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Tel: 478201

1 December 1944.

Ref: ACC/14111/PS

SUBJECT: Bandits in GROSSETO Province.

TO : Regional Commissioner, TOSCANA Region.

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1. Attached is a Report made by Lt. Grottenelli, Italian Liaison Officer at this HQ, regarding alleged acts of lawlessness in GROSSETO Province.
2. Will you please have this matter fully investigated and if the report is well founded I should like to know what measures are being taken to restore law and order.
3. Please give this subject your urgent attention.

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Incl:
as above.

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C.O. Civil Affairs Section.
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PA to Chief Commissioner. ✓

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Ref: P/820.13

30 November 1944

Dear Marchese Visconti Venosta:

In a memorandum dated the 2nd of November the Ministry of Foreign Affairs informed the Allied Commission of certain allegations in regard to the behaviour of Canadian and Greek troops of the Eighth Army in the zone of Jesi and Cattolica. The matter has been referred to the Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy, who has pointed out that although the incidents referred to in this memorandum are given as facts, there is in no case supporting evidence produced to show that the alleged acts were performed by Allied troops. If the Italian Government will assist by furnishing names of witnesses and all further particulars at their disposal, the C-in-C will be prepared to arrange for a thorough investigation to be made.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Marchese Giovanni Visconti Venosta
Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
Rome

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

Bandits in Grosseto Province

Chief of Staff

30 November

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I attach copy of a memorandum from Lt. Grottanelli, Italian Liaison Officer. Will you please pass this matter urgently to the Regional Commissioner, Lazio-Umbria Region, requesting him to take prompt action through his public safety officer. We must put a prompt stop to occurrences of this sort in AMG territory.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore
Chief Commissioner

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Translation

To the Department of Industry, Commerce and Work
General Direction of Work
Personnel of Work Offices Service

to be seen by:

Commodore Stone
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
R o m e

30 Nov 1944.

The undersigned Giannone Luigi, regent of the Relief Section of this Provincial Work Office, appeals to this Ministry for his situation is now unbearable.

On 26 October 1943, he was taken by the Provincial Work Office of Galtanissetta (cf. enclosure 1) and attached to the Relief Section; as no other employees came to join this section, he was entrusted with the regency (cf. enclos. 5 & 50).

As it can easily be ascertained, he had an enormous amount of work to do (cf. enclos. 5 & 6). Because of their importance, the Relief Service of Galtanissetta should have its own organization.

The undersigned is still alone to do his work which is becoming more difficult every day because of the ~~transition~~ transition of the working masses. His salary is smaller than that of many others who have far less work to do, and no diploma.

He therefore asks this Ministry, and the Chief of the Allied Commission to take in kind consideration the following requests:

- 1) Orders should be given to take one employee and one typist who would work for the Relief Section only;
- 2) I should be officially appointed regent, and this with a retroactive effect, from the date I was taken;
- 3) I should be given a regency indemnity, of no less than 1.000 Lire monthly, with a retroactive effect too.

Trusting that my requests will be taken in consideration, I remain,

Yours truly,

S. Giannone Luigi

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Ref: 5202/3/003

Tel: 289

8 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter from Signor Giannone Luigi.

TO : Economic Section.

Attached letter from Signor Giannone Luigi, Caltanissetta, dated 30 November 44, is passed to you for appropriate action please.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

AC/11030/15/PS

30 November 1944

SUBJECT : Misconduct of Allied soldiers.

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters A.A.I.

1. Reference is made to the attached copies of reports of the Regional Public Safety Officer of Toscana Region, Allied Commission.
2. The misconduct of Allied soldiers against civilians is a matter of the most serious concern to the Allied Commission. Obviously this Commission and its agencies are not in position to take the necessary action to control the illegal activities of members of the Allied Forces and yet it is held responsible for law and order among civilians in areas to the rear of the combat line.
3. It will be noted that practically every offense listed in the reports was committed by armed negro soldiers. It is well known that the American negro has a proclivity for obtaining possession of weapons. Officers accustomed to dealing with negro troops know that it is absolutely necessary to have frequent surprise showdown inspections.
4. Your attention is invited to the existing situation with the hope that immediate measures will be taken to control the illegal activities of soldiers.

MILERY W. STONE
Comodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM

Roma, 29 November 1944

Two different people have come from Grosseto province to-day in order to report to me the following facts :

Armed bandits have entered a large cork-tree wood (600 - 700 acres) on my family's estate of Lattaia (province of Grosseto, commune of Roccastrada, near the village of Sticciano) and have started stripping the trees of their bark (cork) and stealing it. Our land-agent & other people of the estate have been unable to chase them out of the wood, and have been threatened for their lives.

This started about a week ago. The following authorities have been informed as soon as possible :

- a) Prefect of Grosseto
- b) Provincial Allied authorities of Grosseto
- c) Sindaco of Roccastrada
- d) Carabinieri in Roccastrada.

So far, nothing has been done to stop the theft. Damage is likely to be very serious by the time the bandits have finished with their work.

Several other thefts - probably by the same gang - have occurred also in the neighbouring estates. Cork & pigs appear to be the main items. Bandits are also reported to have declared that whenever they should need cattle or sheep, they would just walk in & help themselves.

The bandits have been recognized by our agent & by other people, and their names are known. They come mainly from the small town of Roccastrada, some 10 miles from our estate.

435) The people I got this report from are unbiased witnesses. One is the Chaplain of our estate of Belagaio (Grosseto), the Revd. Pietro Rustici ; the other is a well-off merchant of Grosseto, Sig. Giovannelli.

Lt. V.L. Grottanelli

V.L. Grottanelli

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I add a few additional informations to the attached memo.

1. I understand there are at present 3 carabinieri in Roccastrada. They obviously would not stand a chance against the outlaws, unless supported by forces from Grosseto.

2. Little help may be expected from the Sindaco of Roccastrada. He is the very man who on a previous occasion - when a similar theft had taken place last spring - went up to my people, demanding they should withdraw accusations against the bandits (who that time had been arrested) and extorted 50,000 lire from my family.

3. All the population in Roccastrada appears to be communist. Attempts had been made to establish a section of the Demo-Christian party in the town, but soon afterwards the few people who had joined it were forced, it is reported, to disband. When I last went there, at the beginning of October, I saw walls covered with hammer-and-sickles, communist slogans, etc.

4. The general accusation against all large land-owners in the area is of having been fascist. The only members of my family who reside on the estates are my uncle & aunt, both aged 70, & in poor health.

U. L. G. G. G.

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Tel. 289

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29 November 1944

SUBJECT: Conditions at LIVOMO.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

Attached letter 18377/11131/1/6.1 dated 28 Nov 44 from the President of the Council of Ministers is passed to you for appropriate action, co-ordinating as may be necessary with the Economic Section, and preparation of reply for signature of the Chief Commissioner.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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Economic Section.

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
18977/11131/1/6.1

Rome, 28 November 1941

Dear Commodore,

I want to draw your attention on a few problems which make the situation of Rome rather critical.

According to what has been referred, it seems that the town, the 72% of which has been destroyed, has been declared, together with the area of the harbour, 'military zone', and is inaccessible to the citizens which had left it and now want to come back. They have been temporarily accommodated in the periphery of the town; their number amounts to more than 65,000, and their living conditions which are very bad would be made unbearable by winter.

On the other hand, the food situation isn't improving; civil transport is entirely lacking, and therefore the measure suggested made by the Authority do not materialize, for it isn't possible to import secondary agricultural products.

The very conditions made by the Allied Authorities to the workers of the harbour - 60 lire daily, and a scanty meal - would in themselves be a motive of dissatisfaction for the working masses and might even cause some incidents.

Of course, I realize that the requirements of the war must come first, nevertheless, this situation could not be favourable on the spirit of a population which is mostly composed of workmen, and create conditions in which it wouldn't feel inclined to give to the war effort of the allies the contribution and the solidarity that the Italian people and the Italian Government mean to give and that the Allies have a right to expect. For this reason, I ask you, Dear Commodore, to inquire about this matter, so that, if the situation is really what I have been told it is, the Allied Authorities might examine what could be done to better it.

I remain, my dear Commodore,

yours very truly,

/s/ I. Boncag

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Commodore Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
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Ref: P/362/385

28 November 1944

Dear General Suslaparov:

On September 15th the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs requested the Allied Commission to give consideration to the repatriation from Mexico of Francesco Prola, a former member of Parliament; Mario Montagnana, brother-in-law of Togliatti; and Vidali.

The question of repatriation of the above three individuals has been forwarded to Allied Force Headquarters for decision and I shall inform you thereof as soon as a reply is received.

Very truly yours,

ALLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Major General Suslaparov
Soviet Delegate to the Advisory
Council for Italy
Via Gaeta, 5
Rome

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Liaison Division
Office of Chief of Staff

Tel: No. 478001

27 November 1944

Ref: 4755/34/COS

SUBJECT: Royal Palace of Naples

TO : Regional Commissioner Southern Region
Naples.

1. With further reference to our 4755/23/COS dated 20 November 1944 inclosed you will find a copy of a letter with attachment to the Chief of Staff AG from the Minister of the Royal Household.
2. These communications are self-explanatory. It will be appreciated, if after the subject matter is taken up with the proper authorities, a reply could be forwarded to this office.

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Brigadier
Chief of Staff

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Translation

The Minister of the Royal Household

Rome, 21 November 1944

Dear Brigadier,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 21st -
ref. 4795/29/005 - about the Royal Palace of Naples.

A more complete report has been sent by the Superintendent of the
Monuments in Naples, together with a few requests. As you will see,
these requests are inspired by the wish to reorganize - as far as possible -
the Royal Palace, which is closely linked to the history of Naples, and
whose works of art not only constitute a valuable national heirloom,
but also belong to the spiritual patrimony of all those who love what is
beautiful.

After showing the report of the Superintendent to the Lieutenant
General of the Kingdom - according to the wish of His Royal Highness -
I send you a copy of it; will you kindly request the competent Allied
Authorities to take such action as they will find appropriate.

On the same subject, I take the liberty of submitting to your
judgement - for a more efficacious and rapid action in the required
sense - the advisability for the Allied Authorities to keep constant
contacts - for what concerns the Royal Palace of Naples - with the
functionary who is responsible for this Royal Palace, is Prof. Giorgio
Rosi, Superintendent of the Monuments of Campania.

I remain, my dear Brigadier,

Yours truly,

/s/ Lucifero

F. Lucifero
(Minister of the Royal Household)

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Translation

From the Superintendent of the Monuments of Campania

In the conditions of confusion in which the Royal Palace of Naples is at present, it is useless to think of reorganizing a service of surveillance..

To eliminate part at least of the inconveniences, the following regulations should be adopted.

- departure of the French troops, including the coloured ones
- definitive restitution to the Superintendence of the Monuments of the premises which have been evacuated.
- The idea of building a big canteen in the passages of the Palace (the works had already been begun) should be given up, and if this wasn't possible, the boards bearing the words 'restaurant' should be removed from the balustrade of the loggia on Piazza San Ferdinando and Piazza Plebiscito on the first floor.
- Constant contact - for all things concerning the Royal Palace of Naples - between the Allied Military Command and the Superintendent of the Monuments, who, though he is the one technical and administrative functionary responsible for the conservation and integrity of the historical building, has been and is simply told about the works that have been done and are being done in the Royal Palace.

THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Rome, 25 November 1944

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 354
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

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26 November 1944.

WC/4174/L.

SUBJECT : Electric light in the Palace of Justice.
TO : HQ E.A.A.C.

1. The recent disturbances at the Regina Coeli prison are to a large extent due to the delay in bringing to trial the considerable number of persons arrested and detained in the jail.

2. The Italian judicial authorities correctly point out that the preparation of cases for trial involves the production of many written documents and reports. The judges are prepared to work until at least 2100 hrs on the production of these documents and reports, provided that they are supplied with electric light. This would have the effect of enabling them to sit in court during the afternoon and would materially shorten the delays in bringing cases to trial.

3. It is therefore officially requested that electric light be supplied to all offices in the Palace of Justice from 1600 hrs to 2100 hrs daily, except Sunday.

For The Chief Commissioner :

M. S. L. *[Signature]*
M. S. L. M.,
Brigadier
Chief of Staff
Allied Commission.

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COPY to : *[initials]*

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

Tel: 735

Ref : 5401/32/008

23 November 44.

SUBJECT : Electric Power

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. Attached is letter No. 1768 dated 22 November 44, and its translation, from the Patriote Office, Presidency of the Council of Ministers.
2. In consultation with Economic Section please take such action as is considered necessary and reply direct.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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Presidency of the Council of Ministers
Patriots Office

Rome, 22 November 1944

Subject: Preferential Electric Power

Commodore Henry W. Stone
Chief Commissioner - R. - A.S.
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The Patriot Office of this Presidency of the Council of Ministers, established in the building of Via Alberto Caroncini, n. 19, has only the electric power allotted to the area to which it has been moved.

It is therefore practically impossible for this office:

to have any activity in the afternoon and evening hours;

to make use of the inside phone (switchboard) that it needs, being connected with the outside by two independent phones only.

We therefore ask you to authorize A.S.A. to give preferential electric power to the above mentioned building of Via Caroncini, 19.

THE UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE

/s/

Trans. E.C.

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22 November 1944

Dear Marchese Cittadini:

It is believed that the issuance of permits for vehicles depends from the Italian authorities. This office would be grateful if permission could be granted to the applicant whose application form is attached, Signor Pelkoff, to use a motor bicycle. If it is impossible to grant him unlimited use, then he should be given permission to use it for the purpose of making a specific journey to Padula and back -- a journey which this office is desirous that he should make.

I should be grateful for any assistance which you could give in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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

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cc: C of S Section
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Liaison Division
Office of Chief of Staff

Tel: 478001

20 November 1944

Ref: 4755/23/COS

SUBJECT: Royal Palace at Naples

TO : Regional Commissioner
Naples

1. The Italian Minister of the Royal House has informed the Chief Commissioner that H.Q. 10th Artillery Regiment is moving out of the second floor of the Royal Palace at Naples, and has asked that steps be taken to avoid these premises being occupied by other Allied or Italian troops.

2. He also states that, without any reference to the Monumenta Superintendent of Naples, new constructions have been started on the inner gallery of the Royal Palace's Chapel, when it is H.R.H. the Lieutenant General's desire to avoid further damage to the Royal Palace.

3. You are requested to take this matter up with the appropriate Military authorities in Naples, and inform this H.Q. of their reply.

Ranfur Capt
Brigadier
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Liaison Division
Office of Chief of Staff

Tel: No. 478001

20 November 1944

Ref: 4755/22/COS

SUBJECT: Royal Palace at Naples

TO : Brig. Gen. X de Bevin
French Representative to AC

1. The Italian Minister of the Royal House has notified the Chief Commissioner that French troops billeted in the Royal Palace at Naples are smashing and removing cupboards fixed in walls and the china contained in them.

2. It would be much appreciated if you would take this matter up with the appropriate French Military authorities, and ask for an investigation to be made.

Ranfield Capt.
for Brigadier
Chief of Staff

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20 November 1944

Dear Dr. Fano:

I have at last received news through the British Foreign Office, who have been looking into the question of your sister. I am very sorry to have to tell you that the Foreign Office, having carefully investigated the question of tracing your sister Fausta Fano and getting her to Palestine, regret that there is no action which they can usefully take.

I know what a disappointment this reply will be to you, and am sorry that I am not able to send you better news.

Sincerely yours,

ELDERLY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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His Excellency Dr. Mario Fano
Undersecretary for Posts and Telegraph
Italian Government

cc: CofS Section
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Ref: 107/49/L

19 November 1944

Dear Dr Krok,

N/R

I refer to your letter of 17th November in which you request an allowance of petrol for your car.

Allowances of petrol can only be made when vehicles are being used for essential duties in the public interest. Under no circumstances can an allowance be given for a vehicle which is being used for private purposes.

I would be grateful, therefore, if you would inform me of the nature of the duties that you describe in your letter, so that it can be decided if they fall into the above category, in which case an allowance will be made to you. If not, I regret that the circulation permit for your car will have to be withdrawn.

Sincerely yours,

(Handwritten signature)

HILARY W. SAYNE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Dr Miha Krok
c/o Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council
Rome

Copy to:

Lazio Umbria Region
(Attn: Lt Col Bonham-Carter)
Public Safety S/C
(Attn: Major Ballance)

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Ref: 110/32/L

19 November 1944

Dear General De Sevin,

I refer to your letter of 14 November, in which you requested a special allowance of coal during the winter for heating your flat.

A special allotment of coal can be made available, subject to transport. But it must be understood that coal from A.C. sources must not be used to heat an entire block of flats.

An engineer has reported that it is not possible to disconnect the other flats in the building in which you live, and that any heating provided for your flat would necessarily heat the remainder of the block. In these circumstances I much regret that a special allotment of coal cannot be made to you.

The only suggestion I can make is that you procure for the winter months another flat which can be heated separately from the others, or that you move to the Grand Hotel where excellent rooms and adequate heating could be provided for you.

Sincerely yours,

(Signature)
ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Brigadier General X. De Sevin
French Representative on
Allied Commission

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Ext. 320

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MEMORANDUM

078/PWU.

18 Nov. 44

SUBJECT: Detour, Route 7, near Genzano.

TO : Chief Commissioner A.C.

FROM : P.W. & U. Sub-Commission.

Following your telephone inquiry of 16th November 44 regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the Route 7 detour near Genzano an investigation has been made and I wish to report as follows:-

The reconstruction of this detour had been under contract with an Italian firm whose plant and transport gave difficulty shortly after work commenced. In addition, bitumen promised by P.B.S., in whose jurisdiction this highway is, was unobtainable.

The Regional Engineer's office advises us that a contract has been made with another firm with more reliable equipment and that P.B.S. has advised them that bitumen will now be available.

1336 We shall follow through on this.


L.A. JENNY,
Lt-Colonel, C.E.,
Director.

C.c. to: Economic Section.
" : Lt.Col.Thompson.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 014.33

16 November 1944

18 NOV Recd

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Civilian.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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Reference is made to your A/CC 014.13 of 10 October. The information therein contained was passed to the office of the British Resident Minister with a request for assistance. That office referred the matter to the Foreign Office and have now reported as follows:

"We have now heard from the Foreign Office that, while realising that it would be a good thing to help Dr. Fano if possible, and having therefore been carefully into the question of tracing his sister and getting her to Palestine, they regret however that there is no action which they can usefully take."

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:



W. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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Translation

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The First Aide de Camp General of
H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

1750/AG

Rome, 16 November 1944

Dear Comendare Stone,

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I got your letter of October 24th, and I thank
you very much in the name of H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the King-
dom for the kind interest you have taken in organizing food supplies
for the province of Grosinone.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

s/d L. Infante

(General Alois Infante)

Comendare Alery Stone

Chief Commissioner of the

Allied Commission

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Letter under ref is 40-5/21/Food
of 8 Nov 44.

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Translation

The First Aide de Camp General of
H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

1721/a/c

Rome, 15 November 1944

Dear Stone,

the intervention of H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom has been requested for the following case: the engineer Carlo Lito to CARLESI (I enclose a memorandum) resigned from his post of Director of productive research of Fiale figure, which depends from the enterprise of Italian Coal (A.C.I.), not to collaborate with the Germans, and he came to Rome in December 1943.

He is still without a job and his financial situation is rather bad. The Azienda Carboni has told him that he will get back his post as soon as the regions of North Italy will be liberated; to be able to maintain his family, he would like to be employed again without delay, as it seems it has already been done for other employees of the A.C.I.

As the Azienda Carboni depends from the Allied Commission, I communicate to you the wish of engineer Carlesi, in case something could be done about it.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Comandante Adolfo Infante)

/s/ A. Infante

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Comandante Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
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CARLO ALBERTO CARLISCI - son of Luigi, born in Rome on June 26th 1913 - Took his degree in Mining engineering in the Royal University of Rome, 8 November 1938, got the necessary qualifications for the profession of Engineer (Mines and Metallurgy) in the Royal University of Milan in March 1939; at the present moment, prepares to take a degree in Geological Sciences.

He took a job in the Azienda Carboni Italiani (A. C. I.) and was designated for the Gardina mines on May 1st 1940.

On June 1st 1941, he was put in the 1st category of technical employees; on April 1st 1943 he was put in the category of the directors.

From May 1940 to March 1941 he worked in Gardina, first at Bacu Abis, then in Carbonia; when he was appointed director of the Peristeri mine (Agh en - Greece), but for reasons concerning expatriation, he was sent to direct the researches for anthracite that A.C.I. was making in the Mt. Gerol near Finate (Greece) until December 1943; then he came to Rome, to collaborate with the German authorities; he has been studying for his degree in geology ever since.

During the four years that he worked for A.C.I. he concerned himself with the inner part of the mines, and particularly with mechanical organization of the cultivation, and extraction works of some of the principal extraction units; at the same time, in the mines of Serreside (Serbian group), he arranged that the people should work by the job.

In the competence of the Mt. Gerol, he also was to concern himself with the administrative and commercial part.

From the political point of view, he never had any post, and never had either an activity nor a job that had anything to do with politics.

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Ing. Carlo Alberto CARLISCI
Via Alessandro Sanese 2
Rome - Tel. 52194

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Office of the Chief of Staff.

Request for Employment.

255/19/COS.

DCOS Econ Sec.

16 November, 1944.

Enclosed translation and original of letter No. 1721/A/G dated 15 Nov 44 from Generale Infante to the Chief Commissioner is forwarded. I am directed to instruct you to reply to the General on behalf of the Chief Commissioner.

ET/JG.

ET
✓ Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

Copy to: SO to CG.

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Ext: 388

Ref: 255/22/008

17 November 1944

SUBJECT: Request for Employment.

TO : DOW Economic Section.

1. Reference translation and original of letter No. 1731/2/G dated 15 November 1944, from General Infante to the Chief Commissioner forwarded to you under this office reference 255/19/008 of 16 November.
2. Attached is original and translation of the "pro memoria" that was by mistake left out by the sender.

ET.

Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff

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Translation

Headquarters Allied Commission
Office of the French Representative

APD 394

14 November 1944

Dear Commodore Stone,

Winter is getting near, and I have to think of some means for heating, after the 1st of December, my flat which is already very cold.

From what I have been told in A.C., I gather that every officer will be entitled to 2 1/2 kgs daily, for heating and cooking purposes. This is quite inadequate for a big flat, where I have to do some entertaining, because of my functions.

Don't you think some special regulations ought to be made in the case of the Representatives of the Allied Nations?

I should be very grateful if you will let me know whether this is your opinion, and of what amount of coal I could in this case dispose for the winter.

I remain, my dear Commodore,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ L. De Sevin

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Maison Division
Office of Chief of Staff

Tel: 478001

12 November 1944

Ref: 413/11/COS

SUBJECT: Permit to Salvage German Equipment

TO : A.P.H.Q.
QI (COS)

Reference AG 400.93/047 Sup-c of 27 October 1944, in which it was requested that QI (COS) should be notified concerning the details of 5 abandoned German Motor Vehicles and their location.

1. The British Legation to the Holy See replies that Ingegnere ULISIA states that these cars were lying abandoned on the ORVISTO-FICULIE road about 6 kilometres from the former place.
2. Ingegnere ULISIA adds that he presumes the cars have already been retrieved by the competent authorities, or if not that they have certainly been partly damaged.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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K. R. R. R.
Capt
for Brigadier
Chief of Staff

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997/COS

11 November 1944

Dear Chuck:

In a letter dated September 28th you asked me to inquire on behalf of Julius Holmes into the wellbeing and whereabouts of a Miss Eugenia Wilson. Here is the report on the lady obtained through the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission.

Miss Eugenia Wilson,
Hotel Alpino, Barga.

Miss Wilson and her sister, Mrs. Fitzherbert, were evacuated in August from Bagni di Lucca to Barga, Hotel Alpino. A letter from Miss Wilson, dated October 5th, says that she is well though food is getting scarce, and the town is still under menace from Huns, who are still in the mountains. There are no lights as the Germans blew up all the bridges and the electric plants before leaving. Miss Wilson hopes not to move again until she can return to Florence. All the natives of Barga are most friendly, kind and helpful. Barga is a beautiful town, and she has very comfortable rooms."

Sincerely yours,

Ellery W. Stone
ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Brigadier General Charles M. Spofford, U.S.A.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5
Allied Force Headquarters
APO 512

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

Chief of Staff, Hq AC (Attn: Jr Andr Mason) 10 Nov 4

The A/Chief Commissioner would be grateful if you could obtain information as to the whereabouts and well-being of:

Signora Loreta d'Agostino
Bagnara
Prov. of Aquila

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to A/CO

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERALTKB/jg
9 November 1944

Commodore Ellery W. Stone, USNR,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO #394, US Army.

My dear Commodore:

Your letter of 30 October, with reference to the failure of lights in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is acknowledged. I have had this matter investigated by our Engineers, and their report indicates that the breakdown was due solely to the general shortage of power, and inefficient and inadequate materiel.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is receiving exactly the same service as all Allied Forces installations on the same circuit. I agree that the Italian Governmental Agencies should not receive less favorable treatment than our own Allied agencies, and it will be our constant effort to give them the same service.

With kindest personal regards,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Thoburn K. Brown
THOBURN K. BROWN
Brigadier General, US Army,
Commanding

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8 November 1944

Ref: 43-5/21/2000

Dear General:

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In reply to your letter of 30 October, will you please inform His Royal Highness that the Allied Commission is making every effort to ensure arrival of food in the province of Grosinone.

As you are aware, transport is the main bar to regular arrivals of supplies and recently, owing to heavy rains, we have had breakdowns of both rail and road services. All available means of transport are, however, being utilized.

Efficient internal distribution is necessary, even when supplies arrive in the province, and the most strenuous efforts on the part of the provincial and communal authorities should be called for immediately.

Very truly yours

ELBERT W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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The First Side & Camp General of
H.M.L. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

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Translation

The Undersecretary of State
for Foreign Affairs

03709/11

8 November 1944

Dear Admiral,

the Undersecretary for War Palermo ought to go to Caserta in the next few days, and should very much like to see General Wilson. He wants to give full information to the General about the conditions of our troops in Yugoslavia; it is very necessary that the Commander-in-Chief should be informed about that.

Will you kindly arrange the requested interview for the Undersecretary Palermo. I shall be very much obliged to you.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Visconti Venosta

Admiral Harry W. Stone
Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
R. C. M. E.

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Major Q-
17th. Pls call V-V or see W
when day. Then call
H.A. Chapman-Walker for apt.

trans. E.O.

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I have telephoned Chapman-Walker who says that Gen. Wilson will see Palermo when he comes to Rome later this week. Cittadini informed verbally. Believe no need reply.

Jm
J.A. Q.
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A/CC 014.13

8 November 1944

Dear Colonel Ames:

not hope for free yet

I have just received the attached two documents from our friend, Perez. I have tried to be nice to him once, but I really cannot go on, and anyhow my files are overflowing with his complaints. If indeed the man is owed any arrears of pay, you will be dealing with it, no doubt.

Yours sincerely,

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to A/CC

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Lt Col John D. Ames
Hq Lazio-Umbria Region
Allied Commission

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6 November 1944.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

With reference to your letter of the 30 October 1944, respecting the arrest of BAZZI and RIGLIARDI, I beg to inform you that investigations into the incident are in hand, and a report is awaited. I will notify you of the result as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

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WILLIAM W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivenoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome.

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Letter under reference is on
Pittier Safety S.C. file

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14 File

Office of the Chief of Staff.

Tel : 735

Whereabouts enquiries.

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Land Forces Sub-Commission (NMIA)

7 November 4

Attached is copy of letter dated 4 November 44 from the Aide to the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

Will you please endeavour to furnish the information asked for so that this Office can reply.

12 Dec 44

Chief Staff Officer,
to the Chief of Staff.

Brig 4 Nov 44

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IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL VICE LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

Rome - 1944 Novem 4th.

My dear Major Quayle,

I should be very grateful if it could be possible for you to let me have some news of Colonel Ezio Armellini, who was commander of the 60 Artillery group in Spalato. Col. Armellini is the brother of General Armellini, one of the leading chiefs of operation at the War Office.

I gather that being Spalato already liberated, the thing might perhaps be possible.

I hope this request of mine won't give you too much trouble, and thank you in advance for what you will be able to do.

Yours sincerely,
(General Adolfo Infante)

Major Tony Quayle,
A.C.C.
Palazzo delle Corporazioni.

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Col. A., but without success

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Ref/255/16/006.

4 November 1944

My dear Mr. Ambassador,

Since writing my letter of the 26th October I have investigated possible openings for Mr. Lester Maynard in this Commission, and I am sorry to tell you that there does not appear to be any vacancy in which his services could suitably be employed.

I am grateful to you, however, for sending me his letter.

Sincerely yours,

ELLEN W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner.

The Honorable Alexander Kirk,
U.S. Representative to the
Advisory Council for Italy,
Via Vittorio Veneto, 119.
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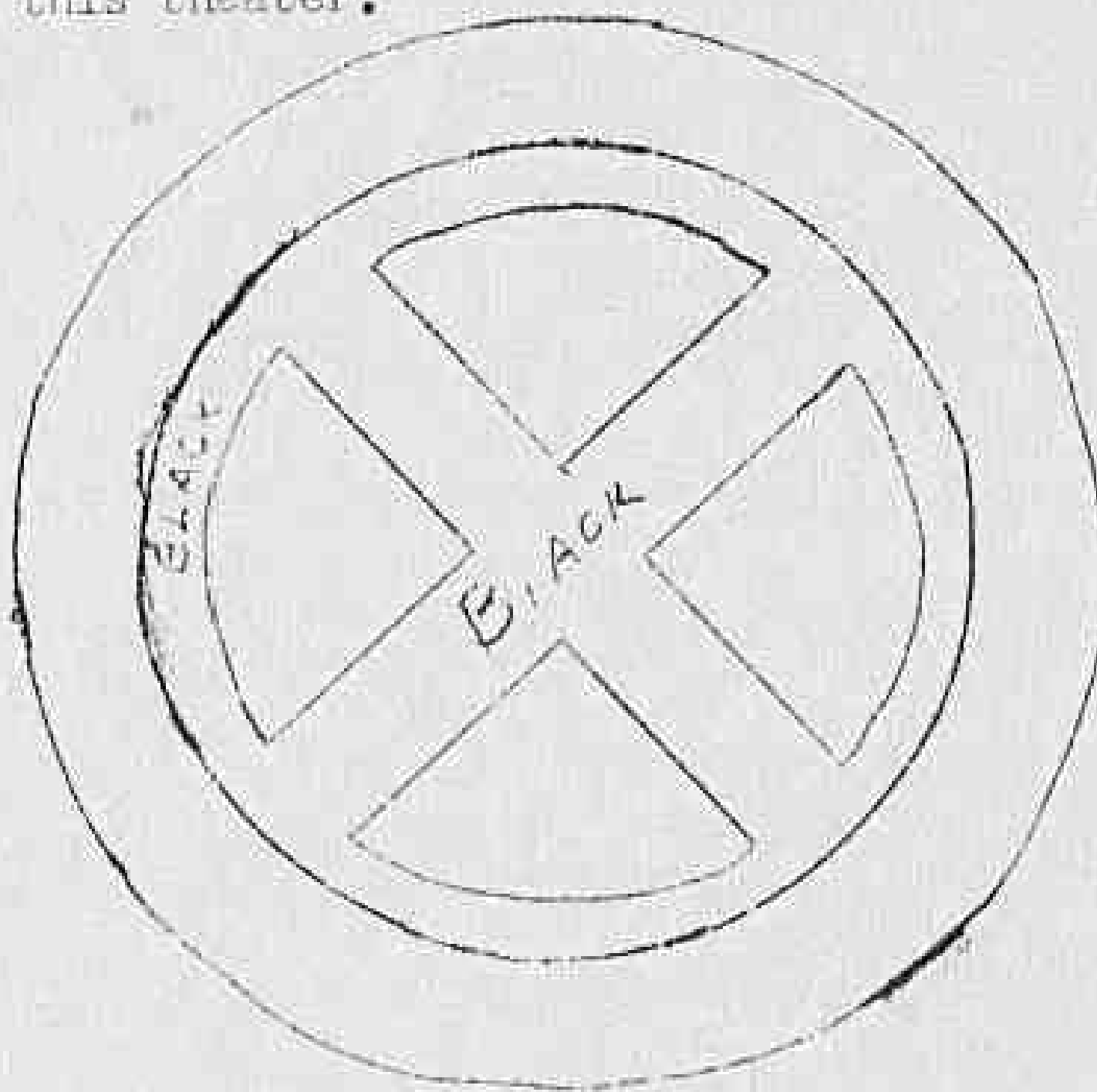
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512CIRCULAR)
NUMBER 26)

4 November 1944

International Out of Bounds Sign.....I
Purchases of Foodstuffs By The Allied Forces in Italy.....III ---- INTERNATIONAL OUT OF BOUNDS SIGN

1. In order to overcome the difficulties of non-English speaking troops, an international sign, as shown below, indicating "Out of Bounds - Off Limits" is adopted for use in this theater.



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(NOTE: Lines of the inner circle and cross are solid black)

2. This sign will be employed in addition to the normal U.S. and British notices now used to indicate "Out of Bounds - Off Limits" and will be posted conspicuously in out of bounds areas, buildings, shops, bars and restaurants.

3. a. Distribution of these signs is being made by the Provost (Br) and Provost Marshal General, MTOUSA. Commanding Officers will insure that their troops are fully instructed in the meaning of the sign and that such signs are properly displayed and maintained in "Out of Bounds - Off Limits" areas.

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b. In addition, notices describing the use of the sign are being distributed for display on unit bulletin boards. These notices will not be used to mark out of bounds areas. In units having non-English speaking troops, Commanding Officers will arrange to have the notices translated into foreign languages.

4. This sign is applicable to all personnel and ranks of the Allied armies, Navies and Air Forces.

II --- PURCHASES OF FOODSTUFFS BY THE ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY

1. The purchase of all foodstuffs is forbidden with the following exceptions:

a. (1) Those made by the official purchasing agencies of the Allied Armies, Navies and Air Forces, which include Welfare Organizations - e.g., Philanthropic Societies, Canteen Services and Clubs.

(2) Such purchases will be regulated by the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board through the Food Supply Committee.

b. District and Base Section Commanders may authorize the purchase by messes and individuals of such fruits and vegetables as are declared free by the Local Regional Commissioner, The Allied Commission.

2. All restaurants and eating houses will be put out of bounds to all officers and men of the Allied Forces with the following exceptions:

a. Clubs, restaurants, etc. organized and controlled by the Allied Forces themselves.

b. Cafes etc. where no foodstuffs are sold.

3. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, will apply only to the mainland of Italy.

By command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GIBELL,
Lieutenant General, Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

/s/H. V. Roberts,
H. V. ROBERTS,
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

Reproduced Headquarters Peninsular Base Section,
APG 782, 8 November 1944 *[Signature]*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ext. 289

Ref 6502/10/CSS.

2nd November, 1944

SUBJECT: Celebrations proposed for the 4th November.

TO : Political Section.

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1. Reference your P/682 dated 30th October 1944 addressed to His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi subject as above.
2. The Chief of Staff asks for confirmation that the necessary arrangements have been made for electric power.

(Sd) E. TALBOT

Chief Staff Officer,
to the Chief of Staff.

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Ref: P/682

30 October 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I am writing to acknowledge your letter 2818 of the 25th October about the celebrations proposed for the 4th November. As I have already told Your Excellency orally we are asking PWB to give the necessary facilities for the occasion.

Believe me

My dear Prime Minister

Yours sincerely,

MILERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

431 His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

cc: PWB, Mr. Rayner
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Political Section

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Translation

Aide
The First/de Camp General of
H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

1528A/G

Rome, 30 October 1944.

Dear Commodore,

H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom takes a great interest in the living conditions of the population of several municipalities of the province of Frosinone, where because of the destructions caused by the war, food supplies get only at intervals and in insufficient quantity.

The Food-Subcommission of A.C. is making the necessary arrangements to supply the said province with rationed foodstuffs, and His Royal Highness wants me to ask you kindly to see that the supplies should arrive regularly and in sufficient quantity.

Thanking you in the name of His Royal Highness for your kind interest, I remain,

Yours truly,

(General Adolfo Infante)

/s/ A. Infante.

Commodore Ellery Stone
Chief Commissioner of the
Allied Commission
ROME

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INFORMATION

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Office of the Chief of Staff

Food Supplies, Prosinone Province.
Economic Section

552/28/003

1 November 4

1. Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Gen Infante in which a complaint is made by the Lt. General of the Kingdom regarding food supplies for Prosinone Province.
2. Would you please look into this and prepare a letter in reply to Gen. Infante for the Acting Chief Commissioner's signature.

cu
Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 3613/28/008,

Ref: 47201
3 November 44.

SUBJECT : Transmitted of Correspondence.

TO : Lazio-Umbria Region.

1. Enclosed herewith are the following:-

- (a) Letter from Union of Italian Patriots to Ministry of Agriculture dated 14 October 44.
- (b) Letter from Ministry of Agriculture to Ministry of War dated 16 October 44.
- (c) Two letters from Union of Italian Patriots to Acting Chief Commissioner, dated 30 October 44.

2. This correspondence deals with a request for a vehicle. Will you please take such action as is considered necessary.

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E.H.
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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Translation

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Department of Agriculture and Forestry
Cabinet

Rome, 16 October 1944

n. 10088

To the Department of War
Cabinet - Rome

Subject: Request for vehicle

I transmit to this Ministry the enclosed request of the President of the Union of Italian Patriots, to obtain a vehicle to supply with food-stuffs the cooperative formed by the Union.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET

/s/ illegible

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Translation

Union of Italian Patriots

12-10-1944, Rome

n. 236/I

To the Department of Agriculture and Forests
Via M. Settembre - Rome

Considering what has been done for the other cooperatives, we beg
you to ask the War Department to assist to this cooperative - at least
once a week - a vehicle to supply the cooperative with foodstuffs and
whatever it may need. These things go to the members who are all Pa-
trists.

Thanking you, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

THE PRESIDENT
/s/ Vivaldi

Trans. S.O.

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Translation

Union of Italian Patriots
Viale G. Cesar, 11

Rome, 30 October 1944

n. 270/2

To Admiral Stoeshe
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission

R o m e

The Union of the Italian Patriots takes the liberty of informing the Allied Commission of what follows:

Like all the Italians, the Patriots have been and go on living the most tragical hours of their life, because of the very serious conditions brought about by the war; the repercussion of which are mostly felt in the alimentary field.

The very serious phenomenon of the black market has brought about a terrible rise of the prices of the various foodstuffs; the Patriots, who mostly belong to the army, cannot buy foodstuffs to feed their children, who suffer silently, but seriously of this abnormal state of things.

To solve the various difficult problems of the reconstruction, the Union of the Italian Patriots, inspired by patriotic feelings, has begun to realize its vast plan of action, creating numerous cooperatives, among which, very important ones for foodstuffs.

The Italian Government has welcomed these initiatives and acknowledged the various cooperatives, and the Ministry of Agriculture and Forests allowed the Italian Military Authorities to put at the disposal of this Union of Patriots a vehicle for the transport of foodstuffs.

This Union begs the Allied Commission to give without delay the nulla osta for the use of the vehicle granted by the Italian Ministry of Agriculture.

Thanking you, we remain,

Yours sincerely,

THE PRESIDENT
(Vito Vavalli)
/s/ Vavalli

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Translation

Union of Italian Patriots

Rome, 30 October 1944

n. 270/E

To Admiral Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
R o m e

Referring to our request for the nulla osta for the vehicles destined to transport the foodstuffs for the Union of Patriots, we delegate Lt. of the R. Marina, Dr. Francesco VAVALLI to be our representative. He will be in charge of the whole affair.

Will you kindly see that the pass for these transports should bear the name of the above mentioned officer who will escort the vehicles.

Thanking you,

as remain,

The President
(Vito Vavalli)
/s/ Vito Vavalli

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Tel Ext 451

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Office of the Chief of Staff

Electricity for Fratebenefratelli
Hospital

5404/20/COS

Economic Section for Public Works & Utilities
Subcommission

31 Oct 44

1. Attached hereto is copy of a letter from Mr. F. Lucifero
relating the lack of electric power at the above hospital.

2. The Acting Chief Commissioner has replied to this letter under-
taking to see that an investigation is carried out and every effort made to
put the matter right.

3. Will you please take the necessary action?

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Cy of trans ltr fr Mr. Lucifero

Chief Staff Officer
to the Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff
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Tel: 478201.

Ref: 3612/46/COS.

30 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Poaching on the Royal Estate of CASTELPORZIANO.

TO : Rome Allied Area Command.
(Attention: Col. Wedemeyer)

1. Attached are copies of another letter and enclosures addressed to the Acting Chief Commissioner by the Minister of the Royal Household from which you will see that a further poaching incident is alleged to have taken place on 25 October 1944, despite the notices which you caused to be erected placing the Estate "Off Limits" to all Allied troops.
2. Will you kindly investigate and let this office know what disciplinary action has been taken so that we may reply to the Minister's letter.

By Command of Commodore Stone:

WWR
for Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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Incl:
as above.

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Translation

The Minister of the Royal Household

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Rome, 26 October 1944.

Dear Commodore,

After the putting up of the boards forbidding to enter the Estate of Castelcoriano, which was ordered by the Chief of the Office of Rome Area Command, after your kind intervention, I got the enclosed message.

To facilitate the necessary inquiries, I take the liberty of drawing your attention on it, mostly because of the enclosed declaration, released by the military people who were on the trucks mentioned in the enclosed relation.

I apologize for troubling you again, and I remain,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Lucifero

F. Lucifero
(Minister of the Royal Household)

Comodore Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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Translation.

The Minister of the Royal Household.

From the Royal Estate of Castelporziano.

At 15,30 hours, on October 25th, two Allied trucks arrived to the Malpasso gate, carrying allied soldiers with shooting guns and a few civilians.

The allied soldiers were requested to read the board saying that access was forbidden, which the Allied Policy had had put on one of the columns of the gate; but they refused to go, saying they came to inspect ammunition.

They entered the Estate and started shooting pigeons.

To the gamekeeper who was on duty, the allied soldiers released the enclosed note, bearing also the numbers of the trucks (EE 3012 and 22097).

Rome, 26 October 1944.

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30 October 1944

Dear General Brown:

After a long period in which the Ministry of Foreign Affairs was without light, the electricity was reinstated in the Palazzo Chigi on October 12th. This restoration of light was much to the satisfaction of the Ministry, whose work to that date had been severely handicapped; also to the American and British ambassadors, both of whom had made strong representations to have the light restored.

Since October 12th, I have had various complaints from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that the light is not functioning satisfactorily, and at first I attributed this to the normal interruption which sometimes occurs for technical reasons in our own headquarters, and probably also in yours. Then, however, it became so constant that I had it investigated and discovered the following:

- (1) On Sunday, October 22, the Palazzo Chigi had light only from 1700 to 1900 hours;
- (2) On Monday, October 23, light from 1700 to 1900 hours;
- (3) On Tuesday, October 24, the light did not come on until 1915 hours;
- (4) On Wednesday, October 25, the light came on at 1800 hours;
- (5) On Thursday, October 26, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs had the light on in the morning.

From the above it would appear that the Ministry was experiencing something more than the normal interruptions, and I would be most grateful if you would cause the matter to be investigated. For various reasons, with which I am sure you will agree, I feel that it is wrong for the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to receive less-favored treatment than one of our own Allied headquarters.

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I would greatly appreciate your kind interest in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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/s/

Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE

Commodore, USNR

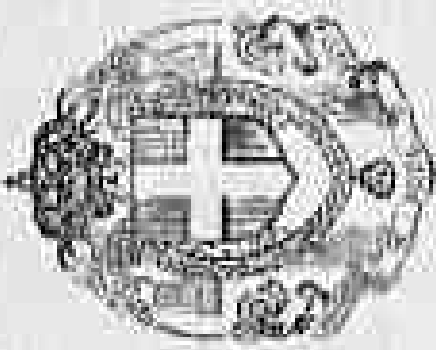
Acting Chief Commissioner

Brigadier General Theburn K. Brown, U.S.A.
Commanding General
Rome Allied Area Command
APO 794

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cc: C of S Section
Political Section
Economic Section
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Segr. Gen.

APPUNTO PER IL MARCHESE CITTADINI CESI

In questa settimana la distribuzione della luce al Ministero degli Affari Esteri si è svolta molto irregolarmente e precisamente :

- 1) Domenica - Si è avuta nel pomeriggio dalle ore 17 alle 19;
- 2) Lunedì' - Idem idem
- 3) Martedì' - E' venuta soltanto alle 19,15
- 4) Mercoledì' - E' venuta alle 18.

Stamane vi è la luce : il fenomeno si verifica spesso che vi è corrente la mattina e non la sera quando piu' serve.

Bisognerebbe poter contare sulla distribuzione della luce regolarmente almeno ogni pomeriggio dalle 17 alle 20.

Quanto alla fornitura dell'energia industriale per la Tipografia (che non si è mai avuta finora) sarebbe viceversa piu' utile che essa avvenisse la mattina dalle 9 alle 13.

Roma, 26 ottobre 1944

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Roma, 26 ottobre 1944

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30 October 1944

Dear Sir:

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Thank you for your letter of the 27th expressing the concern of H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Realm over the lack of electricity in the Paterbenefratelli Hospital. I will have the matter investigated and do all that I can to have the matter put right.

Yours sincerely,

MILERY W. STONE
Commodore, USN
Acting Chief Commissioner

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Mr. P. Lucifora
Minister of the Royal House

cc: COS
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Office of the
Acting Chief Commissioner

Electricity for Patebenedictelli
Hospital

A/00 014.15

30 October 4

Chief of Staff Section
(Attention: Captain Oden)

Reference attached correspondence between Minister of the Royal
House and Acting Chief Commissioner. Please follow up Lucifero's
assertion and let me know if anything can be done to restore light to
the hospital.

1 Incl:

J. A. QUINN
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to A/00

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T R M N S L A T I O N

(from Italian Liaison Section to A/CO)

MINISTRY OF ROYAL HOUSE

Rome, October 27th, 1944

Dear Commodore,

On the occasion of his visit to the Fatebenefratelli Hospital on the Isola Tiberina, H.R.H. the General Lieutenant of the King found that it "still without electric power.

This has been learnt by H.R.H. with deeper regret, in as much as the Hospital is also provided with a first-aid post, which is not therefore in a condition to be kept working, due to the lack of good light, chiefly in the most urgent and delicate surgical interventions.

According to H.R.H.'s wish, I therefore call your kind attention on the matter, warmly requesting that, with your usual hearty concern towards the humanitarian needs of the population, you should do every possible thing to have the Hospital supplied with electric power again.

Thanking you in advance for everything you will do, I beg you to receive, dear Commodore, the expression of my friendliest feelings.

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Yours truly

sgnd F. Lucifero

Minister of the Royal House

Hoping you will appreciate the style!

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IL MINISTRO DELLA REAL CASA

Roma, li 27 ottobre 1944

Illustre Commodoro,

Sua Altezza Reale il Luogotenente Generale del Regno, in occasione di una visita all'Ospedale dei Fatebenefratelli all'Isola Tiberina, ha constatato che esso è tuttora privo di energia elettrica.

Tanto più tale deficienza è stata appresa con rammarico da Sua Altezza Reale in quanto quell'Ospedale è fornito anche di un posto di pronto soccorso, il quale non è in grado evidentemente - senza il corredo di una buona illuminazione - di assolvere i suoi compiti, specialmente nei casi in cui siano richiesti urgenti e delicati interventi chirurgici.

Secondo le intenzioni di Sua Altezza Reale mi permetto quindi di segnalare il fatto alla Sua benevola personale attenzione con la preghiera di voler vedere - nella Sua squisita comprensione per le esigenze umanitarie della cittadinanza - tutto ciò che sia possibile di fare perchè l'Ospedale predetto

././.

Illustre Commodoro
Ellery W. S T O N E
ff. Presidente della Commissione Alleata

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riabbia l'energia elettrica.

La ringrazio fin d'ora per quanto Ella crederà di poter disporre e La prego di voler gradire, illustre Commodoro, la rinnovata espressione dei miei più cordiali sentimenti.

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Lucifero

(F. Lucifero)
Ministro della Real Casa

BWS/wmg

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28 October 1944

Dear Mr. Taylor:

In reply to your letter of October 23 referring to milk distribution, the following replies have been obtained from the Supply Officer (Major Mason), LAZIO-UMBRIA Region.

(a) A monthly allocation of milk to the Italian authorities in each Province is made by the Supply Officer (through SEPRAL) sufficient for hospitals, nursing mothers and babies up to the age of three.

(b) SEPRAL is the distributing agency and it would appear that through a fault in distribution FRASCATI did not receive an allocation until August, when the Sindaco requested a supply.

(c) It was delivered to pharmacies in FRASCATI on 24 August.

(d) When AMG came to ROME, SEPRAL had in stock Italian tinned milk and it was from this that current deliveries were made, including the delivery to FRASCATI.

(e) The nuns at the Children's Home were advised by an ACC officer to make a request for the noon day meal at the beginning of October on the occasion of the visit of the Regional Officer to investigate this matter.

The nuns should have been notified by the Italian local authorities.

Yours sincerely,

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Myron C. Taylor
The Personal Representative of the
President of the United States of America
To His Holiness the Pope
2, Via Boncompagni
Rome

cc: Chief of Staff Section
'A' Files

Major Query.

Reference letter from Mr. Myron C. Taylor dated 23 Oct 42, I have obtained from the Supply Officer (Maj. HOSCH), LAMIA-URRIA Region, the following answers to the questions asked:

- (a) A monthly allocation of milk to each Province is made by the Supply Officer sufficient for hospitals, nursing mothers and babies up to the age of three.
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- (e) The nuns at the Children's Home were advised to make a request for the next day meal at the beginning of October on the occasion of the visit of the Regional Officer to investigate this matter.

27 Oct 42.

Captain.

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Major B. B. B.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
~~3.3.3~~ APO 394
Civil Affairs Section

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Ref:- 3/3.3/CA 28 Oct '44

SUBJECT: Letters from Italians

TO:- C.C.B.
Political Sec.
Econ. Sec.
Est. Sec.

Reference decision at yesterday's COS meeting.
I enclose copies of two pro forma which you may care to use
when replying to letters from Italians with regard to personal
and individual complaints, pleas, etc., which do not properly
fall within the scope of the activities of this Commission.

I shall be obliged if COS will bring this to attention
of CSC to A/CO.

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/s/ S.R. Upjohn
/t/ C.R. UTJOHN. Brig.
VI CA Sec.
D.C.O.B.

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DRAFT FORM OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated _____ has been received.

It is not proposed to take any action in the matter to which you refer as it is one which in the opinion of this Commission should be dealt with by the Italian authorities.

Your letter is being referred to the appropriate Italian authorities for such action as may be appropriate.

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DRAFT FORM OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

TO:

Your Excellency,

I enclose a letter dated _____ from _____.

It raises matters which in the opinion of this Commission should be dealt with by the Italian authorities rather than by the Commission and it is therefore forwarded to you for such action as you may deem appropriate.

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FREEDOM FROM CLARK SIGNED WILSON

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ROUTINE

CITE: FHCAO

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CONFIDENTIAL. Reference your 3611/2000S of 23 October. There are at present 3200 French tps left in ITALY but no repeat no Moroccans. A few Algerians remain but doubtless ignorant confuse these with Moroccans. All French should be clear of ITALY in about 5 weeks.

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27 October 1944

Dear General,

The letter from H.R.H. addressed to Mrs. George Earle has been forwarded to London in accordance with your request.

Yours very sincerely,

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to A/CC

General Adolfo Infante
The First Aide de Camp General of
H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom
Rome

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Translation

The First Aide de Camp General of
H.M.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

HPS M/S

Gene, 21 October 1944

My dear Toni,

H.M.H. the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom
asked me to see that the enclosed letter, addressed to Mrs. George
Marie, should be forwarded to London.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Truly yours,

/s/ A. Infante

To Major Gayle
P.A. to Commodore E.W. Stone
Allied Control Commission
R O M E

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Roma, li 24 OTT. 1944

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

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Mis caro Romi,

S.A.R. il Luogotenente Generale del Regno mi ha
dato incarico di chiedere che l'unita lettera, diretta a
Mrs. George Earle, venga cortesemente inoltrata a Londra.

1 = Nel ringraziarLa fin d'ora del suo interessamento Le
porgo i migliori saluti.

(Generale Adolfo Infante)

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A Major Quayle

P.A. to Commodore E.W.STONE

Allied Control Commission

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27 October 1944

Dear Sirs:

I thank you for your letter and appreciate the spirit which prompted you to write it. It therefore is with regret that I have to inform you that your request to enter the Allied Forces in the fight against Japan cannot be entertained.

Yours sincerely,

MILBY M. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Sig. Aldo Pessina
Presso Sua Eccellenza Maggioni
Via Crispi 90
Roma

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cc: Chief of Staff
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A. F. PESSINA
giornalista

Roma, 21 oct. 1944

To H.E. the Admiral
ELLERY STONE
President of the A.C.C.
Rome.

Sir,
we are, we two undersigned, North Italian soldiers, who have lived the hard days of Corsica fighting against the Germans. After some months passed in Sardinia, when the Allies Forces were delivering our country, we have volunteered for fighting once more: but we were not allowed for that, as all soldiers in the same position.

Now the war is approaching our homes, and we are in a office: it seems to us that it is less that our moral duty.

In the same time we feel that we must not place ourselves in a position in which it should be possible, in in the battle theatre, to fight against our homes.

But we have a debt with the Allies, and it will be bigger when their troops shall freed our villages or cities.

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One of us as political prisoner of the fascists, the second one as a young man who believes in the best future of the world, we want cooperate with the Allies not only for paying our debt, but also for showing to ourselves that we are able to do a good job in the right way.

So that we ask the honour to enter in the Allies Forces for fighting against Japan, in the same unit, together.

We know that, perhaps, in the next future our Army shall be called for the same job: but we have lived in it and now we are disappointed.

Why should we not be allowed to do the same that are doing our Italian brothers living in U.S., who entered as volunteers in your Army that is the first representative of the new world-citizen?

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 President of the A.C.C.
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I know -Pessina- French German and English language

MILANO - VIA MASCHERONI 5
 TELEFONO N. 40-988

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ges, being, in my private life, journalist, and I suppose to be able to be useful. From the beginning of our military life, my friend -Ferrini- is with me, cooperating for my duty.

We have asked to A.C.C. to enter in the Allies troops without any condition but one: to be enlisted (we do not care of the rank) in the same unit of the Allies troops during all the time of our future service, as we are now in the Italian Army, and as we ~~was~~ were always before.

We offer ourselves to the common cause, and we desire to do that together: we are sure, Sir, that you may understand the moral reasons regarding this desire, which are not only depending from our friendship and habit to do our best effort cooperating together.

It seems, in the kind reply had from M.M.I.A. that there are, in the present time, some difficulties: for that we ask respectfully to you, Sir, to consider our request for enabling us to do what we really think is our present moral duty: pay our debt to the deliverers of our country.


A.F. Pessina


M. Ferrini

address:

ALDO PESSINA

presso Sua Eccellenza MAGGIONI
Via Crispi 90

R O M A

EWS/dfa

26 October 1944

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I have received your letter of October 26 enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. Lester Maynard and will advise you further as to the possibility of his employment by the Allied Commission.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk
U.S. Representative to the
Advisory Council for Italy
Via Vittorio Veneto, 119
Rome

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cc: Brigadier Lush
Political Section
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UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

n/cc 753
26/10/44

Rome, October 26, 1944

My dear Commodore Stone:

I am taking the liberty of sending you herewith a copy of a letter which I have received from Mr. Lester Maynard, a retired member of our Foreign Service, regarding his employment in Rome, and shall be glad if you will be good enough to inform me of the nature of the reply which I may make in the premises.

Sincerely yours,

A. R. H.

Enclosure

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Commodore Ellery W. Stone,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission,
Rome.

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COPY

Perugia, October 12, 1944

Dear Mr. Kirk,

My work in Perugia, with the A.M.G., has advanced so far that it may be considered as completed and I can leave it with a clear conscience. As the winter in Perugia is very severe and as my memories of my long detention here are not pleasant I desire to remove to Rome until such time as we can return to our home in the Principality of Monaco. Naturally if I am occupied with something of sufficient importance to warrant my remaining longer in Rome I will do so as I am most anxious to be of real service to our cause.

Recently I have been informed that the A.C.C. intends to employ civilian administrators and this is to request your good offices on my behalf for such an appointment. The question of monetary compensation is of no consequence. The important consideration is to obtain two rooms in an A.C.C. hotel and the right of my wife and our two daughters to live and mess there with me, at my expense.

Colonel Carroll and Majors Shriver and Hamilton, all of the A.C.C. are familiar with my work and I believe you also know enough about me to know what I can do. Colonel Belser, the Provincial Commissioner here desires to retain my services but I feel that I have done my share in Perugia and must try to make better arrangements for winter quarters for my family.

Please do what you can for us and accept my grateful thanks in advance.

Most sincerely yours,

(signed) Lester Maynard.

Hon. Alexander Kirk,
United States Representative,
Advisory Council for Italy,
Rome.

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A letter of thanks, & brief report
from Rev. H.C. LOGAN who has
been rallying the Boy Scouts.

I doubt if you will want to read
it though — but you might.

P.

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To the Office of the
CoS.

Seen by Brig: Upjohn
and returned.

Jan 11/81 AKH
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THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONER - G. BINCHAM, ESQ. - IMPERIAL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON, S.W.1



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 TRAVELLING LIAISON SCOUTERS - GR. CAPT. K. LYLE, M.D.
 - MAJOR R. A. SMITH
 LOCAL LIAISON SCOUTERS ARE IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

from Rev. V.K.C. Logan.

c/o Education Sub-Commission

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October 25th 1944.

Dear Commodore Stone,

You will probably recollect my name from a small correspondence between us about two months ago, when I was trying to get here from Egypt.

I have now been here for some three weeks, working under Major Washburne, but I am going on a tour tomorrow, and although I am coming back for a few days in November, I felt I could not leave HQ. ACC, without an official word of thanks for all the help I have received, which has, I believe, enabled me to do a successful job of work.

I am very indebted to all of the following :- In Liaison - Col. Brown, AUS, and Captain Lord Ranfurley ; In Education - Major Washburne, AUS, and in Region IV Building, where I was lent an office - my clerk, R. Hasan. To all of the above I am most grateful.

I have been able to leave behind a small voluntary team to assist Major Washburne, after I have left, consisting of two experienced Scouters, one is Mr. F.R. Catty of the British Foreign Office and the other is Master Sergeant J. Cotter Jnr of the American Army. Both are well versed in Scouting and are already welcome with the Italian Scouts.

I have pleasure in attaching a brief resumé of things for your information, and I thank you very much for all the help given me by ACC.

Yours Sincerely,

V.K.C. Logan

Assistant International Commissioner.

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Brief Resumé of the Position & Progress of the Italian Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, as seen by Rev. V.K.C. Logan, Assistant International Commissioner, during his visit to Rome --October 6 to October 26, 1944.

1. Pre-Fascist Scouting & Guiding.

Before the Fascist Regime came into power, as far as can be ascertained, there were two Boy Scout associations (the Associazione Cattolica Giovani Italiani and the Corpo Nazionale Giovani Italiani), working quite independently of each other, and one Girl Guide Association which was not large and was Catholic in control.

2. During the Fascist Regime.

During this period there was no Scouting carried on publicly, but there is evidence that small groups of Corpo Nazionale carried on Scouting in a clandestine manner in remote places, often with very considerable heroism and courage. The Associazione Cattolica also managed to carry on in a similar manner, and there is full evidence of a heroic group of boys under the personal leadership of Prof. Mazza meeting regularly in an attic in the Palazzo Venezia over Mussolini's head, without his being aware of their presence. This latter group of boys was secretly registered with the Vatican.

There is no evidence of the Girl ^{Guides} being able to carry on in a similar manner except that it does seem as if a dozen or so older Girl Guides had managed to keep in touch with one another

428? 3. Period of German Domination after the Collapse of Fascism until the Liberation of Rome (Sept. 8, 1943 to June 4, 1944).

Both the Scout associations appear to have continued in a clandestine manner but with an ever quickening hope of liberation.

The Girl Guides seem to have formed themselves into what I can only describe as a clandestine Company of Rangers, and to have recruited some girls and formed two Guide Companies which they proceeded to organise underground.

It must be fully realised that all this work involved very considerable peril to all concerned, including the children. There are many tales of extraordinary heroism by boys and girls which will be revealed in course of time : those of us who have

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been in close contact with the Scout and Guide workers have already heard some of these stories.

4. Period after Liberation of Rome (June 4, 1944 to)

Immediately Rome was liberated both the Scouts and the Guides proceeded to make plans to go forward, but with absolutely enormous difficulties to contend with.

There were no communications, postal, road or railway available. (No equipment, very few Scout books produced from hidden places; no light in towns and people were in a state of great weariness and hunger, thus having a low morale and very little energy for doing more than preserving their lives).

Prof. Mazza with some aid from the Church proceeded to organise groups of Scouts and Cubs wherever he was able to do so; he also collected together some 200 old Scouts to train them as Scout masters.

At the same time His Holiness the Pope endeavoured to make one Scout association instead of two by requesting a broadening of religious policy and a new name to be used, that of Associazione Giovani Esploratori Italiani.

The Corpo Nazionale also came into the light of the day and approached the Education Subcommittee of the Allied Control Commission for assistance and recognition.

428! The Girl Guides also came into the open and found a temporary haven in a room at the Palazzo Doria Pamphili; they were also favoured by the willing patronage both of Princess Doria Pamphili and Contessa Laura Di Carpegna. (Prince Doria Pamphili is Mayor of Rome, and the uncle of Contessa Laura Di Carpegna was the first Italian Chief Scout).

All the three Associations, largely owing to the difficulty of circulation and communication, were working unknown to one another, and this was the condition in which things were found by the temporary Liaison Officer of the Assistant International Commissioner (Major Gordon).

Both the first Director of Education of the Allied Control Commission (Lt. Col. Smith, A.U.S.) and later the present Director (Major Washburne, A.U.S.) fully realise the tremendous importance of Scouting and Guiding. (Schools were non-existent, either because they had been destroyed in battle or because they were occupied by the military; text books of all

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kinds were completely useless because they had all been written from the Fascist point of view and therefore could only be thrown away; youths who had been systematically drolled in the Balilla found themselves suddenly disbanded, and with nothing to do and nowhere to go, with the result that hooliganism became very rife.)

The Education Subcommittee, although understaffed, and Major Gordon, tried to do their best to encourage things. Major Washburne obtained a number of handbooks and magazines from the Boy Scouts of America and distributed these impartially. Major Gordon tried to straighten problems and to encourage everybody.

At last the two Scout Associations discovered each other's existence and efforts were made to try and work together, but these failed, namely owing to lack of experienced and impartial guidance on the part of somebody who had the time and freedom to give it.

On Oct. 6, 1944 the Assistant International Commissioner for the Boy Scout Association (British) succeeded in arriving in Rome. He was not only welcomed but given every possible assistance and facility by the Education Subcommittee. Some 20 days were fully occupied in making friends all round and advising as best as possible. The result has been, as far as Scouts are concerned, for a very strong desire for unity, and as a prelude to complete unity between the Associations, a Federation has been achieved between the Italian leaders. Both Associations have an equal status and voice in the Federation, and the utmost friendliness and cooperation prevails. Their first and immediate task is to work for one united Italian Boy Scout Association.

4230 The Girl Guides are growing in strength little by little, and here again there is every hope of a complete friendship and cooperation, which will end in one Girl Guide Association for Italy.

In view of the fact that the Assistant International Commissioner would not be able to stay in Rome indefinitely, it was strongly felt that some one suitable should be found to assist Major Washburne in shepherding the Federation of Boy Scouts through its early stages. And so it was most fortunate that at this moment there has arrived in Rome Mr. F.R. Catty who is a Scouter of many years experience. He is attached to Foreign Office and will advise Major Washburne in Scout and Guide matters, so that the Federation and friendship achieved is not spoiled by some petty disagreement. All the Italians concerned are most grateful for impartial British or American advice. And Mr. Catty

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has received quite as a great welcome as the Assistant International Commissioner from all concerned.

5. Full details of every step in this progress will be found in the files of either the Director of Scout International Bureau in London or of the Director of Education Subcommittee of the Allied Control Commission in Rome.

It is felt by those who should know that complete unity in the Scout and Guide world of Italy is in itself something quite unique and also that if there is anywhere where unity can come about, it is amongst those who are bound by a Promise and Law common to each.

It is also felt that such a unity might at this moment prove an example to other spheres of Italian life, which are divided by lack of leadership, politics and inherited inability to cooperate together, aggravated by a period of Dictatorship, when no man was permitted to think for himself or display initiative. (I am informed that one of the slogans of the Fascist Regime displayed everywhere was "Mussolini ha sempre ragione" - Mussolini is always right).

In view of the fact that the children of today are the citizens and rulers of tomorrow, it will be readily seen how very vital are these conferences and attempts at unity at the present moment.

Also it must not be forgotten that any Fascist teaching left in the minds of young people can only be counterbalanced by a positive teaching of another kind such as given through Guiding and Scouting.

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J. H. C. Rogers

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Political Section.

Attached translation of a letter from Prime Minister
to A/CC is forwarded.

A/CC directs me to ask you to handle this matter.

I would draw your attention to the proposed ceremony which
is November 4, not a very long time ahead.

[Signature]
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: Major Quayle ✓

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

Rome, 25 October 1944

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Dear Admiral,

On November 4th, H. Mr. Vittorio Emanuele Orlando will celebrate the anniversary of the Italian victory of 1918, won together with the allies.

It is to be wished that the words of H. Mr. Orlando, who as President of the Council of Ministers, was at that time one of the chief artisans of the peace and Vittorio Veneto, should be heard by all the Italians.

I should be most grateful to you if you would see that:

R.A.B. had the ceremony of November 4th transmitted by radio;

that the Società Romana Elettrica and the A.S.E.L. should be authorized to allot electric power, as it has already been done, to all the subscribers of Rome, from 11 to 12 on that day, so that the population can listen to the transmission;

that the Rome-Amples cable should be working.

Waiting for your answer, I remain,

Yours truly,

/s/ I Bonomi

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Admiral Henry W. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the A.C.C.

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THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO HIS HOLINESS THE POPE

A/c 716
24/10/44.

October 23, 1944

Commodore Ellery W. Stone,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.

Dear Commodore Stone:

about 10/10
Thank you for your letter of October 20 in reference to the investigation of the milk distribution in Frascati. I would appreciate it if, however, you could give me the date of the delivery of milk tins to be sold in the pharmacies and the date milk was turned over to SUPAL. I would also like to know when the nuns were advised to make a request for the authorized noon-day meal for the children to be submitted to the Sindaco.

I appreciate your cooperation in this matter and believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Myron C. Taylor

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23 October 1944

Ref: 2205/8/CO3

Dear Marchese Visconti Venosta:

This is in reply to your letter No. 02690/4 dated 12 October 1944, which referred to memorandum No. 6/246/122 of 14 August 1944 from your Ministry and restated your views on the question of the protection of Italian citizens and property in France.

This matter was taken up with Allied Force Headquarters immediately upon receipt of the memorandum under reference and a reply now has been received in which it is stated that Sixth Army Group is undertaking to discuss this subject matter with Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force.

Yours sincerely,

ELMER W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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H. E. Marchese Giovanni Visconti Venosta,
Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

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Ref: 3611/29/44

23 October 1944

Dear General Clark:

You may perhaps have seen the attached article. Rumors such as a result of it show that, while it may be true that all Moroccan troops have left Italy, there is still in this country a considerable number of Algerian troops. This distinction may however be without a difference in the Italian mind. It is a fact that the behaviour of the troops has improved, reports of incidents having dropped from about 30 to about 6 per month; nevertheless, there can be no doubt that the recollection of past behaviour remains vivid, and the presence of these troops in Italy is a constant source of rumor and apprehension.

This is borne out by a letter of 18 October from the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, stating that the inhabitants of Paluchera Sardinia are preparing to leave their homes on account of a false rumor that Moroccan troops are to have a rest camp there.

It could seem that, however improved may now be the behaviour of such troops, their final removal from Italy, if military necessity permits, is the only method of stopping the speculations and rumors which their continual presence undoubtedly creates.

Is there any possibility of this being done?

Yours sincerely,

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Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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Lieutenant General J. G. W. Clark, CB., MC.
Chief Administrative Officer,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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URGENT MEASURES NEEDED:

The Moroccan troops who came into Italy with the Allies did not leave as many may think - with the majority of the French units when the latter were transferred from this front. The Moroccans are still encamped in some parts of the provinces of Rome, Littoria, Naples, Salerno and Trapani. In these places they still make news, as the phrase goes, by their acts of violence which have always left deep traces wherever they have passed, like the blast of a tempest.

It is easy to imagine the harmful consequences and the state of mind of the villagers who must undergo these acts of violence or remain in permanent terror of them.

In fact we have repeated and impressive evidence of such acts; violence against people, especially women and children, against property, against public safety. Such acts have preserved their usual characteristics to which is added the admitted incapacity of their commanders to forestall or repress them. In some cases those who have been threatened have been offered means of arming to defend themselves. But aside from the superior number and impetus of these violent men and this further motive for exasperating and provoking even crueler reprisals, the very fact that villages and regions have thus receded to the state of pure anarchy calls for measures urgent not only on the ground of civilisation and humanity but for the principle of authority and the prestige in particular of the occupying authority.

It is high time that such a state of affairs should come to an end. It is an absurd situation both because it is such contrast with the principles and ends for which the Allies are fighting the war and because there is now no reason either military or political for maintaining in a country other than their own a body of troops undisciplined and intractable to discipline and hence serving no purpose whatsoever.

It is impossible that repeated authoritative request to put an end to the situation should be ignored. It is recognised as a public disaster even by those who have not yet been able to find a way to put an end to it, or at any rate to act with the urgent and necessary dispatch.

As the other French troops have gone on to other fronts or to other garrisons there must surely be no lack of means to insure that the Moroccan units follow those with whom they have come and to whom they are subordinate, as their native country is. Their repatriation could certainly be arranged if it is feared that the same things might occur elsewhere - even in France - as have occurred all too often in Italy.

It is a question of the most clear-cut justice.

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Ref: 998/CCS

21 October 1944

Dear Mr. Perez:

In reply to your letter of 11 October 1944 I am directed by Commodore Stone to say that he wishes you to believe that there is no aspersion thrown on your character as you would seem to imply and that your conduct and courage in your fight against Fascism and Nazism is both known and appreciated. Such qualities do not necessarily, however, ensure compatibility in a certain specialized occupation.

In view of this, Commodore Stone regrets that he feels unable ^{to} either rescind the decision which has been taken or to grant you an interview, which in the circumstances would advance the matter but little.

Yours sincerely,

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J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to A/CC

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Dott. Giovanni Perez
Piazza Barberini, 5
Rome

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J. A. QUAYLE
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Staff Officer to M/CC

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Dott. Giovanni Perez
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Rome

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Commodore Stone:

Captain Morden (GOS section), who interviewed Captain Holsten, the late employer of Sig. Perez, is definitely of the opinion that you should not give Perez an interview. Holsten, he says, spoke very well of the man's work and corroborated his own remarks to having fought with great courage against the Nazis. At the same time, not only Captain Holsten but also the evidence of Colonel Ames and other officers at Lazio Region confirm that Perez is a bit of a crank and quite impossible to work with. Possibly his experiences during the Nazi occupation have affected his nerves so that he now suffers to a certain degree from a persecution complex.

Draft letter which I propose to send is submitted for your approval.

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J.A.L.

May Inayle,

Ref attd letter of grievance, Capt Holsten has been to see me this afternoon.

Perez he describes as intelligent, perhaps 'smart' & a great talker.

He was engaged as senior administrative asst to Capt Holsten, Labour Officer Lazio Region & the trouble seems to have started when Perez asked for appointment of "executive asst".

He was informed that was not possible & as he complained of his absence of prospects he was told that in the employ of ACE he could only be temporary. It was suggested to him that if he ~~so~~ could obtain more suitable employment no obstacle would be placed in his way & this particular conversation terminated leaving the impression with Holsten that he (Perez) would get another job.

The whole story is very long & I was left with the impression that Perez is a nuisance & may have a slight persecution mania.

He writes books & includes in them references to ACE which, I understand, are not always complimentary.

E. Shorden
Capt

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMF
Office of the Chief of Staff

PA to RC

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Ref: 998/13/COS.

14 October 44.

SUBJECT: Dott. Giovanni Perez.

TO : R.C. LAZIO Region.

1. Attached is letter from above dated 11 October 44 and a booklet, together with a copy of our acknowledgement.
2. Will you please investigate the statements of Dott. Perez and submit a report for the Acting Chief Commissioner.

By command of Commodore Stone.

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Brigadier
Chief of Staff *Shorden*

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
GMC
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 998/14/COS.

14 October 1944

TO: Dott. Giovanni Peres,
Piazza Barberini 5, Rome.

I am instructed by Commodore Stone, Acting Chief
Commissioner, to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 11
October 1944.

I am to add that the subject matter is being
investigated after which you will be communicated with
again.

[Signature]
R. H. H. H.

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Dott. GIOVANNI PERE
Piazza Barberini 5 - Phone 41.000

Rome 11th October 1944

To Commadore S T O N E, Chief Commissioner A.C.

R O M E 12 OCT Recd

Dear Sir,

Firmly convinced to have been most seriously wronged by the high handed proceedings of the Regional Labour Officer of Region IV, I think to be entitled, after having tried in vain all other possible channels, to apply directly to you in order to state my case and request of you the favour of an interview.

Although fully realizing the importance of the step I am taking, I am, and have always been, too staunch an asserter of liberty and too firm a believer in the principles of democracy not to resist my being trampled upon by another man, even if I had to defend my feelings of honour and self respect in the position of inferiority of an Italian against an American, of a civilian against an Allied Officer, of a poor employee against an employer.

Pointed out that here I am defending a moral question, I should like to make a brief statement of the facts.

On the 19/7/44 I was engaged by Cap. NED A. HOLSTEN at the Labour Office of Region IV in the capacity of senior administrative assistant. However I did not work under the said officer any considerable amount of time, owing to the fact that after a few weeks he moved up North and I was, so to say, handed over to Cap. Matthew Adams who was entrusted to take up his place.

At about the end of the month of August Cap. HOLSTEN, who was subsequently appointed chief of the Labour Division of Region IV, came back to Rome and resumed his situation so that, not having Cap. Adams been shifted from his place, I found myself working at the same time under both officers.

I think to imagine the reasons why Cap. HOLSTEN came after a little while to look down at me with the greatest disfavour. For the time being I wish to point out that, informed on the 5th of this month that I had to consider myself dismissed for the 7th on ground of reduction of personnel, I found myself, when on the 7th I went to Cap. HOLSTEN to enquire if he would have any objection to favour me with some credentials (to be borne in mind that he himself had promised me on the 5th to give me an introduction for some people), addressed and thrown out with the following words:

- "that he was not intending to go out looking for jobs for people,
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- "that he had grounds against me!....";
- "that he could fire at me any time he liked!....";
- "that I was kicked out!...."; etc.

I might add moreover that, having I requested an explanation of his

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insulting words, he requested me to hand him over straightaway my office identification cards. On this point I must state that, having I insisted on requesting an explanation before handing over my office identification cards, Cap. HOLSTEN went to call an Officer of the Military Police and went as far as to perquisition my bag. It was in such a way that I was thrown out of the office.

Such being the case you will perfectly understand that I cannot take the matter light hearted and that I must insist on my ~~wright~~ right of receiving an explanation and having MY CHARACTER CLEARED UP.

Without examining the legal point of view of the matter according to which as I was engaged on fortnightly terms I had to be given a fortnight notice (notice which could be given only on the 15th, to be effective for the end of the month); - it remains the fact that all kind of moral accuses have been hurled against me. Now, as no moral accuse can be made without stating the ground for doing so, I am insisting on my right to know what, according to Cap. HOLSTEN's mind, I am supposed to be guilty of.

I think the matter to be very serious, so much the more so if one bears in mind that the officer in question was not only more or less regularly frequenting my home, but had maintained to be a friend of mine and had been obliged with smaller or bigger favours from me.

Notwithstanding all my efforts, I have not been able to know anything positive on the matter apart from a rumour that "I was perhaps talking too keen an interest in political questions".

If that be the case, I must state that I find it to be very surprising that a man who for years has carried on his fight against fascism and nazism with uncommon courage and through all kinds of persecutions, is to-day found guilty of having supported and supporting to the best of his means the Allied cause. However my political ideas are the ones which I express in this book which I join herewith and which I have just published, book this one which is not the only one I have written, but which has been preceded by other ten books of mine which I had more or less secretly printed in the years 1942 and 1943. I might moreover add that positive informations on my political activity and on the persecutions I had to go through may very easily be obtained at the Italian jail of Regina Coeli, at the German jail of Via Tasso, at the Political Bureau of the Questura, at the English and American Embassies to the Holy See, at the Secretary of State of the Holy See, at the Italian Senate, etc.

If ~~xxx~~ on the contrary the cause be another one, I have the right to know it.

Even among the Italians there are people who have a sense of honour and self respect, and if democracy be a fact and not an empty word, I trust you will grant me the honour of an interview.

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J. Peres
Post Scriptum - Please note that from the 1 (th up to the 18 th inst; I shall not be in Rome. Therefore, were you to decide to be kind enough to grant me the requested interview, I would ask of you not to fix an appointment for those days.

J. Peres

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20 October 1944

My dear Mr. Taylor:

While he was here in Italy, Judge Marchisio paid a visit to Frascati, where he was very alarmed at being advised that Frascati had received absolutely no powdered milk since June. I have had this matter investigated, and I would now be most grateful if you would bring to Judge Marchisio's notice the following report of the ACC officer who made the investigation:

"Investigated the Frascati case, and report as follows:

1. The tins of milk were placed in pharmacies to be distributed on ration to sick children and nursing mothers at 23 lire per tin. SEPRAL, the Italian distribution agency, delivered the milk.
2. The Nuns who operate the school have been advised to make a request for the authorized noon day meal for the children and submit it to the Sindaco. Up to the present the nuns had not made a request.
3. In view of my investigation, I believe the situation should improve. I shall keep in touch with it from time to time and take whatever action necessary to ameliorate the situation."

In addition to making clear to the nuns the procedure for obtaining the milk and mid-day meal for the children, the ACC officer is also looking into the question of their accommodation, which he considered unsatisfactory.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Honorable Myron C. Taylor
The Personal Representative of the
President of the United States of America
To His Holiness The Pope
2, Via Boncompagni
Rome

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20 October 1944

To: Chief Staff Officer to COS

With reference to Major Quayle's memorandum on the absence of milk at the Frascati Children's Home, the following is report I have received from Captain Di Giacomo, LAZIO-UMBRIA Region:

"Investigated the Frascati case, and report as follows: 1. The tins of milk were placed in pharmacies to be distributed on ration to sick children and nursing mothers at 23 lire per tin. SEPRAL, the Italian distribution agency, delivered the milk. 2. The Nuns who operate the school have been advised to make a request for the authorized noon day meal for the children and submit it to the Sindaco. Up to the present the nuns had not made a request. 3. In view of my investigation, I believe the situation should improve. I shall keep in touch with it from time to time and take whatever action necessary to ameliorate the situation".

Di Giacomo
Capt.

Commodore Stas.

From the above you will see that the milk did reach Frascati, but that the nuns did not know the ropes to get either the milk or the noon-day meal.

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Captain Di Giacomo has told them how to get it, & is also looking into their accommodation.

J.A. Quayle

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Capr Morden.

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Sincerely,

Frank Di Giacomo
Capt. Inf.

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Capt. Morden.

M. Check up with Regt
 on of where 500 km of miles
 island on 28 Aug went
 to what is happening now

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Education
 Maj. Morden

Capt. Digiacomo

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Ministero delle Corporazioni

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL SEGRETARIATO
DEL CONSIGLIO NAZIONALE DELLE CORPORAZIONI
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Col. Shipp.

In answer to your minute:-

Judge Marchisio, an American judge who runs an important Italian Relief organisation in the States (I believe its a presidential appointment) is over here now, and dined with the A/Cc the other night.

He told him that he had visited Frascati that day & had been told categorically by various personages that no powdered milk had been received there since June. This made him wonder what would happen to the distribution of his relief supplies when they arrived.

Hence A/Cc's interest.

J.A. Bury
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Col ShippChildren's Home - FRASCATI

above

1. Was visited yesterday by Capt DIGIACOMO, LAZIO Region.
2. He reports the building much damaged & that no mid-day meal has been provided by the Commune since July 44.
3. He has made a report to the PC recommending action for the relief of both the accen & food situation.
4. I asked him to communicate also with PC Rome Prov by phone to take emergency action on food situation & milk in particular.

4 Oct 44

G. Shorden
Capt

Major Quayle

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How do we up to such a high level. Can you say?
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HQ A.C.C. ECONOMIC SECTION

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(Date)

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AGRICULTURE	
COMMERCE	
FINANCE	
FOOD	
INDUSTRY	
LABOUR	
PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES	
REQUISITION DIVISION	
TRANSPORTATION	
SECRETARY GENERAL	
EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER	
BRANCH	
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION	
For: Signature	
Remarks/Recommendation	
Information	
Approval/Disapproval	
Appropriate Action	
Investigation & Report	
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CHIEF OF STAFF:

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FOR YOUR



HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Food Sub-Commission
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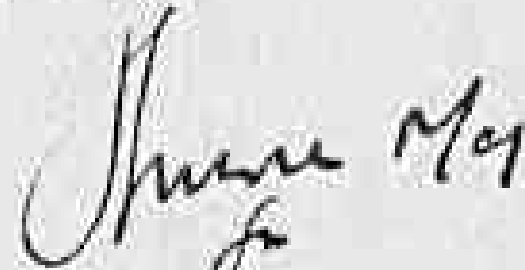
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3 October 1944

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SUBJECT: Milk - Frascati
TO : Economic Section.

1. Reference verbal request to enquire into the Milk situation in Frascati. The attached copy of letter ES/FS/1352.4 of 3 Oct. from Food Administration Officer Lazio Region is submitted for your information.
2. The report appears to be satisfactory.



W.J. LUGG
Colonel

Director, Food Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ECONOMICS & SUPPLY DIVISION
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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ES/ FA/1352.4

3 October 1944

SUBJECT: Milk - Frascati

TO : Director Economics & Supply, Lazio Umbria Region

1. Dr. Gimani of the Milk Department of the Se.Pr. Al. states: "the Commune of Frascati in the last months has never requested Milk allocations from Se.Pr. Al. It is taken for granted therefore that the local fresh milk production is enough for the Commune's requirement. In 1943 Frascati exported milk to Rome".
2. Dr. Gimani is trying to get the exact figures of present production. He will report to-morrow, 4th October.
3. On the 22nd August, a special allocation of 500 tins of Evap. Milk was made to Frascati on request of Public Health Div.

sgd. HERBERT G. MASON
Major,
Food Administration
Econ & Supply Div.
Lazio Umbria Region

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMB
Office of the Chief of Staff
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Ref: 3612/34/COS.

18 October 1944.

Your Excellency,

I have been instructed by the Acting Chief Commissioner to thank you for your letter of the 14th October 1944 and to inform you that this matter is now being dealt with by the Chief of Staff, Rome Allied Area Command, who will take such action as he considers will most effectively put an end to the poaching. Commodore Stone very much hopes, therefore, that there will be no further trouble.

Yours truly,

WHR

J/cdr.

For Acting Chief Commission.

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H.E. Marchese F. Lucifero,
Minister of the Royal Household.

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Ref : 4809/5/503

18 October 1944

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Dear Marchese Visconti Venosta:

I have given careful thought to your letter dated 13 October 1944, with a view to alleviating the scarcity of supplies for the civil population at DOMINUSOLA.

With the approach of the winter season it is extremely doubtful whether supplies could be dropped from aircraft in sufficient quantities owing to the adverse flying conditions. I am informed that last winter the difficulties were great and that nine days was the maximum number of days in any one month when air operations could be carried out.

I regret therefore that I see little hope of augmenting local supplies by this means.

Yours sincerely,

HERBERT W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Marchese Giovanni Visconti Venosta,
Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: A303/21/008

17 October 1944

SUBJECT: Civilian Restaurants.

TO: Commanding General,
Rome Allied Area Command.

1. I refer to recent conversations I have had with Brigadier Long on the question of civilian restaurants in Rome.

2. Having made a careful study of this question, I find that I am in agreement with you that civilian restaurants in Rome should be placed out of bounds to all Allied personnel always provided that the prohibition can be effectively enforced. This proviso I regard as most important, since without really effective enforcement there is a distinct danger that the restaurants now catering for Allied personnel, as a result of being placed out of bounds, will merely be driven to a lower and more hidden level.

3. I am writing to A.P.H.C. and to A.A.I. and proposing to them that a similar procedure should be adopted in large towns throughout Italy.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

M S L

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: H. C. Lazio-Riviera Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CICP
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref : 4208/13/COS

17 October 1944

SUBJECT : Civilian Restaurants

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section.

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1. I enclose a copy of a letter I have written to Rome Allied Area Command from which you will see that I am in favour of placing civilian restaurants in Rome out of bounds to all Allied personnel providing that the prohibition can be effectively enforced.

2. You will also see that I consider a similar procedure should be adopted in large towns throughout Italy. I should be obliged if you would consider this question and let me have your views.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

MSL

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref : 4503/12/CCS

17 October 1944

SUBJECT : Civilian Restaurants

TO : Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy

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1. I enclose a copy of a letter I have written to Rome Allied Area Command from which you will see that I am in favour of placing civilian restaurants in Rome out of bounds to all Allied personnel providing that the prohibition can be effectively enforced.

2. You will also see that I consider a similar procedure should be adopted in large towns throughout Italy. I should be obliged if you would consider this question and let me have your views.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

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Brigadier
Chief of Staff.

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Translation

Governatorato of the Vatican City
Ufficio Assistenza Convivenza di Roma

S.S.V. 16 October 1944

Memorandum

The journey of Mss. Ferdinando Galdelli in the provinces of Sardinia has drawn our attention on the ever increasing poverty and need of a great part of the population.

This office will try to solve if only in part, the problem of clothes and medicines, which are also urgently needed; it also means to bring relief to the alimentary conditions which are really dreadful.

This office, availing itself of its technical equipment and of the experience it acquired in the various institutions, and in the management of the kitchens for the poor, organized in the localities of Lazio and Tuscany which were damaged by the war, means to open refectories where soup will be given to the poorer classes of the population, in the towns and villages of Sardinia.

The requirements and the possibilities were examined in the localities themselves, and the office means to open kitchens in the following centers; (n. of kitchens figures near the name of the locality):

Gagliari	n. 3
Isleass	n. 2
Sanu Abbin	n. 1
Carbonia	n. 2
S. Antioco	n. 1
Carloforte	n. 1
Cuspini	n. 1
Genessa	n. 1

Two centers would have to provide the supplies for the kitchens; one would be in Cagliari, another in Carbonia. They would be managed by a technical personnel specialized in that kind of things, which would be in contact with this office. The office would advise and help the staff.

About 30.000 soups should be served daily. A much larger number of soups would be needed, but this is only the indispensable minimum required to enable these people to escape starvation.

To make 30.000 soups we require monthly the following supplies:

pasta kg. 31.000	vegetables kg. 18.000	oil kg 3.600
salt kg. 3.600	concentrato kg. 3.600	

The soups are made according to the following dietetical schedule:

pasta gr. 50	vegetables gr. 20	oil gr. 6	salt gr. 6
concentrato gr. 6			

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We therefore request the help of the Allied Command, and ask it to see that allotments of foodstuffs are made, in Sardinia or elsewhere according to the possibilities, and meanwhile to authorize the ships which do the supply service of the island to transport the necessary foodstuffs.

Chief of Staff - Personal:

Suggest you have Mgr. Baldelli call & give you his impressions of our present regime in Sardinia.

Additional copies for Econ. Sec. & Food Sub-Comm. Feel we should concur - as we are doing on Mainland.

Stone

Commodore.

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16 October 1944

My dear Marchese Visconti Venosta:

After all the inconvenience which you have suffered owing to the lack of electricity in your Ministry, I hope the light is functioning well now. Meanwhile, in the belief that it may be of interest to you, I enclose a report submitted to me by the Engineers on the electricity situation at the Palazzo Chigi.

Yours very truly,

ELBERT W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Marchese Giovanni Visconti Venosta
Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government

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1 Encl: Report

cc: C of S Section
Political Section (Mr. Schott)
Economic Section

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO No. 794 U. S. Army

WHH/lwt
14 Oct 44

Dear Quayle,

The following report has been supplied by the Engineers on the electricity situation at the Palazzo Chigi.

// The Palazzo Chigi was formerly supplied by the Romano Power Company but it was impossible to energise this circuit since it would consume approximately 1/40th of the total supply to the City. By connecting to the ACEA Power Company the power wasted was reduced. Owing to a decrease in production during the month of September, however, it was not possible to effect this connection until 12th October.

Since then, disconnections have been necessary when production fails, and this accounts for the interruptions experienced. The essentials such as city water pumps, railroads, telephones, hospitals, cannot be completely without power for a long period, and the Palazzo Chigi circuit may have to be cut off from time to time to save those circuits serving more vital installations.

Should production increase to the capacity that was available during the month of August all preferential service can be maintained continuously. //

W.H. Hughes

Major
DAQIC
Chairman
Electricity Control Board

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UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Dear Commadore:

After mentioning the matter of electric light for the Palazzo Chigi yesterday I inquired if an application had been made and I now find that Tiscanti sent you a letter on the matter in September 26th.

I hope that it will be found possible to comply with their request or, if that is impossible, that a full explanation will be sent to Tiscanti.
Yrs. A. R.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394

Ref : 3612/28/COS.

15 October 1944.

Dear Sir,

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This is to acknowledge ^{the} receipt of your letters of the 10th and 11th October 1944, which enclosed further reports of hunting on the Royal Estate of Castelporziano, and to inform you that I at once gave instructions for energetic steps to be taken to end this annoyance. As soon as a report is received from the military authorities concerned I will again write to you.

Sincerely,

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15/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner.

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Mr. F. Lucifero,
Minister of the Royal House.

cc: CofS
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMF
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref 3612/26/002.

15th October, 1944.

SUBJECT: Poaching on the Royal Estate
of Castel Porziano.

TO : Lazio - Umbria Region.
Attention Lt. Col. Ames.

1. Further to our letter of the 10th of October, 1944 No. 3612/16/002 attached hereto are further extracts of letters we have received from the Minister of the Royal House.

2. It is understood you have a meeting at NAAC on the 16th of October to discuss this matter and should appreciate it if you would let us know the steps decided upon.

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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From the Royal Estate of Castel Porziano

Rome, 10 October 1944

On the morning of October 9th the Hunter Guards on duty found near Capocotta a light truck (or jeep?) marked U.S.A.R.C. No 2, white star. They ascertained that the jeep had entered the estate by the "Santoli" gateway, and left it later by the same way.

The four American Officers or Enlisted Men who had arrived with the jeep were hunting inside the estate. The Hunter Guards on duty reached them also in order to warn them that the area is still strewn with German mines, but the four men pretended not to understand what they were being told in Italian and went on hunting.

11 October 1944

Intense rifle fire was heard yesterday at 9 p.m. and again towards midnight in the fields near Castel Porziano and in other parts of the estate.

The noise of a car was also heard, and headlights were seen.

The Hunter Guards were unable to make any further ascertainsments because of the bullets that were hissing all around.

This night-hunting, besides damaging the big game, is a serious danger to the personnel, to the workers employed in the wood works and for the cattle of the estate.

12 October 1944

Towards 1600 hours, 10 October, a jeep coming from Ostia with two American Sergeants or Corporals armed with rifles drove into the estate through the Grotta di Piastra gate, and headed for the wood.

Shortly afterwards, a rifle's report was heard.

The jeep's number was 2169354.

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ROUGH TRANSLATION

R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

N. 1/701

Rome, 13th October, 1944

Dear Admiral:

As you are aware, the little town of Domodossola and the entire Val d'Ossola are now solidly in the hands of Italian patriots. Whilst, however, the military situation becomes gradually more satisfactory, the problem of food supplies for the civilian population becomes daily more difficult. The Italian Legation at Bern, in collaboration with the Liberation Committee for Northern Italy, is doing the utmost in order to collect locally the required supplies, the Red Cross is collecting other commodities and the Swiss Authorities have authorized a daily consignment of 200 quintals of potatoes. All this, however, will prove to be quite insufficient should the present situation continue for any length of time.

Having recourse to your courtesy, I write to ask you to be so kind as to interest in the matter the competent Allied Military Authorities in Italy: they could examine the possibility of increasing the quantity of foodstuffs to be urgently dropped by parachute on Domodossola.

Thanking you in advance for your kind interest in the matter,

Yours sincerely,

sgd. G. VISCONTI VENOSTA

Admiral Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.
R O M E.

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12 October 1944

My dear Marchese:

My sincere apologies for not replying previously to your letter of September 26, but I had been informed that an explanation of the technical difficulties involved in the restoration of light to your Ministry had been communicated orally to members of your staff.

I am now delighted to hear that your sojourn in darkness is at an end, and I hope that the blaze of light now shining from your windows puts utterly to shame the barber opposite!

Yours very sincerely,

WILLY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Marchese Giovanni Visconti Venosta
Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
ROME

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cc: Mr. Schott, Political Section
C of S Section
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

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12 October 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Staff Section

1. The Acting Chief Commissioner would be grateful if you would instigate inquiries at the earliest possible date into the present whereabouts and wellbeing of a Miss Eugenia Wilson, concerning whom he has received inquiries from a high source.
2. Miss Wilson appears to have been a resident of Italy for some time. Her last address was Albergo Regina, Bagni di Lucca (Tuscany).

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

n. 201 R

ROME, 11/10/1944

TO THE ALLIED COMMISSION
ARC 394

R O M E

of. note of 6/10/1944

I was greatly distressed to hear about the tragical death of the functionaries who accompanied for service reasons Major G.W. Krauer during his visit to Sardinia.

I thank the Allied Commission for its kind expressions of sympathy which have already been communicated to the families of the victims, and I want to condole with you for the loss of Major G.W. Krauer, who also lost his life in Italy while he was fulfilling his duty, for the reconstruction of our country now liberated from Nazi Fascist oppression.

VIA MINISTER

/s/ Gariboldi

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*Il Vicesegretario di Stato
per gli Affari Esteri*

Rome, 11th October, 1944.

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Dear Stone,

On the 27th September ult. I wrote you pointing out the great inconvenience caused us in our work by the lack of electric light.

As 14 days have now passed and the same conditions prevail (I had occasion to show Sir Noel last evening under what conditions we are obliged to work), and not having received from you any reply on the matter, I am wondering whether you have ever received my letter, of which I am, therefore, enclosing herewith a copy.

Yours very sincerely,

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P. H. W. Stone

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.
R C M E.

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J. H. W. Stone

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.,
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
R.C.M.E.

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Ref: 3612/16/008.

10 October 1944

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Dear Sir,

I was very sorry to learn from your letter of 5 October 1944 of the continued difficulties that are being experienced at the Royal Estate of Castel Porziense, and agree that the detachment of a small unit of M's would ease the trouble. Unfortunately, however, shortage of Military Police personnel prevents our carrying out this suggestion.

As I informed you in reply to your earlier letter, a careful investigation is being made by the military authorities and I very much hope that this enquiry will have the effect of putting an end to the poaching complained of. I have asked to be informed of disciplinary action taken.

Sincerely,

(S & D) E. W. S.

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ELMER W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner.

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Mr. P. Lucifora,
Minister of the Royal House.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CAF
Office of the Chief of Staff
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Ref: 3612/15/COS.

10 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Poaching on Royal Estate of Castel Porziano.

TO : Regional Commissioner, LAZIO Region.
(Attention: Lt. Col. Ames)

1. With reference to your R/3140 of the 21st September 1944 and attached correspondence, there is forwarded a copy of a further letter received from the above Estate.
2. Is it now possible to furnish a report on disciplinary action taken following the original complaint?

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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9 October 1944

Subject: Repairs to Church of Trinita dei Monti.

My dear General de Sevin:

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Reference your XS/SM/94 dated 27 September 1944.

An inspection of the damage to the above church has been accomplished by an officer of this Headquarters together with a representative of the Ministry of Public Works and an estimate prepared on the cost of necessary repairs.

This information has been given to the Regional Engineer of Lazio-Umbria Region with the request that he ensure that repairs are initiated immediately.

Sincerely yours,

(sac) E. W. S.

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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Le General Brigade Aerienne X. de Sevin
HQ ACC, Rome

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7 October 1944

TOP SECRET : Assault on French Soldiers by Italian Civilians.

73 = Southern Region.

We shall be glad to know whether you are now in a position to furnish the report asked for in our 275412/05 of 23 Sep 14, when we sent you copy of a letter from General Louchot on the above subject.

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Mr. Hopton Radcliffe
for Brigadier, Vicksburg
Chief of Staff.

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Ref: 4406/1/002.

7th October 1944.

SUBJECT: Private Commercial Transactions.

TO : G-5 Section, A.F.R.O.

1. I forward a confidential report submitted by Regional Commissioner, Sardinia on the activities of Lt. Stern, US Liaison Officer with the Italian Military Procurement Control Board.

2. I need not point out the undesirability of officers in this territory entering into private commercial transactions and would ask that action should be taken to put a stop to such practices.

HILARY W. STONE,
Commodore, USNR,
Acting Chief Commissioner

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CONFIDENTIALCOPYALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, REGION 6.

Report by R.L.O. to Regional Commissioner re conversation
with Lt. Sterne, U.S. Army

On 29 September 44 I received a call from Lt. Stern the US Liaison Officer with the Italian Military Procurement Control Board who had previously telephoned to ask me if I would advise him about a private matter. This officer handed to me a draft contract which provided for the supply of commodities by parties in the USA to parties in Italy after the war. The names of the commodities to be supplied were left blank. He explained that he wished to be advised unofficially as to whether the contract as drawn ^{would} be valid both in the USA and Italy. I asked him whether he was personally interested in the contract and he stated that he was. I at once raised the question of the propriety of the contract in view of his position as an officer in the US Army. He replied that he had consulted his Commanding Officer on the subject and that the latter had agreed with him that the contract would in no way be contrary to US Army regulations. He emphasized that the contract was not to come into operation until after the war.

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/sgd/ N.G.S. ALEXANDER,
Major, R.L.O.

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30 Sep. 44

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6 October 1944

TO: The Ministry of Communications

Mr. Funazzi Amleto Societa Telefonica Tirrena
Mr. Giordano Almerico P.P.T.T. Inspector
Mr. Sapienza Antonio P.P.T.T. Inspector

It is with the deepest regret that we have to inform you that the three above-named officials who were accompanying Major G. W. Knauer on a visit to Sardinia in connection with the duties of their offices are missing and must now be presumed lost.

It has been confirmed that they were all included in the passenger list of an aircraft that left Naples for Cagliari on the 19th September and that the aeroplane failed to arrive and no trace has since been found.

Would you be good enough to convey to the relatives of the missing the sincerest sympathy of the Allied Commission in their sudden and tragic loss.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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cc: CofS

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Office of the Chief of Staff
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A file
H/CC 503
6/10/44

Ref: 7006/2/COS.

5 October 44.

SUBJ: American Officers Reported Missing - Lt. Col. Kessner.
Major Knauer.

TO : C-1 (A) (Major Stearns).

1. In a Sitrep received from Sardinia Region on 4 October 44, the two above-named officers were reported missing in an air crash 19 September 44. No further details have been received and a signal was immediately dispatched requesting additional information.
2. Lt. Col. Scudder, Communication Sub-Commission has ascertained today from ACE Naples that Major Knauer was on the manifest of the missing plane but did not check Lt. Col. Kessner's passage.
3. Three Italian civilians were reported missing. These men were employees of the Italian State Post, Telegraph and Telephone. They were accompanying Major Knauer. Lt. Col. Scudder is informing the responsible Italian Ministry.
4. The Chief of Staff would like to be kept advised of developments. When the situation has been clarified will you please forward a statement.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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AKC 487 -A
5/10/44

Ref: 996/1/003.

5 October 44.

SUBJECT: Salvation Army.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. There is a query pending on file 814/CA from AFHQ as to whether two additional representatives of the Salvation Army should be given permission to come out to Italy.
2. With a view toward determining the contribution the Salvation Army was making toward the war effort in the theatre and using this as a guide, a verbal request was made last week to Brig. Stannard, the head of the Salvation Army in Italy, for specific information. The following report was received from him this morning :

Salvation Army activities with troops.

- (a) A total of 47 officers (British) are engaged in social or welfare work with troops.
- (b) 15 officers are in front line service. The balance are engaged in welfare work along the lines of communication.
- (c) The Salvation Army has 16 Clubs in operation and 12 Canteens.

Civilian Activities.

- (a) All civilian activities came to a stop at the beginning of the war. The Salvation Army are now trying to reopen their premises in the larger cities in liberated Italy.
- (b) Most of the Italian personnel are still interned in Northern Italy.
- (c) The Salvation Army have offered to open a soup kitchen in Florence in cooperation with A.M.C.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

J.A.O.

HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
C. M. F.

Office of the Chief of Staff.

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Rec'd 5/10/44

"A" FILE

Ref: 4405/9/COS.

4th October 1944.

TO : Commercial Minister,
His Britannic Majesty's Embassy,
R O M E.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose a communication from
Mr. G.N. Crisford on behalf of Mitchell Cotts and Co.Ltd. of which
firm he is Local Director.

Mr. Crisford states that he came to Bari last November
at the instance of M.E.S.C. to obtain spare parts for tractors in
Eritrea and that he has been at Bari since.

He also states that he is anxious to return to the
Dodecanese where he held the post of Honorary British Consul.

This Commission would not support the application to form
a subsidiary Company of Mitchell Cotts in this territory at this moment.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd) M.S. BUSH.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.
For Acting Chief Commissioner.

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MITCHELL COTTS & CO (MIDDLE EAST) LTD.,
32 SHARIA MALIKA FARIDA,
CAIRO.

Rome. v. March n.1. 4th October, 1944.

From
Mr G.N. CRISFORD, C.B.E.,
Local Director.

To: Allied Control Commission,
ROME.

Sir,

With the kind assistance and sponsorship of the Ministry of War Transport Middle East our representatives recently visited Italy - Naples and Rome - to investigate the position of our controlled Italian subsidiary Company which was established and operating in Italy in the years before hostilities broke out.

The name of this Company was "Societa Anonima Italiana per il Commercio con l'Africa Orientale ed il Sudan" (S.A.I.C.A.S.).

The result of these investigations was to ascertain, with regret, that the Company had been liquidated by our Italian nominees; further enquiries were made with a view to resuscitating the Company but our representatives were informed by reliable legal opinion that this, again with regret, was impracticable under existing Italian Law.

At the request of the Ministry of War Transport and the British Military Administration, Civil Affairs, G.H.Q., M.E.F. we have lately opened up at Tripoli (Tripolitania) and in view of past trade connections between Italy and Tripoli it is considered in the interests of all concerned that we are represented in Italy. We were relying on the subsidiary Company S.A.I.C.A.S. furnishing us with the necessary representation in Italy. This, however, is not now possible, consequently further investigations were carried out and on the recommendations of our lawyers application has been made to the Italian Government through the Ministries of Commerce and Industry and Treasury for permission to be granted to continue our previous interests in Italy by a new Company in replacement of S.A.I.C.A.S.

It is our earnest desire and, in fact, we consider it our duty to appraise you fully of the position before proceeding further in the matter.

We shall be glad therefore if you will advise us whether there are regulations in existence which do not allow of the bringing of the proposed Company into being.

We shall be grateful of an early reply.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) G.N. CRISFORD.

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
A.P.O. #794, U.S. ARMY

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Subject: 504 Corso Umberto.

To : Acting Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission,
A.P.O. #394, U.S. Army.

1. An inspection of the subject property has been made in conformity with the request contained in your letter A/CC 014.13, dated 29 September 1944.

2. This inspection indicated that the majority of service men frequenting the premises were there by invitation. It is true that in most instances these men are visitors in several apartments where prostitution is practiced under the guise of renting sleeping rooms. Opposed to this undesirable situation is the fact that some few women of good repute rent sleeping rooms and that some respectable tenants have friends among the armed forces whom they entertain.

3. A doorman, evidently employed by the property owner, is on duty and could easily call the military police, located only a few blocks away, in case of disturbance.

4. I am not inclined to place any semi-public property off limits, especially where legitimate visitors would be embarrassed, or respectable tenants suffer a loss of business. In this particular instance it would seem that proper conduct of the tenants would eliminate any disturbances by visitors, and certainly the Minister of Foreign Affairs should experience no difficulty in evicting any undesirable tenants.

Frederick K. Brown
FREDERICK K. BROWN,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army,
Commanding.

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10-10-44.

Spoke to Roberti, explaining
Gen. Brown's point of view. Roberti
says U.V. does not require written
answer.



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TEATRO REALE DELL'OPERA
(ENTE AUTONOMO)

IL COMMISSARIO

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October 2.nd 1944

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Captain Ellery W. Stone
Acting Chief Commissioner Headquarters Allied Control Commission
ROMA

Replying your favour of September 30.th last, I assure you that our artistic Committee together with our Direction on the occasion of next Mrs. Nelly Corradi's audition, will hear her most cordially and I hope that her essay may be so successful to give us the opportunity of enumerating her amongst our artists.

Yours sincerely
Avv. Agostino d'Adamo

Adamo

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1 October 1944

Subject: Repatriation of Civilian

To: G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters

1. Reference your letter G-5: 014.33 of 13 September 1944. The questions you asked have been referred to Dr. Fano, and we have just received his reply. It appears that Dr. Giuseppe Fano, to whom you referred in your para 3, is no relation. The last address at which Dr. Fano's sister was heard of is No. 3121 Dirschau Lager 6.

2. Captain Stone would be most grateful if you could see any way of asking the Palestinian Government to include her in some German-Palestinian exchange, as you suggested.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

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

cc: Political Section

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TRANSLATION

Rome, 1 October 1944

TO the Allied Control Commission
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HQ ACC. APO 32.
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3/10/44
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To enable you to take the necessary steps and to get a compensation, I communicate what follows:

Today at about 17 hours, I was driving my car (Roma 64120, Fiat 1500) at moderate speed in via Arno, when a truck (2675 HQ 37) collided with my car. The driver was soldier Gallo, who said he was employed in the Ministry of Corporations. The truck was driving so quickly that after colliding with my car, and damaging its left side, it went on and finally came to a standstill at the corner of the next house. The truck came on my left and appeared quite suddenly, going at a quick pace though I had signalled my presence before reaching the crossroad. As soon as I saw the truck I put the brakes, stopping my car in about 5 meters.

This has been witnessed by various persons, among which an officer of the Corpo Automobilistico, who by a misunderstood esprit de corps, would not say his name so that he would not have to give evidence against a soldier of his corps.

Among other witnesses, Mr. Fringuelli Alfio, living in Viale Regina Margherita 117, saw the whole scene from a window.

My car was taken to the repair shop 'Ferrante' in via Isonzo, and I do not yet know the amount of the damages that will have to be paid back to me.

Gen. Div Aerea Ruolo d'Onore

Ing Mario Infante

Via Reggio Calabria 3 Roma

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Trans E.C.

Col. Barnes is prepared to release necessary repair parts if they are available and will repair in ACC garage.

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Date 7-15-74

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Director

Executive Officers

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G-4 (A)

G-4 (B)

Adjutant (Advance)

Adjutant (Main)

Hq Comdt (Advance)

Hq Comdt (Main)

2675th Regt.

Adjutant 2675th Regt.

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Max Gunkle

FOR:

Signature _____

Remarks/Recommendation

Information

Approval/Disposal

Appropriate Action

Investigation & Report

Dispatch

REMARKS:

REMARKS: This has been taken
care of to the satisfaction
of all concerned.

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Roma, 1 Ottobre 1944.

Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo
R O M A

Informo, per i provvedimenti di competenza, ed allo scopo di essere indennizzato dei danni subiti, di quanto segue:
oggi, alle ore 17 circa;, mentre transitavo a moderata velocità sulla Via Arno, pilotando la mia Auto targata Roma 64120, fiat 1500, venivo investito dal Camion targato 2675 HQ 37, guidato dal soldato automobilista Gallo, il quale assumeva di prestare servizio al Ministero delle Corporazioni. Il Camion procedeva a forte velocità, tanto che dopo di avere investito la mia auto danneggiandola all'avantreno sinistro e nella carrozzeria, procedeva ancora andandosi a femore all'angolo della casa opposta. Il camion veniva dalla mia sinistra e comparve improvvisamente, proseguendo velocemente nonostante che io avessi segnalato la mia presenza, prima dell'incrocio, suonando il claxon. Appena veduto il camion ho frenato arrestando la mia auto in circa 5 metri.

Testimoni dell'accaduto erano varie persone fra cui un Ufficiale del Corpo Automobilistico il quale, per malinteso spirito di corpo, non volle dare il proprio nome " per non dovere testimoniare contro un soldato del suo Corpo".

Fra i testimoni, il Sig. Fringuelli Alfio, abitante in Viale Regina Margherita II7, ha assistito alla scena da una finestra.

La mia auto è stata trasportata nella officina di riparazioni "Ferrante " in via Isonzo, ed ignoro ancora l'ammontare dei danni, dei quali chiedo il rimborso.

in fede Gen. Divis Aerea Ruolo d'Onore
Ing Mario Infante

Mario Infante

Via Reggio Calabria 3 Roma

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A/CC 014.13

1 October 1944

Lieut. Colonel John D. Ames
Executive Officer
Region IV, ACC

Dear Colonel Ames:

1. Captain Stone has received a request from the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that his Ministry be permitted to have electric light.

2. As the Ministry for Foreign Affairs is, I believe, the only Italian Ministry now without light, it would seem to be invidious if they were to be refused, and Captain Stone would be most grateful if you could help them.

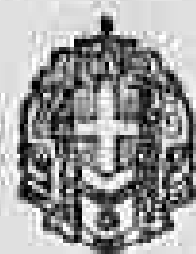
Yours sincerely,

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

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MINISTERO DELLE CORPORAZIONI

Phase Today

Captain Stone.

Vicenti Venosta may
mention this matter, among others.

What do you wish done in
the matter?

Take up with Col. Ames and ask
him to endeavor to get SUC
installed this week

Reg IV

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*Il Sottosegretario di Stato
per gli Affari Esteri*

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HQ ACE, APO 394
#20 Sec'y Gen.
Rec'd 29/9-1944
By *DF*

ROUGH TRANSLATION

Rome, 27th September, 1944.

Dear Admiral,

Allow me to have recourse to your personal attention in a matter regarding which, notwithstanding the interest displayed by Mr. Caccia and the Electrical Committee of the Allied Control Commission, I have not yet been able to receive favourable results. I refer to the question of the electric light for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Anyone passing by Piazza Colonna after sunset can see the building of the Y.M.C.A., the Caffé under the Gallery, the barber opposite the Ministry, in a blaze of light, whilst Palazzo Chigi stands out in utter darkness. This causes a certain surprise and varied comments.

On the other hand, I am assured, other Ministries are supplied with electricity. How is it that we are thus singled out, to our detriment? It is true that our work ends before nightfall, but it is also true that everyday of the week, except Sundays, I and a group of 25-30 collaborators remain at Palazzo Chigi until 8 p.m. and after.

I am confident, my dear Admiral, that your personal and authoritative intervention will result in our being enabled to carry out our evening work under more comfortable conditions.

Thanking you in advance for your kind interest in the matter,

Believe me, dear Admiral,

Sincerely Yours,

sgt. G. VISCONTI VENOSTA

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sgt. G. VISCONTI VINCOSTA

Admiral Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.
Acting Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission.
R O M E.

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134 APP A

Il Sottosegretario di Stato
per gli Affari Esteri

Roma, 27 SET. 1946

HQ ACC, APO
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Rec'd 27/9-1946
by

Caro Ammiraglio,

permetta che mi rivolga personalmente a lei per una questione nella quale, malgrado l'interessamento del Sig. Caccia e della Electrical Committee dell'A.C.U., non sono riuscito ancora ad ottenere una risposta favorevole. Si tratta della corrente elettrica per il Ministero degli Affari Esteri. Chi è di passaggio per Piazza Colonna dopo l'imbrunire può vedere illuminati in pieno i locali della Y.M.C.A., il caffè che sta sotto la Galleria, il barbiere che sta in faccía al Ministero ed inverso invece nella più perfetta oscurità Palazzo Chigi. Ciò è oggetto di sorpresa e di svariati commenti.

D'altra parte gli altri Ministeri - mi si assicura - hanno la corrente elettrica. Com'è possibile che si faccia e si mantenga questa distinzione solo a nostro danno? E' vero che il nostro lavoro termina prima della notte, ma è altrettanto vero che tutti i giorni della settimana meno la domenica io ed un gruppo di 25 o 30 miei collaboratori rimaniamo a Palazzo Chigi fino alle ore 20 e oltre.

Confido nel Suo personale ed autorevole interessamento perchè ci sia consentito di poter compiere il nostro lavoro serale.

Nel ringraziarla anticipatamente, Le porgo,
gentile Ammiraglio, i miei più cordiali saluti

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Admiral Ellery W. STONE, U.S.N.R.
Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

R O M A

ENS/drr

30 September 1944

Your Excellency,

It is understood that Signora Nelly CONRADI is shortly to be given an audition.

This lady is the wife of a Patriot who has rendered considerable service to the Allied cause and consequently merits any assistance which it may be possible to render her on this occasion.

Yours sincerely,

for ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Ecc. d'AMICO
Commissario straordinario per
il Teatro Reale dell'Opera.

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Ecc. d'AMICO

Commissario straordinario per il Teatro Reale dell'
Opera.

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Yours sincerely,

THQ. for
F.W.S.

EWS/drr

A/CC 014.13

29 September 1944

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Dear Dr. Prunas:

In reply to your letter 12/01864/118 of 23 September 1944
I should tell you that the islands of the Tuscan Archipelago to which
you refer have all along been under Allied Military Government, and
that they remain so.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency don Renato Prunas,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

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29 September 1944

SUBJECT: 504 Corso Umberto

TO : Commanding General, Rome Allied Area Command,
APO 794, U. S. Army

1. A request has been received at this Headquarters from the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Marchese Visconti Venosta, that a building which he owns - No. 504 Corso Umberto - be placed off limits to Allied troops.

2. The reason for this request, according to his statement, is that the building is frequented at all hours by troops, often intoxicated, who have resorted there to visit a certain few of the tenants. The result is that the respectable element among the women tenants are terrorized and cannot venture up or down stairs without fear of obscene molestation.

3. I should be most grateful if you could have this matter looked into, and if in due course you would inform me of what steps you have seen fit to take.

See (136a)

HILARY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

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ALPH. MINGHIERI

The tenants of the building situated at 504, Corso Umberto, Rome, owned by Marchese Visconti Venosta, have repeatedly complained of the unpleasant noise made by the Allied troops, noise which daily increases in intensity.

The complaints are mostly directed against the behaviour of the troops, often in an intoxicated condition, who on the public stairs of the building collect with obscene words and gestures the women-tenants.

It is wondered whether, under the circumstances, it might be possible to have the house put out of bounds and off limits to all Allied troops.

Rome, August 3rd, 1944.

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The Acting Chief Commissioner

Repairs to the Church of Trinita
dei Monti
Economic Section

A/CC 014.13

28 September 4

With reference to attached letter from General de Sevin.
I do not know if there is anything that can be done to help, but
in any case please look into the matter and put up a reply for
my signature.

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ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USMR
Acting Chief Commissioner

1 Incl: Ltr XS/SN-94
of 24 Sept fr Gen de Sevin

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Ref : SB/140 R.

28 September 1944

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Subject : FERUTZ Thomas

To : Director, Security Branch, HQ. A.C.C.

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To : Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
From : Director, Security Branch.

dated 21 September 1944. 1. Forwarded in reply to your letter A/CC 014.13

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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Major, Security Branch

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A.D. ELLIS,
Captain,
Security Branch.

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The Delegation of the Polish Coal Industry
for Italy
Mining eng. Thomas Perutz

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By DFE

Rome, September 18th 1944.

Capt. Ellery Stone USNR
Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission.
Rome

Enclosed* you will find 2 copies of letters sent by me to the C.I.C., and to the R. Questura in Rome regarding a certain Ivo Morelli, portier of the apartmenthouse in Martiri Fascisti n° 47. As you can see from the English copy, I asked for justice to be done towards this man. Since now, after jail and 4 years of camp; I am back in Rome, still unable to get back to my apartment, occupied at the time being by an Italian subject who refuses to leave it, - I asked Allied and Italian authorities to intervene. There was no way which I did not try to come back to my apartment. But everything was in vain. I now have good hopes to be able and reoccupy the flat with my family but you will surely understand that I can not take any responsibility for my acts, when I will be confronted with a man who caused all this suffering to me and my family and got away with it.

I worked in Naples and in Rome at the A.C.C. Coal Division but due to my poor state of health I had to give up work. Both my daughters are working actually, one in the AMG and the other as secretary to the Representant of the Polish Government. We do hope that the Allies could be of some help to us, Polish citizens and arians and let justice be done to the persons who really merit it.

Morelli is still at his job in the apartmenthouse of which I occupy flat Nr. 6. - The gentlemen of the R. Questura who promised satisfaction when I spoke to them, had done nothing but they are still working in the R. Questura as they worked 5 years ago. Nothing is changed for these people, who caused distress, illness and financial collapse to me and my family and nothing seems to be undertaken to put things right. I take the liberty and ask this office to investigate this matter. I am always at your disposal for any informations wanted. My address at the time being is: Via Panisperna 206 telephone 46536.

Thanking you in advance I remain

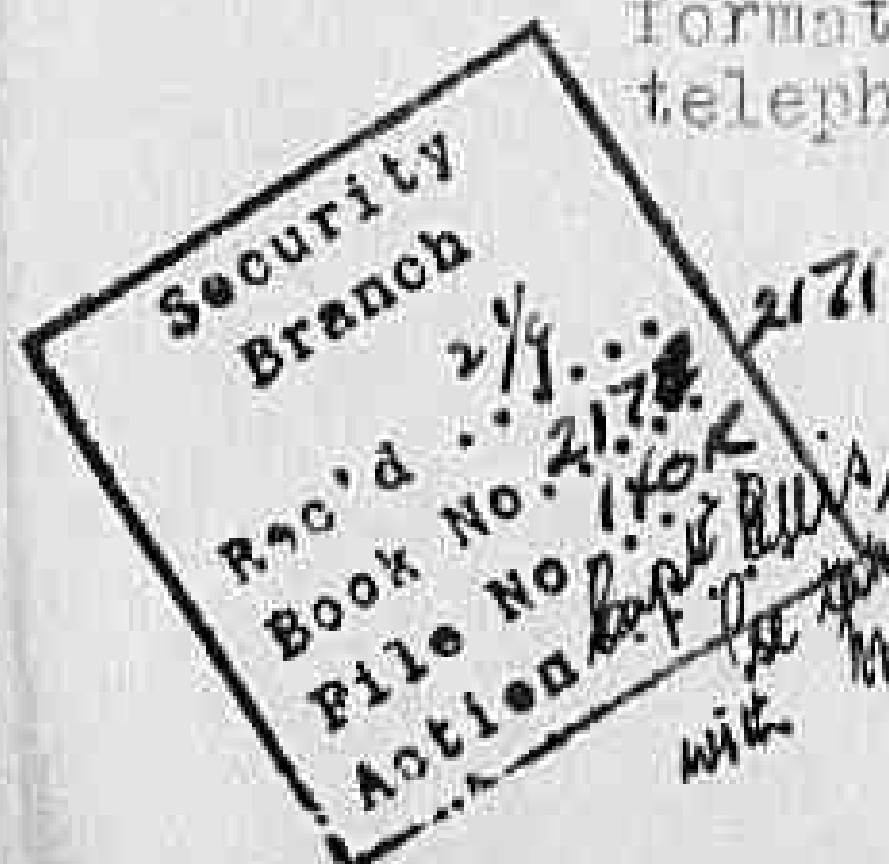
very truly yours

(Eng. Thomas Perutz.)

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* Enclosure returned (3 days) to Mr. Perutz as his own request - per Major Quigley.

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Cpl. J. J. J.



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A/CC 014.13

28 September 1944

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Dear General de Sevin:

With reference to your letter of 27 September 1944 concerning damages of the Church of Trinita' dei Monti, I am having the matter looked into and will give you a reply shortly.

Yours sincerely,

ELMER W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Major General X. de Sevin
French Representative to the
Allied Control Commission

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By HD

Rome, 2, September 1944

Dear Admiral,

Thank you for communicating me in your letter of September 17th, n. 783/21/CA that since September 20, the Administration of the island of Elba has been taken over by the Allied Military Government as being part of the province of Leghorn.

I suppose that the above mentioned decision has been taken for the other islands of the Tuscan Archipelago too (Capraia, Gorgona, Pianosa, Montecristo, etc.), which also belong to the province of Leghorn.

I remain, dear Admiral,

Yours very truly,

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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Roma, 11 93 SET. 1944

Signor Ammiraglio,

ringrazio V.E. per la comunicazione contenuta nella sua lettera n.783/21/CA del 17 Settembre che, con decorrenza dal 20 Settembre, l'Amministrazione dell'Isola d'Elba è stata assunta dal Governo Militare Alleato, come facente parte integrante della provincia di Livorno.

Suppongo che la decisione di cui sopra sia stata adottata anche per le altre isole dell'Arcipelago toscano (Capraia, Gorgona, Pianosa, Montecristo, ecc.), le quali pure appartengono alla provincia di Livorno.

Mi è grata l'occasione, Signor Ammiraglio, per rinnovarle l'espressione dei miei sinceri sentimenti.

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All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE
Acting Chief Commissioner
Commissione Alleata Controllo

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Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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