to see Gen. Wilson & will probably return with him. Informed Bad. & Bon. that due to diff. of assembling Adv. Council there would be delay in approval. Gov't approved by Allied. Oath subject to signing of pledges. Adv Council accepts new govt but subject to renewal of all obligations toward the Allies. Enclosed are undertakings signed by Bonomi & his gov't. Roster of new gov't headed by Ivanoe Bonomi
134	Cbl M241 MacFarlane	10 June 44	5 Army	
135	Cbl M242 MacFarlane	11 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
136	Cbl M243 MacFarlane	11 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
137	Cbl M244 MacFarlane	12 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
138	Ltr Bonomi	13 June 44	MacFarlane	
139	Ltr CC/P/393 MacFarlane	14 June 44	Bonomi	
140	Cbl M253 MacFarlane	16 Jun 44	AFHQ Adv CP	
141	Cbl M254 MacFarlane	18 Jun 44	AFHQ Adv CP	
142	Cbl B 12960 AFHQ Adv	18 Jun 44	AGWAR	
143	Ltr CC/G/406 MacFarlane	19 Jun 44	AFHQ G-5	
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122	Cbl 3713 5Army MacFarlane	8 June 44	Freedom & Perry	Meetings in Rome today. Part's divided on Badoglio, but will serve under Bonomi, who has been asked by Cr Prince to form govt. Badoglio is out. New govt will make all old undertakings to Allies. Attendance of meeting today. I addressed them, & left. Ask de Nicola to dine with me tonight. Should fly Rome tomorrow. Bonomi hopes to complete his cabinet by tomorrow night. Asked me re Sforza, Badoglio in cabinet. I asked he retain de Courten. Saw Badoglio. Infante will be on Bonomi's pers. staff. Aldisio possibly to Sicily. Bad. asked Bon. to consult Orlando on cabinet. Saw Lt. Gen. in Quirinal, big demonstration. May stay on in Rome. Saw Bonomi. Hopes to have cabinet by tonight, but having trouble with action arty. Think they should stay on & finish up. Comments on pol. developments. All parties united under B., but not under Bad. Bon. never had any fascist connections, but is not strong. Some doubt as to his powers of resolution. Complete list later. In Rome tomorrow & will return will all Ital govt ministers. Folling is unofficial list. Also one from Minific at Rome. Lt Gen tells me Bonomi has practically finished his govt. Will get approval of Lt Gen & then the swearing in.
123	Cbl 3714 5 Army MacFarlane	8 June 44	Freedom & Perry	
124	Cbl MacFarlane	9 June 44	Perry	
125	Cbl M236 (1) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
126	Cbl M236 (2) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
127	Cbl M236 (3) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
128	Cbl M236 (4) MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
129	Cbl M237 MacFarlane	9 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
130	Cbl M238 MacFarlane	10 June 44	5 Army	
131	Ltr CC/G/384 MacFarlane	10 June 44	Charles & Kirk	
132	Cbl M239 MacFarlane	10 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	

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110	Cbl M227 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Received fol. from Caccia & Reber in Rome. Bencivenga says Bad. no longer has great support but no substitute. C & R urge conferences soonest, I agree & think outlook is most hopeful.
111	Cbl M228 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Ref M224. King assures me he will retire completely; dreads Communist menace. Regrets Allies did not take more vigorous action to get more conserv. coalition.
112	Ltr Badoglio	6 June 44	ACC	Some members of govt want some of questions brought up by Prince's press statements settled.
113	Cbl M229 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AAI for Caccia	Thanks for msg. Coming to Rome with party, pls see that Rome leaders are assembled.
114	Cbl M230 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Badoglio tells me ministers renewed protests on Crown Prince's Times interview.
115	Cbl M231 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Text of resolution of ministers, see M230 of 6 June.
116	Cbl M232 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Badoglio & cabinet have resigned, Cr Prince has asked Bonomi to form govt. Accepts. Old govt to remain in office. Released to press.
116 a	Cbl M233 MacFarlane	6 Jun 44	AFHQ (Prince's visit to Rome)	Schedules for visits of ACC & Ital govt officials to Rome.
117	Ltr CC/P/371 MacFarlane	6 June 44	Gen. Lemnitzer	Ref M224, herewith Badoglio's letter to king & document of transfer of the king's powers.
118	Ltr CC/P/372 MacFarlane	6 June 44	AFHQ	2 ENCLOSURES: as above
119	Cbl M234 MacFarlane	7 June 44	AAI Reber	Wire received. No delay possible. Arrive Rome tomorrow with party as planned.
120	Cbl M235 MacFarlane	7 June 44	5 Army	Arriving Rome with party tonight. Promise to be good.
121	Cbl 104 MacFrlane	8 June 44	Perry	Inform have arrived safely. Discussions in progress.

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102	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 Jun 44	G-5 AFHQ	Enclosing CC/P/355, urging King to be ready to sign hand-over. Badoglio will impress on him the impossibility of Rome trip. Hope to get trans. signed today. Get me earliest background of Rome sit., & Crown Prince's probable reception. Council turned down King's proposal to go to Rome. Badoglio has written ltr to King urging him to sign quickly, which he did. Am fwd'g copies. Press given a bare announcement. Cabinet also decided that Crown Prince should not go Rome until after Bad. et al. had made contact & negotiated for new govt. Action party does not want to accept Prince as Lt of the Realm, but Bad. stands firm. Has Togliatti's help. Bad. has list of those going to R. with him. Action party reps not yet known.
103	Cbl M223 MacFarlane	5 June 44	Hq AAI (Caccia)	
104	Cbl M224 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
105	Cbl M225 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	
106	Ltr CC/P/366 MacFarlane	5 June 44	Sir Noel Charles	Am not sure I should send enclosed ltr Sforza to Bauer in Rome. 2 ENCLOSURES: 1. Ltr of instructions Sforza to Bauer in Rome. 2. Ltr from Sforza to Badoglio
107	Memo JNG	5 June 44	Col Monfort FWEM	Caracciolo promises word on choice of Action party for Rome. Arranging to bring Bad. et al to Rome wed. 7th. Rely on you to collect Rome leaders for conference Hurry answer on Prince.
108	Cbl - MacFarlane	5 June 44	"G" Force (R & C)	
109	Cbl M226 MacFarlane	5 June 44	AFHQ & AAI	Saw Crown Prince. He wants to go to Rome earliest. Told him Bad. & gov't were opposed. I think a compromise should be effected, allowing Prince to go quickly to R. after Bad. & party arrive, & returning within 24 hours.

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92	Cbl M215 MacFarlane	27 May 44	AAI rptd AFHQ	Saw King & Prince yesterday. King re-pleaded his case for entering Rome, & presented documents. Asks liberal demo.'s to be included in Rome govt. I am strongly opposed to King entering Rome. So is Badoglio.
93	Ltr CC/G/349 MacFarlane	27 May 44	AAI & AFHQ	Enlcosed is aide-memoire from King (see my M215 of 27 May).
94	Cbl M216 MacFarlane	27 May 44	Bari	Badolgio has promised to remove Sandali within a few weeks.
95	Cbl M219 MacFarlane	31 May 44	AFHQ	Kirk thinks it wise to inform Adv. Council of our political plan for Rome. Do you approve?
96	Cbl M220 MacFarlane	1 Jun 44	AFHQ	Ref M219, Murphy & MacMillan agree that Adv Council should be informed.
96a	Ltr CC/P/355	1 Jun 44	Badoglio	Ref M219, yes, on approval of Murphy & MacMillan.
97	Cbl F 53675 AFHQ	1 Jun 44	MacFarlane	Enclose herewith translation of suggested text for King's trans fer document. Hope for agreement.
98	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 Jun 44	AFHQ	Badoglio & Sforza agree with my ban on political agents entering Rome before organization done.
99	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 June 44	AFHQ	King still wishes to go to Rome flying to Littoria. Badoglio is definitely opposed.
100	Ltr CC/G/363 MacFarlane	3 June 44	AFHQ	1 ENCLOSURE: Aide-Memoire as communicated to HM Govt, giving Allied decisions on trip to Rome.
101	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	3 Jun 44	AFHQ G-5	Count Sforza in difficult mood yesterday. Threatens to resign. Is having great diff. with epuration cases. 1 ENCLOSURE: Note from Sforza re epuration in the army.

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66	Fatima M180 MacFarlane	28 Apr 44	Freedom	Any objection to publicity on Bad'o assuming all obligations?
67	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	28 Apr 44	CCC Eq AAI	Naples -- Change of Attitude towards the Allies. Defense of charges, and request that people be told not to circulate reports on affairs they know little about. Government declaration of policy are enclosed. 1 ENCLOSURE: as above.
68	Ltr CC 000.1 MacFarlane	29 Apr 44	MGS AMG	
69	Ltr CC/G/445 MacFarlane	29 Apr 44	Badoglio	Have heard of "Knights of Liberty" movement in Sicily. Stop it at once.
70	Cbl C-2611 Hq AAI	29 Apr 44	AFHQ & ACC	Steps being taken to stop "Knights of Liberty" movement.
70a	Ltr MGS 387.4	29 Apr 44	Hq ACC	Receipt ack of CC/G/231 26Apr
71	Cbl F-2946 Freedom	30 Apr 44	ACC	No objection, re ur M180.
72	Ltr CC/G/251 MacFarlane	1 May 44	Rayner IRD	No objection to publicity to assumption of obligations by Bad.
73	Ltr 1317 Badoglio	2 May 44	MacFarlane	Ref CC/P/249, yr orders have been complied with.
74	Ltr CC/G/265 MacFarlane	4 May 44	Hq AAI	Badoglio has issued orders to stop "Knights of Liberty".
75	Cbl Main ACC M184 MacFarlane	6 May 44	AFHQ	Bad. delighted with new cab. meeting; but says coutry expects something concrete re It war effort
76	Cbl ACC Main M185 MacFarlane	6 May 44	AFHQ	Cab. spent 3 hourson defasc. Zaniboni to go, minister (Sforza?) to take over, no crusade planned.
77	Cbl ACC Main M186	6 May 44	AFHQ	Badolgio trying to fuse a Liberal Bloc to check communists & socialists.
78	Cbl ACC Main M189 MacFarlane	7 May 44	AFHQ	New govt coming well-- I am in favor of Bad. retaining power.
79	Ltr CC/P/273 MacFarlane	8 May 44	Gen. Wilson	After cap. of Rome and attendant problems. Bad. intends to carry on there, & I agree. What about attempting to stabilize pres. sit.?

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80	Ltr 5001/12/CAO AAI Gen Alexander	6 May 44	Gen. MacFarlane	Ref CC 000.1 of 28 Apr ref report on conditions in Naples, Sorry this has annoyed you. Cabinet meeting: defascistization effected re decrees. Refutes statements of Crown Prince. Discussed Epuration with Bad. Messe sees no trouble. Discussed with Bad. repercussions of Cabinet's resolution. He regrets it, but upholds folly of Prince's actions. Resume of situation. Amassi looks good, price soon. Epuration decree soon. Sforza leader of AcP. Problem of representation in new government and decisions. Re gradual restoration of self govt, alderman elected to advise mayor of Naples. Re thought of Prince of making reply to Cabinet's resolution, saw Bad & decided to try and forget all to avoid any further repercussions. Strong protest on way price of wheat was handled, & request for ACC to take responsibility. Saw Sforza about Epuration. Pressure was applied to get death penalty. Remedies being arranged for cases in forward areas. Do not anticipate too much difficulty with Bad. on replacing Sandali with Piacentini. Badoglio asks for closer cooperation of Itals & Allies & asks more Ital. troops at front now.
81	Cbl A66 Main 4767 Pol Sec	12 May 44	AFHQ	
82	Cbl ACC Main M 191 MacFarlane	12 May 44	AFHQ	
83	Cbl ACC Main M195 MacFarlane	12 May 44	AFHQ	
84	Cbl ACC Main M196 MacFarlane	12 May 44	AFHQ	
85	Cbl Fatima 4924 Regis	13 May 44	Secstate	
86	Cbl Fatima 4926 ~~Regis~~	13 May 44	State Dept	
87	Cbl ACC Main M199 MacFarlane	14 May 44	AFHQ	
88	Ltr 1469 Badoglio	15 May 44	MacFarlane	
89	Cbl ACC Main M208 MacFarlane	20 May 44	AFHQ	
90	Cbl ACC Main M210 MacFarlane	20 May 1944	Bari, Air Forces Sub-Comm.	
91	Cbl ACC Main M214	25 May 44	AFHQ	

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57	"Il Corriere"	22 Apr 44		Composition of the new Italian government, with chart of represen.
58	Ltr CC/P/220 MacFarlane	22 Apr 44	Badoglio	Please tell new gov't that agreements entered into by it & V.E. are binding until It. people can express their views. APPENDIX: Cbl F 31721 Freedom to FNHM: re safeguarding allied interest in cas of formation of a new gov't.
59	Ltr #1240 of Prot. Badoglio	24 Apr 44	Gen. MacFarlane	My gov't herewith assumes all obligations to the Allies heretofor undertaken by the preceding gov't.
60	Rpt PRB 20 Public Rel Br	24 Apr 44	All Concerned	Trend of copy filed by correspondents April 23 re new Ital gov't
61	Cbl Fatima M172 MacFarlane	25 Apr 44	Freedom rptd AAI	Spoke to Badoglio re difficulties he anticipates from separatist movement in Sicily. Mtg soon.
62	Cbl Fatima M173 MacFarlane	25 Apr 44	Freedom rptd AAI	Badolgio affected by news of son's capture by Germans. Grateful for assistance thru Vatican & for return of his family from Tangiers. Cabinet mtg today.
63	Cbl Fatima M175 MacFarlane	25 Apr 44	Freedom rptd AAI	Bad. says swearing in of gov't is done. Gov't thinks it should not make radical changes in existing institutional & economic & political structure, but wants to enact electoral legislation now for later
64	Ltr CC/G/231 MacFarlane	26 Apr 44	AFHQ MGS	Ref F 31721 of 13 Apr: enclose original acknowledgment by Badolgio that his gov't agrees on binding nature of present set-up. 1 INCLOSURE;file #1246 of 24 Apr.
65	Cbl Fat Rear 2683 MacFarlane	27 Apr 44	Freedom	Saw Badolgio yesterday. He is very pleased with results of his first cabinet mtg. Text to press.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN OFFICE BY HIGH COMMISSIONER I INFORMED BADOGLIO AND BONOMI TOGETHER AT SALERNO TODAY THAT ALLIED GOVERNMENTS WERE CONSIDERING QUESTION OF RECOGNIZING THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF ROME AND HUMP BONOMI AND HIS GOVERNMENT COULD NOT TAKE OFFICE UNTIL A DECISION HAD BEEN REACHED BY PARIS TO WHO NOT SEE ONE DIVISION BEING AT MINIMUM ONE AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND SO MANNED HEADQUARTERS AS FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FORT MAFFANIANS REMOVAL PARIS. IN THE MEANTIME THE GOVERNMENT OF BADOGLIO WOULD CONTINUE TO FUNCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXISTING DIRECTIVE JCS I THAT THE OPPORTUNITY OF AGAIN EXPRESSING TO BONOMI THAT IF HIS GOVERNMENT WAS ACCEPTED BY THE ALLIES IT WOULD HAVE TO UNDERTAKE ALL THE OBLIGATIONS TOWARDS THE ALLIES ENTERED INTO BY BADOGLIO'S GOVERNMENT IN ADDITION TO THE LONG ARMISTICE TERMS. I ALSO TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY OF MAKING QUITE CLEAR TO BONOMI THAT IN MY OPINION QUESTION ALL AND ANY SUCH OBLIGATIONS AS PARA TWO OF WE DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF TRIESTE OUR POLICY CURIOSITY AS REGARDS DELAY IN TAKING OFFICE BY BONOMI AS BOTH BONOMI AND BADOGLIO WERE ANXIOUS NOT TO EMPHASIZE THE FACT THAT THE DELAY WAS DUE TO THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS AND IF PRESSED THEY WILL GIVE SOME EXPLANATION(illegible) REASON IF PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU APPROVE OF PARA THREE OF I ALSO HAVE THE GEN W

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PLEASE ADVISE AND EXPLAIN THE SITUATION AS YOU SEE IT AS WE WANT TO CONSENT BEYOND ANYTHING THAT DECISION THE ALLIES ARE LIKELY TO GIVE TO I SAID A MEMORANDUM REPLY TO [illegible] IT IS SO URGENT THAT WE BRING THAT MATTER [illegible] AS BE ON VERY FRIENDLY TERMS.

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ROYAL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM:

TO: A.F.H.Q.
(ATTENTION: Chief of Section G5.)

I enclose herewith in original the two undertakings which I required Sig. Bonomi to sign as an essential preliminary to the approval of his Government by the Allied Governments.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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II PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI

To : Lieutenant General Sir Noel F. Mason MacFarlane
K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

On behalf of the Royal Italian Government I accept all obligations towards the Allies entered into by the former Italian Governments since the conclusion of the Armistice signed on the 3rd September, 1943.

I declare that every member of the Government has acquainted himself personally with the terms of all such obligations including the terms of the Armistice signed on the 29th September 1943.

SALERNO, June 22nd, 1944.

/s/ Ivanoe Bonomi

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

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IL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI

Al Tenente Generale Sir Noel F. Mason MacFarlane, KCB, DSO, MC.
Capo della Commissione Alleata di Controllo.

Il Regio Governo Italiano si impegna a non riaprire la questione istituzionale, senza il preventivo consenso dei Governi Alleati, fino a che l'Italia non sarà stata liberata ed il popolo italiano non avrà l'opportunità di scegliersi da se la forma di Governo.

SALERNO, 18 giugno 1944.

IL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI.

/s/ Ivanoe Bonomi

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THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY PASSED FOLLOWING RESOLUTION YESTERDAY: (THIS IS NAF 715). "THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY HAVE EXAMINED THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE FORMATION OF THE PROPOSED NEW GOVERNMENT BY SIGNOR BONOMI, AND THEY CONSIDER THAT IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES THISGOVERNMENT SHOULD PROVE SATISFACTORY IN FURTHERING THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE ALLIED POWERS WHICH IS THE FINAL DEFEAT OF GERMANY.

THEY MUST HOWEVER INSIST THAT: (1) THE NEW GOVERNMENT EXPRESS THEIR READINESS IN WRITING TO ACCEPT ALL OBLIGATIONS TOWARD THE ALLIES ENTERED INTO BY THE FORMER ITALIAN GOVERNMENTS. SINCE THE CONCLUSION OF THE ARMISTICE SIGNED ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1943, AND THAT EVERY MEMBER OF THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH THE TERMS OF ALL SUCH OBLIGATIONS INCLUDING THE TERMS OF THE ARMISTICE SIGNED ON SEPTEMBER 29, 1943.

(2) THE NEW GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKE NOT TO REOPEN THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION UNTIL SUCH TIME AS ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED AND THE ITALIAN PEOPLE CAN FREELY EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS."

SINCE PRESUMABLY EACH MEMBER WAS FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND AFTER TAKING ADVISE OF MURPHY AND MACMILLIAN, I HAVE ACCEPTED COUNCILS ~~RECOMMENDATIONS~~ RECOMMENDATIONS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS PROPOSED. I HAVE ADDED THE FOLLOWING IN ~~THE~~ MY FORMAL REPLY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL: "I TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY OF REAFFIRMING THAT UNDER THE REGIME OF THE ARMISTICE, THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IS BOUND TO CARRY OUT PROMPTLY AND EFFICIENTLY ALL ORDERS GIVEN BY THE UNITED NATIONS. IT IS THEREFORE ESSENTIAL THAT THE PRIOR AGREEMENT OF MYSELF AS PRESIDENT OF THE CONTROL COMMISSION SHOULD BE OBTAINED AND THAT THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED SHOULD BE CONSULTED THROUGH THE MACHINERY ESTABLISHED FOR THIS PURPOSE, BEFORE ANY IMPORTANT DECISIONS

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OF POLICY ARE PUT INTO EFFECT."

I HAVE INSTRUCTED THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, TO INFORM SIGNOR BONOMI ACCORDINGLY AND AFTER THE NECESSARY FORMALITIES REQUIRED BY THE CONDICTIONS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

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GEN MACFARLANE C COMM

I INSTRUCTED CAPTAIN STONE TO INFORM BONNET LAST NIGHT THAT SUBJECT TO HIS SIGNING THE PRO UNDERTAKINGS AS REQUIRED BY THE RESOLUTION OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF YESTERDAY HIS GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED BY THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS AND MIGHT TAKE OFFICE UNDER THE NECESSARY CONSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURES HAD BEEN COMPLIED WITH IT PARIS HQ AFHQ ADVANCE CP FOR SAC CFA BRITISH MISSION RESIDENT AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARIS PARA HQ PARIS CAPTAIN STONE INFORMS ME THAT BONNET STATED THAT HE WOULD BE READY TO SIGN THE UNDERTAKINGS AT ABOUT ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS TODAY IT PARA THERE IT PARISOLIC AND THE LIEUTENANT HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE DECISION OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS

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Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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A.C.C. MAIN

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GEN MACFARLANE C COMM

I SAW BADOGLIO AND BONOMI TOGETHER THIS MORNING PD PAREN TO AFHQ ADVANCE CP FOR SAC CMA BRITISH MINISTER RESIDENT AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I EXPLAINED TO THEM THAT OWING TO THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF ASSEMBLING THE ADVISORY COUNCIL BEFORE TOMORROW AFTERNOON THERE MUST BE AN INEVITABLE DELAY IN THE DECISION OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS REGARDING BONOMI'S PROPOSED GOVERNMENT PD BOTH STATED THAT THEY FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE SITUATION BUT STRESSED THE GREAT DESIRABILITY FROM THEIR POINT OF VIEW OF RECEIVING THE DECISION OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS SOONEST POSSIBLE PD I LEFT WITH THEM A SHORT COMMUNIQUE ON THE REASONS FOR DELAY APPROVED YESTERDAY BY EMR AND APA PD THEY WERE GLAD TO HAVE THIS BUT THOUGHT IT MIGHT NOT BE NECESSARY TO USE IT PD SHOULD THEY WISH TO USE IT THEY WILL ARRANGE SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE WITH ME PD ON LEAVING THE ITALIAN OFFICES IN SALERNO I MET SFORZA PD HE WAS CONSIDERABLY MORE CONCERNED AT THE DELAY IN RECOGNITION OF BONOMI'S PROPOSED GOVERNMENT THAN BADOGLIO AND BONOMI WHO HAVE ACCEPTED THE DELAY WITH A COMMENDABLY GOOD GRACE

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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I have just been asked by the Supreme Allied Commander to go to Algiers today, Wednesday, and am leaving very early this morning. I will almost certainly be returning to Italy with the Supreme Allied Commander on Thursday. This will inevitably entail a little delay in the communication to you of the decision of the Allied Governments on the political question.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

His Excellency, Sig. I. Bonomi.

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Salerno, 13 June 1944

OSS 1057
16 JUN 1944

My dear General:

In regard to the urgent communication made to me yesterday and to Marshal Badoglio and by which the outgoing Ministry must remain in charge until the approval of the United Nations for the constitution of the new Cabinet, I must make some friendly observations to you inspired by the warm desire to maintain the closest cordiality between the peoples who fight together against the common enemy: Hitlerian Germany.

I take into consideration the situation of Italy which has accepted pacts which myself and the Government over which I preside intend to respect completely and loyally, but I maintain that it is necessary to avoid all that which can touch the feeling of independence of the Italian people who desire, after the hard fascist domination, to feel free to regulate in their own way their internal life.

I have given proof to you recently not only to accept completely the two conditions indicated by you for the formation of a new Government, but also to keep very much in mind your advice and your suggestions inspired to maintain the best relations between the United Nations and the democratic Italy which now resumes its long interrupted activity. But I would not know, in the face of public opinion of my country, how to justify an initiative in regard to a purely democratic Government and expression of forces which have fought against German oppression, initiative which finds no precedents in the practice followed during the formation of prior Cabinets.

For this, in agreement with Marshal Badoglio (who, as you will have noted in our conversation of yesterday, is fully in agreement with me in evaluating this episode) I have avoided up to now to render public this suspension of the transition from one Cabinet to another, suspension which if known in its true motives, might destroy the work accomplished with the agreement of the various political parties and with the consensus of the majority of my Country.

Please accept my kind greetings.

(Sgd) IVANOE BONOMI

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A.F.H.Q. RPTD A.A.I.

I RETURNED FROM ROME THIS EVENING AND DISCUSSED WITH MR BONOMI AND ALL MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET TO DATE TO ARMS FOR HAS BEEN BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND HE WISHED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC NAIR FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL DATED THAT WENT STRAIGHT TO CALSERNO FROM NAPLES TO PARA TWO TO LIEUTENANT ASKED ME TO SEE HIM AFTER MY RETURN TO ME SAID THAT HE WOULD BE SENDING FOR BONOMI TOMORROW TO APPROVE THE FINAL LIST OF THE CABINET TO WHOM THE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET ARE ACCREDITED TO HIM HE PROPOSES TO MAKE A SHORT ADDRESS WHICH HE WISHES TO HAVE PUBLISHED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE CABINET PRODUCE THEIR DECLARATION OF POLICY TO BE STRESSED THE FACT THAT IN EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES A CABINET UNDER BONOMI WAS THE ONLY POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO THE POLITICAL PROBLEM AND THAT IN HIS OPINION THERE APPEARED TO BE EVERY LIKELIHOOD THAT THE PARTIES WOULD NOW WORK TOGETHER IN HARMONY TO BE HOPED TO BE ABLE TO INDUCE BONOMI TO APPOINT A SOLDIER AS CMA IF NECESSARY CMA AN ADDITIONAL UNDERSECRETARY FOR WAR TO BE WAS MOST ANXIOUS THAT IN THE INTERESTS OF EFFICIENCY IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO ROME AT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE A DATE

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

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16 JUN 1944

TO: AFHQ RPTD AAI

I SAW BONOMI IN ROME THIS MORNING PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G FIVE REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN HE WAS CLEARLY WELL SATISFIED WITH THE RESULTS OF HIS CABINET BUILDING PD XX DE NICOLA WAS PRESENT DURING OUR TALK AND I UNDERSTAND THAT A PLACE WILL BE FOUND FOR HIM IN THE CABINET AT AN EARLY DATE PD PARA TWO PD I ASKED BONOMI IF SFORZA WAS GOING TO REMAIN IN HIS APPOINTMENT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR EPURATION AND ZANIBONI AS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES PD BONOMI SAID THAT NO DECISION HAD YET BEEN REACHED PD PARA THREE BONOMI SAID HE EXPECTED TO OBTAIN THE FORMAL APPROVAL OF THE LIEUTENANT TO HIS CABINET TOMORROW AND THAT THE CABINET WOULD BE SWORN IN ON TUESDAY PD PARA FOUR PD I MENTIONED THE FACT THAT SICILY APPEARED TO BE VERY POORLY REPRESENTED BUT THIS SITUATION HAS BEEN IMPROVED BY THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO SICILIAN UNDERSECRETARIES PD PARA FIVE PD THE REST OF OUR TALK WAS CONCERNED WITH THE MOVE OF THE GOVERNMENT TO SALERNO THIS AFTERNOON AND INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE MINISTRIES AND CIVIL SERVANTS IN ROME PENDING THE DAY WHEN IT WOULD PROVE POSSIBLE TO PERMIT THE GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO ROME

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Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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IN PEKING WITH MR VINCENT ABOUT 10 AUGUST FOR PERIOD OF TWO OR THREE

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Lieutenant-Colonel,
Chief Commissioner

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MY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING TELEGRAM PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER GEORGE FIVE REPEATED HQ AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL BUT PROBABLY ACCURATE LIST OF BONOMI CABINET CLN MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO CROCE SPECIA MERZ DI CASTELVETRANO SARAGAT QUINTO AND TOGLIATTI SOCIN JUSTICE TERRACINI QUINTO SOCIN TREASURY SOLERI SOCIN FINANCE SCIOLENZE QUINTO SOCIN INDUSTRY COMMERCE AND LABOUR GRONCHI SOCIN AGRICULTURE GULLO SOCIN PUBLIC WORKS ROMITA SOCIN COMMUNICATIONS CREMONESI SOCIN EDUCATION DI RUGGIERO SOCIN WAR AND AVIATION CASATI SOCIN MARINE DE COURTEN

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A.D.C. to Prime Minister

LIEUTENANT RETURNED TO MALTA THIS AFTERNOON TO PREPARE AN AIR FOR SAC CFA DIVISION.

REPEATED HOME AS GFA ACTION IMMEDIATE ADVANCE ACC OF HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR

GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAPER WE WILL BE THAT MORNING

HAD PRACTICALLY COMPLETED.HIS CABINET FD IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT MANCINI WOULD GET PUBLIC

WORKS PORTFOLIO IN PLACE OF NOMFA FD SOMENE WISHES TO FIND A PLACE FOR DE NICOLA WHO

IS GOING TO PARIS WITH MR TORLONIA FD CONSIDERS HAD GIVEN HAND TO GEN MINISTRY OF WAR AND

AVIATION BUT DOUBTS AND PREVAILED FD PARA TWO FD CABINET RETURNS TO SALERNO SUNDAY OR

MONDAY AND LUXEMBOURG WILL APPROVE FINAL LIST ON MONDAY FD PARA OTHER FD ON TUESDAY OR

WEDNESDAY CABINET WILL TAKE THE OATH FD IT HAS BEEN INFORMALLY AGREED THAT PRIME MINISTER

WILL TAKE OATH TO THE CROWN FD HIS OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET WILL TAKE OATH TO THE

COUNTRY INCLUDING AN UNDERSTANDING THAT THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION WILL NOT BE CHANGED UNTIL

ITALY HAS BEEN LIBERATED FD PARA FOUR FD UNOFFICIAL LIST OF CABINET FOLLOWS IN MY

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FD AT END OF MY CONVERSATION WITH LIEUTENANT TODAY HE

ASKED FOR A DAY'S LEAVE TO ROME TO VISIT HIS FATHER AS HAVELLO FD I GRANTED HIS REQUEST

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394.

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10th. June, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Sir Noel Charles, Bt, KCMG,
High Commissioner for Italy.

The Hon. Alexander Kirk,
U.S. Representative on Advisory Council.

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16 JUN 1944

P.W.B. have received information from Rome that Reuters have so far reported the following new Ministers:-

Ministers without Portfolio - Croce.
Sforza.
Togliatti.

Marine - De Courten.

War and Aviation - Casati.

This is, of course, still unofficial and you will notice that the appointment of Casati does not tally with what Bonomi told me last night.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

P.S. A further unofficial list has just come in from Minific in Rome. It is as follows:-

Ministers without Portfolio - Croce: Sforza: Ruini: Di Gasperi: Cianca: Saragat (?): Togliatti.
Justice - Terpini (?)
Treasury - Soleri.
Finance - Sigliente (?)
Industry, Commerce & Labour - Gronchi.
Agriculture. - Gullo.
Public Works - Romita.
Communications - Corabona.
Education - Di Ruggiero.
War & Aviation - Casati.
Marine - De Courten.

I do not propose to report to S.A.C. until I get complete official list.

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THIS IS TO CONFIRM THAT I WILL BE IN ROME TOMORROW AND WILL RETURN NAPLES TOMORROW NIGHT TAKING WITH ME ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT IF PARRI TO FIVE ARMY FOR COMMANDING GENERAL FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARRI HOPE YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION TO MY TRAVELLING WITH ME FOR THE DAY NOEL CHARLES BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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A.FHQ. REPTD AAI

SUBJECT COMMENT ON POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN PARA ONE PD THE INITIAL CONVERSATIONS IN ROME MADE IT CLEAR THAT BADOGLIO COULD NOT FORM AN ALL PARTY GOVERNMENT AND WOULD HAVE BEEN FACED WITH A STRONG AND VERY ACTIVE AND VOCAL OPPOSITION PD SUCH CONDITIONS WOULD HAVE BEEN A SERIOUS HANDICAP TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND TRANQUILITY OF THE COUNTRY PD PARA TWO PD ON THE OTHER HAND ALL PARTIES WERE UNITED IN THEIR READINESS TO SERVE UNDER BONOMI ON THE CONDITIONS REQUIRED BY ME AS REGARDS THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION AND THE OBLIGATIONS TAKEN BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENTS TOWARDS THE ALLIES PD PARA THREE PD BONOMI HAS NEVER HAD ANY FASCIST CONNECTIONS AND ENJOYS CONSIDERABLE PRESTIGE ESPECIALLY IN ROME ON ACCOUNT OF HIS ACTIVITIES DURING THE GERMAN OCCUPATION PD HE REMAINED IN HIDING IN ROME AND SUCCEEDED IN KEEPING THE ROME COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION ALIVE AND UNITED PD PARA FOUR PD BONOMI HAS ASSURED ME THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL INCLUDE THE MOST REPRESENTATIVE POLITICAL LEADERS IN ROME AND THE REST OF LIBERATED ITALY PD PARA FIVE PD BOTH BONOMI AND I DID OUR UTMOST TO PERSUADE BADOGLIO TO ACCEPT A POST IN THE CABINET BUT THE MARSHAL PROVED QUITE ADAMANT IN HIS DETERMINATION TO RETIRE FROM THE SCENE PD PARA SIX PD SFORZA HAS DONE HIS BEST TO OBTAIN THE POST OF FOREIGN MINISTER BUT I THINK AND HOPE THAT I HAVE PERSUADED BONOMI TO TAKE THIS POST HIMSELF PD PARA SEVEN PD I AM NOT GIVING YOU FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT UNTIL I GET THE COMPLETE LIST BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT THERE WILL BE EVEN MORE MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO THAN IN THE LAST

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GOVERNMENT PD PARA EIGHT PD BONOMI IS WELL PRESERVED AND HAS A GOOD BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE PD HE IS EASY TO GET ON WITH PD IN COMMON WITH A NUMBER OF HIS PROBABLE COLLEAGUES HIS POLITICAL PAST DATES BACK TO THE PRE DASH FASCIST ERA AND ALTHOUGH ALL OF THEM HAVE A CLEAN SLATE AS REGARDS FASCISM THEY ARE A VERY ELDERLY TEAM AND MANY OF THEM SHOW DISTINCT SIGNS OF STRAIN AT THE END OF A DAYS WORK PD AFTER ONLY A FEW CONTACTS WITH HIM I SHOULD SAY THAT ALTHOUGH BONOMI HAS APPARENTLY CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE CMA A GOOD MANNER AND CLEAR BRAIN WHEN NOT TIRED HE SCARCELY SEEMS TO POSSESS THE PERSONALITY AND ENERGY DESIRABLE IN THE LEADER OF A VERY MIXED AND SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT TEAM PD MOST OF THE CRITICISM I HAVE HEARD OF BONOMI FROM VARIOUS QUARTERS HAVE BEEN CONFINED TO DOUBTS AS TO HIS POSSESSING ADEQUATE RESOLUTION

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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URGENT 11 JUN 1944 GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q. RPTD A.A.I.

PART FOUR TO PARIS FOR PAT FOR SECRETARY PRESIDENT MINISTER FOR AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND GS RELAYED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM AT MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARIS JUST BEFORE LEAVING FOR NAPLES LATE THIS AFTERNOON I SAT DOWN I AGAIN TO BE WAS WELL SATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS HE HAD MADE AND THOUGHT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO COMPLETE HIS CABINET TONIGHT TO HE WOULD TAKE HIS LIST TO THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL EITHER TONIGHT OR TOMORROW MORNING TO PARA TWO TO HE SAID EVERYTHING WAS GOING SMOOTHLY BUT THAT THE ACTION PARTY AND SFORZA WERE GIVING HIM AS MUCH TROUBLE AS THEY HAD GIVEN BADOGLIO TO SFORZA WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY BE A MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO AND NOT REPEAT NOT FOREIGN MINISTER TO THE NEW PINANCE MINISTER WOULD PROBABLY BE CORBELLI TO PARA THREE TO BONOMI THOUGHT THAT HIS CABINET WOULD NUMBER NINETEEN OF WHICH EIGHT WOULD BE MINISTERS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO INCLUDING TOGLIATTI ORLANDO CROCE AND SFORZA TO PARA FOUR TO BONOMI WAS ALMOST TIRED OUT AND CROCE AND MOST OF THE OTHER ELDER STATESMEN ARE PRACTICALLY EXHAUSTED TO IT WAS CLEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO BREAK OFF THEIR DISCUSSIONS WHEN SO NEAR COMPLETION AND I TOLD BONOMI THAT I WOULD PROVIDE AIR TRANSPORT ON

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SUNDAY TO TAKE THEM ALL BACK TO SALERNO FO ~~RAFA FIVE~~ FO BONOMI WAS MOST ANXIOUS FOR CONTACT DE NICOLA THEN HE WISHED VERY MUCH TO INCLUDE IN HIS CABINET FO RETURNING TO NAPLES TONIGHT I SAW DE NICOLA AND HAVE ARRANGED FOR HIM TO ACCOMPANY ME WHEN I RETURN TO ROME FOR THE DAY ON SUNDAY FO DE NICOLA INFORMED ME THAT HE WOULD BE GLAD TO JOIN BONOMI'S GOVERNMENT

MAJ. GEN. MAXON MACFARLAND
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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PART THREE PD PARER TO AFHQ FOR SAC CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G5 REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARER LATER I SAW THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL IN THE QUIRINAL PD A CROWD OF SOME TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE WITH A BAND WERE DEMONSTRATING WITH MUCH ENTHUSIASM OUTSIDE THE MAIN GATES PD I HAD PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED FOR UMBERTO TO RETURN TO NAPLES THIS AFTERNOON BUT I TOLD HIM THAT IF BONOMI HAD NOT COMPLETED HIS CABINET IN TIME TO GET THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL'S APPROVAL HE MIGHT REMAIN IN ROME UNTIL TOMORROW AFTERNOON PD UMBERTO WAS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND IT WAS CLEARLY UNTOLD TO SEPARATE HIM FROM BONOMI AND THE POLITICIANS UNTIL THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN CONSTITUTED PD UP TO DATE THERE HAS BEEN NO TRACE OF HOSTILITY TO UMBERTO IN ROME PD IN FACT VERY MUCH THE REVERSE PD PARA TWO PD PART FOUR FOLLOWS

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE

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A.F.H.Q. MTD A.M.I.

PART TWO PD PARIS TO AFHQ FOR MAC GEN BRITISH PRIVATE SECRETARY MINISTER CHA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR AND G5 REPEATED HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARSE LATER IN THE MORNING I SAW BADOGLIO WHO HAD SEEN THE POPE AND THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL PD PARA TWO PD HE HAS ARRANGED FOR GENERAL INGRAO AND THE MARQUIS LUCIFERO CHA LATELY MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE CHA TO JOIN THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL'S XXXX PERSONAL STAFF PD THESE ARE TWO GOOD APPOINTMENTS AND SHOULD ASSIST THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL GREATLY PD HE HAS DISCUSSED SICILIAN QUESTIONS WITH BONOMI AND HE THOUGHT HE HAD PERSUADED BONOMI TO APPOINT ALDISIO CHA LATE MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR CHA IN PLACE OF MUZZETTO AS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR SICILY PD THIS SHOULD BE A BIG IMPROVEMENT PD PARA THERE PD BADOGLIO TOLD ME THAT HE HAD ADVISED THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL TO CONSULT THE OLD ORLANDO BEFORE GIVING HIS APPROVAL TO BONOMI'S SUGGESTIONS FOR HIS CABINET PD PARA FOUR PD PART THREE FOLLOWS

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M.E.L. MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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CASE HE WOULD HAVE NO CHANGE PD AS REGARDS AVIATION I SAID THAT AS SANDALI WAS BEING REPLACED IN ANY CASE DBA IT WOULD APPEAR BOUND TO APPOINT A CIVILIAN MINISTER AS THE ONLY OTHER SUITABLE AIR FORCE OFFICER ONE GENERAL PIACENTINI DBA COULD ILL BE SPARED FROM HIS OPERATIONAL APPOINTMENT PD AS REGARDS THE ARMY I SAID THAT ORLANDO HAD PROVED ADEQUATE BUT THAT I HELD NO STRONG VIEWS ON THIS APPOINTMENT PD BONOMI SAID THAT HE WAS PROBABLY GOING TO APPOINT PICARDI WHO WAS FOR A SHORT TIME MINISTER FOR CONGRESS IN THE ORIGINAL BADOGLIO HOME GOVERNMENT AND WHO HAS BEEN SERVING AS A RESERVE OFFICER WITH THE ITALIAN CORPS AT THE FRONT EVER SINCE PD PARA FIVE PD FAVT TWO FOLLOWS

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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GENERAL MACFARLANE

PERSONAL FOR PERRY

DSB 11:46
14 JUN 1944

Ask de Nicola to dine with me tonight 2030. Tell him to be prepared to fly to Rome early tomorrow to contact Bonomi. Am making necessary arrangements.

000 - Harold Phillips
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EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

FIFTH ARMY (MACFARLANE)

FREEDOM FOR SAC US POLITICAL ADVISER BRITISH RESIDENT C-5
REPD MAI FOR GEN ALEXANDER, ACC MAIN FOR PERRY FOR KIRK AND CHARLES.

DSB...1102

11 JUN 1944

My immediately preceding telegram. Political meeting in Rome today was attended by following. Non-party. Badoglio Bonomi and Sforza. Liberals. Croce and Casati. Christian Democrats. Rodino and De Gasperi. Labour Democrats. Cerabona and Ruini. Party of Action. Ciancs and Ramalfa. Socialists. Longobardi from Nenni. Communits. Togliatti and Scoccimaro. Before the meeting started I gave short address in which I called on the meeting to sink party disputes and form representative coalition government. I reminded them also of their obligations to the Allies both as regards all engagements now in force and the institutional question. I then left them to it.

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FREEDOM FOR SAC ON POLITICAL ADVISOR BRITISH MINISTER RESIDENT GS
RPTD AAA FOR GEN ALEXANDER AND AGO FOR TERRY FOR ZINK AND CHALES

5 ARMY FROM MACFARLANE

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ROME FROM

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11 JUN 1944

MEETING TOOK PLACE IN ROME TODAY BETWEEN BADOGLIO AND SEVEN MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET AND LEADERS OF 6 PARTIES IN ROME. THE PARTIES WERE DIVIDED IN THEIR SUPPORT OF BADOGLIO BUT DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY TO SERVE UNDER COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION AND FORMER PRIME MINISTER. BADOGLIO REPORTED THE LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM ARCHBP JURIDAL THIS EVENING. LATER THE LIEUT SENT FOR BONOMI AND INVITED HIM TO FORM A GOVERNMENT. BONOMI ACCEPTED. AFTER BADOGLIO HAD SEEN LIEUT I SAR LIEUT AND (ANY) INTERVIEWED UPON HIM THAT THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS INSISTED THAT ANY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD RECAPTURE THE UNDERTAKINGS GIVEN BY BADOGLIO LAST GOVERNMENT ON THE SUBJECT OF OBLIGATIONS TO ALLIES AND THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION. I AM PERMITTING BADOGLIO PARTY AND CROWN PRINCE TO REMAIN IN ROME UNTIL 1700 HOURS TOMORROW JUNE 12TH AND THERE APPEARS TO BE REASONABLE PROSPECT THAT BONOMI WILL COMPLETE FORMATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT BY THAT HOUR. LIEUT RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTIC SPONTANEOUS OVATION TODAY LIEUT VISITED VATICAN THIS AFTERNOON AND STAYED FOR TWO HOURS.

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ACC NAVY FOR PERRY

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10 JUN 1944

Inform Kirk and Charles that all parties have arrived safely. Discussions in progress. Badoglio got good reception from public. MEA Badoglio party plus myself Capo di Chino 1915 Friday.

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GEN MACFARLANE

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7 JUN 1944

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I AM ARRIVING ROME TONIGHT TO ARRANGE DETAILS OF THE POLITICAL CONFERENCE TOMORROW PD PAREN TO FIVE ARMY PERSONAL FOR GENERAL CLARK FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN I PROMISE I WILL BE GOOD PD TONY ARRIVES ROME TOMORROW AND I HOPE TO HAND HIM OVER TO YOU PERSONALLY

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Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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URGENT
GEN MACFARLANE (C COMM)

YOUR TELEGRAM OF YESTERDAY RECEIVED FD PAREL TO AAI FOR 8 FORCE PERSONAL FOR REBER AND CACCIA FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREL POLITICAL SITUATION DOES NOT PERMIT DELAY FD UNDER ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY AAI BADOGLIO AND PARTY ARRIVE ROME TOMORROW FD I WILL ARRIVE MYSELF BY CAR TONIGHT

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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6th. June, 1944.

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PROGRAMME.

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

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Reference my telegram No. 1538 of 5th. June, I enclose herewith translations of the texts of:-

1. Badoglio's letter to the King.

2. The document in which the King transferred his powers to the Crown Prince as Lieutenant of the Realm.

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MAJOR GENERAL MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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British Resident Minister
American Political Adviser

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TRANSLATION

VICTOR EMANUEL III

BY THE GRACE OF GOD AND THE WILL OF THE NATION

KING OF ITALY

With the report of the President of the Council of Ministers and having heard said Council;

We have ordered and order as follows:

Our beloved son, UMBERTO DI SAVOIA, Prince of Piemonte, is appointed our Lieutenant General. With the report of the responsible Ministers, he will discharge in our name all the affairs of administration and will exercise all the Royal prerogatives without exception, signing the Royal Decrees, which will be countersigned and approved in the usual manner.

We order whom this may concern to comply with the present decree and to have it observed as Law of the State.

Given at Ravello, 5 June 1944.

Signed: VITTORIO EMANUELE

Countersigned: PIETRO BADOGLIO

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS

Salerno, 5 June 1944

TO H.M. THE KING

RAVELLO

I have studied with General Sir Noel Mason MacFarlane the possibility of complying with the warm desire expressed by your Majesty, namely to arrange that the signature of the act of Lieutenancy come about in Rome or in the territory of Rome.

With General Sir Noel Mason MacFarlane we have had to agree that for several days it will not be possible to effect the trip of your Majesty either by ordinary way or by air.

Therefore, contrary to what was expressed by your Majesty, I beg of you that the act be signed at Ravello.

THE MARSHAL OF ITALY
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
(Pietro Badoglio)

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16 JUN 1944

6 June 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO: A.A.I. Personal for General Lemnitzer.

Reference telephone conversation this afternoon, the following is the program for the trips to Rome on Wednesday 8 June,

1. Badoglio's party. This will consist of the following; Croce; Bodino; Cerabona; Togliatti; together with representatives of Socialist and Action parties, not yet nominated; Sforza will probably be in the party; Badoglio's ADC. Col. Valenzano; myself and two of my staff. Total 12.

We will be at Capodichino aerodrome ready to embark at 0800 hours. The party will drive direct to Rome on arrival at Rome or other airport.

On arrival in Rome, party will drive to rendezvous where Rome political leaders will have been assembled by Reber and Caccia.

The Italian politicians will spend the day in political discussions, and the Marshal's party will leave Rome to return to Naples by air in time to reach Naples by 2000 hours.

2. Crown Prince's Party. The party will consist of the Crown Prince and two of his staff, with one Allied liaison officer.

The party will leave Capodichino at 1230 hours in Crown Prince's own aircraft.

On arrival at Rome or other airport, the party will be driven straight to the Quirinal, where the Crown Prince will remain throughout his stay in Rome. He will leave the Quirinal once only, probably in the late afternoon, to visit the Pope.

The Crown Prince's party will stay the night in the Quirinal and will return to Naples by air early a.m. on 9 June.

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Notes. It is requested that the following arrangements be made:

1. Aircraft for Badoglio's party to be ready for embarkation at Capodichino by 0300 hours on 8th.

2. Crown Prince's aircraft to be flown to Capodichino on the 7th so as to be ready for him on the 8th.

3. Transportation for both Badoglio's and Crown Prince's parties to be at arrival aerodrome at Rome.

Transportation should, if possible, be at disposal of the parties during their stay in Rome.

I have made no arrangements with 5th Army or Rome Area as I presume you will have done this.

I have asked Peter and Caccia to collect Rome politicians at a rendezvous for the political discussions.

Rome Area should be asked to inform Quirino of intended arrival and stay of Crown Prince but information should be kept as secret as possible.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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I DISCUSSED QUESTION OF CROWN PRINCE'S FUTURE VISIT TO ROME AS LIEUTENANT OF REALM WITH BADOGLIO AND CROWN PRINCE THEN APPROVED BY ZONE OF ARMY FOR USE CMA PROVIDED VISIT DOES NOT MEDDLE CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND CA INCREASE HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FEEL AS MAIN FUNC MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARTY CROWN PRINCE AND BADOGLIO BOTH AGREED TO PROPOSAL OUTLINED IN PARA THREE OF MY MSGE TWO ZERO SIX OF FIFTH JUNE PT I AM MAKING ARRANGEMENTS ACCORDINGLY WITH AAI

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Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE (C CORPS)

THE ATTACHED PAROLLE EXECUTED THE DESIGNATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE CROWN PRINCE AS REGENT AND HEAD OF A ROYAL GOVERNMENT ACCEPTED THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH MILITARY MISSIONS AND GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM A.F.H.Q. AND GENERAL MACFARLANE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CROWN PRINCE ACCEPTED IT AND THE ATTACHED PAROLLE TO EFFECT WITH THE FORMATION OF A NEW GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE POLITICAL LEADERS NOW IN LIBERATED ROME IT IS ALSO EXPECTED THAT UNTIL THE NEW MINISTRY IS CONSTITUTED THE PRESENT MINISTRY IS TO REMAIN IN OFFICE TO DEAL WITH CURRENT MATTERS TO WHICH NO AGREED PRESS RELEASE ON THE ABOVE LINES IS BEING MADE

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MAJOR MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE (C COMS)

MY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALDERAM TO ALGIERS TO ARRIVE FOR SAC CMA ALLIED ROMANIC MISSION CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND CE MEDEAST HEADQUARTERS AT FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FOR ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FROM FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF RESOLUTION IT DECIDED BY AT THE MOMENT IN WHICH THE ALLIED HAD ASSUMED THE OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL CMA SOME MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT CMA RECOGNIZING CERTAINTY OF OPINION CMA DESIRED TO EXPRESS VIEWS FOR THE KNOWN STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE INTERVIEW WITH THE TIMES IT DID IT THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS MAINTAINED IN THAT THIS QUESTION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS SETTLED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENTAL DECLARATION IN THE MATTER OF THEIR RE THE GOVERNMENT CMA ANIMATED BY THE INTENTION TO FAVOR IN EVERY WAY THE DEVELOPMENT OF ANTICIPATED INTERVENTION IN THE ITALIAN SITUATION CMA HAS CONSIDERED HIMSELF UNDERSIGNED IN RECOGNIZING THE NECESSITY THAT THE ALLIED IN THE COMMON INTEREST ARRIVE AT THE EARLIEST MOMENT AT THEIR RESOLUTIONS INDISPENSABLE FOR A MORE EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION CMA PRESENT AND FUTURE CMA OF ITALY FOR THE ATTAINMENT OF THE COMMON AIMS OF THESE

MAJOR GENERAL MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COMM)

BADOGLIO CAME TO SEE ME IN NAPLES TODAY BY PLANE TO ASK FOR SAC C'S PERSON INTERVENE MINISTER CWA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND CO ROMA RE M[illegible]ACHUSCHINO AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL WORDS LAKA TSO BY HE TOLD ME THAT AT THE CABINET MEETING LAST NIGHT THE ACTION PARTY MINISTERS HAD PROPOSED THAT THE CABINET SHOULD REMOVE THEIR PROTESTS REGARDING THE CROWN PRINCE'S INTERVENTION AND [illegible] AND BADOGLIO OTHERS THEN STRONGLY AND A RESOLUTION WAS PASSED STATING THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS CONSIDERED THAT THE QUESTION SHOULD BE REGARDED AS FINALLY DISPOSED OF BY THE CABINETS PREVIOUS DECLARATION BY TEXT OF RESOLUTION WHICH WAS HANDED TO ME BY BADOGLIO IN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM

MAJ GEN MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner

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A.A.I.

6th. June, 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

SIR, PD MANY THANKS YOUR MESSAGE PD FAILED TO AAI FOR 5 FORCE PERSONAL FOR REBEL AND CACCIA FROM ACC MAIL FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FAILED TEO PD HAVE ARRANGED WITH AAI TO BRING HAROLD AND ALL PARTY LEADERS TO ROME ON THURSDAY THE EIGHTH PD TOTAL STRENGTH OF PARTY TWELVE INCLUDING MYSELF PD DEPART CAPOTICHINO ZERO EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS PD WILL TELEGRAPH DETAILS LATER PD AAI ARRANGING FOR TRANSPORT TO BE PROVIDED AT ARRIVAL AERODROME PD ADVISE PD RELY ON YOU TO HAVE ROME PARTY LEADERS COLLECTED AND AVAILABLE FOR CONFERENCE PD FOR ITS QUESTION OF CROWN PRINCE STILL UNDECIDED PD HOPE FOR EARLY ANSWER TO MY QUERY TO YOU ON THIS SUBJECT

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

CABINET

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6 JUN 1944

Salerno, 6 June 1944

At the moment in which the Prince has assumed the office of Lieutenant General, some members of the Government, representing currents of opinion, desired to renew their protests for the known statements contained in the interview with the "Times".

The majority of the Council of Ministers has maintained instead that this question should be considered as settled by the previous governmental declaration in the matter.

The Government, animated by the intention to favor in every way the development of anticipated improvements in the Italian situation, has therefore been unanimous in reaffirming the necessity that the Allies in the common interest arrive at the earliest moment at those decisions indispensable for a more effective collaboration, present and future, of Italy for the attainment of the common aims.

/s/ BADOGLIO

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GEN MACARTHUR

REFERENCE MY NOS TWO TWO FOUR FD PAGEN TO AFHQ FOR SAC CAA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER CAA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR AND GS REPEATED MARSHAL-

THIS NAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ADC MAIN FROM MACARTHURS PERSONAL PAGEN

AFTER CONSULTING THE HOLDERS OF THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT THE KING AGREED TO

SEE ALSO FD PARA TWO FD HE SAID THAT I MIGHT REST ASSURED THAT HE PROPOSED

TO DISAVOWAL DUPLICITY FROM THE MOMENTUM SOUTH AND THAT HE WAS QUITE

CONTENT TO BE RETIRING AT LAST TO THE POSITION OF AN ORNAMENT FD PARA THREE

FD HE SPOKE FOR SOME TIME ON THE SUBJECT OF THE CONSTANT STRAIN TO DEAL

FD HE FELT VERY STRONGLY ABOUT THIS AND WAS MOST DISGUSTED AT THE WAY IN

WHICH BADOGLIO AND MOST OF THE CABINET AND MANY OF THE SENIOR GENERALS

WERE SURVEYING FAVOUR WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND FOLLOWING THEIR LEAD FD

PARA FOUR FD HE SAID THAT IT WAS VERY REMARKABLE THAT THE ALLIED

GOVERNMENTS HAD NOT TAKEN THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED BY THE SIX PARTY PLAN

TO EVOLVE A COMPROMISE SOLUTION WHICH COULD HAVE GIVEN THEM THE TYPE OF

GOVERNMENT THEY REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF THEIR OWN EFFORTS INSTEAD OF

LEAVING IT TO THE RUSSIANS AND THE COMMUNISTS TO INITIATE AND GET THE

CREDIT FOR THE COALITION NOW IN OFFICE

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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FOR ACHARLAND

CROWN PRINCE ASKED US TO SEE HIM TONIGHT - I AGREED TO AND FOR HAD CHA
ELLSTON RESIDENT MINISTER HIS AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND GS R.A.F. LIAI
HEADQUARTERS AAI FOR DRINK AT ALEXANDER PRIOR ACC MAIN FOR MEDITERRANEE
PERSONAL PAPER. HE DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF HIS FIRST VISIT TO ROME AS
HE INTENDS TO PAY. ATTACHE TO ARRIVE AS SOON AS THE SAME DAY AS BADOGLIO
AND THE PARTY LEADERS WHO DESIRE FIRST TO BE PERSONS TO GO. TRAINS TO THE
CIVILIANS WORK HE WOULD STAY THROUGHOUT HIS VISIT IN ROME EXCEPT FOR PAYING
A VISIT TO THE POPE AS IS SUGGESTED WHICH OCCASION THAT HIS REQUEST MIGHT BE
GRANTED AS SOON AS I TOLD HIM THAT I SHOULD NOT AT THE MOMENT BADOGLIO
AND HIS GOVERNMENT WERE NOT IN FAVOUR OF THE CROWN PRINCE VISITING ROME
UNTIL AFTER THE GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN RECONSTRUCTED TO INCLUDE SOME
REPRESENTATION OF I SUGGESTED THAT HE SHOULD REFER TO BADOGLIO ON THE
QUESTION AND HE PROMISED TO DO SO AS SOON AS CONVENIENT AS I HAD
ALREADY DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION TODAY WITH BADOGLIO AND IT IS QUITE CLEAR
THAT HE AND HIS GOVERNMENT THINK IT UNWISE TO LET THE CROWN PRINCE VISIT
ROME DURING THIS INITIAL VISIT AS ON THE OTHER HAND IF WE WISH TO BUILD
UP THE CROWN PRINCE THERE IS MUCH TO BE SAID FOR ACCEDING TO HIS REQUEST.

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WITH WHICH IT WAS ORIGINALLY MY INTENTION TO COMPLY PD I THINK IT POSSIBLE THAT A COMPROMISE MIGHT BE FOUND BY LETTING BADOGLIO AND HIS PARTY ARRIVE IN ROME AT AN EARLY HOUR AND LEAVING IN THE LATE AFTERNOON WHILE THE PRINCE COULD ARRIVE DURING THE HOURS OF SIESTA AFTER LUNCH PROCEEDING STRAIGHT TO THE QUIRINALE AND VISITING THE POPE LATER ON SPENDING THE NIGHT IN THE QUIRINALE AND RETURNING TO NAPLES NEXT MORNING PD I WILL EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS AND LET YOU KNOW PD I WILL NATUSALLY BE GUIDED BY REPORTS I HAVE CALLED FOR FROM ROME AS TO THE NATURE OF THE RECEPTION THE PRINCE IS LIKELY TO GET

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ONE PD MANY THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE PD

TWO PD I AM ARRANGING WITH AAI TO BRING BADOGLIO AND HIS PARTY TO ROME ON WEDNESDAY THE SEVENTH OR FIRST DAY CONVENIENT TO YOU AFTER THAT DATE PD

THREE PD RULE DE KAI TO ARRANGE TO HAVE ROME PARTY LEADERS COLLECTED AND AVAILABLE FOR CONFERENCE PD

FOUR PD WILL LET YOU HAVE DETAILS LATER BUT PROPOSE AIR-TAXI ROME BETWEEN ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO AND ONE ONE ZERO ZERO LEAVING AGAIN ABOUT ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO PD IF MAY HAVE TO USE SECTUDO AERODROME BUT THIS IS NOT CERTAIN AND I WILL SEND YOU FULL DETAILS AS SOON AS I KNOW THEM PD

FIVE PD QUESTION OF CROWN PRINCE STILL UNDECIDED PD HOPE FOR EARLY ANSWER TO BE GIVEN TO KAI OR I IN SUBSEQUENT

Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM:

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Caracciolo has just come in to see whether there had been any answer to his earlier questions. When he learned that there had not, he said that, upon reflection, he had come to the conclusion that the only course open to the Actionists seems to be to nominate one of the most extreme oppositionists - i.e. Cianca - to accompany Marshall Badoglio and the leaders of the other parties to Rome.

He said that he would telephone at about 5:30 (thus after his party caucus will have been under way fro over an hour) to see whether there are any recent developments.

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I enclose herewith:-

1. A Letter and translation from Sforza to Bauer, head of the Action party in Rome.

Sforza told me that he wanted to communicate with Bauer to tell Bauer to keep the peace in Rome and above all to prevent any possibility of demonstrations hostile to Badoglio and the party leaders when they go to Rome.

You will see that his letter is not along those lines and my inclination is not to send it. Alternatively, if I do send it I think I ought to ask Sforza for another letter to go with it containing the instructions which he had told me he was going to send to Bauer.

I would be glad if you would let me know what you think and if you would send this on to the Hon. Alexander Kirk as I would be grateful also for his views.

2. A copy of a letter from Sforza to Badoglio which for some reason or other he saw fit to give to me. It is typical Sforza.

Sir Noel Charles, Bt., KCMG,
British High Commissioner for Italy.

NOEL BERKELEY MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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Naples, 3 June 1944

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Dear Richard Hayes:

A high British Authority offers me to write to you freely. Reply to me in the same manner, and at once; we have no secrets nor designs. The Coalition Cabinet to which I lent my name on April 21st was forced upon me by the Communist initiative accepted by the Parties. My initial repugnance to involve a spotless name with others at least open to question, is proof to me that I had to act thus: why risk a new "conviction" in front of people who are no longer poor King or poor Marshals, but the representatives of Soviet politics? In expectation of Rome, I had to at least attempt collaboration; I had to not free myself and - because my long fight against the King had in fact been won - and try to act for the honor of Italy from within. It is the more that it appeared necessary to me to show the world that the first free ministerial crisis was solved by us, in an orderly fashion, quickly, even after twenty years of fascist slavery.

Naturally this Cabinet is imperfect: is it not a coalition? Badoglio, of whom perhaps we should say: neither this excess of honor nor this indignity) in various cases has been very useful so at the time when his name permitted us to force without incidents the denial of the prince of Piemonte, proposed and written by me. It is harmful when, when ready to accept any evident proposal in any whatever camp, he opposes a tacit resistance to sanctions against generals guilty of the cowardliness and ruin of September. (but here I have the knife in hand in my capacity as High Commissioner for the crimes of Fascism; either I will be permitted to render justice also to glorious guilty generals or a scandal will occur. How could I lend my name to a final condemnation of the Italian People?)

Badoglio can also consider himself useful for his absolute indifference concerning the King as well as the Lieutenancy (which place he would be glad to accept if offered to him); it is harmful because his past errors (which privately he admits, even those after July 25th) make him never a serious liability for the moral reconstruction of the country.

I only want to do my duty: I know that the Monarchy is finished; that the Lieutenancy is merely a legal and international means of arriving at the Constituent of the postwar period. Nor have I accepted calmly twenty years of persecution by a regime which all those Badoglios despised in private and praised in public to end up as a Pouche of people whom I despise greatly and whom I esteem little. While desiring ardently to come to Rome immediately also to see you and the other few real men, I do not believe I could go in the orchestra following of H.E. the Prince of Piemonte, defamator of Italy in the columns of the Times. I try to avoid the error of going along with him.

What shall I do, now that Rome will be free and an even greater part of Italy will be able to speak?

On the one hand I feel it my duty to resign to facilitate a freer decision, and also [illegible] so that my name remain perfectly spotless in the service of Italy.

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On the other hand it will not do to give to the world pretexts to criticize "immature very nervous" Italians by resigning without obvious reason for all . My decision must depend essentially from your opinion and from your solemn manifestation.

Badoglio assures me that the National Committee of Liberation has indicated to him its full agreement and has left to him every contact with our Patriots; he added that Benedivenga has placed himself at his complete disposal. If this and other things be true, I could continue to sacrifice my name. But I have serious reasons to doubt the complete authenticity of all this.

It is up to you, my friends, to let me know. From your attitude will depend mine. Certainly I entered into the Government as an independent, but my relations with the P. d' A. are too well known to dare consider as a blow on the head that which would be a natural alignment with you.

A last word: ready to sacrifice myself and remain if at Rome it is desired that in its makeup the Cabinet still continue; ~~XXXXX~~ I cannot hide for you that I am more and more worried by a strange rising and ascending collusion between Communists and Generals. Beware, I have no communist phobia; there must be. If I were Chief of the Government, I would be so certain of the efficacy of my direct contact with the Masses to whom I would offere with obvious sincerity slow and difficult progress but not immediate miracles which I know ~~that~~ I would be believed; and the Communists defeated. But with "power" in the hands of the ~~XXXX~~ bourgeois without fresh moral forces and of military men only thinking of their material interests, the Communists are a strong force. A common cynicism unites them all. It is wise that there be no reserves in the Country?

As you see, bound by a most recent inevitable past I can with difficulty make myself the initiator of gestures which the mediocre would interpret as personal restless ambition; but I feel all the painful uncertainty of a situation which every day appears to me more artificial and less fruitful; all the more that I had hoped with my sacrifice for international betterments for Italy which do not come about; personally I would be happy if , becoming free again, I ~~XXXX~~ had known how to interpret even your most intimate thoughts. But for this you should express yourself clearly; otherwise I should fear to give in to the growing disgust of an atmosphere of which I feel more and more the ~~XXXX~~ weakness and insincerity.

And I do not wish to yield to personal sentiments.

Affectionately Yours

/s/ Carlo Sforza

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xxxxx Naples, 3 June 1944

Rec'd 3 Jun 44
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Dear Badoglio,

Our duty is to keep things going; not to irritate them. Therefore, I will not place any importance upon the Alungia incident which you deplored to me. As for others, it would seem perhaps less credulous to me in view of the fact that secret agents collaborated intimately with the Germans up to yesterday (one of their most trusted members is in jail today as a spy) and who dare to pronounce that a "man of sfarm" is too suspicious to go with them. (Perhaps Alungia was also unworthy of their trust because duck during the past week he went voluntarily to beak the Germans in Spandau)

But I cannot disinterest myself from the directives for the occupation of Rome. Information comes to me from reliable sources that the people of the SIM (which is accompanied by a group of hundreds) are preparing an intensive and sectarian artificial monarchical publicity for Rome. I cannot subscribe to similar manoeuvres. An agreed political scheme is to be adopted also in connection with the immediate or not immediate departure of the Prince.

Along with De Gasperi and Croce, I am the author of the "Luogotenenza" (deputyship) system; with full loyalty I accept on me such all the consequences and I will recommend always--from the government or without--that every discussion about Monarchy or Republic be set aside until the Germans have been ousted. I have also recommended warmly to my friends to forget the incredible interview with the Times.

But ultimately, a bit of intelligent loyalty towards the Prince should impose the obligation not to exasperate publicity schemes. Does one really want to ruin him? Or start a civil war? Do we not have enough strife sacrifices mourning and pain and hatred?

It seems to me that on these matters an exchange of ideas either in the Cabinet or in with a small group of interested Ministers, or with me alone should take place immediately.

Not in embarrassed silence, but in the fullest reciprocal frankness does the vitality and the strength of a Cabinet lie.

P.S. The Rome Circular, as I have officially replied to you, covers a territory altogether different from mine as High Commissioner.

As such, it is well that Rome should know that I can place an accusation against anyone without consulting anyone; and as a member of the Government think that I try to act in full accord with the Military Ministers and rather get along well with them and the Government. But for this they must cooperate. It would be well if you would tell Rome and them to visit with me immediately.

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FOREIGN OFF GAC, BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER, AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR, G-5 HFT AAI FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER.

PARA ONE BADOGLIO TOLD ME TODAY THAT AT A CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY THE CABINET HAD CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF THE KING GOING TO ROME STOP ITEM HAVE DEALT WITH THIS IS MY TELEGRAM NUMBER 224 STOP PARA TWO THE CABINET HAD ALSO CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF THE CROWN PRINCE AS LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM GOING TO ROME WITH BADOGLIO AND HIS PARTY LEADERS WHEN THEY MAKE THEIR VISIT TO CONTACT THE ROME POLITICAL PARTIES AND PROVIDE FOR THEIR INCLUSION IN THE GOVERNMENT STOP THE CABINET DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY THAT IT WAS IN THE INTEREST OF THE CROWN PRINCE HIMSELF AND OF THE PROSPECTS OF THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE ROME PARTIES THAT THE CROWN PRINCE SHOULD NOT GO TO ROME UNTIL AFTER THE CABINET CHANGES HAD BEEN ARRANGED STOP PARA THESE ACTION PARTY MEMBERS HAD RAISED THE QUESTION OF THE DESIRABILITY OF ACCEPTING THE CROWN PRINCE AS LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM STOP BADOGLIO HAD REMINDED THEM OF THE UNDERTAKINGS GIVEN BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE ALLIES NOT TO RAISE QUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION UNTIL ALL ITALY HAD BEEN LIBERATED STOP BADOGLIO WAS STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY TOGLIATTI STOP THE QUESTION IS BEING CONSIDERED AGAIN AT A CABINET MEETING TONIGHT AND BADOGLIO INFORMED ME THAT HE WAS GOING TO TAKE A VOTE ON THE ACTION PARTY MOTION STOP HE THOUGHT HE WAS QUITE CERTAIN OF THE SUPPORT OF ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET AND IF THE ACTION PARTY PERSISTED IN THE CONTENTION THAT THE CROWN PRINCE COULD NOT BE ACCEPTED AS LIEUTENANT OF THE REALM BADOGLIO PROPOSES TO ACCEPT THEIR RESIGNATION STOP PARA FOUR THE PARTY WHO WILL ACCOMPANY BADOGLIO TO ROME TO CONTACT THE ROME POLITICAL LEADERS AS SOON AS

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CERABONA CMA LONGHARDI AND TOGLIATI STOP PARRI TO FREEDOM FOR SAC CMA BRITISH
RESIDENT MINISTER CMA AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER CMA GEORGE KASH FIVE EYE AAI
FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARRI BADOGLIO
IS NOT YET CERTAIN WHO IF ANYBODY WILL BE SELECTED TO REPRESENT THE ACTION
PARTY

AUTHENTICATED:

F. N. MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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AFTER OBTAINING ALL CLEAR FROM GENERAL ALEXANDER I ARRANGED TO SEE THE KING AT NAVELLO THIS AFTERNOON TO TAKE TO FOREIGN OFFICE AND C.O.S. THE BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER, CAIRO, AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER AND G DASH FIVE HEADQUARTERS MEDITERRANEAN FORCE ACC BATH PARIS. IN ADDITION TO REQUESTS SUBMITTED TO SEE THE KING HAD ASKED BADOGLIO AS PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO BE ALLOWED TO PERFORM THE ACT OF TRANSFER OF POWERS TO THE CROWN PRINCE IN ROME AND ROME PROVINCE AS HIS REQUEST WAS CONSIDERED BY THE CABINET YESTERDAY AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE ACT MUST BE PERFORMED AS SOON AS ALLIED TROOPS REACH ROME AND THAT IF IT WERE NOT POSSIBLE FOR OPERATIONAL AND TRANSPORTATION REASONS TO HAVE THE KING IN ROME IMMEDIATELY OWING TO DELAY IN SIGNING THE ACT OF TRANSFER COULD BE PERMITTED AND IT WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE AT ONCE IN NAVELLO IN PARA TO THE KING REPEATED HIS PLEA TO BADOGLIO AND WHEN INTERVIEW TO I EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT IT WAS ABSOLUTELY NOT POSSIBLE TO DISCUSS THIS TO SUIT THE MOST TEN DAYS AND THAT THERE COULD BE NO QUESTION OF DELAYING SIGNATURE OF ACT OF TRANSFER FOR SO LONG A PERIOD IN PARA THE KING SAID THAT HE ACCEPTED THIS AS INEVITABLE BUT THAT BEFORE SIGNING THE ACT OF TRANSFER HE WISHED BADOGLIO AS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO GIVE TO HIM A LETTER EXPLAINING THAT IT HAD NOT POSSIBLE TO MEET THE KINGS WISHES AND THAT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR THIS TRANSFER DOCUMENT TO BE SIGNED AT ONCE PD IN CONSULTATION WITH HIMSELF CRA BADOGLIO WROTE A LETTER TO THE KING ON THE ABOVE LINES STATING THAT AFTER CONSULTATION WITH HE IT

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WAS CLEAR TO HIM THAT THE KING COULD NOT IN THE MEANTIME PROCEED TO ROME AND THAT A TRANSFER DOCUMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE SIGNED IMMEDIATELY PD PARA THE KING THEN SIGNED A DOCUMENT OF TRANSFER WHICH I HAD PREVIOUSLY READ OR THE TELEPHONE TO CHARLES AND KIRK PD I HAD ALSO HAD IT APPROVED BY MY LEGAL ADVISORS PD PARA I AM FORWARDING SEPARATELY THE TEXTS OF BADOGLIOS LETTER TO THE KING AND OF THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT WHICH WAS SIGNED BY THE KING AND COUNTERSIGNED BY BADOGLIO AS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS PD PARA A BARE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FACT THAT THE KING HAS TRANSFERRED HIS POWERS INCLUDING THE TEXT OF THE TRANSFER DOCUMENT HAS BEEN AGREED BETWEEN BADOGLIO AND MYSELF AND IS BEING ISSUED TO THE PRESS TONIGHT

AUTHENTICATED:

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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GEN MACFARLANE

HQ. AAI

I AM HOPING TO GET TRANSFER DOCUMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE KING THIS AFTERNOON PD HQ AAI FOR
PAPEN TO/S FORCE PERSONAL FOR REBER AND CACCIA FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL
PAPEN WILL WIRE YOU AT ONCE WHEN ACCOMPLISHED PD PARA TWO PD I WANT EARLIEST
POSSIBLE INFORMATION OF POLITICAL BACKGROUND IN ROME ET IF EARLY ARRIVAL OF BADOGLIO
AND PARTY LEADERS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN TRANQUILLITY OR PREVENT DISCORD I CAN BRING
THEM ALONG AS SOON AS CAN BE ARRANGED WITH FIFTH ARMY AND AAI PD IN ANY EVENT IF
PRACTICABLE VISIT SHOULD TAKE PLACE BEFORE END OF THIS WEEK PD PARA THREE PD LET
ME KNOW EARLIEST POSSIBLE WHETHER YOUR ENQUIRIES INDICATE THAT THE CROWN PRINCE WOULD
BE LIKELY TO RECEIVE UNFAVOURABLE RECEPTION [illegible] IF VISITS ROME

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Lieutenant-General,
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MEMORANDUM TO: G-3, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. Badoglio informed me yesterday that he had communicated to the King the instructions contained in my letter to him, copy attached.

2. Badoglio was going to see the King today to impress upon him the need for immediate compliance and equally to confirm the fact that it would not be possible to permit the King to visit Rome, at least until after the Italian Government has been installed there.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM TO: C-in-C, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

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1. I saw Count Sforza yesterday.

2. He was in his most difficult mood.

3. He indulged in much criticism of Badoglio and complained that Badoglio seldom told him the truth and that he was convinced that Badoglio had some secret and unholy alliance with the Communists. He wrote off Croce as a baby.

4. He said that he was in a terrible dilemma at the moment, as he owed it to his many supporters in the North to resign from the Government, while on the other hand he did not wish to make things difficult for the Government and the Allies, as his resignation from the Government might have disastrous effects.

5. He stated very emphatically that it would be fatal to allow the Crown Prince to go to Rome until after it had been possible to reform the Government by including political representatives from Rome. He was convinced that if the Crown Prince went to Rome before this had been accomplished he would get a bad reception, and the position of the Government might be made very difficult.

6. Sforza stated that he was having considerable difficulty in preparing the first cases in which, as High Commissioner for Epuration, he was preparing to take action. He asked me again to help him, as far as possible, with any evidence at my disposal as regards his intended victims.

7. He mentioned the subject of epuration in the Army and said that he was far from satisfied that adequate steps would be taken if the matter was left in the hands of Badoglio and Messe and the Army. It would be necessary to make one or two examples, and he was going to insist on handling some of the outstanding cases himself. He gave me a copy of a note he had written to Marshal Messe, copy of which I attach.

MYLES MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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Naples, 1 June 1944

TO: H.E. Maresial Badoglio
President of the council of Ministers
Salerno

and for information

TO: H.E. Maresial Messe
Chief of the General Staff
P.M. 155

I reply to communication No. 2979 of May 30th.

The circular communicated to me by the Chief of E.M. Government, is most opportune in regard to "behaviour appraisal of officers", while art. 6 of the law entrusted to me concerns those military personnel or otherwise, "who have committed crimes against loyalty and military defense", threatening heavy penalties.

The "appraisal" provided by the circular may signify a valuable purification; but art. 6 aims at more complex and more general national aims of urgent moral character.

For desirable agreements in the service of common duty and for forthcoming eventual communiques to be agreed upon, I shall be pleased to meet Maresial Messe at the earliest possible moment.

When coming to Naples, he only has to telephone me at No. 16688 and I shall arrange to receive him at once if this is agreeable to him.

/s/ SFORZA

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TO: Allied Force Headquarters.
(ATTENTION: General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, G.B. British Resident Minister and American Political Adviser)

1. I have had the substance of the attached Aide Memoire communicated verbally to Count Aguarone for transmission to the King. Count Aguarone has passed this information to the King and informs me that the King is still extremely anxious to go to Rome and that unless he is permitted to do so it may be very difficult to induce him to carry out his undertaking to transfer his powers to the Crown Prince when the Allied troops reach Rome.

2. It is the King's wish to fly to Littorio aerodrome and to proceed to the Villa Savoia which is extremely close to the aerodrome and which would not involve entering Rome itself. There he would sign the transfer document and would then return at once to Navalle.

3. Yesterday evening I had a further talk with Badoglio on the subject.

4. Badoglio said that if the King were permitted to carry out his proposal he would have to take the Crown Prince with him and that the Crown Prince would definitely have to show himself in Rome. Badoglio considered that this would be most unwise as it was most probable that there would be hostile demonstrations and this would clearly prejudice the prospects of his own Government and successful fusion with the political parties in Rome. Badoglio asked whether the King might be allowed to go to Rome as suggested and make the transfer after the formation of the new Government. I replied that this was quite impossible as the King had contracted to make the transfer as soon as Allied troops reached Rome and any delay would have inevitable unfortunate repercussions not only in the Allied countries but in Italy.

5. Badoglio remained emphatic on the point that it was essential that he and the party leaders in liberated Italy should visit Rome at the earliest possible moment

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to effect contact and fusion with the Rome political parties. He was most hopeful of being able to reform his Government in the course of a visit of one day and agreed again that if further discussion were necessary this should be continued at Salerno.

6. Since my last talk with him he had, however, changed his mind on one point. He now considers that the Crown Prince should not be allowed to visit Rome until a day or two after the fused Government has been formed. He was very insistent on this point and is clearly anxious at the type of reception the Crown Prince will get unless he comes here under the umbrella of a Government including Rome representation.

7. I think it would be well to amend my original suggestions for action accordingly.

MAJOR MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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AIDE MEMOIRE

In reply to the requests made by the King, the Supreme Allied Commander has instructed me to communicate the following:-

(a) It will not be possible for the King to return to Rome in the meantime. H.M. is expected to carry out his undertaking to transfer his powers to the Crown Prince as soon as H.M. is informed officially that Allied troops have reached Rome.

(b) The question of H.M.'s return to Naples is under consideration. It will not be possible in the meantime.

Note by Chief Commissioner:

Communicated verbally by Monfort to Acquarone.

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3 June 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-5, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. During my talks with Badoglio and Sforza yesterday they both agreed unreservedly with my ban on any politicians or political agents being allowed to enter Rome before the party leaders go to Rome with Badoglio to contact the Rome political parties.

2. I have contracted to forward any communications which the parties in liberated Italy may wish to make in writing to the leaders of the parties in Rome.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

Copies to:

British Resident Minister
American Political Adviser
General Wilson (personal)

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MEMORANDUM FOR the Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

1. I enclose herewith translation of the suggested text for the King's transfer document for transferring the powers to the Crown Prince submitted by Count to the Cabinet at its last meeting.

2. I understand that the draft which Badoglio is presenting to the King for his approval today, follows closely the lines of Count's draft.

3. I hope to have the final text as agreed by the King within the next forty-eight hours.

[illegible]
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

2 Encl.

Copies to:

British Ambassador Macmillan
American Political Adviser
Caserta

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DRAFT OF THE KING'S DECLARATION ON THE DAY ROME IS TAKEN

(as submitted by Count Sforza to the Cabinet on June 1st, 1944.)

Putting into effect what I already stated on April 12th last, today that the Allied troops have entered Rome, I notify solemnly to the Italian People that I withdraw for always from public life:

and that I appoint as Lieutenant General my son, the Prince of Piedmont, to whom I transfer from this moment all functions and prerogatives, none excepted, which were my responsibility up to now as King:

Functions which he will exercise until, after the Germans have been driven from Italy, the Italian People will have decided sovereignly and freely on the institutional form of the State.

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RD, ACC, APO 887
Sec'y, CCS
2 June 0930
By

ACC MAIN PERSONAL FOR GENERAL MACFARLANE

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GENERAL WILSON

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4 JUN 1944

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REF YOUR M 219 OF 31 MAY. SUCH INFORMATION YOU MAY HAVE TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AS CONSIDERED ADVISABLE BY MURPHY AND MACMILLAN

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HEADQUARTERS
2 JUN 1944
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C.C.S. 870 Chiefs of Staff

See also M 220 (96)

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Ref. CC/P/355.

1st. June, 1944.

DSH 1048
7 JUN 1944

The Supreme Allied Commander has asked me to request you to let me have as soon as possible the text of the document and the terms of the announcement in which the King will transfer his powers to the Crown Prince as Lieutenant of the Realm when the Allied troops reach Rome.

I would be very grateful if you would let me have the above information at the earliest possible moment and I would like to stress the fact that the Supreme Allied Commander hopes that everything will be prepared and arranged in advance so that there will be no delay whatever in the act of transferring the powers of H.M. to the Crown Prince as soon as I inform you that Allied troops have reached Rome.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner.

S.E. Marshal Pietro Badoglio,
Il Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri.

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GEN MACFARLANE

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4 JUN 1944

A.F.H.Q.

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MY NUMBER MIKE TWO ONE NINE OF THIRTYFIRST MAY PD PAREN TO AFHQ PERSONAL FOR GENERAL ELSON FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN HAVE CONSULTED MACMILLAN AND MURPHY PD THEY AGREE THAT IT NECESSARY I SHOULD PUT ADVISORY COUNCIL IN THE PICTURE LEAVING FLUID THE ACTUAL WAY IN WHICH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PARTY LEADERS IN ROME WILL MAKE CONTACT

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NORL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COSS)

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PRIORITY

A.F.H.Q.

31st. May, 1944.

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4 JUN 1944 GEN MACFARLANE

KIRK AND CHARLES CONSIDER THAT IT MAY PROVE DESIRABLE TO INFORM ADVISORY COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT MEETING ON SECOND JUNE OF OUR SUGGESTED ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEALING WITH POLITICAL SITUATION WHEN WE REACH ROME PD PAREN TO AFHQ PERSONAL FOR GENERAL WILSON FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN PARA TWO PD I HAVE TOLD THEM THAT I MUST REFER QUESTION TO YOU BEFORE GIVING SUCH INFORMATION TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL PD PARA THREE PD KIRK AND CHARLES DEEM IT DESIRABLE TO GIVE SUCH INFORMATION DO YOU SHOULD APPROVE MY GIVING ADVISORY COUNCIL BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUR INTENDED ACTION AS AGREED WITH YOU AT CASERTA QUERY PD PARA FOUR PD RUSSIAN CMA FRENCH CMA GREEK AND YUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PRESENT AND WILL DOUBTLESS COMMUNICATE THE INFORMATION TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS PD PARA FIVE PD I WILL CONSULT MACMILLAN AND MURPHY ON THIS QUESTION TOMORROW AND LET YOU HAVE THEIR REACTIONS PD

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
LIEUTENANT-GENERAL,
CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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31 May

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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COMM)

27th. May. 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

- 3 JUN 1944

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SAW BADOGLIO YESTERDAY PD PAPER TO AIR FORCE SUBCOMMISSION FOR BOMBS DASH BURCARLET FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAPER HE HAS PROMISED TO REMOVE SANMAIT FROM OFFICE WHEN HE RECONSTITUTES HIS CABINET WHEN WE REACH ROME PD SHOULD THERE BE DELAY IN REACHING ROME HE WILL TAKE EARLIER ACTION PD I AGREED TO THIS BUT WILL PRESS HIM TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION IF DELAY EXCEEDS A FORTNIGHT PD HOPE THIS MEETS YOUR REQUIREMENTS PD PLEASE INFORM SLESSOR PD I ALSO INFORMED BADOGLIO OF PROVISION ALLIED AIRCRAFT FOR LAV AND ADDED THE AGREED CAVEAT PD BADOGLIO NATURALLY VERY PLEASED

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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27 May

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Ref. CC/G/349.

27th. May, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Headquarters, A.A.I.
(FOR General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson.
GBE, KCB, DSO, MC,
Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre).

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1. Reference my telegram No. M215 of today, I enclose herewith translation of the unsigned typewritten aide memoire given my yesterday by the King.

2. I am certain that we should not let it influence our decision not to let the King go to Rome before transferring his powers to the Crown Prince. nor before the Government and the Crown Prince have been firmly installed there.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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Copy to:-
General Sir Harold R. Alexander, GCB, CSI, DSO, MC.
Commander-in-Chief.
Headquarters, A.A.I.

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27 May

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His Majesty, The King as he has repeatedly affirmed, and officially declared to General MacFarlane on the 21st. February last, intends to re-enter Rome, Capital of the Kingdom, and there entrust to S.A.R. The Prince of Piedmont, the Lieutenant-Generalcy of the Kingdom.

The return of the King to the capital is held a condition necessary and essential for the Monarchy, for the Crown and for the prestige of the House of Savoy.

Any contract entered into away from the Capital would leave with many, if not the major portion of Italians, the impression of an act not voluntary but imposed by a Southern minority and tolerated by the Allies.

The Allies themselves and the Monarchy, which has for its first thought the wellbeing of the country, must not overlook any particular which will cement the moral union of the Italian people and reinforce the high common aim.

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27th. May. 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

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HEADQUARTERS A.A.I. REPEATED A.F.H.Q.

THE KING ASKED ME TO SEE HIM AT RAVELLO YESTERDAY PD PAPER TO HEADQUARTERS AAI PERSONAL FOR GENERALS ILSON AND ALEXANDER REPEATED AFHQ FOR OS CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAPER I SAW HIM AND THE CROWN PRINCE ALONE PD PARA TWO PD THE KING READ ME A LETTER WHICH HE HAD RECEIVED FROM BADOGLIO INFORMING HIM OF THE PROPOSED ARREST BY BADOGLIO AND MYSELF OF WHICH I INFORMED YOU IN MY NINE TWO ONE THREE OF TWENTY-FIFTH INST PD PARA THREE PD THE KING ASKED ME TO CONFIRM THAT BADOGLIOS COMMUNICATION WAS ACCURATE PD I DID SO PD PARA FOUR PD THE KING SAID HE HOPED THAT IN RE DASH FORMING HIS GOVERNMENT IN ROME BADOGLIO WOULD NOT OMIT THE LIBERAL ELEMENTS PD HE THEN URGED VERY STRONGLY THAT HE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO ABDICATE IN ROME AND MAKE THE TRANSFERENCE OF POWERS TO THE CROWN PRINCE IN ROME PD HE PLEADED HIS REQUEST VERY STRONGLY AND GAVE ME A SHORT NOTE STATING HIS CASE WHICH I WILL PRECIS IN SEPARATE TELEGRAM PD I TOLD HIM THAT I WOULD FORWARD HIS REQUEST TO THE PROPER QUARTERS AND LET HIM HAVE AN ANSWER EARLIEST POSSIBLE PD HE ALSO ASKED WHETHER HE MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO MOVE FROM RAVELLO TO NAPLES WHEN HE REACHED ROME AND HOPED HE MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO HAVE THE VILLA ELBA SO AS TO BE NEAR THE CROWN PRINCE BEFORE THE LATTER MOVED TO ROME PD I TOLD HIM THAT I WOULD HAVE THIS QUESTION

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21 Mar

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CONSIDERED PD PARA FIVE PD COMMENT PD I AM MOST STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ALLOWING THE KING TO ENTER ROME UNTIL THE CROWN PRINCE AND THE GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED THERE FOR SOME TIME PD I SAW BADOGLIO IN SALERNO AFTER MY MEETING WITH THE KING AND HE CONFIRMED THAT HE WAS EQUALLY STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ALLOWING THE KING TO GO TO ROME PD HE CONSIDERED THAT SUCH ACTION MIGHT WELL PREJUDICE GRAVELY THE PROSPECTS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND OF THE CROWN PRINCE PD I AM CONVINCED THAT WE OUGHT TO HOLD THE KING STRICTLY TO HIS UNDERTAKING TO TRANSFER HIS POWERS TO THE CROWN PRINCE QUOTE AS SOON AS ALLIED TROOPS REACH ROME UNQUOTE PD PLEASE AUTHORISE MY SO INFORMING THE KING IN YOUR NAME SOONEST POSSIBLE PD AS REGARDS MOVE OF KING TO NAPLES I CONSIDER THAT THIS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED AT ANY RATE UNTIL CROWN PRINCE AND GOVERNMENT ARE INSTALLED IN ROME PD PLEASE SAY IF YOU AGREE

3 C.O.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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26 MAY 1944

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25th. May. 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q. REPEATED HEADQUARTERS A.A.I.

DURING MY TALK WITH BADOGLIO YESTERDAY HE BROUGHT UP THE FOLLOWING POINTS PD PARA PD

AFHQ FOR G5 CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER REPEATED

HEADQUARTERS AAI PERSONAL FOR GENERALS WILSON AND ALEXANDER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE

PERSONAL PARA ONE PD HE SAID THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE FEELING IN THE COUNTRY AT THE

FACT THAT THE ITALIAN TROOPS NOW IN THE LINE WERE NOT BEING USED IN THE OFFENSIVE AND WERE

NEVER MENTIONED IN THE ALLIED COMMUNIQUES PD THE SUBJECT WAS DISCUSSED AT HIS LAST

CABINET MEETING AND A COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN SENT TO GENERAL ALEXANDER PD BADOGLIO FULLY

UNDERSTOOD THE DIFFICULTY OF INCLUDING THE ITALIAN CONTINGENT IN THE PRESENT OFFENSIVE BUT

HOPED THAT WHEN THE ADVANCE BECAME GENERAL THEY WOULD BE GIVEN THEIR OPPORTUNITY AND THAT

THEY WOULD BE MENTIONED IN COMMUNIQUES PD TWO PD BADOGLIO TOLD ME THAT HE HAD HAD MANY

REPORTS OF VERY BAD BEHAVIOUR BY MOROCCAN TROOPS TOWARDS THE CIVILIAN POPULATION DURING

THE RECENT ADVANCE OF THE FRENCH CORPS PD THERE HAD BEEN NUMEROUS CASES OF RAPE AND HE

BEGGED ME TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO HAVE THE MOROCCAN TROOPS RESTRAINED PD LETTER

FOLLOWS ON THIS SUBJECT PD THIRD PD BADOGLIO AGAIN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE ALLIED

GOVERNMENTS WOULD DO SOMETHING TO IMPROVE THE STATUS OF ITALY VIS A VIS THE ALLIES AT THE

EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT AND NOT LATER THAN OUR ARRIVAL IN ROME PD HE REPEATED ALL HIS

USUAL ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF HIS PLEA

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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25 May
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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COMM)

20th. May. 1944.

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PRIORITY

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21 MAG 1944

GEN MACFARLANE

BARI

YOUR LETTER DO SLANT WADB SLANT TWO THREE OF ONE SIX MAY FD FABEN TO AIR FORCES SUBCOMMISSION PERSONAL KOT AVM BOWEN BASH BUSCARLET FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL FABEN I DO NOT ANTICIPATE MUCH DIFFICULTY IN GETTING BADOGLIO TO DISMISS SANDALI AND APPOINT PIACENTINI FD HE HAS ALREADY HAD DIFFICULTIES WITH SOME OF HIS CABINET OVER RETAINING HIM IN OFFICE FD IF YOU CAN GIVE ME AN OK FROM AM LINNEL I WILL APPROACH BADOGLIO AT ONCE

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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14th. May, 1944.

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PRIORITY

GEN MACFARLANE.

A.V.M.S.

SUBJECT RECENT INTERVIEW GIVEN BY CROWN PRINCE TO TIMES CORRESPONDENT AND RESOLUTION ON THIS SUBJECT PASSED BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FD PARAS TO ADVG FOR MGO CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARAS PARA TWO FD HAVING RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT THE CROWN PRINCE WAS CONTEMPLATING PUBLISHING A REPLY TO THE CABINET'S RESOLUTION I VISITED HIM LAST NIGHT FD PARA THREE FIX I FOUND HIM OBVIOUSLY UPSET AND MOST ANXIOUS TO REFUTE PUBLICLY REMARKS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM BY THE TIMES CORRESPONDENT FD AFTER A LONG TALK IN WHICH I URGED HIM VERY STRONGLY NOT TO REOPEN THE WHOLE UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT HE AGREED NOT TO DO SO PROVIDED NO FURTHER PUBLIC MENTION WAS MADE ON THE SUBJECT FD HE PROMISED THAT IN ANY EVENT HE WOULD CONSULT ME BEFORE RAISING THE QUESTION HIMSELF FD I ASSURED HIM THAT FOR MY PART I WOULD DO MY BEST TO SEE THAT NO FURTHER PUBLICITY WAS GIVEN TO THE MATTER FD PARA FOUR FD I HAD PREVIOUSLY WRITTEN PRIVATELY TO BADOGLIO ASKING HIM TO ENSURE THAT NO FURTHER REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE CASE IN PUBLIC AND ASSURING HIM THAT I WOULD ENDEAVOUR TO PERSUADE THE CROWN PRINCE FROM RAISING THE QUESTION AGAIN ON HIS SIDE FD I HAVE RECEIVED IN REPLY A CATEGORICAL ASSURANCE

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FROM BADOGLIO THAT AS FAR AS THE GOVERNMENT IS CONCERNED NO FURTHER PUBLICITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THIS CASE UNLESS THE CROWN PRINCE REOPENS IT HIMSELF PD BADOGLIO ADDED THAT THE WHOLE INCIDENT IS BEST REGARDED AS ENTIRELY CLOSED AND HE IS SENDING A CONFIDENTIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OWN TO URGE THE CROWN PRINCE TO LET THE MATTER DROP PD BADOGLIO EXPRESSED HIMSELF AS VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE ACTION I HAD TAKEN

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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15 MAG 1944

12th. May. 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COM)

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PRIORITY

A.F.N.C.

IN THE COURSE OF TODAY'S CONVERSATION BADOGLIO MENTIONED THE FOLLOWING POINTS PD ONE PD FAILED TO ASK FOR MOS OWN BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER THEN ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARTY HOWEVER MUCH SFORZA MAY CLAIM TO BE AN ELDER STATESMAN WITHOUT ANY PARTY TIES CMA HE IS IN FACT VERY DEFINITELY THE LEADER OF THE ACTION PARTY PT TWO PD BADOGLIO EXPECTS THE ARMISTICE PRICE FOR ITALY TO BE PASSED BY THE CABINET AND SECRET TOMORROW PD THEN PD THE EXPIRATION DECREE IS NOW PRACTICALLY AGREED IN FINAL FORM AND WILL BECOME LAW AFTER SCRUTINY BY ACC PD FOUR PT BADOGLIO NO LONGER PROPOSES TO REPLACE SANDALI AS AIR MINISTER BY FIADONINI PD SANDALI [redacted] IN OFFICE UNLESS TIL ALLIED AUTHORITIES DECIDE THAT [redacted]

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

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ACC MAIN (GEN MACFARLANE C COMM)

12th. May. 1944.

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PRIORITY

GEN MACFARLANE

DSM 230
18 MAG 1944

A.F.H.Q.

I SPOKE VERY STRONGLY TO BADOGLIO TODAY AND STRESSED THE EXTREMELY UNFORTUNATE IMPRESSION WHICH THE GOVERNMENT'S RESOLUTION OF YESTERDAY REGARDING THE CROWN PRINCE'S PRESS INTERVIEW WOULD INEVITABLY HAVE IN PARIS AND ALSO FOR MYSELF AND BRITISH AND AMERICAN OFFICIAL CIRCLES FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE'S PERSONAL POINT OF VIEW. BADOGLIO SAID HE WAS FULLY AWARE OF THIS AND NATURALLY REGRETTED THE WHOLE AFFAIR VERY MUCH BY ON THE OTHER HAND HE SAID THAT IF I HAD SEEN THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION AS PROPOSED BY SFORZA AND CROCE HE THOUGHT I WOULD CONSIDER THAT HE HAD ACHIEVED A CONSIDERABLE SUCCESS IN GETTING IT WATERED DOWN TO PARA TWO IN DISCUSSION WITH CROCE AND DE NAPOLI HAS ALL MADE VIOLENT SPEECHES AND TOGLIATTI ALSO HAD SPOKEN IN FAVOUR OF THE RESOLUTION THOUGH IN LESS VIOLENT TERMS BY THE ACTION PARTY HAD THREATENED TO RESIGN UNLESS A RESOLUTION ON THE SUBJECT WAS PASSED AND BADOGLIO THOUGHT IT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF HIS GOVERNMENT AND THE ALLIES TO FORCE THE ISSUE TO THIS POINT BY PARA THREE BY BADOGLIO CONTINUED ONCE AGAIN THE FOLLY OF THE CROWN PRINCE'S PRESS INTERVIEW AND BLAMED THE PRINCE'S PERSONAL STAFF EVEN MORE SO HE TOLD ME THAT HE WAS GOING TO HAVE THEM ALL DISMISSED AND THAT HE WAS NOW ARRANGING FOR THEIR REPLACEMENT BY THE REPLACEMENTS WOULD INCLUDE GENERAL PRALERON CBA COLONEL LUZZI AND AT LEAST ONE

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PERSONAL CIVILIAN POLITICAL ADVISER

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner

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18 MAY 1944

Political Section

AFHQ

A BULLETIN FROM A LENGTHY CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY A COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED IN THE EVENING FROM WHICH IT APPEARS THAT THE ONLY SERIOUS BUSINESS EFFECTED WAS THE APPROVAL IN A LARGE PART OF THE DEFASCISTIZATION DECREES PD PAPEN TO APPLY FOR GENERAL WILSON AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISOR AND BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER FROM ACC MAIN REPX MACFARLANE PAPEN APPARENTLY MUCH TIME WAS CONSUMED IN A DISCUSSION OF THE CROWN PRINCE'S RECENT INTERVIEW GIVEN TO THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON TIMES IN WHICH HE INDICATED THAT THE ITALIAN PEOPLE HAD A CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITALY'S ENTRANCE INTO THE WAR PD THE CABINET COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT WHILE THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS CAN REFERRING TO THE INTERVIEW THAT THE PRINCE OF PIEDMONT GAVE THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON TIMES AND HOLDING THAT IT IS NOT IN THE CONSTITUTIONAL AND DEMOCRATIC TRADITION THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CROWN MAKE POLITICAL STATEMENTS NOT AGREED BY THE GOVERNMENT CMA THE COUNCIL THEREFORE UNANIMOUSLY REFUTES ANY IMPUTATION DIRECTED TOWARD THE PEOPLE IN REGARD TO ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FASCIST WAR PD ENDQUOTE

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12 Attachments

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PARA THE CABINET ALSO APPOINTED A COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE CONSTITUTION OF A CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY BUT NO DECISION WAS ANNOUNCED ABOUT THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM ON THE CABINET'S AGENDA NAMELY THE FATE OF VICTOR EMANUEL THE CABINET WILL HOWEVER MEET AGAIN TOMORROW MAY ONE THERE AND I AM SEEING BADOGLIO MEANWHILE

Content & Classification authenticated by:

L. T. MOMENT JR
2nd Lieutenant AGD
Adjutant

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COPY

From General the (O).Sir H.R.L.G. Alexander,
Commander-in-Chief,
H.Q.
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
AFM. ECHELON, C.M.F.

Ref on envelope only: 5001/12/CAO

6 May 44.

Dear Mason Mac.

Thank you for your letter of 28 April 44, regarding a report made by Admiral Morse on conditions among the civil population of NAPLES.

Since receiving your letter I have had an opportunity to examine the report in question. I must say that I agree with your point of view in this matter. I do not propose to make any form of official protest, but I intend to take the matter up personally with Admiral Cunningham when next I see him.

Whatever may be one's views, it is undoubtedly unwise to indulge in criticism, particularly when committed to writing of the work of others, unless one is in the position to verify facts very carefully. It so happens that some rather trenchant criticisms by your art experts on the work of the Royal Engineers in the Royal Palace, Naples, has also come before me today. The two cases are by no means parallel, but I feel they have this much in common that they represent a somewhat fiery criticism not entirely justified by the facts.

I wish to add that you have my full sympathy and support in your difficult job and I am sorry that you have been subjected to this annoyance, which you are quite justified in resenting.

Yours ever

(Sgd) H.R. ALEXANDER.

Lieut-General F.N. Mason Macfarlane, KCB., DSO., MC.,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

Notes: to Brig. Lush: A pity--I shall never understand this urge to put people with their backs up. MSM, 10/5.

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Ref. CC/P/273.

8th. May, 1944.

I enclose herewith a fuller account of my recent talk with Badoglio in which the latter told me of his intention to carry on after we reach Rome and of the Crown Prince's having already decided to invite him to do so.

2. From the point of view of avoiding any possible hiatus in the administration and of the probable awkward repercussions of a change of government at the moment of our reaching Rome, the retention of Badoglio and his Government in office provides an excellent solution. We ought to ensure that this Government gets every support from us and it is even more necessary to ensure that during the critical phase while we are assimilating Rome nothing is done to foment political controversies.

3. The present solution to the political problem is undoubtedly in our best immediate interests. Yet in spite of the fact that it has been made possible very largely through the recent change in the attitude of the Communist Party, there are not wanting elements in this country who are still strongly opposed to the retention of Badoglio as Prime Minister and continue also to be critical of the fact that the King has not actually abdicated.

4. In the absence of political censorship it is very possible that we may again find attempts to undermine the authority of the Monarchy and Badoglio. I know just how difficult any form of political censorship is. I do, however, hope that it may be possible to issue a strong directive to all concerned forbidding attacks on Badoglio and his Government and on the Monarchy until we are at any rate firmly established in Rome. It is the policy of the Allied Governments to support in the meantime at any rate the Monarchy and a broad-based Government. It is clearly illogical to permit attacks on the administration with which we are cooperating during a period of crisis and of potential political difficulty.

5. In the same connection, the fusion of political talent in Rome with the

existing Government...

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existing Government will have to be carried out as expeditiously and as smoothly as possible. Reber and Caccia will be entering Rome at the earliest possible moment and will, I hope, be able to keep in the closest touch with political developments in the city. It is essential that other individuals and organisations do not interfere during this very important period. In the light of past experience I wish to urge very strongly that a directive be issued informing all concerned that they must scrupulously refrain from endeavouring to influence the cabinet changes and the political developments during the period until we have become firmly established in the capital.

6. The exact wording of the two directives which I have suggested presents obvious difficulty as although I am convinced that they are most necessary we may lay ourselves open to considerable criticism if we commit ourselves to paper. Should you deem it more politic not to commit ourselves to writing I would be prepared to take the necessary action by meeting the heads of the various services concerned in this country and communicating your wishes to them verbally. I would be grateful if you would let me know as soon as possible your reactions to these suggestions.

7. General Alex. agreed that I should write you as above and Noel Charles has seen and agreed this letter.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, GBE, KCB, DSO, AFC,
Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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A.F.H.Q.

PLEASE ASK MACMILLAN TO SHOW YOU CHARLES TELEGRAM NUMBER SIX SAYING FD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GENERAL WILSON FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN IF EVERYTHING BADOGLIO TOLD ME COMES TO PASS WE WILL HAVE A MUCH MORE STRAIGHTFORWARD TASK THAN HAS HITHERTO SEEMED PROBABLE FD FROM MY OWN POINT OF VIEW CONTINUATION IN OFFICE OF BADOGLIO AND HIS GOVERNMENT WILL BE MUCH THE MOST SATISFACTORY SOLUTION FD THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT UP TO DATE BADOGLIO IS MORE THEN SATISFIED WITH THE WAY IN WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT IS PULLING TOGETHER FD PARA TWO FD I DID NOT TELEGRAPH REPORT OF MY TALK WITH BADOGLIO TO YOU AS I UNDERSTOOD CHARLES WAS TELEGRAPHING IT TO MACMILLAN

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Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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6th. May, 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

A.F.H.Q.

BADOGLIO TOLD ME YESTERDAY THAT HE WAS ENDEAVOURING WITH THE HELP OF DE NICOLA AND CROCE TO FORM A LIBERAL BLOC COMPOSED IN THE MAIN OF THE MANY ADHERENTS TO THE LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT PARTIES PD PARRI TO AFHQ FOR GENERAL WILSON OWA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC MAIN FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PARRI IT WAS HOPED TO FUSE THESE TWO PARTIES TOGETHER WITH THE LIBERAL PARTY AND OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE RIGHT AND CENTRE INTO ONE SINGLE PARTY WHICH WOULD BE KNOWN AS THE LIBERAL PARTY PD HE WAS VERY HOPEFUL OF SUCCESS AND CONSIDERED THAT THE FORMATION OF SUCH A BLOC WAS THE BEST POSSIBLE INSURANCE AGAINST POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMUNISTS AND SOCIALISTS

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Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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GEN MACFARLANE

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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Ref. CC/O/265.

4th. May. 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: "Knights of Liberty."

TO: Headquarters, A. A. I..

1. In continuation of my 330/8/CA of 28th. April and reference your telegram O-2611 of 29th. April.

2. I informed Badoglio that the movement known as the "Knights of Liberty' in Sicily could not be permitted.

3. I have now received information from Badoglio that he has issued specific orders to this effect.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION

File No. 1317

Palermo, 2 May 1944.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE GOVERNMENT

TO: GENERAL NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Chief of the Allied Control Commission
NAPLES

My dear General:

In reply to your letter of the 29th last, I inform you that in effect some individuals who identified themselves as exponents of the movement called "Cavalieri della Liberta" (Knights of Freedom) appeared before this Government declaring themselves ready to form volunteer units with the complete material and moral assistance of the Allies, which according to them they had already obtained.

It seems in effect that an American Officer had given some assurance in this matter.

After having interested the Supreme Command in the matter and having received a negative response to the development of the movement in question, in view of the unfavourable information concerning the reputations of the so-called exponents, the movement has had no success.

Specific orders have been given to the High Commissioner for Sicily to that effect.

Very cordially.

/s/ BADOGLIO

DRG WCC

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4 MAG. 1944

Ref. CC/G/251.

1st. May. 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Mr John Rayner,
Deputy Psychological Officer.
P. W. B..

Public Relations Director,
Allied Control Commission.

In reply to my query, A.F.H.Q. state there is no objection to giving publicity to the fact that Badoglio's Government has assumed all the obligations towards the Allies entered into by the previous Government.

NOEL MASON-MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

29 April 1944

MGS: 387.4

SUBJECT: Receipt of Acknowledgment by Italian Government

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
(Attention: Chief Commissioner)

Receipt is acknowledged of your note of 26 April 1944, Ref. CC/C/231, and of the undertaking by Marshal Badoglio, dated 24 April 1944, which it inclosed. The Marshal's letter is being transmitted to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, with a copy to the British Chiefs of Staff.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief of Section.

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INFORMATION HERE SHOWS FORMATION OF KNIGHTS OF LIBERTY MOVEMENT IN SICILY IS SPONSORED BY ITALIAN GOVT AND LEAD BY LT. COL. PAROLLI UMBERTO. IBS PALERMO STATE SOS YOUR HQ HAVE INSTRUCTED THEM TO ISSUE 150 UNIFORMS TO PROMOTE RECRUITMENT. NO PREVIOUS INTIMATION RECEIVED HERE. CINC AAI HAS INSTRUCTED GENERAL MASON MACFARLANE TO INFORM MARSHALL BADOGLIO THAT NO ENCOURAGEMENT OR ASSISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN BY ALLIED NATIONS AND THAT ITALIAN GOVT MUST TAKE STEPE TO STOP MOVEMENT. REQUEST YOU ISSUE ORDERS TO IBS NOT TO ISSUE UNIFORMS AND SUPPLY US WITH ALL INFORMATION YOU HAVE ON HOW THIS MOVEMENT WAS INITIATED.

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1 MAG 1944

Ref. CC/P/249.

29th. April, 1944.

I have received information from Sicily that a movement known as the Knights of Liberty is being started. I understand also that the High Commissioner has received a communication from the Italian Government directing him to encourage the movement.

2. I am also told that General MARIOTTI has heard that a certain Lieut-Col. PAPOLLI UMBERTO, who is apparently the head of the organisation, is stating that the Allies have given their approval and have promised arms, uniforms, equipment and rations.

3. I have referred the question to General Alexander and I am instructed to inform you that the Allies cannot give their approval to any such movement and will certainly give it no assistance. I am instructed further to ask you to take immediate steps to stop the movement.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

Marshal
S.E. Pietro Badoglio,
Capo del Governo.

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1 MAG 1944

29 April 1944

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MEMORANDUM TO: Military Government Section
Allied Force Headquarters
APO 512

1. With reference to telegram No. 2683 of 27 April, enclosed are copies of the English translation of the Government declaration of policy of the 27th April.

2. It is understood that the original draft of this declaration was made by Senator Croce after discussion with Admiral Badoglio. The draft was reviewed by the Ministers without Portfolio on April 26th and finally passed by the Cabinet at their first formal meeting on April 27th.

3. Copies of this memorandum and its enclosure are being sent to the British Resident Minister and the American Political Adviser.

For the Chief Commissioner:

ROBERT E. DAS
Major, A.U.S.
Secretary General

000.1 Public Safety

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29 Apr

1 MAR 1944

ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF GOVERNMENT DECLARATION

The Presidency of the Council of Ministers communicates:

The Council of Ministers held its first meeting this morning, with all Ministers, including those without portfolio. The Secretary of the meeting was the Secretary of State to the Presidency.

"The Council of Ministers, after full discussions, approved unanimously the following declaration which embodies the Government program:

"The program of the present Government is basically that of its origin and composition. Formed by representatives of the anti-Fascist parties, it is not the Government of those parties in competition among themselves but one of union for the good and honor of the Fatherland, to the end of bringing our full strength to the proper settlement of the vital and urgent problems of the hour.

"Many proposals which are well-known and of the utmost importance must be put aside now because they are not timely. First among these is the institutional form of the State, which cannot be decided until the country is fully liberated and the war ended. Then the Italian people shall be called together in free public meetings and, acting under universal suffrage, shall elect a constituent and legislative assembly.

"The Government will in due course present an electoral law inspired by these concepts.

"It should not be forgotten that two world wars have upset conditions of economic and moral life and changed social relations which call for profound reforms. According to their principles and tendencies, the various parties are prepared to contribute, but it should also be remembered that these reforms of governmental, political, administrative and economic organization cannot be carried out in the midst of a war and while Italy is cut into two parts, the greater part of which is still occupied by the enemy.

"The war, then, for the liberation of the Italian lands now invaded and in which to the foreign enemy has been joined the remnants of the nefarious Regime which for twenty-two years oppressed and led us to ruin - this war is our first and supreme objective.

"The war is already in progress. Our soldiers are giving proof of their ancient valor, the spirit of which the fallen regime destroyed by forcing our soldiers to take a road opposed to the centuries old history of the Italian people, and by depriving them also of the material means of fighting. With the renewed democratic Government, and with the obstacles which were separating us one from another removed, that same spirit will now reign once again in the hearts of all. As for the means of waging war, the Government will strive to provide them in ever increasing measure, in order to swell the contribution of our fighting men by the side of the valorous Allies. We also will consider it our duty to help by all means the efforts of the heroic patriots who, from whatever party they may come, are today united to free Italy and defeat hitlerite Germany.

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"To the moral exigency of the war is linked not only the severe punishment to be meted out to traitors, but also what we have now come to call 'epuration' - the feeling of security which we must give to Italians that they are no longer menaced by those who, having taken profitable part in the fallen regime, maintain the aspirations, habits and aims of that regime and thus work for the internal as well as external enemy.

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"This feeling of security can only be obtained by excluding dangerous elements from public life and administrative positions. It is not a passion for vengeance which prompts us to this task, because we all should like to be able to forgive and forget, to heal the wounds and to re-establish the primitive faith of Italians toward Italians. But this work is a necessity for the safety of our country, which must never again fall into the way of life in which she experimented with horror and shame.

"This task has already been started, but the Government will see that under sure and just rules it shall be pressed energetically to its final accomplishment in the shortest possible time.

"The aim of our activities in these directions is to give to the population, and especially those who suffer most, living conditions which are less hard than those endured in recent months and which were caused by the destruction that took place, by the general breakdown of communications.

"This means that we must all take part in a great revival of industry, that we must foster agricultural production by every means possible, that we must improve the food supply and distribution system by means of improved exchange within the country, and that we must fight effectively against speculation as well as obtain indispensible supplies from abroad. This means, too, that we must embark on a public works program involving the reconstruction of buildings, roads and bridges. And remember, all this must be done to the end of winning the war as well as for the relief of the civilian population.

"The Government is fully aware of the difficulties of the times, but it counts upon the active support of groups in all walks of life to accomplish these tasks.

"Lastly, we must maintain the administrative machinery of the state, which we have already got under way to a certain extent. The normal responsibilities of administration must be resumed despite the dislocation due to damaged premises and records and to the deficiencies in personnel. We are trying to fix these matters. In order to have a proper administration we propose to re-establish the controls represented by the State Accounting Office and the Accounting Court. Thus we expect, in contact with the Committees of Liberation, to give life to a small Consultative Body, a symbol of the Parliament which we lack, and to which we shall make periodic reports of progress.

"Such is the precise program, to the fulfillment of which we consecrate ourselves, calling upon all the energies of the people without distinction of class or party, so that Italy may be resurrected to a new life." (UNN)

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29 MAR 1944

CC 000.1

28 April 1944

Subject: Naples - Change of Attitude Towards the Allies.

To: General Officer Commanding in Chief, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy, C. M. F.

1. I have before me a report from the Flag Officer, Western Italy headed "Naples - Change of attitude towards the Allies," dated 17th April. The report deals entirely with the conditions of the civilian population, its treatment by the Allied authorities, its nourishment and its general condition. Attached to it is a further report from the United States Naval Intelligence Liaison Officer, FOWIT, which deals with the same subject.

2. The care and feeding of the civilian population and in some parts of the territory, the government thereof, are the responsibility of the Allied Control Commission for which I am responsible to you. I fail to understand why the Flag Officer did not consult myself or my staff before committing to paper a report which is highly critical of the work of the Allied Control Commission. He might equally have attempted to learn some of the facts before reporting to his superior officer on a matter which is not directly his concern and certainly before distributing his report to other Naval authorities in the theatre.

3. The report shows up one side, and one side only, of the picture. Such a report could be written in the second phase of any occupied country. It is notorious that the initial enthusiasm of a population towards the Army which has liberated them diminishes if that Army remains in occupation of their country, particularly if operations do not progress with the rapidity anticipated.

4. Similarly it is inevitable that in a country, of which only a part is in occupation by our forces and in which economic conditions have been entirely dislocated and remain disrupted owing to the presence of large numbers of alien troops, a black market of serious proportions should arise.

5. The present ration issued to the population of Southern Italy is low, but I am satisfied that in relation to the world food and shipping situation it is a fair one and that the population is receiving a subsistence ration. The Flag Officer should know only too well that 416,000 tons of food have been imported into this country and distributed to the population since our occupation. He may say that most of this has found its way on to the black market. This is, however, not the case; the bulk of the food which finds its way on to the black market consists of naval and military rations pilfered by civilians and Allied personnel.

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Ltr CC 000.1, 28 Apr 44, continued:

6. The Flag Officer probably does not realize that when steps are taken to prevent food appearing on the black market, black market prices inevitably rise and that this is a sign of control rather than a sign of deterioration.

7. In the fifth paragraph of his report the Rear Admiral infers that humanitarian considerations are not taken into account in dealing with the civilian population. The inference is entirely false and I resent it.

8. No member of this Commission, least of all myself, can view the situation with complacency, but I think that you are probably satisfied that the condition of this population has improved considerably in the last three months.

9. I am sure that the Flag Officer would take the greatest exception if a responsible officer under your command wrote to you a highly critical report on the work of the Royal Navy in these waters and gave that report a wide distribution to other formations in this theatre. The work of this Commission is considerably hindered by the circulation of reports, uninformed, exaggerated and one sided, written by authorities whose responsibility lies in other directions and who do not take the trouble to refer their criticisms to those whose task it is to administer to the needs of the civil population, or consult them before committing their opinions to paper.

10. There is much to criticise in the administration of this territory: my staff and I are only too ready to discuss our problems with constructive critics and I would ask that representations should be made to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, that his officers should be invited to take this course rather than distribute ill-informed reports on matters which, although they may affect them indirectly, are not their responsibility.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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Captain Stone

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29 APR 1944

FATIMA (GEN MACFARLANE C COMM) 28th. April, 1944.

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PRIORITY VIA MACFARLANE

FREEDOM

PLEASE INFORM ME IF THERE IS ANY OBJECTION PAREN TO AFHQ FOR MGS CHA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND AMERICAN POLITICAL ADVISER FROM FATIMA FROM MACFARLANE PERSONAL PAREN TO GIVING PUBLICITY TO THE FACT THAT BADOGLIO'S GOVERNMENT HAS ASSUMED ALL THE OBLIGATIONS TOWARDS THE ALLIES ENTERED INTO BY HIS PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
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AUTHENTICATED:

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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25th. April. 1944.

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FROM REPEATED HEADQUARTERS A.A.I.

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25 April

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WILL CONSIDER HIS TASK FINISHED AND WILL RESIGN

AUTHENTICATED:

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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25th. April. 1944.

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GEN MACFARLANE

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
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PRIORITY GEN MACFARLANE

FREEDOM REPEATED HEADQUARTERS A.A.I.

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Surprisingly few correspondents had anything to say about the new Government. The despatches of Sprigge (Reuters) who left for Salerno on Sunday morning were conspicuous by their absence. Of the rest only Tetlow (Daily Mail), Hammond (Sunday Times) and Lumby (Times) discussed political changes in detail.

TETLOW, after remarking that "Italian political sense was still dead, and observers here were beginning to wonder whether it would ever reawaken" allowed that the new government might be "though purely temporary, a tiny step forward." He then devoted a great deal of space to Alberto CIANCA "far the most interesting personality in the crisis, and the Action Party's virtual head" who, he said, was insistent that the King and Badoglio must go and "would have more influence outside the Cabinet than within it." "He will bear watching." TETLOW added that "the amiable Badoglio would have no easy task" but, like other correspondents, stressed the help given to him by the Communists. He concluded "Italy is the first country in Europe to offer the opportunity of setting up a political alternative to fascism and nazism."

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MORGAN(Chicago News) after some days of silence filed a long despatch which is perhaps the most encouraging summing-up which ACC has yet received. He described at length, and correctly, the steps leading to the erection of ACC and the present position of ACC/AMG (ACC "eclipsing the initials"). Most of this information he obtained from PR Branch. After devoting much space to a consideration of the difficulties involved - "the ACC is constantly hamstrung ... the average CAO sometimes wished that co-belligerency had never been invented" - and also to the feeling that British were outranking Americans in the ACC ("But this organizational irritant is being dealt with by MacFarlane") he stated that "whatever limitations historians place on the success of this noble experiment they must measure in the light of the facts that it has never been done before and that too many Italians in places high and low had seized the occasion to play at political and black market intrigue." He concluded with a close study of "tall, silver-haired MacFarlane" who was "scrupulously fair and honest with his men but fires those who can't work"; and ended "La Guardia himself might be forced to give up in despair if he had to try to run New York City with the same number of men as General MacFarlane has to run Italy."

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COMPOSITION OF THE NEW ITALIAN GOVERNMENT - 22 April 1944

POSITION	NAME	PARTY
Prime Minister	Marshal Pietro Badoglio	- -
Ministers without Portfolio:	Benedetto Croce	Liberal
	Carlo Sforza	Independent
	Giulio Rodino	Christian Democrat
	Palmiro Togliatti	Communist
	Pietro Mancini	Socialist
Minister of Foreign Affairs	Marshal Pietro Badoglio	- -
Minister of Interior	Salvatore Aldisio	Christian Democrat
Undersecretaries:	Nicola Salerno	Socialist
	Filippo Caracciolo	Action Party
Minister of Justice	Prof. Vincenzo Arangio Ruiz	Liberal
Undersecretary	Avv. Nicola Lombardi	Labor Democrat
Minister of Public Works	Alberto Tarchiani	Action Party
Undersecretary	Avv. Adolfo Cilento	Labor Democrat
Minister of Agriculture & Forests	Avv. Fausto Gullo	Communist
Undersecretary	Mario Bergami	Liberal
Minister of Industry, Commerce & Labor	Avv. Attilio Di Napoli	Socialist
Undersecretary	Prof. Francesco Saracchetti	Christian Democrat
Minister of Finance	Quinto Quintieri	Independent (Tech.)
Undersecretary	Prof. Antonio Pesenti	Communist
Minister of Communications	Avv. Francesco Cerabona	Labour Democrat
Undersecretaries:	Ing. Mario Fano	Independent (Tech.)
	Gen Di Raimondo	Independent (Tech.)
Minister of Public Education	Prof. Adolfo Omodeo	Action Party
Undersecretary	Avv. Angelo Raffaele Jervolino	Christian Democrat
Minister of War	Gen. Taddeo Orlando	Independent (Tech.)
Undersecretary of War	Avv. Mario Palermo	Communist
Minister of Navy	Amm. De Courten	Independent (Tech.)
Undersecretary	Avv. Domenico Albergo	Socialist
Minister of Air Forces	Gen. Renato Sandalli	Independent (Tech.)
Undersecretary to the Presidency of Council of Ministers.	Avv. Renato Morelli	Liberal.

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Parties Appointments	Liberal	Action	Crist.Dem.	Comman.	Social.	Lab.Dem.	Indep.& Generals	Total
Ministers w.out portfolio	1		1	1	1	=	1	5
Ministers	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	11
Under Secretar. of State	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	13
Total	4	3	4	4	4	3	7	29

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