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163a	Ltr CA Sec 14041/75/PS	3 Jul 45	AFHQ G-5	Arrest of Italian officials, FIUME
164	Cbl AC Stone, 1135	3 Jul 45	RC Ven, AFHQ	RC Venezie represent CC at CAO conference at XIII Corps.
164a	Ltr Riccardo ZANELLA	3 Jul 45	Stone	Views on situation in VEN GIULIA
165	Cbl AFHQ, FX-17251	4 Jul 45	XIII, AC	AFERDULI to visit Hellenic colony in Trieste.
166	Cbl AFHQ, FX-17209	4 Jul 45	XIII, AC	Proclamations 2, 3 & 4 in VG.
167	Cbl XIII, VG/85	4 Jul 45	AFHQ, AC	Trade between Italy & VG.
167a	Memo McBride, US Polad	4 Jul 45	Stone	ZANELLA rpt not worth fwdg to AFHQ
168	Cbl XIII CC, C.3	4 Jul 45	AC, 8 Stone	Russian Repat Com in Trieste.
169	Cbl AC Stone, 1184	4 Jul 45	XIII, 8	Russian Repat Com in Trieste.
169a	Ltr 3/1106 De Gasperi	4 Jul 45	Stone	Pls send me text & map re VenG agmt
170	AC/45/9/1/8, Upjohn	4 Jul 45	CC	Control of Venice (log P 150/2).
171	Cbl AC Ex C, 1245	5 Jul 45	XIII	Jugs plan uprising against AMG 10th
171a	Ltr 342/285/EC	5 Jul 45	RC VENEZIE	Incl: Summary of Jug. activities.
172	Cbl XIII, VG/84	5 Jul 45	AC, AFHQ, 8	Secretariat for Joint Econ Com.
173	Cbl XIII, C.5, Dunlop	6 Jul 45	AC CC	CAO Conference at XIII Corps.
174	Ltr 14041/PS Stone	6 Jul 45	Parri	Interim reply to ltr 26/6, re arrest of Italian officials in Fiume
175	Cbl XIII, Robertson AC 103	6 Jul 45	AFHQ & AC	Agreed that 13 Corps area should include UDINE, VENEZIE, TREVISO
176	CCS Report JIR-2220	6 Jul 45		Austrian Plan for Port of TRIESTE
177	Cbl AFHQ FX 18421	6 Jul 45	Troopers	Remittances to Italy, not Venezia.
178	Cbl AMG 6 Army M 1145	6 Jul 45	AC	Russian Col KIUBIN in Udine recruiting for Communist Party. Shall we quash

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149	Cbl AC Ex C, 721	27 Jun 45	AFHQ	XIII sitrep to 262000 Jun.
149a	Cbl XIII, VG/53	27 Jun 45	AC Finance	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
150	CC 1008, Stone	27 Jun 45	Col Monfort	Report on AMG XIII Corps org; Monfort's relief as SCAO XIII, RC VG.
150a	Cbl XIII/AMG/FIN/3571	27 Jun 45	AC Fin Comm	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
151	Cbl AFHQ, FX-13485	27 Jun 45	AC, 8	Civil police situation in VG.
151a	Cbl AMG 8A, I-263	26 Jun 45	AC,XIII	Reception of It Garibaldi Div by 8A.
151b	Cbl XIII Monfort	28 Jun 45	AFHQ,AC	Demand for Courts of Assise(People's)
151c	Cbl XIII, VG/55	28 Jun 45	AC	Chapman, PS officers required in VG.
151d	Cbl AC Leg, 746	28 Jun 45	XIII, 8	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
152	Cbl XIII, I-877	29 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII intrep No. 51, to 282359 Jun.
153	Cbl AFHQ, F-14560	29 Jun 45	AC	Bovarn- to replace Monfort as SCAO XIII.
154	Cbl XIII, VG/61	29 Jun 45	AC,AFHQ,8	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
155	Cbl AC Fin, 857	29 Jun 45	8A AMG	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
156	Cbl AC Fin, 859	29 Jun 45	XIII, 8	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
156a	Minutes - ES/3.12	29 Jun 45	.	Minutes of 1 & 2 Mtg of Joint Econ Committee held at XIII Corps AMG.
157	552/182/EC, Stone	30 Jun 45	AFHQ G-5	De Gasperi ltr on SACMED-Tito agreemt and areas of occupation, forwarded.
158	552/183/EC, Stone	30 Jun 45	de Gasperi	De Gasperi ltr on SACMED-TITO agreemt and areas of occupation forwarded AFHQ.
158a	Ltr Brig Dunlop	30 Jun 45	Lush	Reply to Monfort's accusations of gross lack of planning for AMG in VenG
159	Cbl AC Legal, 963	1 Jul 45	XIII,AFHQ,8	Proclamation No. 2 in VG.
160	Cbl AFHQ, FX-15978	2 Jul 45	5,AC,8	Officers to VG from 5th Army. (?)
161	Cbl AC Legal, 1006	2 Jul 45	XIII,AFHQ,8	Proclamations in VG.
162	Cbl AC Finance, 1014	3 Jul 45	XIII	French reconversion of currency.

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136c	Cbl XIII, I-883	23 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 46, to 23 Jun.
136d	Cbl AFHQ, FX-9	23 Jun 45	5,AC	Civil communications bet VG-Italy.
136e	Cbl AC Talbot, 460	23 Jun 45	COS AFHQ,8,15	Woyevodsky's Russian mission in VG.
137	Cbl XIII, VG-33	24 Jun 45	AC	Proclamations for VG posted.
138	Cbl AC Legal, 493	24 Jun 45	AFHQ,XIII,8	Amendments to proclamations for VG.
139	Cbl XIII,130/FI/3667	24 Jun 45	AC Fin	Bank transactions between VG-Italy.
140	Cbl AFHQ FX-98438	24 Jun 45	8,XIII,AC	Woyevodsky's Russian mission in VG.
141	Aide Memoire	25 Jun 45		Admin of VG by Alcom; reasons why it shd not be taken over direct by AFHQ.
141a	Cbl AC Legal, 577	25 Jun 45	AFHQ	Proclamations for VG posted.
142	Cbl XIII, I-881	25 Jun 45	8,AC,V,II,5	XIII Intrep No. 47, to 24 Jun.
142a	Cbl XIII, VG-22	25 Jun 45	AC,AFHQ,8	Anderson & Allied Jugo Commission.
143	Cbl XIII, I-880	25 Jun 45	8,AC,V,II,5	XIII Intrep No. 48, to 25 Jun.
143a	Cbl AFHQ, NAF-1023	25 Jun 45	CCS,ECS,AC	Disagreement w Jugs over adm of VG.
143b	Cbl 8A, A-1128	25 Jun 45	AC,AFHQ	Anderson & Allied Jug Commission.
143c	Cbl 8Army, I-254	25 Jun 45	AFHQ,AC,XIII	Woyevodsky's Russian Mission in VG.
144	Memo, Stearns	26 Jun 45	Ex C	De Gasperi's ltr of 21 Jun to be answered & copy forwarded AFHQ.
144a	591/EC, Talbot	26 Jun 45	Miha Krek	Krek's Slovenes' complaints on VG adm.
145	Memo, Stone	26 Jun 45	Anderson	Kirk requests Col Green accompany Brig Anderson to Trieste.
145a	AFHQ AC 387/207 GEC-O	26 Jun 45	8 Army	Directive for AMG in VG.
146	Cbl AC Ex C, 624	26 Jun 45	AFHQ	XIII sitrep to 252200 Jun.
146a	Cbl AFHQ, FX-13138	26 Jun 45	8,AC,XIII	Woyevodsky's Russian mission in VG.
147	Cbl XIII, I-879	26 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 49, to 26 Jun.
147a	Parri, 23506	26 Jun 45	Stone	Arrest of It by Jugs in Fiume.
148	Cbl XIII, I-878	26 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 50, to 27 Jun.

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128	AFHQ SACS Paper	20 Jun 45		SACMED-TITO agreement & maps showing Morgan Line; note on civil adm of V.G. (X-Ref: actually in 1008-A)
128a	Cbl AC Ex C, 208	20 Jun 45	AFHQ	XIII Corps Sitrep to 19 Jun 45.
129	Cbl AC Ex C, 227	21 Jun 45	XIII	Petroleum organization for V.G.
129a	Cbl 8A, UEM-1119	21 Jun 45	AC, XIII	Postal services in V.G.
129b	Memo, Lush	21 Jun 45	CC	Candidates for PC Ven Giulia.
130	Cbl AC Legal, 242	21 Jun 45	XIII	Proclamations in VG; all ref to CC or AC to read CCAO now.
130a	Cbl XIII 13J/F1/3667	21 Jun 45	AC Fin	Bank transactions between VG-Italy.
130b	Ltr, Spofford	21 Jun 45	CC	Directive for AMG in Ven.G.(Draft)
131	CC 1008, Stearns	21 Jun 45	G5 AFHQ	Cosulich's appreciation on VG.
131a	de Gasperi, 3/999	21 Jun 45	Stone	SACMED-TITO agreement & maps; suggestions for occupation Istrian Peninsula, Pola, Fiume; etc.
132	Cbl AFHQ FX-97104	21 Jun 45	15,Nav,Air,AC	Occupation of NE Italy by 15 Army Gp.
132a	Cbl XIII, SCAO/17	21 Jun 45	AC	Col Hemsley as PC Gorizia Province.
133	Cbl XIII, I-885	21 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 44, to 21 Jun 45.
133a	Cbl 15 AG, I-473	21 Jun 45	AFHQ,AC,8	Civil movement regulations for VG; new security control line.
133b	Cbl AFHQ FX-96946	21 Jun 45	XIII,8,AC	Col Lindsey(OSS Belgrade)to XIII AMG.
133c	Cbl 15 AG, I-474	21 Jun 45	AFHQ,AC,8	Civil communications bet VG-Italy.
134	Cbl XIII, I-884	22 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 45, to 22 Jun 45.
135	Memo,M.F.A.,6,/1828/834	22 Jun 45	AC	Deportation fr Trieste of Sen.TACCONI and Miss Elena PEZZOLI.
135a	Cbl HEMA Tirpurea,1499	22 Jun 45	AC	Postal services from Tripolitania.
136	2221/5/EC, Norden	23 Jun 45	XIII	Deportation fr Trieste of Sen.TACCONI and Miss Elena PEZZOLI.

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112a	Cbl XIII from Morgan	15 Jun 45	AFHQ,AC,8,15	Morgan,in parley,not admitting Jugs to participate in activities west Line.
113	Cbl AC ExC 9893	16 Jun 45	AFHQ G-5	XIII Corps to 14 June, Sitrep.
113a	Cbl XIII Corps, 1890	16 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Corps Intrep 39 to 16 Jun.
114	Ltr, Stone	16 Jun 45	de Gasperi	Text of Tito-Alex Agreement; demarcation line.
114a	Cbl XIII Corps, 1892	16 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Corps Intrep 38 to 5 Jun.
115	Cbl AC ExC 9920	16 Jun 45	AFHQ G-5	XIII Corps sitrep to 15 Jun.
115a	Ltr,Capt Cosulich	16 Jun 45	Stone	Cosulich's appreciation on Ve.Giulia.
116	Cbl AC ExC 9941	16 Jun 45	XIII,AFHQ	Info required on Italians deported fr Ven Giulia by Jugoslavs.
117	Cbl XIII, 13C/FI/3667	16 Jun 45	AC Finance	Banking situation in Trieste.
117a	Cbl 8A fr Upjohn, M-1108	17 Jun 45	AC Lush	Labor sitn in Trieste critical.
117b	Cbl XIII, 1889	17 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Corps Intrep No. 40 to 17 Jun.
118	Cbl AC Ex C, 14	18 Jun 45	AFHQ	XIII Corps Sitrep to 17 Jun..
118a	Cbl AC G-1I, No. 4	18 Jun 45	Ven,AMG XIII	Personnel for AMG XIII Corps (Ven G)
119	Cbl AFHQ F-94918	18 Jun 45	AC Stone	AMG directive for V.G.: AMG 13 Corps under tech contr of AC w/o qualificatn.
119a	SAC (P) (45) 15th Mtg	18 Jun 45	(Min.5 & 6)	1.Occupation POLA;2.Policy in re V.G.
120	Cbl XIII fr Upjohn SCAO/8	18 Jun 45	AC Lush	Strike in Trieste unmaterialized;Monfort needs Bruine on dock labor sitn.
120a	Cbl AC G-1A, 9983	18 Jun 45	XIII Corps	Col Hensley as PC Gorizia Province.
120b	Ltr, Nelson Monfort	18 Jun 45	STONE	Report on AMG XIII; Monfort relief.
121	Cbl XIII from COS AFHQ	19 Jun 45	AFHQ,AC,US-Br Ambs Belgrade	Morgan's stand & developments in Allied-Jugo parley on VG Agreement.
121a	Cbl Ven Reg AMG/106.04	19 Jun 45	AC,13,8	Personnel for AMG XIII Corps.
122	Cbl XIII, 1888	19 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 41, to 18 Jun.
122a	Cbl AC Comm, 136	19 Jun 45	XIII, 8	Postal svcs operating in V.G.
123	Cbl XIII, 1887	19 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	XIII Intrep No. 42, to 19 Jun.
124	Cbl AC G-1B, 140	19 Jun 45	AMG XIII	Personnel for AMG XIII Corps (VG)
125	522/ED, Stone	20 Jun 45	Pres Council	Communications to XIII Corps area by IG may be made only unofficially.
125a	Cbl AFHQ MAT-772	20 Jun 45	COS	Remittances to Venezia Giulia.
126	Cbl AC Ex C, 208	20 Jun 45	AFHQ G-5	XIII Intrep to 19 Jun 2000 hours.
127	Draft, SACS-6258			Draft Agreement between SACMED-Tito.
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94b	Cbl AMG Venice	10 Jun 45	AC	Comm. team to enter Trieste 12th?
95	Ltr, de Gasperi	11 Jun 45	Stone	De Gasperi's statement to press on Alexander-Tito Agreement.
95a	Cbl CG 5 Army	11 Jun 45	SHAEF etc	Arrangements for Bolzano conference.
96	Cbl AMG 13 Corps 3902	11 Jun 45	Fin SC AC	Postings of Gen Orders & proclamatns
97	Cbl 13 Corps I 896	11 Jun 45	AMG 8 & AC	Sitrep #34 on NE Italy & Yugo mt.
98	News release	12 Jun 45		Text of letter from Yugo govt to US Ambassador, position on new agreement
99	Cbl AMG 8 Army M 1094	12 Jun 45	AC Lush	Meet Yugoslavs Wed morning re agreemt
100	Cbl AC CCG 9590	12 Jun 45	AMG Ven Reg	Enter Trieste soonest with CCG group
101	Cbl AMG 8 Army M 1095	12 Jun 45	AC Lush etc	Proposals agreed at mtg (chairman Gen Morgan) to be submitted to Yugo.
102	Cbl AC 9709 Stone	13 Jun 45	8 Army AMG	Questions re finance section of 1095
102a	New York Times News	13 Jun 45		Trieste dispute - US stand vs Tito.
103	Cbl AC 9725 Stone	13 Jun 45	8 Army AMG (Upjohn)	Pls keep me informed of all AMG developments esp. re carrying out policy based on agreement
103a	Cbl Ven Reg 337.P12	13 Jun 45	AC	Gen report on RC Ven Reg Conference.
104	Cbl AC 9663	13 Jun 45	AFHQ G-5	Implication that AMG Ven. Giulia will pass to direct command AFHQ questioned
105	Cbl 13 Corps 1895	13 Jun 45	8 Army etc	Ven Giulia (Trieste) sitrep No. 35
106	Cbl 13 Corps I 894	13 Jun 45	8 Army etc	Ven Giulia (Trieste) sitrep No. 36
107	Cbl 13 Corps CMS 1	13 Jun 45	AFHQ G-5	Results of & considerations on conference with Gen Ivanovic on Ven Giulia
108	Ltr 522/RC Exc	14 Jun 45	Dist	674 Venezia Giulia set-up & address
108a	Cbl XIII Corps, I 893	14 Jun 45	8,AC,V,5,II	Ven Giulia Int Sitrep No. 37.
109	Cbl AFHQ D/CS FX-92779	14 Jun 45	Morgan,Stone	SAC instructions to COS for Morgan-Jugoslav parley.
110	Cbl AFHQ DC/S FX-93182	14 Jun 45	Morgan,Stone	SAC rejects "Joint Jugo-Allied Agencies" Jugo activities west of Morgan line
111	Cbl AC Exc9805	15 Jun 45	AFHQ	XIII Corps Sitrep as of 13 June.
111a	AMG XIII, SCAO/7	15 Jun 45	AC	IC will not send orders or official instructions to AMG XIII Corps Area.

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81b	SAC (P) (45) 13th Mtg	31 May 45		Occupation of Pola.
82	542/123/EC, Llewellyn?	1 Jun 45	Ven Reg	Personalities in Friuli - reports on.
83	Cbl AC Exc 8951	2 Jun 45	8, AFHQ, 15, Ven	Policy for AMG Ven Giulia decided by S/A (see 79) not to be implemented yet.
83a	MJPG/P/296, Final	3 Jun 45		Policy in regard to Venezia Giulia.
84	Cbl 8A, M-1069	4 Jun 45	AC, 13 Corps	Personnel-transport for Ven. Giulia.
84a	SAC (P) (45) 29	4 Jun 45		Policy in regard to Venezia Giulia.
84b	Cbl AFHQ FX-87517	4 Jun 45	AC, 8, 15, Macmis	Flying of flags in Venezia Giulia.
85	Cbl 8A, M-1073	5 Jun 45	AC, 13 Corps	Personnel for Venezia Giulia.
86	Cbl AC Exc, 9176	5 Jun 45	8A, 15, Macmis	Flying of flags in Venezia Giulia.
87	SAC (P) (45) 14th Mtg	7 Jun 45	(Min. 6)	Policy in regard to Ven G; DSAC ruling
87a	SAC (P) (45) 14th Mtg	7 Jun 45	(Min. 5)	Occupation of PULA area.
88	Cbl AFHQ FX-89096	7 Jun 45	8, AC, 15, Mac	References in speeches by Tito.
89	Cbl 13 Corps, 1900	7 Jun 45	8, AC, 5, V, II	Intelligence Report No. 30.
90	Cbl AC G-1A, 9369	8 Jun 45	Gen Hume	Niche for D/RC, Ven Giulia.
91	Cbl AMG XIII, SCAO/2	8 Jun 45	AC, 8	Personnel for Ven Giulia Region.
92	Cbl XIII, 1899	8 Jun 45	8, AC, V, 5, II	Intelligence Report No. 31.
93	Cbl COS 8, M-1085	8 Jun 45	AC Lush, XIII	Personnel for Ven Giulia Region
93a	Ltr, Jugo Prime Minister	9 Jun 45	US Amb, Belgrade	Jugoslav declaration on agreement.
93aa	Cbl XIII, SCAO 3	9 Jun 45	AC, 8	Personnel for Ven Giulia Region
93b	Cbl XIII, I-898	9 Jun 45	8, AC, V, 5, II	Intelligence report No. 32.
93c	Cbl XIII, 1897	10 Jun 45	8, AC, V, 5, II	Intelligence Report No. 33.
93d	DO Ltr, D/G-5 AFHQ	10 Jun 45	Lush	Text of SACMED-TITO Agreement. (Draft)
94	522/EC, Lush	10 Jun 45	AMG 8 Army	Personnel-tpt for Ven Giulia Region.

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68	Cbl AFHQ FX-79365	21 May 45	15,AG,8,Macdn	Policy on feeding Venezia Giulia and Udine Province approved by CCS, to stand
69	Cbl AMG 8 Army M-1036	22 May 45	15AG,AC Legal	Proclamation No.1 being revised for Venezia Giulia.
70	Draft Proclamation No.1	23 May 45	Ven.Giulia	Revised Proclamation No.1, AMG, for Prople of Venezia Giulia.
71	Cbl AC CAS, 8313	24 May 45	8,15,COS 8,Ven Reg RC	Revised Proclamation 1 before SAC today - all versions will be sent fastst.
71a	Cbl 15 AG, CAS-555	24 May 45	AFHQ,AC	Calling-up of priests by Jugoslavs.
72	SAC (F) (45) 12th Mtg	24 May 45		SAC notes DC/S suggestion no action b taken since it's at Govt'l level now.
73	Cbl AC ExC 8497	26 May 45	8,AFHQ,15, Ven Reg	Amendments suggested to AMG directive for Venezia Giulia.
74	Cbl 8A MG(A), ES-1	26 May 45	AC,AFHQ	Food supplies for Trieste, Gorizia.
75	Cbl AFHQ FX-83182	27 May 45	AC,8,15,Ven Reg Dunlop	Amendments suggested by AC to AMG directive for Ven.Giulia acceptable AFHQ.
76	Cbl AC ExC 8619	28 May 45	AFHQ C-5	Flying of flags in Venezia Giulia.
76a	Cbl AC Stone, 8618	28 May 45	Ven,8,15AFHQ	Monfort apptd SCAO XIII & RC VG Reg.
77	Cbl AMG 8A, M-1047	28 May 45	AC,AFHQ,15,	Questions on policy for AMG Ven.Giulia
78	Cbl AC ExC, 8720	29 May 45	8,AFHQ,15,Ven	Answers on policy for AMG Ven.Giulia.
79	Cbl 8A fr Lauch,M-1054	30 May 45	AC,AFHQ,15,8	Answers on Policy for AMG Ven.Giulia.
80	152/264/BC,Llewellyn	30 May 45	AFHQ	Sitrep 8Army as at 2359 hrs 24 May.

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The following is an example in illustration: Austria used to buy from Brazil about 70,000/80,000 bags of coffee yearly, and hoped to settle this account by exporting agricultural tools to Brazil. However, while Austrian statistics, compiled on the basis of certificates of origin accompanying the goods, showed the actual quantity of coffee imported into Austria, the Brazilian export statistics indicated only the small quantity bought in Brazil by representatives

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of the Austrian Government, or about 200 bags of coffee a year for consumption by Austrian personnel abroad. The Brazilian Government was not acquainted with the real Austrian import figures, inasmuch as the goods were delivered to an Italian broker in Trieste, who bought full ship-cargoes, unloaded the goods in the part of the harbor which was exempt from duties, and thence forwarded the coffee to his customers abroad. In this way, the possibility of an exchange in kind was reserved to the Italian Government, notwithstanding the fact that these goods were never unloaded in a territory subject to the Italian Customs-House regulations. It is true that Austria was given a theoretical opportunity to cover the import of Brazilian coffee by exporting an equivalent amount of Austrian products to Italy, but the Italian market was already so glutted with Austrian goods which were imported in the regular trade exchange between these two countries, that no further imports from Austria to settle a mere transit account via Trieste, were possible.

Thus, although it may be surmised that in the course of time there will be no restrictions as to the handling of currencies, and no clearing contracts, all countries will still be interested in a trade policy, thechief aim of which will be to balance imports and exports, and therefore to increase exports to those countries from which large quantities of goods are imported. The Trieste middlemen made the achievement of this goal impossible for the above reasons. To declare Trieste a "free" port would not eliminate this evil as long as the intermediary trade in Trieste continues to insert itself between the hinterland and the foreign countries in question.

This intermediary had bad political effects as well; when economic sanctions were leveled against Italy, it was almost impossible for Austria to obtain urgently needed commodities via Trieste, since the overseas countries considered Trieste - disregarding the so-called "free area" in the harbor - as "Italian destination", even when the goods to be shipped were intended for Austria.

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Now that victory has been obtained over the enemy, all European problems should find a fair solution, and among them, the Trieste problem, which is so important for the economic rehabilitation of a continent badly ravaged by war. Austria does not raise any political thesis or claim to Trieste, and Italian or Yugoslav territorial claims are in no wise at issue here. Austrian interest in Trieste is of a purely economic nature, but it is of such vital importance that this country cannot be neglected in the settlement of the Trieste question. It is imperative to solve the problem in such a way that in the future Trieste may serve as a bridge uniting its hinterland with the overseas countries, and to avoid economic and political misrepresentation of the actual export and import system in the port, merely because it belongs to one particular nation.

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The so-called "free port" has shown itself insufficient to eliminate these flaws. By declaring the harbor area international and duty-free, the situation would be improved, but the above-mentioned evils would not necessarily be overcome.

Therefore, it is suggested that the port of Trieste be divided in several sections among the different countries of the hinterland according to their import and export trade with overseas countries. These areas would be declared "national territory" of the hinterland States, which by this settlement would have at their disposal their own port facilities, and eventually their own Port of Registration, with the consequent possibility of possessing a fleet under their own flag. This plan would eliminate the economic and political flaws as described. Moreover, firms of the hinterland States would be free to make such trade agreements as they saw fit in the "nationalized area" allotted to their respective country.

The only disadvantage would be the question of harbor duties in the frequent cases when a ship cargo is not bound for a single country; in this event, it would be necessary to discharge a ship at more than one quay, according to the nationality of the consignees. As a consequence, a higher sum would be paid for harbor duties, which would be debited to the goods and would cause a rise in their prices. In order to overcome this technical difficulty, a "Distribution Pool" could be established along the lines of the "Verteilerschuppen" in Hamburg. Under this system, ship cargoes are unloaded at the Pool building, where the shipments addressed to different consignees are sorted and delivered into the "nationalized" areas by means of the harbor railway or other transport facilities. An additional charge is thus incurred, but it is far lower than would be the cost of unloading goods at different quays.

The system of conveying the goods from the Pool building to the nationalized area has the further advantage of making it possible to gather together all goods addressed to the same town, so that an additional charge for railway transportation is spared. Full ship-cargoes bound for a single destination could of course be unloaded directly at the docks of the nationalized area in question. 468

The harbor areas nationalized to the hinterland States would be managed by persons appointed by the States entitled to those areas. All firms, forwarding agents, banks, etc., of the hinterland States would have branches to develop direct connections with overseas firms. These areas would no longer be "free" from duties, but would be subject to the regulations of their respective hinterland State; and only that part of the harbor reserved exclusively for the "Distribution Pool" would be duty-free, as before, under international supervision. The petroleum harbor and the corn silos would be included in the international area since they serve the entire comma-

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Under this plan, all problems of administrative and technical port management would be submitted to a managing Commission, to include representatives of all the nationalized areas. This Commission would also privide for the collection and distribution of the amounts to be paid by all concerned parties to cover the maintenance expenses of the international port.

If, in addition, exhibitions of local products were regularly held and direct sales contracts thus stimulated, Trieste could become an extremely important trade center, as befits its excellent, almost undamaged equipment, and could contribute materially to the rapid

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reconstruction of the Danube countries. This in turn would be to the interest of Trieste as well as of those countries which are preparing to resume or to enter into business relations with Central Europe.

In the event that a new political adjustment of the Adriatic coast should make Trieste the center of a new free State, which in the course of time would join an eventual association of the Danube States as an autonomous partner enjoying equal rights, the above program would become null and void, since Trieste would be the natural port of a large politically andeconomically united territory, which would include most of the trade hinterland.

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MAIN JJ CORPS PRIOR GEN NORTHCOTE

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Agreed with all concerned that for the moment JJ CORPS area should include provinces of UDINE VENICE TREVISO thus enabling JJ CORPS be formed both parts VENICE and UDINE. Subject chief of staff agreement I propose that JJ CORPS should control this territory direct under AFSE when EIGHTH ARMY BE moved to ADRIATIC. Meanwhile EIGHTH ARMY will make such arrangements as are possible now to facilitate setting up of this organization. Situation JJ CORPS area mentioned to AMERICAN frontier to take over TRENTO PORTOGRUA area in question requiring decision and is being considered by EIGHTH ARMY. EIGHTH ARMY will draw up order of battle of units to be transferred to JJ CORPS which will include 88 AFDA and 4th (POLE?) sub area. Making in these arrangements will allow AFSE organization maximum decision on pending control of provinces in VENETIA PROPER back to Italian control. CCC JJ CORPS will deal with CMAB VENETIA GIULIA and with regional commissioner 2nd region of VENETIA PROPER. I will communicate separately certain minor amendments to draft ADMINISTRATION

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MAIN 13 CORPS FROM GEN DOWNTOWN

AFHQ. INFO: MAIN EIGHT ARMY REAR EIGHT ARMY ALCOA DENVER

SECRET.

Agreed with all concerned that for Adm reasons 13 CORPS Area should include provinces of UDINE VENEZIE TRIVENO thus enabling 13 CORPS to control both ports VENICE and TRIESTE. Subject chief of staff agreement I propose that 13 CORPS should control this territory direct under AFHQ when EIGHTH ARMY HQ moves to AUSTRIA. Meanwhile EIGHTH ARMY will make such arrangements as are possible now to facilitate setting up of this organization. Extension 13 CORPS Area northward to AUSTRIAN frontier to take over TARVISIO PONTEBBA Area is question requiring decision and is being considered by EIGHTH ARMY. EIGHTH ARMY will draw up order of battle of units to be transferred to 13 CORPS which will include 56 AMGs and 401 (201?) Sub Area. Nothing in these arrangements will alter AC/AM organization nor affect decision on passing control of provinces in VENEZIA FRIULIA back to Italian control. GOC 13 CORPS will deal with SCAO VENEZIA GIULIA and with Regional Commissioner 12th Region of VENEZIA FRIULIA. I will communicate separately certain minor amendments to draft Adm instruction

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MAIN 13 CORPS FROM GEN ROBERTSON

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

I thank you for your letter No. 23508 of the 26 June 45.

My reply to you has been delayed for a few days as I hoped that I would be able to give you some detailed information immediately.

However, I regret to say that the line which I was following has not proved successful but I am making further energetic enquiries and hope to be able to write to you again very shortly.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

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

10-8-01

Professor Ferruccio Parri,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
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Reference your TOPSEC telegrams 1134 and 1135 of 3 July at Chief Administrative Officers Conference following plan was evolved after discussion based on necessity of having only 1 military administrative controlling authority for both ports of TRIESTE and VENICE and lines of communication from there to AUSTRIA. 13 CORPS area will include the whole of the Provinces of UDINE TREVISO and VENEZIA as well as VENEZIA GIULIA. Allied Military Government in VENEZIA GIULIA will remain entirely separate and the senior officer will assume some title other than SCAC 13 CORPS. Allied Military Government in Provinces of UDINE TREVISO and VENEZIA will remain exactly as at present under Regional Commissioner VENEZIA REGION who will answer to Commander 13 CORPS for operational work of AMG in these Provinces. Reference para 4 of your instructions I submit that move of rear boundary of 13 CORPS so far west will avoid major political difficulties as it clearly cannot be connected with any Yugoslav claim. Trust this meets with your approval. Reference your para 3 for your information Commander 13 CORPS with support 8 ARMY strongly recommends for operational reasons on maintenance of Allied Military Government in Province of UDINE under VENEZIA REGION after 1 September. DUNLOP.

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Personal for Brig ANDERSON from MONFORT.

As my clerical staff has not yet been implemented, suggest you bring with you permanent secretariat for the joint economic commission and requisit clerical help. For you info no Slovene interpreter now available here.

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Subject: Political Reports.

To: Regional Commissioner,
[redacted] Region.

Attached please find summary of Bugalav activities based on reports received from most secret sources. This is forwarded for your information.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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2. Why not sent to SCAO (XIII CORPS)?
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5 July

1. The following is a general summary of Yugoslav activities in Friuli based on specific local reports from a number of sources.

2. Yugoslavs have established groups of agents in most towns and villages within the area bounded east by the Isonzo, north by a rough line TARVISIO, CAMPIDO, AMPEZZO and west by a line AMPEZZO, MANIAGO, PORDENONE.

3. Personnel of groups is chiefly Italian Communists and Italian speaking Slovenes. In areas near Austrian frontier they are attempting recruit Austrian sympathisers. There is a large proportion of women in all groups. These women are very largely controlled through priests.

4. Immediate tasks of these groups are :-

1) Dissemination of communist and anti-Allied propaganda.
2) Provision of intelligence about Allies.
3) Obstruction of Allied Military Government.
4) Promotion of discontent and organisation of strikes.
5) Organisation of communist demonstrations.
6) Intimidation of non-communist elements and stifling of anti-communist political action.

5. Ultimate intention is to organise a series of coups d'etat whereby communist committees seize control of all towns in the area and elect for autonomy, e.g. autonomous unit of Udine and area, autonomous unit of Pordenone and area, etc.

6. Local autonomous unit will then be combined in an autonomous Federal state of Friuli which will declare itself independant of Italy and make a treaty for further collaboration with the Yugoslavs.

7. Keynote of all propaganda is that Italy is still fascist and has attempted and is prepared to abandon Friuli; Friuli is a Yugoslav sphere of influence and Yugoslav interest in this area is fully backed by Russia.

8. Specific statement has been made in several speeches during the last few days that on June 26th the Allies are to withdraw forty kilometres west of the Isonzo and the Yugoslavs and Russians will re-occupy the area. A feature of Yugoslav propaganda last month has been the citing of specific dates for carrying out events which have in fact never taken place, and has presumably been cited merely to give the audience an illusion of urgency.

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11. Reports from several sources state that Andrea, Supreme Commissar for all Garibaldini units, is the Chief Yugoslav and Communist agent for Friuli.

12. Although the rank and file are seriously disillusioned by treatment by the Yugoslavs, their communist sympathies have not been necessarily killed.

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13. In general sources consider that communist propaganda is being received with sympathy in Wiesn, Prindl and Carnia where the food situation is bad with considerably unemployment and large numbers of discontented workers and prisoners returning from Austria and Germany.

14. In lower Prindl the food supply and employment conditions are making much progress.

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TWENTYFIFTH JUNE STATES

PAREN TO SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER THIRTEEN CORPS FROM HEADQUARTERS

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QUOTE YUGOSLAVS PLANNING AN ARMED UPRISING AGAINST THE ALLIEDGOVERNMENT

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

REF: AC/45/9/L2. 4 Jul 45.

SUBJECT: Log. P 150/2

TO: Chief Commissioner.

Attached please find Log P 150/2 from Brigadier Henn, which I promised to send you, in my note yesterday.

G.W. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

Encl: as above.

(Subject: control of Venice")

Enclosure returned to Brig Upjohn

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Il Ministro degli Affari Esteri

3/1106

Rome, July 4th 1945

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Presuming that the official text is now available, I venture to remind you of the matter. Obviously I am also very anxious to receive an exact copy of the military line, as drawn on the map. I would like to add that if you should have any difficulty about the reproduction, I could easily arrange for that to be carried out.

Thanking you in advance,

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Chief Commissioner
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CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICERS EIGHTH ARMY PERSONAL FROM STONE PARTY

NO REPEAT NO AUTHORITY HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ANY RUSSIAN COMMITTEE OR

MISSION OF ANY SORT TO OPERATE IN THIRTEEN CORPS AREA FD

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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Originator's Reference: G.3
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Message Centre No: B/8026
Date Time Rec'd: JULY 041430B
Precedence: MOST IMMEDIATE

FROM: MAIN 13 CORPS

TO : ALCOM ROME INFO MAIN 2 ATBY SCAC (5T AREA PASS) PERSONAL FOR SPOKE FROM HARDING

TOP SECRET

Russians apparently civilians numbering approx 6 living 62 Via FABIO SEVERO TRIESTE state they are Russian Repatriation Committee working under orders similar Committee ROME. Confirm or deny by return signal that authority has been given this Committee to operate in 13 CORPS Area. If no authority exists propose to evict from Allied occupied territory at once. All informed.

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HQ/Allied Commission
Office of Pol. Ad. (A)

TO: Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Documents Presented by Riccardo Zanella

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I do not believe attached documents are required by American Embassy unless copies are readily available. In view of Zanella's well-known position on Fiume, attached does not add substantially to our knowledge of situation.

He has called at American Embassy and left similar though briefer memoranda.

H. McBride
Pol. Ad. (A)

July 4

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understand that Italian banks west of VENEZIA GIULIA boundary have been instructed to refuse cheques on TRIESTE. Their action has created an intolerable situation here and if continued will completely paralyze trade between this area and ITALY. Already we are receiving complaints that the normal source of food supply has been cut off. Decision prohibiting financial transactions outside VENEZIA GIULIA must be reconsidered immediately and authorization sent us at once to at least settle normal trade transactions.

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13 CORPS FOR AMG FOR MONFORT INFO AIGOM ROME FOR UPJOHN

SECRET.

Ref W/80 not repeated AIGOM. Signed original proclamations 2, 3 and 4 delivered by AFHQ to AIGOM on 11 June, these coincide with copies handed AMG 8th ARMY by SPOFFORD on 11 June. Only changes those agreed in meeting SPOFFORD, UPJOHN, BENSON, MONFORT, DAWSON TRIESTE on 18 June and authorized by this HQ 22 June with notice to AIGOM on that date. In TRIESTE meeting pointed out that copies delivered 11 June differed from preliminary drafts also in possession MONFORT. Reason for confusion not understood. Communications on matters this sort should be directed to AIGOM and not to this HQ.

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JULY 4/1635Z

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JULY 5/0830Z
PRIORITY

FREEDOM SIGNED SACMED CITE PHOBS

ACTION: AMG 13 CORPS INFO: ALCOM ROME

SECRET.

Application received from ALEXANDER ANEMOULI Chief of Press Service Greek Legation BERNE who holds diplomatic passport to visit TRIESTE on special mission concerning urgent needs of Hellenic colony in TRIESTE". Noted from application that ANEMOULI is native of TRIESTE. Visit not favoured here but your reaction desired together with views as to needs of Hellenic colony in question

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Pol. Adviser
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Zdrelka. Should
I forward to
Embassies?
AFHQ

F/T Eno

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To the Presidency of the Conference
of the United Nations in
San Francisco U.S.A.

The Treaty of Rapallo, freely stipulated in 1920 under the patronage of England and France, solemnly obliges Italy and Yugoslavia to respect, in perpetuo the freedom and independences of the Free State of Fiume, and is consecrated by the International acknoledgement.

The suppression of the Free State of Fiume, arbitrarily decided upon by the absurd and indefensible Treaty of Nettuno of 1924, which Italian fascism imposed upon Yugoslavia by the threat of an armed conflict, and the consecutive annexation of Fiume by fascist Italy constitute the first act and proof of that fraud and violence policy which national-fascism then applied to Austria, Ethiopia, Czechoslovakia, Albania, Poland, Greece, Yugoslavia, etc. Fiume was the first among the victims of nazi-fascist international action which trampled the international Treaties, violented the rights of so many great and small States and peoples, thus instigatting the immense and tragic world conflict.

But Fiume never recognised, nor accepted, in any way or under any terms, the act of violence completed at the expense of its rights and freedoms. The Free State defended itself up to the last limit of its strength, even with armed forces, and beaten after fighting during eight hours, it still defended itself through the massive emigration of its Constituant Assembly, of its lawful Government, of its police corps, of a number of high officers, etc. These Fiuman elements were transferred to Yugoslavia where, during more than two years, an uninterrupted, inflexible and exemplary resistance was developed against fascist usurpation. This happened with the full agreement and the official co-operation of the Royal Yugoslav Government, which, as one of the Contracting States of the Treaty of Rapallo, was requiring the unconditional and correct enforcement thereof. The Yugoslav Parliament acted in the same way, when stating and requiring, by two unanimous votes, the necessity and obligation of a scrupulous application of the Treaty of Rapallo.

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The fact that fascist Italy attacked Yugoslavia in 1941 cannot honestly be invocated as a charge against the Free State of Fiume, since this first and weakest victim of the nazi-fascist aggression has neither any fault, nor any responsibility, more especially as Fiume was not lawfully a part in the territory of the Italian fascist Kingdom, or still less than Ethiopia or Albania.

The questione of the freedom of Fiume, so minor as it might appear, is therefore, as Guglielmo Ferrero and so many other illustrious and competent writers and politic men alreadu stated, not only a delicate matter concerning a principle or international law, but also and principally a matter referring to the guarentee of the respect of international morals.

Under the principle of the continuity of its lawful right, the Free State of Fiume considers itself consequently de jure as well as de-facto as fully existing and effective. Furthermore, the undersigned, as its lawful President, already recognised by the Powers, has the honour after 23 years of proscription, internement and resistance, to apply to the high Representatives of the victorious United Nations assembled on the Conference of San Francisco, firmly and respectfully asking them to be so kind as to provide for, in recognition of the principles and of all standard proclaimed by the Atlantic and the United Nations, an efficient tutelage of the acquired rights of the Free State of Fiume, as consecrated by History, by laws, by the Treaty of Rapallo and by international acknowledgements, and to take the necessary steps in order that the solemn engagement undertaken by Italy and Yugoslavia, to respect in perpetuo the freedom and independence of Fiume, be definitely maintained with sincerity and loyalty.

The Free State of Fiume proposes and desires that all its Italian and Slav citizens, majority and minority always live in a fraternal and democratic commonwealth of spirit and interests, and in a perfect and absolute equality for all rights and duties, being itself happy and proud in the high task imposed upon them by Nature and Geography. Such task will consist in serving as a major and efficient economic and cultural hyphen between the Italian and Yugoslav peoples, which - after the disappearence of the century-old Habsburg domination created by criminal rivalties and iniquitous as stupid aversions - have so great a necessity and so vital an interest in closely co-operating in a reciprocal confidence for the proper and democratic reconstruction and for the pacific development of common moral , economic and politic interests, which are the guarantees of peace and productive concord between the peoples of two great Mediterranean peninsulae.

Fiume is conscious of the necessity and obligations which its geographical position imposes upon it, as well as upon Yugoslavia and the other countries of its hinterland. For this reason the Free State firmly desires and warmly asks that, together with the Yugoslav Federation, close and durable bonds be created for an active co-operati

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Very respectfully yours

Riccardo Zanella

May, 1945
Paris, 16 rue de la Tour d'Auvergne (IX)

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Until the dismemberment of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy Fiume and its district constituted an autonomous part of the group of States known as the "State of Hungary" or the "Countries of the sacred Crown of St Etienne". This position of public law, which derives as much from ancient charters as from unwritten law, finds documentary expression in the diploma of Maria-Theresa of April 26th 1779, in the signature and approval of the Austro-Hungarian successory law so-called "Pragmatica sanction" and in Hungarian law in Articles : IV/1807, XXII/1848 and paragraph 66 of article XXX/ 1868. In the diploma of Maria Theresa of 1779, which is a fundamental charten regulating the relations of Fiume to the Kingdom of Hungary, the position of Fiume in public law is defined as follows :

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In Article of Hungarian law XXX/1868, which constitutes the Hungaro-Croatian agreement, this position was determined as follows :

"That the town of Fiume and its district constitute a separate body annexed to the Crown of Hungary (separatum sacrae regni coronae adnexum corpus), the governmental and legislative relations of which shall be established through native Deputations, by common agreement between the Hungarian Parliament, the Diet of Croatia, Slavonia and Dalmatia, and the town of Fiume".

This placing of Fiume on a footing of equality confirmed in the fundamental laws of the Hungarian State already shows that Fiume as a political entity occupied in all matters concerning its public legal relations a special position which, exceeding in many ways that of other free towns, corresponded to that of the "partes" or provinces of the Crown of St Etienne possessing the character of States.

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Fiume was never governed by a Prefect or a "Supreme Count" nor by any similar administrative officer of the central power.

From the time of the Emperor of Germany and Austria Ferdinand I, who at 29 July 1530 reconfirmed the Statute of Fiume, the

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CIVILIAN CAPTAIN representing in Fiume the Imperial Majesty, was required at his entry in the town, to take in public the oath to respect the Statute of Fiume and his rights.

Emperor Charles VI came personally and visited the town to take the signature of the acceptation, by Fiume, of the successory Act so said "Pragmatica Sanctio", which concerned the recognition of the succession to the throne of his daughetr Maria-Theresa and her descendants.

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Thus, if it was part of the Crown of St Etienne until the fall of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy, Fiume actually only belonged to it in a quality of a distinctly separated part, of a "corpus separatum" which, in virtue not only of the geographical situation but also of its juridical position, was not part of the main body of the State, so that only the elimination of the "nexus" which held it bound to the complex of "nexus" which held it bound to the complex of the Hungarian Crown was necessary for its complete independence.

The logical consequence of this special independent position of Fiume with regard to public law has been that the separate body of Fiume ipso facto regained its full liberty and independence when the dismemberment of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy had broken the political bond which united it to the Crown of St Etienne, since after this dismemberment nothing remained which could legally limit the fullness of that liberty and independence. It is for this reason that the "corpus separatum" is to be considered in fact, as from October, 1918, as an independent political entity.

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From this point of view and even referring to the concordant opinions of the highest authorities in matter of international law, any affirmation that Fiume owed its constitution as an independant State to the Treaty of Rapallo, concluded on november 12th 1920 between the Kingdom of Italy and the Kingdom of Serbs, Croates and Slovenes, should be considered as inexact, as well as any affirmation that in all conscience the signatories of that Treaty would be entitled tu suppress it by a new agreement in an apposite direction.

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It is unquestionable that this recognition and this engagement involved a State already in existence. This was certainly the conviction of the two contracting States, for otherwise they would have stipulated the contistution of a new State, as was the case with the city of Danzig (Article 102 of the Treaty of Vereailles).

For all the above reasons, the undersigned is entitled to affirm that the "corpus separatum" of Fiume existed as a political entity before the conclusion of the Treaty of Rapallo, and that this Treaty only created a new fact in that it joined new territories, formely belonging to the Austrian Empire, to the State of Fiume, for it gave to the political existence of Fiume its first solemm international documentary recognition.

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On December 22nd, 1920, the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, H.E. Count Carlo Sforza, officially communicated the Treaty of Rapallo and notified the recognition of the Free States to the town of Fiume through the Minister and Army Commander, General Caviglia.

After a number of irregular regimes which succeded in Fiume since its separation from the State of Hungary, the people of Fiume elected their legislative body, the Constituant Assembly, by a proper vote on the basis of universal, equal, direct and secre suffrage on April 24th 1921.

It was the first and single regular plebiscitary action which took place in Fiume.

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In so far as the Kingdom of Italy is concerned, besides the Treaty of Rapallo and the appointement of a Plenipotentiary Minister, there are other remarkable proofs of recognition in the above-mentioned official communication of the Treaty of Rapallo, in the Military Agreement of Abbazia of December 31st 1920, and in the Loan Convention concluded on December 4th, 1921, between the Royal Italian Government and the President of the Government of Fiume (See Red Book, page 42, document 6).

From the above it results that the State of Fiume has governed itself freely since October 5th 1921, through its legislative Assembly and its Government both resulting from a proper, legal and plebiscitary election.

The Constituant Assembly and the Government exercised their constitutional functions on the territory of the State until March 3rd 1922. On that day an aggression carried on by fascists, nine-tenths of whom came from Italy, in participation with detachments of Italian land and naval forsec-temporarily installed in Fiume-compelled the Constituant Assembly and the Government to take refuge on the territory of the Kingdom of Serbs, croats and Slovenes, after a bloody battle which lasted eight hours against forces numerically far superior and having at their disposal powerful arms and even artillery guns of the Italian Navy. Refuge was immediately granted by the Government of Belgrade which, after fairly carrying out the Treaty of Rapallo and recognising the legitimacy of the Government of Fiume presided by the undersigned, sent a protest to the Italian Government against the unprecedented act of violence perpetrated in prejudice to Fiume and in violation of the Treaty of Rapallo. This decision of the Government of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes was ratified by two successive and unanimous deliberations of the Yugoslav Parliament (Skouptchina).

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of the Government of Fiume in favour of the restoration and safety of the constitutional life and rights of the Free State.

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Armed only with its historical, constitutional and international due right and supported by the text of Article IV of the Treaty of Rapallo (1920) and by the solemn engagements taken by Italy towards the Governments of Great Britain and France (See Green Book of 1920 of the Italian Government) to respect the liberty and independence of the free State in perpetuo, the people of Fiume for six years, from 1918 to 1924, opposed an obstinated resistance to the extortions and oppressions of national-fascism.

On their side, the emigrated Fiumans who, in order to escape from the fascist acts of violence, had left their home, their employment and their businnes (about 3.000 persons) developed on the Yugoslavian territory an indefatigable protest and propaganda action (1922-1924) while bearing with stoicism all the pains of exile and the moral and material sacrifices imposed upon their families who remained in Fiume under the occupation.

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From 1922 to 1924 the Government and the Parliament of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes and the whole Yugoslavian press had energetically insisted in favour of the straightforward execution of the Treaty of Rapallo, in so far as the Free State of Fiume was concerned. On many occasions, supported by British and French diplomatic action, this Government had withstood the pressure, intrigues and bargaining of the fascist Government.

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But, after two years of this desperate struggle, it had to yield to the blankmail of a war threat.

"We cannot make war for Fiume" declared them to me the Prime Minister of Yugoslavia, Mr Pachitch.

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The statement, by which this preamble commenced, is not consistent neither with the truth, nor with the following irrefutable facts :

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Finally, it is generally known that a town which has a geographical position such as Fiume and is provided with a wide port and modern equipement as well as with railway lines linking it to all the great European railway systems, has at its disposal a considerable and permanent source of labour and riches.

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7°. - After all the disorders and acts of terrorism systematically organised with the support of Rome, the principal executer of which was the fascist Minister Castelli, the undersigned officially asked the Government of Rome to remove from the territory of the Free State all the Italian land and sea troops stationed therein (Red Book 65).

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After our surrender due to the total exhaustion of ammunition, the diplomatic representive of Rome came first to the Palace, followed by Officers and a detachment of Italian troops, to communicate to me that his Government had directed him to ensure my personal safeguard, and this in spite of my condemnation to death which the fascists claimed to have been decided upon. This intervention is a proof that Rome was quite aware of the preparation of the attack by armed force against the President and the Government of Fiume, and that it did nothing to prevent this attack. At night, I was "banished" from my natal country and transferred to Pola on the same war-ship of the Italian navy which had gunned my residence in the morning.

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taken to pieces and completely deprived of the role which it fulfilled towards the countries of its hinterland, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Austria, ect....From a great port, the maritime "emporium" of seven countries of Central and Balkan Europe, Fiume was reduced at one blow, to the rank of a port without any importance. Its magnificent port and railway fittings became useless. Deprived of all its riches, of its activity and even of all its centuryold rights to administrative and political autonomy, Fiume which had been lately a rich and prosperous city, became almost a cemetery. Fiume was "fascistised" to perfection.

Thus the Free State was the firts of the victims of the international political system based upon artifice, bluff, violence, and blackmail, as insugurated by fascism. It was precisely the violation of the Treaty of Rapallo which opened the long series of international engagements utterly disregarded by nazi-fascism. The great Powers, and even the League of Nations, although surprised and offended, gave it free way. Obviously this passive attitude was not due to considerations of law, as law has not dimensions, but to the tiny territorial proportions of the victim. However, when this precedent of Fiume provoked no reaction, the same outrages to public law and to the international regulations were renewed in prejudice of other much more important countries, such as Austria, Rhineland, Albania, Greece, Czechoslavakia, Poland, Belgium, the Netherlands, Norway France and Yugoslavia.

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In consequence, I request respectfully Your Excellency to be so Kind as to accept the ardent appeal which the valiant people of Fiume, martyrs and first victims of fascism, directed to the Governments of the United Nations in order that justice be rendered to them by the reinstatement of the Free State of Fiume in its right to existence and by a new confirmations of its independence, such as it results from the Treaty of Rapallo freely negociated between Italy and Yugoslavia with the consen

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and approval of the Allied Nations of the War of 1914-1918.

The people of Fiume do not ask this in order to play with a lilliputian sovereignty, but only, as in the past, to ensure the liberty of their life and work and the liberty to serve the international traffic of the countries of their hinterland impartially.

During the past centuries, Fiume was always a subject of discord between Austria and Hungary, then between Hungary and Croatia and after the last War, between Italy and Yugoslavia. It is necessary that in the new world of justice and order, which it to rise out of the blood and ruihsun of this dreadful universal conflagration, Fiume ceases to be an object of rivalry and becomes, on the contrary, through the work and the coeperation of its whole population, the linking ring of the countries whose economical and maritime interessts must be impartially served by its port, without the supremacy or domination of any of them, without control and withour dangerous political hindrances which are always sources of cesastrous competitions. These countries are : Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia, Bosnia, Hungary and partly even Roumania, Fiume Therefore is well indicated to satisfy the needs of the Balkan Federation, or better still, those of the Danubian Confederation, the creation of which, it is presumed, forms part of the plans of the United Nations But, in the true interest of all concerned and as demanded by centuryold experience and present political rights, that is to say, as required by justice, it is expedient and necessary that Fiume be in the service of the future Confederation, not just as any town, annexed and subordinate to any other Member of the Confederation, but as an autonomous body, that is to say in the same way as allo other countries which, for so long a period, like Fiume itself, were part of the Hungarian State before 1919.

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The experience of my 50 years of public life as the Representative of Fiume in the Parliament of Budapest, as a mayor, as a journalist, as a professor of political economy, as the President of the Free State, ect...gives me the profound conviction that the Free Town of Fiume, equipped with an up to date port and railway system, will give every satisfaction to the Confederation of the

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Will Your Excellency also allow me to seize this opportunity to express the admiration and deep gratitude of the people of Fiume towards the great and glorious Nation which Y.E. so worthily represents and which, together with the United Nations, will restore to the world the benefits of liberty and peace as well as the faith in the destiny of humanity.

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Your most obedient servant and to remain

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T E L E G R A M S and M E S S A G E S

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1°) - G R E A T B R I T A I N

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION BY THE CONSUL OF HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY IN FIUME :

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His Majesty King George the Fifth has receive the telegram by which Mr Zanella announced to him his election as Head of the Government of Fiume.

In reply, His Majesty sincerely thanks Mr Zanella for his message desires at the same time to communicate to him that he cordially shares the wish of Mr Zanella for close and friendly relations be ween Fiume and the British Empire.

The telegram which Mr.Zanella directed tl the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain was also very cordially received.

The Prime Minister, in thanking Mr Zanella for his message, asked him to accept his most sincere congratulations for his elections as Head of the Government of Fiume, as well as his best wishes for the prosperity of Fiume.

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Please accept my most sincere wishes for the prosperity of the new state and for its paceful development.

Signed : MILLERAND

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FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC :

In reply to the telegram you were kind enough to send me to notify your recent appointment by the Constituan Assembly of Fiume as provisional President and Head of the Governement of the State of Fiume, I have the honour to present to you, with my sincere congratulation, the expression of my wishes for the free development of the new State

signed : BRIAND

3°) - KINGDOM of ITALY

FROM H.M. THE KING OF ITALY :

The courteous greetings you sent me on behalf of the people of Fiume have reached me and are particularly welcome. The relations of the new State with Italy will no doubt be imbued with the most corial friendship and the deepest community of interests and action.

signed : Vittorio EMANUELE

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signed : BONOMI

FROM H.E. THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE KINGDOM OF ITALY :

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4°) - K I N G D O M of S E R B S, C R O A T S A N D S L O V E N E S

FROM H.M. THE KING OF SERBS, CROATS AND SLOVENES :

I acknowledge the telegram by which you inform me that you have assumed the powers of Head of State by virtue of the vote of the Constituan Assembly.

I thank you for this communication, as welle as for the

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feelings of gratitude by which the fiuman people are animated with regard to our kingdom.

signed : ALEXANDER

FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE KINGDOM OF SERBS, CROATS AND SLOVENES :

Paris

I have received the this kind telegram of Your Excellency announcing that the Constituant Assembly of Fiume has invested you with the powers of Head of the Government.

While presenting to Your Excellency my most sincere congratulations on this occasion, I may confirm to you that the Government of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes has the firm ambition to see;sincerely cordial relations established between the State of Fiume and the Kingdom of Serbs, Croates and Slovenes, and I hope that all the questions which may arrise between the two States will be settled by rapid agreements in a friendly spirit.

signed : PACHITCK

5°) - J A P A N

FROM H.M. THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN :

I learn from the telegram of Your Excellency that you have assumed the powers of Head of Government and Provisional President of the State of Fiume and I present you my heartly congratulations.

Ix am pleased to seize this opportunity to formulate the most sincere wishes for your personnel happiness as well as for the prosperity of the State of Fiume

signed : YOSHIHITO

6°) - S W I S S C O N F E D E R A T I O N

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FROM THE FEDERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT :

We had the honour to receive the telegram by which Your Excellency kindly informed the President of the Swiss Confederation that the first fiuman cabinet was constituted on October 8th.

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7°) - C Z E C H O S L O V A K I A N R E P U B L I C

FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN REPUBLIC :

I thank Your Excellency for your message informing me that the Constituant Assembly has invested Your Excellency with the powers of Head of Goverment and Provisional President of the State of Fiume.

I request Your Excellency kindly to accept the expression of my highes consideration.

Signed : MASARYK

FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL AND MINISTER FOR FORSIGN AFFAI OF THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN REPUBLIC :

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of the message of Your Excellency, informing me that the Constituan Assembly of Fiu has invested you with the powers of Head of Government and Provisional President of the State of Fiume. While thanking Your Excellency for this communication, I request you kindly to accept the expression of my highest consideration.

signed : BENES

8°) - R O U M A N I A

FROM H.E. THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS :

In reply to the telegram by which Your Excellency kindly let me know that the Constituan Assembly of Fiume has invested you during its sitting in October 5th with the powers of Head Government and provisional President of the State of Fiume, the Royal Government of Roumania has the honour to inform Your Excellen that it has acknowleeged this investment and that it hopes to see the establishment of reciprocal confident and cordial relations between the Cabinet which you preside and the Royal Government of Roumania.

signed : TAKE JONESCO

9°) - K I N G D O M of S P A I N

FROM H.E. THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS :

On behalf on his Majesty the King and of His Excellency the President of the Council of Ministers, I have the honour to

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Will Your Excellency be so kind as to accept the expression of my highest consideration and to rest assured that the Spanish Government shares your hope fir the establishment of friendly and cordial relations between the two States.

Signed : GONZALES MONTORIA

10°) - KINGDOM of SWEDEN

FROM H.E. THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS :

I have the honour ro acknowledge receipt of your telegram concerning the formation of the feirst Fiuman Cabinet which you preside.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express to you, with my sincere congratulations, my best wishes for the future of the State of Fiume.

Signed : BRANTING

11°) - REPUBLIC of POLAND

FROM H/E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC :

I thank Your Excellency for the communication which you were kind enough to make and express to ypu, with my sincere congratulations, the hope that the relations between our two Governments will be developed in a spirit of confidence and cordiality.

Signed : PILSUDSKY

12°) - REPUBLIC of AUSTRIA

FROM H.E. THE FEDERAL PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC : 433

While I thank Your Excellency for your kind telegram of IIth of this month, I hasten to congratulate you for the mark of high confidence of which you have been the object and to express to you my wishes for the friendly and happy development of relations between the new State and the Republic of Austria.

FROM H.E. THE FEDERAL CHANCELOR OF THE REPUBLIC :

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Signed : SCHOBER

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13°) - K I N G D O M of B U L G A R I A

FROM H.M. THE KING OF BULGARIA

I was pleased to receive the telegram by which Your Excellency notified to me that Constituan Assembly of Fiume has conferred upon you the powers of Head of Government and Provisional Presiden of the State of Fiume and I thank you for the wishes expressed on this occasion.

Signed : BORIS

14°) - K I N G D O M of H U N G A R Y

FROM H.E. THE REGENT OF HUNGARY

While I present to Your Excellency my congratulations for the mark of confidence manifested to you by the Constituan Assembly in conferrinf upon you the powers of Head of Government and provisional President of the State of Fiume, I thank Your Excellency for the kind message which you were kind enough to send me. I desire to give Your Excellency the assurance that I shall do my best to ensure that the relations between the Kingdom of Hungary and the State of Fiume are imbued with the cordiality and confidence which correspond to their reciprocal interests.

Signed : HORTHY

FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS :

While expressing satisfaction at the proof of sincere friendship manifested to the Hungarian Government in the telegram of greeting sent by the Hovernment of Fiume on the occasion of your electin as Head of Government and provisional President of the State, I am pleased to avail myself of this opportunity to express to Your Excellency my warmest wishes in my own name as well as on behalf of the Hungarian Royal Government, while formulating the hope that our relations will always be imbued with the most perfect confidence and harmony.

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President of the State of Fiume and I thank you
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Signed : COURT BETHLEN

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AMB VENEZIA REGION RPTD AFHQ

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TOPSEC PD

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER OF ONE JULY PD

PAREN TO AMB VENEZIA REGION PERSONAL FOR BRIGADIER DUNLOP RPTD AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCOA PERSONAL FROM ADMIRAL STONE PAREN

PARA ONE PD

THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER WILL HOLD A CONFERENCE AT ONE THREE COMMA HEADQUARTERS CMA PROBABLY ON SIX JULY AT ELEVEN HUNDRED HOURS TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS SET OUT IN MY SIGNAL ONE ONE THREE FOUR OF TODAY REPEATED TO YOU PD I DESIRE YOU TO REPRESENT ME AT THIS CONFERENCE TO MAINTAIN THE POSITION SET FORTH IN MY SIGNAL ONE ONE THREE FOUR FROM WHICH YOU ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO DEPART PD

PARA TWO PD IF DECISIONS CONTRARY TO MY RECOMMENDATIONS IN SIGNAL ONE ONE THREE FOUR ARE TAKEN CMA I REQUEST YOU IN MY NAME TO REGISTER PROTEST AND TO STATE THAT IN THAT CASE I WILL FEEL OBLIGED TO REFER AGAIN TO THE TWO AMBASSADORS PD

PARA THREE PD FOR AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE PD YOUR FOX XRAY ONE FIVE THREE SEVEN ZERO DATED JUNE THREE ZERO REFERS.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

JUL 7 1945

Ref: AG/1101/1/75/PS

9 Jul 45

SUBJECT: Italian Officials at FIUME.

TO: AFHQ, G-5 Section.

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1 Attached please find copy of letter received from the Prime Minister to whom an interim reply has been sent.

2 This matter has also been reported through normal channels and it appears that the Yugoslav Military Authorities arrested the whole staff of the Questore, namely 2 officials, 3 ushers, 75 agents and 7 other employees of which total 15 have been released.

3 It is recommended that this matter be taken up into the highest possible level and treated as most urgent.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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C.D. Buchanan Lt Col
for C.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
HP CA Section.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner,
Executive Commissioner,
Poland (A)
Poland (B)

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G-5 AFHQ (ACTION) RPTD AMG 8 ARMY AMG XXIX CORPS RC VENEZIA REGION (INFO)

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TOP-SECRET

SUBJECT IS PROBABLE CONFERENCE SIX JULY ONE THREE CORPS EQ FD

PAREN TO GEORGE DASH FIVE AFHQ XPTD AMG EIGHT ARMY CMA AMG ONE THREE CORPS CMA RC VENEZIA REGION EQUA EQ ALSO PERSONAL FROM ADMIRAL STARK PAREN

PARA CMSPD REFERENCE YOUR FOX EQUAY ONE FIVE THREE SEVEN ZERO OF THREE ZERO JUNE FD I AM ADVISED BY REGIONAL COMMISSIONER VENEZIA REGION THAT HE LEARNED FROM GEORGE DASH FIVE AFHQ THAT ONE OF THE SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THIS CONFERENCE IS THE INCLUSION OF THE PROVINCE OF UDINE WITHIN THE AREA ADMINISTERED BY AMG ONE THREE CORPS FD THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER ALSO INFORMS ME THAT IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE REAR BOUNDARY OF ONE THREE CORPS SHOULD FOLLOW A LINE WEST OF THE WESTERN BOUNDRY OF VENEZIA GIULIA WHICH CORRESPONDS VERY CLOSELY WITH THE LINE DESCRIBED IN SIGNAL CHARLIE MIKE SUGAR ONE ZERO ONE ONE THREE JUNE FROM ONE THREE CORPS TO GEORGE DASH FIVE AFHQ CMA WHICH DELINEATED AN AREA OF WHICH THE JUGS MADE CLAIMS AND WHICH THEY URGED SHOULD REMAIN UNDER AMG ONE THREE CORPS UNTIL THE PEACE CONFERENCE FD

PARA TWO FD IN THE FACE OF THEIR DEMAND CMA THE RETENTION OF AMG ONE THREE CORPS ADMINISTRATION WEST OF VENEZIA GIULIA WOULD GIVE POWERFUL IMPETUS TO THE YUGOSLAV

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HOPES OF SECURING AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE TERRITORY IN THE PROVINCE OF UDINE CMA AND FOR THIS REASON I CANNOT AGREE TO ANY SUCH EXTENSION WITHOUT THE EXPRESS AUTHORITY OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS CLN AGAIN SEE CHARLIE MIKE SUGAR ONE OF ONE THREE JUNE IN WHICH THE NECESSITY OF AUTHORISATION BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES WAS SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED PD

PARA THREE PD I PROPOSE TO RECOMMEND TO SACMED TO RETURN THE PROVINCE OF UDINE WITH ALL THE OTHER NORTHERN ITALIAN PROVINCES OUTSIDE VENEZIA GIULIA CMA TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BY FIRST SEPTEMBER PD IF FOR MILITARY REASONS IT IS CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL TO RETAIN AMG IN UDINE FOR A LONGER PERIOD CMA SUCH AMG SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE EXISTING PROVINCIAL ORGANISATION AND MUST NOT BE LINKED UP WITH AMG ONE THREE CORPS PD

PARA FOUR PD I REALISE THAT CMA FOR TACTICAL REASONS CMA IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO EXTEND THE OPERATIONAL REAR BOUNDARY OF ONE THREE CORPS BEYOND THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF VENEZIA GIULIA PD IF SO I CONSIDER IT MOST IMPORTANT THAT IT SHOULD NOT CMA REPEAT NOT CMA COINCIDE WITH THE LINE INDICATED BY THE YUGOSLAVS IN CHARLIE MIKE SUGAR ONE SIX ONE THREE JUNE SINCE THIS CANNOT FAIL TO HAVE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS SIMILAR TO THE EXTENSION OF AMG ONE THREE CORPS TO THAT LINE PD BUT I MUST REPEAT

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THAT EVEN IF TACTICAL AREA OF ONE THREE CORPS SHOULD EXTEND WEST OF VENEZIA GIULIA
CMA THE AUTHORITY OF AMG OVR THREE CORPS SHOULD STILL BE LIMITED TO VENEZIA GIULIA PD
PARA FIVE PD IT IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT THAT THE SECURITY LINE SHOULD NOT LIE ANYWHERE
WEST OF THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF VENEZIA GIULIA PD
PARA SIX PD BOTH AMBASSADORS HAVE SEEN THIS SIGNAL AND DESIRE THAT NO ACTION BE
TAKEN WHICH COULD BE CONSTRUED AS A CONCESSION TO YUGOSLAVS PD

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PARA ONE FD FRENCH EMBASSY DOES NOT WISH PUBLICATION OF CONVERSION RATIOS IN VENEZIA GIULIA FD PRESUMABLY NO ACTION NEED BE TAKEN BY YOU FD

PARA TWO FD IF ANY ALLIED FORCE UNIT OR INDIVIDUALS HAVE OLD FRANCS PLEASE REPORT NAMES AND AMOUNTS TO THIS HQ QUERY CMA EMBASSY WILL PROBABLY CONVERT FD IF ANY OTHER ALLIED CMA FRENCH OR NEUTRAL HOLDERS SHOULD PRESENT THEMSELVES THEY SHOULD FILE INDIVIDUAL CLAIM WITH FRENCH EMBASSY THROUGH YOU AND THIS HQ QUERY FD IF ANY ITALIANS HAVE ALREADY DEPOSITED FRANCS HAVE BANCA D'ITALIA REFUSE REDEMPT OF NOTES OF FIVE ZERO FRANCS AND HIGHER TO US THROUGH YOU

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NICHOLAS PIOMELLO,
CWO USA, Asst Adjutant.

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AMG XIII CORPS RPTD AFHQ G-5, SCAO AMG 8 ARMY

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PARA ONE FD REFERENCE YOUR 71CTON GEORGE SLANT SEVEN THREE OF ONE JULY I PAREN TO AMG THIRTEEN CORPS RPTD ABLE FOX NOW QUEEN GEORGE FIVE CMA SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER AMG EIGHT ARMY FROM HQ ALCOM CITY ACLRG PAREN

PROCLAMATION ONE AS PUBLISHED BY YOU IS CORRECTED PROCLAMATIONS TWO CMA THREE AND FOUR AS SIGNED BY SAC PAREN SUBJECT TO MODIFICATIONS APPROVED BY CHIEF OF STAFF ON BEHALF OF SAC AND ACCORDINGLY FORMING PART OF SUCH PROCLAMATIONS PAREN READ AS PUBLISHED BY YOU SUBJECT TO THE AMENDMENTS NOTED IN PARAGRAPHS TWO TO SIX INCLUSIVE OF OUR NINE SIX THREE OF ONE JULY FD

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FIFTH AMX INFO: AIGCM MAIN EIGHTH ARMY

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Your 7196 dated 1 July not to AIGCM and EIGHTH ARMY. Our advisor on these matters is Chief Commissioner AC who is satisfied that presence of these officers with you is not as important as with AMG VENEZIA GIULIA. Major ROBITH may be retained by you. Captains HANK EDWARDS and HUNTER must be despatched forthwith. Report compliance with this order

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SCAC XIII CORPS RPTD AFHQ G-5, AAG 8 ARMY FOR INFORMATION

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PARA ONE FD REFERENCE YOUR GEORGE SLANT SIX ONE DATED TWENTY NINE JUNE FD EFFECT AMENDMENTS BY REPRINTING PROCLAMATIONS CMA NOT BY GENERAL ORDER FD

PAREN TO SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER THIRTEEN CORPS RPTD ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN GEORGE FIVE AND AAG EIGHT ARMY FOR INFORMATION FROM HQ ALCOA CITE ACLEG PAREN

PARA TWO FD PROCLAMATION TWO CMA ARTICLE TWO CMA SECTION ONE TO READ QUOTE CANCELLATION OF MEASURES AFFECTING ALLIED PROPERTY FD ALL LAWS CMA DECREES CMA ORDERS OR OTHER MEASURES TAKEN OR PURPORTED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY ANY AUTHORITY TO SEQUESTRATE CMA BLOCK CMA CONFISCATE OR OTHERWISE DISCRIMINATE AGAINST PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY CMA INCLUDING OBLIGATIONS OF DEBTORS WITHIN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY OWNED BY ANY GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS CMA OR BY THE NATIONALS OF SUCH STATES OR GOVERNMENTS OR IN WHICH ANY SUCH GOVERNMENT OR STATE OR NATIONALS HAVE ANY INTEREST ARE HEREBY ABROGATED UNQUOTE FD

PARA THREE FD ARTICLE TWO CMA SECTION TWO PAREN CHARLIE PAREN DELETE QUOTE ITALIAN OR JUGOSLAV UNQUOTE FD

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PARA FOUR PD ARTICLE SEVEN CMA SECTION ONE PAREN BAKER PAREN TO
READ QUOTE ALL FINANCIAL CMA COMMERCIAL OR OTHER TRANSACTIONS
INVOLVING TRADE OR COMMUNICATION OF ANY KIND WITH ANY PERSON
OUTSIDE THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT TERRITORY ARE PROHIBITED UNQUOTE PD
REMAINDER OF PARAGRAPH DELETED PD
PARA FIVE PD ARTICLE SEVEN CMA SECTION TWO CMA LAST SENTENCE TO READ
QUOTE NO CURRENCY OR COIN MAY BE TRADED CMA EXCHANGED CMA BARGAINED
OR SOLD EXCEPT THAT WHICH HAS LEGAL TENDER STATUS IN THE OCCUPIED
TERRITORY UNQUOTE PD
PARA SIX PD PROCLAMATION FOUR CMA ARTICLE ONE CMA SECTION THREE TO
READ QUOTE COMMERCIAL INSURANCE COMPANIES AND INSTITUTIONS PD EVERY
COMPANY CMA MUTUAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION CMA CORPORATION CMA BODY OR
PERSON ENGAGED IN LIFE OR GENERAL INSURANCE BUSINESS MAY CONTINUE TO
RECEIVE AND COLLECT SUCH PREMIUMS AND OTHER PAYMENTS AS ARE DUE AND
PAYABLE TO THEM IN RESPECT OF LIFE OR GENERAL RISKS AND IN A CURRENCY
WHICH IS LEGAL TENDER IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY UNQUOTE PD
PARA SEVEN PD NO OTHER AMENDMENTS PD
PARA EIGHT PD YOUR DIFFICULTY IN THIS MATTER NOT REPEAT NOT UNDERSTOOD
AS IT WAS POINTED OUT TO YOU ON MONDAY EIGHTEEN JUNE AT CONFERENCE AT

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WHICH SPOFFORD UPJOHN MONTFORD AND DAWSON WERE PRESENT THAT THE PROCLAMATIONS AS SIGNED BY SAC OF WHICH AND EIGHT ARMY HAD ALREADY RECEIVED COPIES ON ELEVEN JUNE DIFFERED FROM THE DRAFTS YOU HAD PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED FROM LEGAL SUBCOMMISSION FD THE ABOVE AMENDMENTS ARE NECESSARY TO BRING YOUR PROCLAMATIONS INTO LINE WITH THE PROCLAMATIONS AS SIGNED BY SAC

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

Dear Brigadier Hunt

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30 June 1945

I have been considering the letter which you showed me yesterday and the more I consider it the more difficult appears the next move.

You will observe that the letter has been repeated to G-5 A.F.H.Q. and to A.M.G. 8th Army and, therefore, can no longer be regarded as a private letter to the Chief Commissioner. Moreover, quite a number of people are involved.

I am certainly arraigned in respect of an alleged failure to make the necessary plans and to obtain the necessary information in the preliminary period up to May 4th, and there can be no doubt that if there were such a failure the fault would be mine.

It was on May 4th that Lt.Col. Orpwood's main party of officers and men for Venezia Giulia passed under command A.M.G. 8 Army. Lt.Col. Scholtz's advance party had already passed under command on April 29th.

Thereafter the entire responsibility for the deployment and employment of these officers rested with A.M.G. 8th Army. We remained responsible only for the provision of their mail, official letters and for their personal well-being. All their orders and all their plans were issued from the officer S.C.A.O. 8th Army as was entirely proper having in view the fact that the occupation of Trieste was an 8th Army operation. This was all in continuance of a method of cooperation between Region and A.M.G. Army which had been carried out by us all through the advance from Cassino in 1944 and in the advance in 1945. I cannot believe that Col. Nelson Monfort was ignorant of this fundamental arrangement. In fact during the entire period in question I was in constant consultation with S.C.A.O. 8th Army and he kept me fully aware of his plans. You will remember that, in order to set 8th Army free to deal with Austria and Venezia Giulia, Venezie Region took over the Provinces of Rovigo, Padova, Venezia and Treviso on May 8th, and took over the administration of Udine on May 11th. I may perhaps be permitted to say that throughout all our conferences it appeared to me that Air Commodore Benson made prudent and capable use of all the means made available to him by Allied Commission or by 8th Army. On all matters concerning Venezia Giulia after May 4th it is, how-

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In respect of the "handful of officers" charge, the answer must, I feel, lie with Establishments Branch, A.C., in conjunction with A.M.G. 8 Army and myself.

In respect of the preparation of proclamations, G-5 A.F.H.Q., Civil Affairs Section, A.C. are also involved.

In respect of the issuance of directives on policy, responsibility lies with G-5 A.F.H.Q. and with Dy. A.C.

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You will see, therefore, that the situation is a complicated one. One's inclination is to suggest an immediate inquiry to determine (a) if the facts alleged in Col. Nelson Monfort's letter are true and (b) if they are true, where responsibility lies.

There are, however, obvious disadvantages in such an inquiry. In the first place 8th Army are clearly involved and the inquiry would have to be with their consent. In the second place such an inquiry takes up a lot of time of busy officers. In the third place, and this I hold strongly, I have always maintained that one of the most important functions of Allied Commission was to show the possibility of complete U.S. - U.K. collaboration. I should, therefore, be exceedingly reluctant to have any sort of court of inquiry which might have the danger of developing into inter-national dispute.

There is, however, the danger that the charges contained in the letter may be repeated later on in America and it might be desirable to have rebutting evidence collected at this time before any of the participants disappear from this theatre.

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For the rest I am entirely content to leave it to the judgment of the Chief Commissioner. It seems to me that an unfounded and unjust attack has been made on a number of officers of the Allied Commission. To decide the next step is, I admit, not so easy.

I am sending you four copies of this letter. As Colonel Nelson Monfort's original letter was also sent to A.M.G. 8 Army and to G-5 A.F.H.Q., I should be glad if, with the Chief Commissioner's approval, you would send copies of this letter to the same addressees.

I have shown this letter to Colonel T.R. Page who has been my invaluable Deputy and Senior U.S. officer since my return to Venezia Region on April 1st.

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Yours sincerely,

Brigadier Maurice Lush, CB, CBE, MC,
Executive Commissioner,
Headquarters Allied Commission.

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Ref: 552/183/20. 30 June 45.

My dear Doctor de Gasperi,

Thank you for your letter of 21 June 45, reference 3/999. In accordance with the request in the last paragrayh I have forwarded a copy of your letter to Allied Force Headquarters for information.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE

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

Dr. Alcide de Gasperi,
Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
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CC FILES

Ref: 593/182/40. 30 June 45.

Subject: Civil Administration, Venezia Giulia.

To: G-5,
AFHQ.

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I am enclosing for your information a copy of a letter which I have received from the Italian State Department in reply to my letter giving the Allied and Yugoslav areas of occupation.

ELLERY W. STONE

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

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AGREEMENT OF 20TH JUNE 1945, BETWEEN THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS AND THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE JUGOSLAV ARMY.

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Minutes of the first meeting of the Joint Economic Committee held at Headquarters, Allied Military Government, XIII Corps, Trieste, on 28th June 1945.

PRESENT:

Chairman

Brigadier D. L. ANDERSON, CBE
(Deputy Vice-President Economic Section, ALCOM)

Members of Committee:

Colonel	A.M. ZARLEY	D.D.Tn. 8 Army	)
Lt. Col.	D.S. BICKERSTETH	D/Reg Commerce Officer	)
		Lombardia Region	) Represen-
Lt. Col.	W.M. LAPPER	Chief, Electrical Divn.	) tatives,
		Pub. Wks & Utilities	) Allied
		Sub-Commission, ALCOM	) Armies
Lt. Col.	C.J. ONLEY	Coal Divn., Commerce	) in Italy
		Sub-Commission, ALCOM	)
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Major	R.J.L. PERFITT	Port Comdt., Trieste	)
Dr.	KOBE BOZO	Leader	)
	URSIC FRANC	Commerce	)
	ZURLINI MAKSIMILIJAN	Transport Technical	)
		Services	) Jugoslav
Ing.	DOLGAN MARIJAN	Industry	) Delegation
	SENK MARIJAN	Finance	)
	PENOVIC JOZE	Trade and Supply	)
Ing.	KOTNIK VIKTOR	Industry	)

In attendance:

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Lt. Col.	W.B. ROGERS	A.Q.M.G. (Mov)
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Colonel	GEORGE A. GREEN, USA	American Embassy, Rome - as observer.

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2. Various subjects were raised by the Jugoslav Delegation and the following decisions were reached:

A. Ships laden with U.N.R.R.A. supplies for Yugoslavia would use the port.

/B. The Allies

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B. The Allies would have complete control of the port, would safeguard such supplies, and would guarantee delivery over the Morgan line by rail or road.

C. The Yugoslav Government would nominate one or two of the normal agents in the port who would represent them in the usual commercial way, in accordance with Appendix "J" of the agreement.

D. The Yugoslav authorities would arrange a proper balance of rolling stock so that supplies could be railed anywhere in Yugoslavia as required.

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Major PERFITT	ZURLINI MAKSIMILIJAN

Industry and Commerce Sub-Committee

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W/Cmdr. LEGH-JONES	Ing. KOTNIK VIKTOR
Major BOGER	PEROVIC JOZE

Fuel and Power Sub-Committee

Lt.Col. LAPPER	Ing. DOLGAN MARIJAN
Lt.Col. OXLEY	Ing. KOTNIK VIKTOR

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The committee adjourned at 1130 hours.

W. DRUMMOND YOUNG
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AGREEMENT OF 20TH JUNE 1945, BETWEEN THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS AND THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE JUGOSLAV ARMY.

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ii. That any matters which may arise affecting the supply of electricity within the area of the Soc. Elettrica della Venezia Giulia shall be referred for settlement to the Sub-Committee. (This would include, for example, matters of price and quantity of power.)

The Jugoslav Delegation stated that they required a further week to consider whether the administrative personnel of Soc. Elettrica della Venezia Giulia should continue to operate in that part of Venezia Giulia controlled by the Jugoslav Government.

b. Fuel. The following recommendations of the Sub-Committee were also agreed:

i. That a group of mines in the Istrian Peninsula known as the Arsa Mines would be immediately reactivated and developed;

ii. That a joint committee of Jugoslav and A.M.G. experts visit the area to inspect and report on the mines, the machinery and the shipping facilities; (The Jugoslav Delegation undertook to endeavor to make the arrangements.)

iii. That the highest priority be given to all work in connection with the restoration of the mines and that it be undertaken jointly through the Jugoslav and A.M.G. resources; and

iv. That the existing stocks at the mines and the output of the mines be allocated to consumers by the joint Jugoslav-A.M.G. Industry and Commerce Sub-Committee and that A.M.G. be asked to assist with the transportation required to move the coal.

3. Industry and Commerce Sub-Committee.

The Committee received the report of the Industry and Commerce Sub-Committee and approved the following recommendations:

a. That any orders on industries in Venezia Giulia be made only after approval by the Sub-Committee;

b. That the Sub-Committee approve all proposed contracts as to terms, prices, etc.; (This will cover contracts placed by Jugoslav authorities in the part of Venezia Giulia controlled by A.M.G. and by A.M.G. in the part of Venezia Giulia controlled by the Jugoslav Government and in Jugoslavia proper.)

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c. That contracts can only be cancelled by consent of the Sub-Committee;

d. That raw material, finance and exchange questions arising from local exchange and trade be handled by the Sub-Committee;and

e. That one expert may be co-opted by each side of the Sub-Committee when necessary.

4. Transportation Sub-Committee.

As the report of the Transportation Sub-Committee had not been translated, the Committee adjourned at 1700 hours until 2100 hours.

/The Committee

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The Committee then received the report of the Transportation Sub-Committee on their meeting held on the 29th June and agreed to the following recommendations:

a. That the Anglo-American Military Port Commandant of Trieste will arrange the berthing and working of ships carrying cargo for Jugoslavia on equal terms with other Allied ships using the port without delay or hindrance subject only to any priority required for Allied Military traffic;

b. That in the first instance, the Jugoslav Government will employ G. J. Marovic, Steamship owner and broker of Trieste, as their agent for receiving and forwarding their cargoes arriving in the port of Trieste;

c. That the Anglo-American Port Commandant of Trieste will give the maximum possible notice (with a minimum of 24 hours) to the Jugoslav railway delegate, of railway traffic for Jugoslavia, ex-ship or warehouse at Trieste, in order that wagon supply may be facilitated; (Traffic from Trieste to Jugoslavia will normally be moved by rail; road transport will only be employed if railway capacity is saturated.)

d. That the Jugoslav traffic from Trieste will be forwarded in sealed wagons to a transit station, to be agreed, free from customs examination;

e. That Jugoslavia traffic from Trieste will be forwarded by electric railway as far as possible (Trieste - Postumia, St. Pietro Carso - Fiume) to economise on coal; and

f. That estimates of locomotive and rolling stock requirements for the Trieste-Jugoslav traffic will be made jointly by the A.M.G. and Jugoslav Delegates of the Transportation Joint Operating Committee: exchange of rolling stock at the zone boundary station will be on the basis that as many wagons will come out of the Jugoslav controlled Zone of Venezia Giulia as enter it from the A.M.G. controlled Zone of Venezia Giulia: that the difference in numbers of wagons will not be allowed to exceed 50 wagons either way, and that this agreement will hold until such time as a general European International rolling stock and traffic agreement is completed.

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(vide Appendix "I" para 1(b) of the Agreement of the 20th June):

U.N.C.I.	JUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT
Major QUEKETT	Dr. DEKLAVA

7. The Committee decided that the Sub-Committees should meet again on Monday and Tuesday, the 9th and 10th July, and that the Main Committee should meet at 0900 hours on Wednesday, the 11th July.

W. DRUMMOND YOUNG
Capt. R.A.
Secretary

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Finance Sub-Committee
AFHQA.

NICHOLAS PISANO
CWO, USA,
Asst. Adjutant.

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SHEET TWO OF CABLE NUMBER 392

PARA THREE FD CANNOT AGREE WITH YOUR SUGGESTION THAT I COME PERSONALLY WITH AUTHORITY TO MAKE DECISION FD IT MUST SURELY BE CLEAR THAT ANY ACTION AFFECTING ARMED FORCE AND SUGAR ABLE CHANGE SUCH AS Y DOG APOSTROPHE S SUGAR DENUNCIATION MUST BE DEALT WITH OFFICIALLY ON HIGHEST LEVELS FD

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PARA TWO FD IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT CORRECT VERSION PROCLAMATION BE

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CWO, USA,
Asst. Adjutant.

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Your 746 dated 28 June. Please signal immediately precise wording of amendments required. Propose effecting alterations by General Order(?) under my hand. Signed MONFORT.

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Confirming telephone conversation MITCHELL - MONTANT 28th.
Send Col BOWMAN to VENEZIA GIULIA to replace Col MONFORT immediately.

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Intrep No 51 up to 2359 hours 28 June.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY IDENTIFICATIONS. 20 armed troops who crossed MORGAN line to SCHERBIZZI H8695 24 June believed from 3 BDE 31 DIV.

2. SECURITY. 50 rifles 10 mgs 1 3 inch mortar and number of grenades and SAA found in cemetery at H234843.

3. PRESS. IL LAVATORE. Liberation council demands renewal of its authority in financial matters. Message of protest to Field Marshal ALEXANDER from Liberation Council. Latter has formed commission to rename TRIESTE Street bearing names reminiscent of Fascism. Both Italian papers belatedly publish after initial refusal denial by MIANI leader of action party in Italian CLN of charges of Fascism made earlier in newspapers. PRIMORSKI has long article on Semi-Fascist rule of AMG.

4. GENERAL. BELGRADE radio P.M. 27 June gave erroneous report that POLA paper IL NOSTRO GIORNALE had been closed down by Allied. All informed.

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SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER XIII CORPS RPTD SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER 8 ARMY

746 25 JUNE 1945 PRIORITY

PARA ONE FD SUBJECT IS PROCLAMATIONS FD

PAREN TO SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER THIRTEEN CORPS RPTD SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER EIGHT ARMY FROM HQ ALCOM CITE AGLCO PAREN

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AMG 13 CORPS
ALCOM ROME

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Reference your 714 of 27.

Arrival Colonel JOHN WILLIAM CHAPMAN earliest will be great assistance. Public Safety officers ifkoptly required. Signal Eta and place of arrival.

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AMG 19 COFUS FROM MONFORT
AFHQ C-5 FOR SPOFORD INFO HQ ALCOM FOR UPJOHN

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Demand for Peoples Court increasing daily. Urgently require your approval draft proclamation setting up Special Court of Assize. Signed MONFORT.

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MAIN 8TH ARMY
HQ ALCON INFO 13 CORPS.

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1. By arrangement with YUGOSLAV authorities ITALIA GARIBALDI assault Div moving into Allied territory 4 July from under Command 2 YUGOSLAV ARMY. Div is being met by army tpt and moved to CONC Area west of ISONZO. Ceremonial farewell parade held by YUGOSLAVS recently near ZAGREB.

2. Propose hold parellel ceremonial parade on 6 July with British Italian and YUGOSLAV reps. Request presence at parade of PALERMO, under Secretary of War or another Government Rep. PALERMO most suitable since he visited Italian units in YUGOSLAVIA last year and arranged repatriation of G XILIA GARABALDI DIV. If PALERMO willing to come we will arrange aeroplane to pick him up in ROME on 4 July.

3. Whole of Div consists Italian soldiers serving in YUGOSLAVIA at time of armistice. Immediate decision required whether they are to be given Partisan gratuities or back pay as soldiers W.E.F. date of last payment. If the latter please arrange through MMIA for local Italian paymaster to pay them on occasion of parade.

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AFHQ.

ALCOM INFO MAIN 8TH ARMY

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Provost Marshal AFHQ who has been investigating police situation VENEZIA GIULIA at request GOC 13 Corps reports that Regional Police officer is greatly handicapped by shortage of staff. Formation of efficient civil police is clearly of utmost ugency. Request your assurance that steps have been taken to provide Major RICHARDSON with all resources necessary for him to achieve this purpose. Desire also to know what arrangements you propose for clothing equipment and transport for this force.

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LEGH JONES AMG 13 CORPS FOR MONFORT

ALOOM ROME FOR ACFIN FOR OSMAN

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Following from SEVERN.

'1. See MONFORT's personal telegram WG/53 dated 27 to GRAFFTEY SMITH.

2. Impossible to take any final action while Proclamation No 2 remains uncertain.

3. Unless AMG 13 Corps version of Proclamation proves that correct one, there is no alternative but to sever insurance connections between 13 Corps area and rest of ITALY until Proclamation can be officially amended.

4. Unless GRAFFTEY SMITH considers next 2 or 3 days will prove AMG 13 CORPS correct, suggest I take action as in para 3 and return.

5. In such event, I can leave draft plan with LEGH JONES for re establishing connections with ITALY, which can be issued from ROME if and when found possible.

6. Consider it undesirable I should remain here any length of time whilst unable give companies any definite line.

7. LEGH JONES in agreement foregoing. Request reply by wire earliest.'

Signed LEGH JONES for MONFORT.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

AMZON/011

CC 1008

27 June 1945

Dear Nelson:

Thank you for your letter of 18 June in which you enclosed a report on your organization of AMG XXIII Corps. I am looking into the situation that existed prior to your taking over.

I have followed very closely AMG activities of Venezia Giulia, and am aware of and entirely sympathetic with the difficult task which confronted you during this initial phase.

In accordance with our understanding, I am planning to send Colonel Bowman as your relief and will do so as soon as I hear from Eighth Army which I assume will be within the next few days.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Colonel Nelson W. Monfort,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer,
AMG XXIII Corps.

cc: Ex. Commr.
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AMG 13 CORPS

ALCOM FOUR FOR AGFIN PERSONAL FROM MENIFORT FOR CRAFTREE SMITH

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Reference your 576 dated 25 June.

1. My Chief Legal officer does not recall discussing clause in question with SPOFFORD and holds typewritten copy of proclamation personally corrected by SPOFFORD.

2. That part of VENEZIA GIULIA occupied by US cannot be financially completely cut off from either ITALY or that part of VENEZIA GIULIA occupied by the Yugos.

3. As normal financial transactions controlled and licensed if need be must take place I feel that proclamation number 2 as posted containing clause to which you object should remain unaltered. If you do not agree suggest you come personally or otherwise send immediately finance officer with authority to make decision

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ALLOWING IS RESULT OF OUR TELETYPE CONV ATTACH UP TO TWO HRS TWO ZERO HRS

TENTATIVE JUMP TO

PLANS TO ASSEMBLE OTHER DIVS FOR ATTACK UPON ADDL TARGETS

TARGETS CONSIDERED, AND ALL SUCH TO CONSIDER OF SERVICES WORKING WITH PARTIES

RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANS

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FHEG REPEATED AMG EIGHTARMY AND AMG THIRTEEN CORPS FOR INFO

681 27th JUNE, 1945 PRIORITY

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SUBJECT IS VENEZIA GIULIA PD

PARA ONE PD INSTRUCTIONS ARE REQUESTED ON POLICY WITH REGARD TO ABLE NATIONAL ELECTIONS BAKER LOCAL ELECTIONS ON COMMUNAL LEVEL CHARLIE LOCAL ELECTIONS ON PROVINCIAL LEVEL PD

PAREN TO FHEG REPEATED AMG EIGHTARMY AND AMG THIRTEEN CORPS FOR INFO FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACSCC PAREN

PARA TWO PD ABLE NATIONAL ELECTIONS PD NEW ITALIAN GOVERNMENT INTENT TO SUMMON CONTITUENT ASSEMBLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PD ASSEMBLY MAY DETERMINE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION AND MAY ALSO DETERMINE NEW ITALIAN CONSTITUTION IN GENERAL PD INQUIRY BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MAY BE EXPECTED IN NEAR FUTURE AS TO WHETHER PARTS OF VENEZIA GIULIA UNDER AMG WILL PARTICIPATE PD REFUSAL WOULD DENY TO INHABITANTS ANY SAY IN FUTURE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE PD BRACKET ONE BRACKET FROM WHICH THEY HAVE NOT YET BEEN FORMALLY DETACHED BY ANNEXATION AND BRACKET TWO BRACKET TO WHOSE JURISDICTION THEY MAY ULTIMATELY RETURN PD

PARA THREE PD BAKER LOCAL ELECTIONS IN COMMUNES PD IF YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT SETS UP ELECTED LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN THE AREA IT ADMINISTERS CMA DENIAL BY ALLIES OF THE

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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RIGHT OF LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT IN THEIR AREA WILL CREATE UNFORTUNATE IMPRESSION FD ON THE OTHER HAND CMA POSSIBLE REFUSAL BY POPULARLY ELECTED LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO OBEY AMG ORDERS OR THEIR APPOINTMENT OF UNACCEPTABLE OFFICIALS WOULD CREATE COMPLICATIONS FD THERE IS NO PRACTICAL DIFFICULTY IN HOLDING SUCH ELECTIONS FOR ALL COMMUNES WHOLLY COMPRISED WITHIN AMG AREA FD ELECTION MACHINERY CONSTITUTION AND POWERS OF ELECTED BODIES WOULD CORRESPOND TO THOSE IN REST OF ITALY AND WOULD BE SET UP BY AMG ORDER FD YOU MAY CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE TO DEFER ISSUE OF INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS QUESTION UNTIL IT IS SEEN WHAT POWERS ARE CONFERRED ON LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN REST OF ITALY BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FD

PARA FOUR FD CHARLIE LOCAL ELECTIONS AT PROVINCIAL LEVEL FD SAME CONSIDERATIONS AS IN BAKER APPLY CMA BUT AMG AREA CONTAINS PARTS ONLY OF THE PROVINCES OF GORIZIA CMA TRIESTE AND POLA FD ELECTIONS ON PROVINCIAL LEVEL WOULD CMA THEREFORE CMA INVOLVE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL TYPE OF LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR SUCH PARTS FD IT IS DOUBTFUL IF THIS IS ADMINISTRATIVELY PRACTICABLE FD

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MAIN 13 CORPS
MAIN 8 ARMY INFO AC ROME, V CORPS, CG 5 ARMY, II US CORPS.

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For G2 and GSI.

Intrep No 50 up to 2300 hrs 27 June 45.

1. TRIESTE. VIVA FIUME in white chalk appeared on a few walls. Otherwise very normal.

2. PARTISANS. ITALIA BDE 3000 strong situation east of LUBLIANA sent a representative to 8TH ARMY HQ with permission from TITO to move into our area approx 4 July. Representative arriving approx 30 June to make arrangements.

3. PRESS. CORRIERE DI TRIESTE quoted BELGRADE announcing that JUGOSLAV military government has been established east of MORGAN line including ISTRIA FIUME and the SLOVENE LITTORAL up to the demarcation line with General DAPCEVIC COC 4 ARMY as commander. Local authorities and liberation committees continue operate. Also states train service TRIESTE CERVIGNANO in operation. Press committee of the liberation council demand answer in writing that they do not have any power in press. Answer postponed and they given advisory status.

4. GENERAL. 50 carabinieri arrived in GORIZIA by train from VIPACCO H 9795. Formerly members of police force in GORIZIA then [illegible] PW by JUGOSLAVS for last 2 months. All informed.

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JUN 30 RECD
C. C. 1116

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
Minister of the Interior

23508

Rome, 26 June 1945

Dear Admiral,

As the Public Security Sub-Commission has already been informed, we received news that the Yugoslav authorities of the town of Fiume arrested all the personnel of the Questura, including two officials, seven employees, three ushers and about 75 agents of who 15 were later set free. It appears that the said personnel has been sent to Croatia to be interned in a concentration camp.

It seems that some officials of the Prefettura met with the same fate.

I shall be most grateful if you kindly intervene with the competent military authorities of the zone asking them to take the necessary action to have the said personnel as well as the other Italian citizens arrested and deported from Venezi Giulia released.

Thanking you, I remain,

Yours very truly,

s. Ferruccio Parri

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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MAIN 13 CORPS
MAIN 8 ARMY INFO: AC ROME,V CORPS, CG 5 ARMY, II US CORPS.

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For G2 and GSI.

Intrep number 49 up to 2000 hrs 26 June 45.

1. TRIESTE. Pamphlet found P.M. 25 June reveals that committee of suburban workers union partly responsible for calling yesterdays strike. Today town perfectly normal very quiet.

2. PRESS. IL LAVORATORE front page article on strike stresses expression of will in a quiet disciplined dignified way as becomes politically mature people. Both papers report disarmament of Difesa Popolare in sobre factual tones.

All informed.

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AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FROEG
MAIN EIGHT ARMY INFO ALCOM ROME, 13 CORPS

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Your I/255. Having regard your signal no objection return of party to ABBAZIA.

In view that unexplained movement RUSSIANS in ITALY always liable to give rise to queries ALCOM should be informed in future of any such movements into ITALY including purpose of visit and itinerary.

Reference last paragraph your signal visits RUSSIANS to 37 mission should be kept to minimum.

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FOLLOWING IS THIRTEEN ONE2A STEP UP TO TWO TWO ZERO ZERO HOURS TWENTY FIVE JUNE FD

REPEAT TO AMB. FOR G-2/SIS. IT IS VIEW HE ALONE SEES THIS MESSAGE

OUTCRY OF STRIKE AT TETUAN APPEARS TO BE FIRMLY ROOTED AT THE INSTIGATION OF THE DIEGA POPULARE CHA SHORTLY CAUSE LIMITED FOOD SUPPLY TO DISCREDIT FRENCH SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY FD DISTURBING CAMPAIGN INITIATED FD KAID MERTINEZIAN GENERALLY NOT EXPECTED FD ISOLATED UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS BY GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS TO PROMOTE DISORDER AND PREVENT CIRCULATION OF PETER WILLIAM BAKER PAPER FD NO DEMONSTRATIONS FD SERIOUS INVOLVING HELP BUILDING ROADS TRAINING AND SOME GROUPS OUT BUT RELUCTANTLY AND WERE RELEASED TWENTY FIVE JUNE FD

PARA TWO FD MLA FD DEMONSTRATION HELD OUTSIDE TWO JUNE ON ANNIVERSARY OF GERMAN OCCUPATION INTO ZONE(A) ORDERLY FD

PARA THREE FD CULTURAL AND BOOK BURNING ATTACK CHA BY DOCTORS OR MISSIONARIES FD PARA FOUR FD IN SPITE OF STORY PETER WILLIAM BAKER CHARGED LOCAL

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LG 387/207 GEG-O

26 June 1945

SUBJECT: Directive for Allied Military Government in that Part of VENEZIA GIULIA Occupied by Allied Forces

TO: Headquarters Eighth Army

1. PRELIMINARY: As a result of negotiations between the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom and the Government of Jugoslavia it has been agreed that certain areas of VENEZIA GIULIA will be administered under Allied Military Government. A copy of the agreement dated 9 June is attached as Inclosure Number 1 to this directive. Certain details and working arrangements supplementary to the agreement are set forth in a further agreement dated 20 June 1945 (referred to herein as the supplementary agreement) attached as Inclosure Number 2 to this directive.

2. INSTITUTION OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT: You will institute Allied Military Government over the area between the present western boundary of VENEZIA GIULIA and the line of demarcation to the east thereof shown on the map included as Appendix A to the supplemental agreement and over the city of POLA and surrounding areas as shown on the map included as Appendix B to the supplemental agreement. Such Allied Military Government will have all the characteristics of an Anglo-American undertaking. Allied Military Government will be imposed as soon as possible upon the occupation of the area by Allied Forces.

3. ATTITUDE TOWARD CLAIMANT NATIONS: No steps will be taken which support or may appear to support or prepare for any ultimate disposition of the area to any claimant nation.

4. CONTROL OF LINE OF DEMARCATION: The artificial "Frontier" created by the line of demarcation referred to in paragraph 2 above will not be a closed frontier. Only such controls as may from time to time be deemed necessary by you or as may be agreed with the Jugoslav authorities will be imposed.

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5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT: The local government through which you will administer the area will be based on the Italian administrative system which existed and was in effect on 8 September 1943. It is not necessary, however, that all offices and appointments be filled. You may also, if for administrative reasons it appears expedient to do so, make adjustments and modifications in the foregoing administrative system, so long as its essential structure

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is not changed. You will administer the area as a separate region, under your command but subject to the technical control of the Allied Commission. No civilian local governmental official will be permitted to refer to or obtain instruction from authorities outside the area.

6. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS:

a. The appointment of prefects and all officials will be vested in Allied Military Government. You will utilize whatever civil authorities you deem best in any particular place and administrative personnel will be changed at your discretion. Subject to the above, use will be made of any Jugoslav civil administration which you find on entry to be already set up and which in your view is working satisfactorily. In interpreting the term "civil administration" you should consider that the term relates to personnel employed rather than the system of administration itself.

b. If you decide that it is impracticable to administer through local authorities you will resort to direct administration, calling for advice from local committees to be selected by you.

7. LEGAL:

a. The laws of the territory as established and in effect on 8 September 1943 will remain in force. All Republican Fascist legislation as well as any Jugoslav legislation will be abrogated. Italian decrees promulgated since 8 September 1943 will not be implemented. When necessary Allied Military Government orders will be issued, covering the subject matter of any such decrees.

b. You will suspend the right of appeal to ROME from decisions of the Court of Appeals in TRIESTE.

c. In particular, any Peoples' Court now functioning in the area will not be permitted to continue. Active Fascists, Nazis, their supporters and collaborationists will be interned pending further instructions. Local boards may be employed to advise you in this connection. You will receive a further directive on this subject in the near future.

8. POLICE: You will maintain and strengthen whatever police force is found to be functioning satisfactorily on your arrival. Carabinieri will not be introduced but may be used where found. If existing police organizations are inadequate you may in your discretion establish new organizations for the purpose. Patriots may be temporarily employed as auxiliary police at your discretion but you will effect complete disarmament as soon as practicable. The Questura system will be reinstated after the epuration of Fascist elements.

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Ltr, AFHQ, AG 387/207 GEG-O,
dated 26 June 1945 (cont'd)

9. FINANCE:

a. Allied Military Lire and the metropoliten lire will be the only currencies accorded the status of legal tender. No other currencies will be recognized. You will use Allied Military Lire in preference to metropoliten lire wherever possible.

b. No exchange rate will be decreed other than that for the lire in relation to the dollar and pound sterling.

c. The existing banks will be used on an autonomous provincial basis and advances will be made to the Bank of Italy by Allied Military Government as needed to strengthen cash reserves.

d. Police and other civil services will be financed on a provincial basis, all existing taxation will be assessed and collected and existing pensions will be paid in accordance with current directives.

e. The debt of the Royal Italian Government will be serviced in the usual manner and sale of postal savings bonds and acceptance of postal savings deposits may be permitted; the issue of other Italian Government securities for sale to the public will be suspended until further notice, provided, however, that banks will be permitted to invest in Italian Government obligations.

f. Deficits in the provincial and communal accounts will be met as necessary by advances from the head branch of the Bank of Italy and only in emergency by advances by AMG.

G. Imported civilian supplies will be sold for lire at appropriate local prices to appropriate local agencies and the proceeds of sale will be held in accounts of AMG.

h. Italian postage or revenue stamps will be used until further instructions are received.

10. COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY:

a. Normal economic movement across the line of demarcation is to continue subject to control sufficient to ensure that AMG supplies for the area west of the line of demarcation are not removed across the line by unauthorized buying, by black market operation, or otherwise. You will as far as possible ensure, in agreement with the representatives of the Jugoslav Government:

(1) That rural Consorzii Agrarii (Farmers Unions) are not cut off from their directing center in the provincial capitals of TRIESTE, GORIZIA and POLA, and that amassing is encouraged to continue;.

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(2) That rail communication within the area as a whole shall not be discontinued. Arrangements for traffic and control of operation will be made through the Joint Railway Committee to be established in accordance with Appendix I to the supplementary agreement.

(3) That the resources of the area as a whole will be utilized to the maximum through the inter-change of power, industrial mineral, and agricultural products. Arrangements for these purposes will be worked out through the Joint Economic Committee to be established in accordance with Appendix I to the supplementary agreement.

11. MOVEMENTS: Civilians will be permitted to enter VENEZIA GIULIA and to cross the line of demarcation subject to the controls provided in Appendix H to the supplementary agreement.

12. RESTORATION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

a. You will ensure that all facilities are given for the implementation of the undertaking of the Jugoslav Government given in paragraph 6 of the agreement annexed hereto as Inclosure Number 1.

b. Cases of non-observance which may be brought to your attention will be taken up in the first place with the Jugoslav High Command in accordance with the procedure provided in Appendix D of the supplementary agreement. If prompt satisfaction is not received reference will be made to this headquarters and to Allied Commission.

13. POSTAL FACILITIES:

a. Passage of civilian mail across the line of demarcation will not be discontinued.

b. Telegraph and telephone facilities will initially be suspended but the period of suspension will be reduced to the minimum.

14. FLYING OF FLAGS:

a. On official buildings which are in any way controlled by, or a part of, the Allied Military Government nucline the only display of flags permitted will be that of the United States and British flags flown jointly. This applies to police stations whether manned by local Slovene or Italian police or by Carabinieri.

b. Concentrations of troops in barracks or camps may fly their own national flags in these areas. Thus, the Jugoslav troop detachment contemplated by paragraph 2 of agreement (Inclosure Number 1) may fly the Jugoslav flag, and the Italian flag may be flown over Carabinieri or police barracks (as opposed to police stations).

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dated 26 June 1945 (cont'd)

c. No restrictions will be imposed upon the display of flags on private residences and buildings.

15. GENERALLY:

a. The agreement and supplementary agreement are deemed to be a part of this directive and you will be guided by the provisions thereof.

b. The directions herein contained supersede any instructions inconsistent herewith. In the event that problems of policy arise not covered by this or other existing applicable directives for Allied Military Government, this headquarters or Allied Commission will be consulted, as appropriate. In all cases in which matters are referred to this headquarters directly, copies of communications will be furnished to Allied Commission for information.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

2 Incls (to addressee only)
Incl #1 - Agreement, dtd 9 June 1945
Incl #2 - Supplementary Agreement, dated 20 June 1945

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Changes instituted by AFHQ in your draft letter, Subject: "Directive for Allied Military Government in that part of Venezia Giulia occupied by Allied Forces.

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Paragraph I - Unchanged.

Paragraph II - "Anglo-American" substituted for: "Allied".

Paragraph III - Section in brackets on your draft omitted from Final.

Paragraph IV - Unchanged.

Paragraph V - "under your command but" substituted for: "under command of G.C.C. Eighth Army and".

- "No civilian local official" substituted for: "No local official".

Paragraph VI - Section in brackets on your draft included in Final.

- Added: "In interpreting the term "civil administration" you should consider that the term relates to personnel employed rather than the system of administration itself."

Paragraph VII (Sub para c) - "any Peoples'" substituted for: "the Peoples'" and "in the area" substituted for: "in the region".

Added: "You will receive a further directive on this subject in the near future."

Section in brackets on your draft was omitted from Final.

Paragraph VIII - Unchanged.

Paragraph IX (Sub para e) - Added: "provided, however, that banks will be permitted to invest in Italian Government obligations."

(Sub para g) - "Imported civilian supplies" substituted for: "Civilian supplies"

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Paragraph X - Unchanged.

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Paragraph XIII - Unchanged.

Paragraph XIV - Added: "or Police"

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Paragraph V - "under your command but" substituted for: "under command of G.O.C. Eighth Army and".

- "No civilian local official" substituted for: "No local official".

Paragraph VI - Section in brackets on your draft included in Final.

- Added: "In interpreting the term "civil administration" you should consider that the term relates to personnel employed rather than the system of administration itself."

Paragraph VII (Sub para c) - "any Peoples'" substituted for: "the peoples'" and "in the area" substituted for: "in the region".

Added: "You will receive a further directive on this subject in the near future."

Section in brackets on your draft was omitted from Final.

Paragraph VIII - Unchanged.

Paragraph IX (Sub para e) - Added: "provided, however, that banks will be permitted to invest in Italian Government obligations."

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Paragraph XV - Added: "as appropriate. In all cases in which matters are referred to this headquarters directly, copies of communications will be furnished to Allied Commission for information."

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C O P Y

Brig. Anderson--

The U. S. Ambassador has spoken to me about Col. Green accompanying you to Trieste. I approve his request. Will you request approval by urgent dispatch for him to accompany you--saying it is at the Ambassador's request.

(init.) E.W.S.

C.C.

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Tel: 478201

Ref: 591/80.

28 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Slovene Popular Party.

To : SAO XXIV Corps.

1. Attached for your information is copy of letter from Dr. Miha Krek dated 25 June 1945, together with the original petition received. A copy of acknowledgment is also enclosed.

2. Dr. Krek was the Yugoslav representative on the Advisory Council for Italy and is head of the Slovene Popular Party.

/S/ E. TAZOOT
Brigadier, G-5 Coy
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 592/20. 26 June 1945.

My dear Dr. Krek:

The Chief Commissioner has asked me to reply to your letter of 23 June 1945 and to thank you for the petition which you enclosed.

I can assure you that Allied Military Government in the Trieste and Gorizia areas will scrupulously and impartially watch the interests of the Slovenes, and I am forwarding a copy of your letter to the Senior Civil Affairs Officer in Trieste.

Yours sincerely,

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

His Excellency Dr. Miha Krek,
Former Yugoslav Royal Ambassador
and Delegate to the A.C.I.,
LONDON.

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Rome, June 23, 1945.

To His Excellency

Rear Admiral Ellery Stone, Chief Commissioner A.C.

Rome

My dear Admiral,

I am delivering to your Excellency the memorandum of the representatives of the Slovence in Trieste and Corizia area.

Poldo Kessorlc, editor in Trieste, at present displaced in the Campat Riccione, Italy.

Dr. Alfons Cuk, professor of theology in Corizia, at present displaced in Rome, Via dei Volli 10.

Makso Kosac, employee, Corizia, at present displaced in the Camp at Riccione

Srecko Gregorc, parish priest in Sturije near Corizia, at present displaced in the Camp at Riccione.

They are representing the democratic groups of the Slovenes in the region in question, known by their former anti-Fascist political fighting and in the last period also by their anti- Communist political line.

As a Slovene who knows the sufferings of my people in this region under the Italian rule, I support the requests and suggestions of the memorandum. I am convinced that the democratic groups of the Slovenes are able, prepared and disposed to collaborate usefully and successfully with the Allied Authorities, which will control the region.

Yours very respectfully,

Dt. Miha Krek
former Yugosl. Royal Ambassador and
Delegate to the A.C.I. in Rome

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LWS/hjp

26 June 1945

TO: CSO to Executive Commissioner, Hq A.C.

The Chief Commissioner wishes this acknowledged and copy of basic, i.e., Italian Government State Department letter No. 3/999 of 21 June, sent to AFHQ.

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L. W. STEARNS
Major, A.G.D.
Staff Officer to CC

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REF AFHQ MX 20135 OF 24TH AND HQ AIRCOM 460 OF 23RD.

THERE IS NO SOVIET MISSION IN TRIESTE OR ANY PART OF VENEZIA GIULIA.

MISSION IS ATT TO HQ 4 JUGOSLAV ARMY ABBAZIA J2439 AND COMMANDED BY

COL BOGOMOLOV. PARTY REPORTED TO CONSIST OF THREE MALE AND TWO

FEMALE MEMBERS OF THIS MISSIONS MEDICAL STAFF WHO ARE IN FLORENCE

(X) HOLIDAY UNDER ESCORT OF CAPT WOYEIKOMSKY. ESCORT AND ACCOMMODATION

ARRANGED BY THIS HQ THROUGH 15 ARMY GROUP AND AFHQ. NAMES OF PARTY

NOT YET AVAILABLE. NO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MISSION ARE WEST OF

MORGAN LINE THOUGH COL BOGOMOLOV OCCASIONALLY VISITS 37 MISSION IN

TRIESTE TO ARRANGE MATTERS AFFECTING SOVIET NATIONALS. THESE

VISITS INVITABLE UNLESS OTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATION CAN BE

ARRANGED. IN VIEW ABOVE FACTS PRESUME NO NECESSITY DELAY RETURN

OF PARTY TO ABBAZIA. PLEASE CONFIRM BY SIGNAL THAT YOU AGREE.

cc: CC Filen
Ex Comm.

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Understand following officers will be those sent forward to start Economic and Transportation Committee.

1. Brig ANDERSON.
2. Major MATSON representing railway.
3. Col OXLEY representing coal.
4. Major FODEN representing electrical industry.
5. Col BICKERSTETH and Major BODGERS representing industry.

Consider 4th not sufficiently high calibre and would request alternative be sent. Major FODEN already here as part of VENEZIA GIULIA team and fully occupied. As regards 2 have no knowledge of individual but are you satisfied that he is best representative of railways that can be produced from AFHQ and or ROMX.

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AGWAR FOR CCS AND TO AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF RPTD SHAEF MAIN FOR INFO, ALCOM ROME.

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This is NAF 1023.

1. During TRIESTE conferences difference developed with JUGOSLAVS over interpretation para 3 BELGRADE agreement regarding continuance civil administration. JUGOSLAVS submitted memorandum containing proposals not acceptable to us. Memorandum and our comments attached to agreement forwarded to you. In view expressed attitude JUGOSLAVS, radio broadcasts of last few days and declaration local SLOVENE groups , desire confirmation our interpretation as basis for possible further discussion or action.

2. Para 3 BELGRADE agreement provides that use will be made of "Any JUGOSLAV civil administration which is already set up and which in the view of the Supreme Allied Commander is working satisfactorily".

3. Present status of civil administration in our area is generally as follows: Italian Administration is functioning in part but has in part been suspended by JUGOSLAV action during the period of their occupation. The prefecture staff is still on the payroll but has been relieved of any executive responsibility. Organizations such as Genio Civile, sepral and the Consorzio are still functioning executively with JUGOSLAV appointed chiefs. In place of the Prefecture Staff the JUGOSLAVS have set up committees of liberation with subcommittees having jurisdiction in various administrative fields which up to the present have been exercising executive powers.

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This pattern has been followed down through the district and communal level with the regional committee exercising executive control over the whole area. Obviously, this JUGOSLAV Committee Administration is not completely or finally organized but it was the machinery which was functioning on the date of our occupation. The JUGOSLAVS are taking the position that the BELGRADE agreement commits us to adopt this committee structure as the "Existing Administration".

4. We have maintained that inasmuch as the basic law of this area is and must continue to be Italian the Italian Administrative System must in its essentials be continued; that it was the intention of the agreement that our commitment to continue existing administration related to personnel rather than to the system of administration itself; and that the committee system as an executive instrument of Local Government cannot be recognized but that committees where useful will be employed in an advisory capacity as in other parts of ITALY.

5. We are convinced that above position is the proper one and the only one we can take as practical matter. Some color may be given to JUGOSLAV claim by wording of para 3. You will recall that the draft which we submitted read "Administrators" in place of "Administration". Had this wording appeared in final agreement the position would have been perfectly clear. We of course have in mind the qualification that the administration must in view of SAC be working satisfactorily. However we do not believe we should rely on this as we might then have the wholly anomalous situation of a committee form of government in one commune and the Italian system functioning in the adjacent locality. This would obviously be unworkable in practice.

6. Request confirmation that our interpretation is correct and any further guidance you may wish to give us.

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MAIN 8 ARMY INFO: AG ROMA FIVE CORPS 5 ARMY 2 US CORPS

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For G2 and G3I Intrep Number 43 up to 2200 hours 25 June.

1. TRIESTE strike involving shipbuilding docks tramways and some shops but not electricity and water was called late 24 June and took effect today. Object appears to be protest at disbandment of Difesa Popolare. Secondary object attempt to cause limited food supply to discredit present system of distribution. To this end whispering campaign initiated. Food distribution in fact in no way effected. No demonstrations quiet day isolated unsuccessful attempts by groups of individuals to picket bakery and to prevent circulation of PWB paper.

2. MONFALCONE. Strike involving dock workers and chemical workers no demonstration or incidents.

3. POLA. Situation normal. orderly demonstration held on 22 June to mark anniversary of German agression into RUSSIA.

4. PWB Corriere Alleato out PM in spite of strike. All informed

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AMG 13 CORPS FROM MONFORT SCAC
AICOM INFO FREEDOM FOR G5 SEC AMG 8 ARMY

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Ref your 441 (451?) of 23 Brigadier ANDERSON and officers for Allied Yugoslav Commission required this Hq by 1600 hrs 27 June. Signal Eta and place arrival.

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MAIN 13 CORPS

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Intrep number 47/up to 2359 hours 24 June 1945.

1. Jugoslav Army. The following equipment is with the authorised detachment in corps area. 4 105 MM guns, 12 75 MM guns, 1 57 MM a/tank gun, 1 50 MM a/tank gun, 10 STEWART tanks. FOUR ARMY HQ now at ABBAZIA J 2439.

2. Disarmaments. Ceremonial parade held today in several towns in corps area for disarmaments of all partisan and the difesa popolare with good results no incidents. Speeches made at parades by British commanders well received. All given opportunity to volunteer for AMG police and given option to cross MORGAN Line with arms helped by our transport. Following results for Difesa Popolare is :

	ON PARADE	TOTAL ESTIMATED IN AREA BEFORE	VOLUNTEER FOR AMG POLICE FORCE	NUMBER ELECTING CROSS MORGAN LINE
TRIESTE 1420 MONFALCONE and SESATA COMBINED 440		2500 520	616 60	70 27
MONTESPINO	37	50	10	
GIGLIO	111	180	56	
POLA	275	300		

Comment. More expected to surrender arms next few days as news not yet circulated certain areas.

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Comment. Most of balance expected. Suspected that some armed Jugoslav army elements of TRIESTE detachment disappeared night 23/24. Routine search of HQ and billits of Difesa Popolare revealed small quantity of arms.

3. Arrests. Attems Count CARLO Vice Prefect UDINE 1944-1945 arrested CEROC IGNANO Area by FS 23 June.

4. Press. Il Lavoratore carries leader complaining against dessolution of Difesa popolare as truly Democratic organisation stating that elsewhere in ITALY Allies have retained fascist born police forces.

All informed

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REFS GEE AD REFERENCE YOUR FOR FIVE SEVEN THREE ONE FOUR OF TWENTY TWO JUNE FD

PARA TWO AD. FOR NOT GREEN CITY FOR NOR GEORGE MARY GEORGE FROM HQ AFCM CITE ACLSO PARIS

PARA TWO FD AND THIRTEEN COPIES ADVEN TILT PROCLAMTIONS TWO ONE THREE ONE AND FOUR PRINTED IN TRIESTE AND CORINZIA AREAS TWENTY TWO JUNE FD THEY HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED FOLA FD REQUEST OF INFORMATION NO PUBLICATION AWAITED FD

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AIDE MEMOIRE.

Ce fe Caserta

Administration of Venezia Giulia should be under command of G.O.C. Eighth Army and under technical control of Allied Commission. The technical control of Allied Commission should remain notwithstanding any change in military command.

1. C.O.S., A.A.I., (Lt.General Harding) in his letter of October 26th 1944 wrote, "For continuity the system of government must be an extension of A.M.G. for Italy, not a separate organisation superimposed to deal with these areas (Venezia Giulia). This was in accord with recommendations made by Allied Commission in September 1944. All planning and provision of personnel has been based on this direction.

2. Legal. The effect of the Instrument of Surrender is to establish the Allied Commission as the sole authority in all territory which before the outbreak of the present war formed part of the Mainland of Italy, for administering and executing the terms of the Instrument, under the orders of SACMED, and as the channel of communications between SACMED and the Italian Government for this purpose. Any portion of Italy which is liberated by Allied forces becomes subject to the terms of the Instrument of Surrender. Article 20 of the Instrument provides for the administration of Occupied Territory. The agreement signed with Jugoslavia does not change the legal position with regard to any part of territory occupied by Allied Forces.

3. Political. The removal of control from Allied Commission would be regarded by the Italian Government as prejudicial to the ultimate disposal of the territory. Problems are bound to arise which affect the Italian Government. The Allied Commission is SACMED's instrument for dealing with the Italian Government in such matters. The C.C.A.O. is SACMED's officer for A.M.G. in all occupied Italy.

4. Administrative.

(i) Personnel have been and will be found by Allied Commission from ranks of the Allied Commission. The staff section of G-5 would be quite incapable of administering the needs of personnel.

(ii) Policy direction on technical matters, legal, local government, economic, financial, must be related to the rest of Italy, and in these matters SACMED should be advised by C.C.A.O., and his staff of expert advisers which do not exist at A.F.H.Q. or elsewhere.

(iii) Demands made by A.M.G. XIII Corps for his G.O.C., have been

(a) Personnel from Allied Commission.
(b) A Labour expert.
(c) Vice-President, or Deputy Vice-President for Economic Section.

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(d) Experts from Allied Commission for co-ordinating committee on Transport, Coal, Commerce, etc.

These can be and have been provided by Allied Commission and no other organisation.

4. Only Allied Commission can judge what Italian decrees should be converted into Regional Orders for application in Venezia Giulia.

5. Finance. It is quite impossible for A.F.H.Q. to exercise control of the financial machinery in Venezia Giulia. Commander Southard, the Financial Adviser of G-5, A.F.H.Q., who is excellent in interpreting the policy of CCS and in transmitting their instructions, is the first to admit that he knows nothing of the mass of detailed administrative work which must inevitably be linked directly to Allied Commission headquarters. Any system whereby the Regional Finance Officer, A.M.G., XIII Corps, addresses his correspondence to G-5, A.F.H.Q., would cause additional delay and would result in constant reference, either in writing or on the telephone, to Allied Commission headquarters. In fact, it would provide a clear case of "Quis custodiet ipse custodes".

A few examples will serve to show inevitable dependence upon this headquarters:-

(a) Supply Accountant in Venezia Giulia will be required to maintain records of imports and transfers from Italy, issues sales and collections in accordance with our normal detailed methods of accounting. Any diversion of imports destined for Italy and billed against that country but re-directed to Venezia Giulia must be adjusted here.

(b) Supply of Currency must be controlled from Rome by Allied Financial Agency who direct the net work of AFA branches and currency dumps. AFA is the only source of supply of AM notes.

(c) Public Finance. The control of public spending and the collection of revenue in AMG territory is based upon months of experience directed by experts at Allied Commission headquarters. The autonomy of Venezia Giulia will require some principles to be observed, but even more direct control of budgets, revenue collection, and the method of treating short term securities. 271

(d) Banks. Here too the autonomous nature of the banks does not affect the main policies directed from Allied Commission

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headquarters, particularly of such matters as blocking of accounts or the treatment of various types of bank drafts.

(e) Stamps. It has not been stated what type of postage and revenue stamp is to be used. If Italian stamps are selected, necessary arrangements for accounting with the Italian Government must be done here. On the other hand, if A.M.G. stamps are to be used they fall directly under the control of the Allied Financial Agency.

(f) Insurance. Both in the social and commercial fields, the Regional Finance Officer must draw his policy from this headquarters. The commercial side is complicated by the existence in Trieste of the head offices of the two largest insurance companies. In the field of social insurance, than which there can be nothing more tortuously intricate, policy in Venezia Giulia will have to be directed along lines similar to those followed in Italy.

(g) Property Control. It can safely be claimed that no-one at A.F.H.Q. has the slightest knowledge of this complex subject.

(h) Legislation Only Allied Commission headquarters can advise and select which Italian decrees are to be converted into Regional legislation. This is particularly true on the financial aspect, but it is porbably safe to say that the whole field of Italian legislation is unknown to A.F.H.Q.

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25th June 1945.

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Nothing known here of matter referred to in ALCOM 460 repeated you concerning VOYEVODSKY and party 7 Russian officers. Presence of RUSSIAN Mission in VENEZIA GIULIA not repeat not desired. Noted from signal party stood on their way back to 13 CORPS. Fullest details required urgently on party including names nature of mission previous movements and information as to who has agreed their presence or mission in TRIESTE area.

In meantime return of mission should be delayed pending further instructions.

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ALCOM ROME FOR ACFIN

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Reference your signal 440 dated 23 June.

Article 7 Section 1 Subsection (B) VENEZIA GIULIA Proclamation No 2 reads as follows

"All financial, commercial or other transactions, involving trade or communication of any kind with any person outside the military government territory are prohibited save only that the same may be conducted with person in Italian Government territory, provided always that such dealings are in accordance with Italian law, and provided that they do not conflict with the specific orders or regulations issued by the Allied Military Government."

Legal adviser states Proclamation No 2 VENEZIA GIULIA as quoted above was approved by AFHQ.

Is last sentence of your 440 intended to convey that a specific order or regulation as mentioned in above para should be issued. Signed LEIGH-JONES for MONFORT.

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PARA ONE FD IN ADDITION TO AMENDMENTS ALREADY MADE IN PROCLAMATIONS TWO AND FOUR FOR VENEZIA GIULIA

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HQ AMG 13 CORPS
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Your 465 dated 23 ACLHQ refers.

Proclamations 2 3 and 4 posted in TRIESTE and GORIZIA areas 22 June 45.

They have been despetched POLA. Receipt of information re publication awaited.

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COS AFHQ

COPY TO CTF ARMY, XIII CORPS

460 23 June 45 Priority.

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IT HAS COME TO MY KNOWLEDGE THAT A CAPTAIN WOYEVODSKY CMA OF ACA CMA ATTACHED TO EIGHTH ARMY CMA IS ACTING AS ESCORT TO SEVEN RUSSIAN OFFICERS AND THAT THE PARTY LEFT FOR FLORENCE YESTERDAY ON THEIR WAY BACK TO THIRTEEN CORPS CMA WHERE THEY ARE TO REPORT NO EARLIER THAN TWENTYSIXTH JUNE FD

PAREN TO CHIEF OF STAFF AFHQ REPEATED EIGHTH ARMY AND THIRTEEN CORPS FROM HEADQUARTERS AIGCM SIGNED STONE PAREN

CAPTAIN WOYEVODSKY EXPLAINED THAT GEORGE ITEM THIRTEEN CORPS HAD GIVEN HIM INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING THESE OFFICERS AND HAD STATED THAT THEY WERE MEMBERS OF A SMALL MILITARY MISSION WHICH WOULD BE ACTING AS OBSERVERS IN TRIESTE FD HAVE YOU ANY INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER QUERY I CONSIDER THE PRESENCE OF A RUSSIAN MISSION IN VENEZIE GIULIA POLITICALLY DANGEROUS FD

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Lieut Col.

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MAIN 8TH ARMY INFO: AC ROME, V CORPS, CG 5TH ARMY, II US CORPS.

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For G2 and GSI. Intrep number 46 up to 2000 hrs 23 June 1945.

1. DIFESA POPOLARE. AMG proclamation announcing disbandment of all police organisations made pub ic throughout Corps Area together with details of official disarming parades on 24 June. Only reaction so far is offer by authorities of PIRAIS H 5691 to hand in arms immed-iately.

2. TRIESTE. Quiet day. NEW ZEALAND band played P.M. 22 June in main square attendance ? to 4000 some applause.

3. PRESS. Both Italian papers less anti-Allied in tone. All publish PWB ruling regarding printing or orders instructions decrees and distribetion of films. Corriere Di TRIESTE has prominent article on GARIBALDI Division. PRIMORSKI DNEVNIK complaint against movement control across MORGAN line stating that 150000 JUGOSLAVS fled TRIESTE under Italian oppression now wish to return. 3000 copies PWB Italian paper daily flown to POLA.

4. ARRESTS. 1 ex member of SICHERHEITSDIENST suspected of being considerable influence in JUGOSLAV inspired subversive movement arrested by FS in TRIESTE. All informed.

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PARA TWO FD SUBPARA BASIS OF SECTION ONE OF AMG VENEZIA GIULIA PROCLAMATION NUMBER

TWO READS QUOTE ALL FINANCIAL BBA COMMERCIAL OR OTHER TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING

TRADE OR COMMUNICATION OF ANY KIND WITH ANY PERSON OUTSIDE THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT

TERRITORY ARE PROHIBITED FD UNQUOTE THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT TERRITORY REFERS TO

VENEZIA GIULIA FD DO REPEAT DO BASE TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN VENEZIA GIULIA AND ANY

PART OF ITALY EITHER UNDER ITALIAN GOVERNMENT OR AMG WILL BE PROHIBITED

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NICHOLAS PIGNATELLO,
OMG USA, ASST Adjutant.

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ROUTINE

BRAINE DIRECTOR LABOUR SUBCOMM
ALLIED COMMISSION ROME AOSCO

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1. When agreement for freight handling charges in port is approved as recommended bya Air Commodore ERSON the working of port should be assured with labour and facilities supplied MAGAZZINI GENERALI.

2. No labour unrest in port for wages reasons.

3. General labour in town quiet on surface at moment.

4. For political reasons trouble may be expected owing to legacies left behind by Yugoslavs. Exaggerated wages 500 or 600 Lire per day promised by Yugoslav authorities on clearance work. Supplementary ration card issued in number exceeding capacity to supply.

5. Uncertainty and feeling of insecurity prevail with suspicion that political agitation will work upon labouring classes.

6. AMG working under extreme difficulties with absence of experienced staff.

7. Recommend assignment of selected labour officer namely MajorAIRRIGHT as Regional Labour Officer ex EMILIA REGION. Colonel BOWMAN will object but Brigadier LUSH should persuade him to replace AIRRIGHT. Captain MATTHEW ADAMS British as Labour Officer at FOLA. 1 other as Labour Officer at GORIZIA and 1 other to deal with local labour problems at TRIESTE below Regional level.

8. In view of non availability of experienced labour officer recommend British Directorate of Labour at AFHQ release selected officers with at least 6 months

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experience under DAML with CLU. This should help to meet immediate problem of VENEZIA.GIULIA and also other requirements in NORTHERN ITALY.

9. Social insurance system at TRIESTE must be put on sound basis considering that it is cut off from ROME but will have to deal with large numbers requiring assistance in absence of paid employment. Finance officer strength requires addition which Regional Finance Officer Wing Commander LEIGH JONES has already requested.

10. Obviously unrest and unemployment possibilities will be reduced if industries can be kept going or reactivated. Speial concessions of coal and material urged. Also permission to continue unfinished shipbuilding at MONFALCONE.

11. Armed force employment possibilities not considerable and because of local situation labour can be found at 8 ARMY scale which is basic rate plus 15 Lire per day. But cost of living now as always higher in TRIESTE than adjoining provinces and V the AMG British recommend increase general bonus to 30 Lire per day which brings unskilled labour to 115 Lire per day same as 5 ARMY rate NORTHERN ITALY. Also a differential of 10 Lire per day over basic minimum for skilled workers in addition to general bonus. From study of local wages structure I support both recommendations and advise that AFLRA for AFHQ and 8 ARMY AMG authorize accordingly.

12. Labour problems in VENEZIA GIULIA include as for NORTHERN ITALY potential unemployment with necessity for relief and public assistance and relief feeding. 260 Also continued payment of wages although full employment is not available is a feature. Also workers participation in management. Other problems smouldering. International aspect and necessity of working out self contained solutions without ROME Government or Italian experts make essential to supply Allied staff in quantity and quality. (136)

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JUN 26 1945

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Tel: 47202

Ref: 2221/5/SC. 23 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Deportation from TRIESTE of Senator Antonio TACCHI and Miss Elena PICCOLI.

TO : SCAD 13 Corps.

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1. Attached hereto is copy of memorandum from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, 6/1823/034 dated 22 June 45.

2. Will you please investigate this report and if it is supported take appropriate steps, informing this office in due course of the result.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl:
as above

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BENA TRIPARTA
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For postal services as advised civil postal service now available from UK to all northern ITALY except BOLZANO TRENTE UDINE GORIZIA TRIESTE FIUME and POLA W.E.F. 15 June. Authority is sought for this extension to be applicable to TRIPOLITANIA. Immediate reply requested.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT : Deportation from Trieste of Senator Antonio TACCONI and Miss Elena PREZIOLI.

1. It has been reported from reliable source that the Italian Senator Antonio TACCONI has been arrested in Trieste by Jugoslav partisans, together with Prof. Elena PREZIOLI and deported to Spalato, pending trial.

2. With reference to paragraph 3 of the agreement recently signed in Belgrade on behalf of the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean and Marshal Tito ("the Jugoslav Government will return the residents of the zones whom they have arrested or deported ecc."), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs beg to enlist the good offices of the competent allied authorities with a view to obtaining that Senator TACCONI and Miss PREZIOLI be released and returned to Trieste without delay.

3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would much appreciate early assurances on the matter.

Rome, 22 June 1945

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Rome, 22 June 1945

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MAIN 13 CORPS
ACTION: MAIN 8 ARMY. INFO: AC ROME, 5 CORPS, CG 5 ARMY, 2 US CORPS

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For G2 and GSI. Intrep No 45 up to 2000 hours 22 June 45.

1. Jugoslav Army. Move of troops to concentration area complete. 50 surplus to 2000 were escorted over line. Col BENCIC commander of detachment cooperative and has asked for English papers books portraits CHURCHILL and TRUMAN. Ten armed soldiers arrived PM 21 June SESANA railway station including Sjt-Major who threatened British sentry with pistol. Whole party disarmed and sent back over line AM 22 June.

2. MALFONCONE. Shipyard workers. Of original 14000 due to war only 5200 now employed chiefly on bomb damage. Work exists for only 3200 result much time available for general political preoccupation and indoctrination. Workers Committee has representatives in all departments. Includes political commissars responsible for reporting anti-TITO tendencies. Also propaganda and political subcommittee which organised demonstration 15 June. Suggestion GAP elements active among personnel. Funds likely to be exhausted shortly and indications are that administrative efficiency will deteriorate under present conditions thus affording material for anti-AMG propaganda.

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3. Press. Increased anti-Allied tone. Surprising absence of co comment on reports resulting from 13 CORPS press releases and of trials of demonstratore. Probably due to delay in arrival of directive on preparation of counter statements. Both Italian papers "21 BELGRADE 21 June as stating Allied Govt has not recognised existing civil authorities laid down in" para 3 of BELGRADE agreement" and citing Field MARSHALL ALEXANDER as having said AMG wishes to reintroduce Fascists in Italian legislature. Il Lavoratore prints full apology as dictated by PWB for previous accusation of AMG using Fascist for petrol distribution.

4. CAPODISTRIA. On return from visit there Bishop of TRIESTE told area commander that conditions very bad with no bread for past few days. Unless help available normal food and vegetable export for TRIESTE will be impossible. All Carabinieri and municipal officials ordered to leave within 48 hours.

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HQ15TH ARMY GRP
APHQ INFO: ALCOM, 8TH ARMY.

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Subject is civil comms between VENEZIA GIULIA and rest of ITALY. Suggest that security approval can and should be given to resumption such comms both mail telegraph and telephone but consider these comms also internal comms within VENEZIA GIULIA should be subject to censorhip and/or monitoring. Partial censorship would not appreciably prejudice efficiency such comms and resultant reports would be most valuable to AMG and security authorities. Request your concurrence or comment.

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AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHSEC

ACTION XIII CORPS FOR AMG FOR MONFORT INFO 8 ARMY FOR AMG FOR BENSON ALCOM ROME FOR EJUNE

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Following discussion BENSON MONFORT arrangements made for attachment AMG XII CORPS of Lt Col LINDSEY CBS BELGRADE. He will report on or about 1 July for temporary duty of 2 to 4 weeks duration. He should be utilized in advisory capacity on relations with Jugs selection of Slovene members of civil administration and in supplying political background from BELGRADE. STONE concurs.

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ROUTINE

15 ARMY GRP
AFHQ INFO: ALCOM, 8TH ARMY.

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Understand that SCAC 8 ARMY proposes ask ALC M to publish new civil movement regulations in accordance movement provisions of recent VENEZIA GIULIA agreement. This will involve abolishing security control line on river PIAVE and establishing control ling along western boundary VENEZIA GIULIA. Pass issued by AMG VENEZIA GIULIA will be required for passage across new control line. Above adjustment approved by this Hq. If you agree suggest you notify ALCOM your approval.

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MAIN 13 CORPS

ACTION : MAIN EIGHTH ARMY INFO: ALLIED COMMISSION ROME, 5 CORPS, CG FIFTH ARMY
2 US CORPS

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For G-2 and GSI. Intrep No. 44 up to 2200 hours 21st June 1945.

1. Jugoslav Army. Approximately 400 troops moved out of POLA 20 June for Concentration Area. General movement into concentration area observed AM.

2. TRIESTE. Quiet day OSOPPO believed planning to introduce arms into town.

3. GESAMA. Out of 40 detained at railway station a few allowed to their destination remainder turnedback.

4. POLA. Few demonstrations town orderly and quiet.

5. Press. Lavoratore. Leading article again draws parallel between ROATTA and General ESPOSITO. Comment. Latter now closely guarded by own troops in private hospital ward. Also mentions PAGNINI similar collaborator arrested 18 June released shortly after. Comment. Arrest and release done by Guardia Del popolo. Plugs suspension of peoples court and criticises sentences awarded by AMG. Corrier De TRIESTE. Leader attacks PWB article in Corriere Allesto 19 June which described fascist method hinting that 'Anti fascists' not entirely free of similar faults. Both papers publish programme of Italy-Slovene anti fascist Union i.e. union of peoples of TRIESTE ISTRIA and LITTORAL to carry out anti fascist fight without interference of outside power.

All informed.

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SCAC AMG 1J CORPS
ALCOM ROME

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Ref your 6983 of 18 June.

While I recognise and appreciate ability Colonel HENSLEY, this job requires utmost tact and diplomacy and HENSLEY therefore considered unsuitable.

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AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGOT
CG 15 ARMY GROUP, CINC MED, AIR CINC MED, INFO SHAEF MAIN, GREKOMIL, ALCOM

TOP SECRET.

1. The directive this HQ subject "Operations Against Jugoslavs in NORTHEAST ITALY and SOUTHERN AUSTRIA" dated 17 May 1945 reference number B806 is hereby rescinded.

2. On completing the occupation of NORTHEAST ITALY 15 ARMY GROUP will operate in conformity with the provisions of the agreement signed on 9 June by the Jugoslav Foreign Minister and the UNITED STATES and British Ambassadors and amplified by the agreement signed by the Chief of Staff AFHQ and the Chief of Staff Yugoslav Army on 20 June. In connection with carrying out the agreement you will continue to take all precautionary steps to avoid hostilities with the Jugoslavs and the greatest care will be taken to ensure that any overt action is taken first by the Jugoslavs rather than by our own forces.

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Translation

State Department
3/999

Rome, 21 June 1945

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Dear Admiral,

Thank you for your kind letter C.C.1008 of June 16th.

I have observed that the demarcation line between Allied and Yugoslav occupation, which is drawn on the map enclosed with your letter, stops, in the south, in the immediate neighbourhood of Muggia.

I have also observed that the agreement signed by Marshal Alexander and Tito, (art. 1) states nevertheless that 'Pola and anchorages on the west coast of Istria will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Command'. And that art. 3 repeats 'the Supreme Allied Command will govern ... Pola and such other areas on the west coast of Istria as he may deem necessary'.

I therefore suppose that, besides the one marked on the map which you kindly forwarded to me, the Allied occupation line will also include a further line in Western Istria, as well as the islands which are mostly Italian.

On this subject, I already had the opportunity of expressing to the American and British Ambassadors a few considerations which have a fundamental interest for us, i.e.:

1 - Besides Pola, the anchorages on the west coast include the following towns which are all Italian: Muggia, Capodistria, Pasana, Isola, Pirano, Umago, Cittanova Parenzo, Orsera, Rovigno, and Lussiono. Besides, in the immediate hinterland of West Istria, there are Italian villages such as Piguano, Buie, Callesano, Valle, Montana, Visignano. These cities and villages at least, which are all exclusively Italian should be placed in the zone which is under allied control. Most of them would be included in it by taking the national Trieste-Pola road, which passes by Monte Toso, or even better, the Trieste-Pola railroad, as demarcation line.

2 - After examinig the executive details, we think that some form of guarantee for the Italians beyond the demarcation line, and of Fiume principally, should be introduced, such as, at least, the organization of a comission of observers as it has been foreseen for the zone occupied by Yugoslavia.

I repeat to you what I wrote on this subject to the British and American Ambassadors: we are fully conscious of the dangers and risks that the question presented and is still presenting for the Allies, and of the great and serious effort which has been and is necessary to overcome them. The full consciousness of these

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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dangers and risks has certainly increased and deepened the sense of gratitude of the Italian people because of the solidarity shown to it by the Washington and London Governments in these difficult circumstances. I therefore beg you to keep in mind the friendly confidence and spirit of close collaboration which inspires our work, when reading these considerations; kindly consider them as the expression of our deep persuasion that Europe can only be pacified byfair and just solutions.

I shall be most grateful if you kindly draw the attention of the Supreme Allied Command on the above mentioned indications, to be taken in the greatest possible consideration when the occupation programs already established or to be established will be carried out.

I remain, my dear Admiral,

Yours very truly,

a. De Gasperi

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CC 1008 21 June 1945

Subject: Transmittal of Correspondence re Venezia Giulia

To: G-5, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

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Enclosed is a copy of a letter received from the President of Assicurazioni Generali forwarding a memorandum on "the Venezia Giulia after the 12th of June." This correspondence is forwarded for your information.

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
Staff Officer to
Chief Commissioner

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Chief Commissioner

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AFHQ
G-5 Section
APO 512

21 June 1945

SUBJECT: Directive for AMG in Venezia Giulia

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission
A.P.O. 394
(For personal attention of Chief Commissioner)

1. Inclosed are three copies of the proposed draft. You already have copies of Appendices "A" and "B", the latter of which has been sent to you by the Secretariat to the Supreme Allied Commander. For present purposes in connection with Appendix "A", the text, which you already have, of the proposed Belgrade agreement, as stated to have delivered by the Ambassadors, can be considered as final.

2. Will you please consider the proposed draft and return with your comments and recommendations as soon as possible in order that this HQ may give final approval, after which it will be issued in the name of SAC.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, ~~G-5~~

Incl:
3 copies of proposed draft directive for AMG in Venezia Giulia.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

APO 512

11 Jun 1945.

SUBJECT : Directive for Allied Military Government in that part of VENEZIA GIULIA occupied by Allied Forces.

TO : GOC, Eighth Army.

1. PRELIMINARY:-

As a result of negotiations between the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom and the Government of Jugoslavia it has been agreed that certain areas of Venezia Giulia will be administered under Allied Military Government. A copy of the agreement dated 9 June is attached as Enclosure Number 1 to this directive. Certain details and working arrangements supplementary to the agreement are set forth in a further agreement dated 20 June 1945 (referred to herein as the supplementary agreement) attached as Enclosure No 2 to this directive.

II. INSTITUTION OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT:-

You will institute Allied Military Government over the area between the present western boundary of Venezia Giulia and the line of demarcation to the east thereof shown on the map included as Appendix 'A' to the supplemental agreement and over the city of Pola and surrounding area as shown on the map included as Appendix 'B' to the supplemental agreement. Such Allied Military Government will have all the characteristics of an Anglo-American undertaking. Allied Military Government will be imposed as soon as possible upon the occupation of the area by Allied Forces.

III. ATTITUDE TOWARD CLAIMANT NATIONS:-

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No steps will be taken which support or may appear to support or prepare for any ultimate disposition of the area to any claimant nation. The area will be so administered as to be autonomous to the maximum degree practicable.

IV. CONTROL OF LINE OF DEMARCATION:-

The artificial "frontier" created by the line of demarcation referred to in paragraph II above will not be a closed frontier. Only such controls as may from time to time be deemed necessary by you or as may be agreed with the Jugoslav authorities will be imposed.

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V. LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

The local government through which you will administer the area will be based on the Italian administrative system which existed and was in effect on 8 September 1943. It is not necessary, however, that all offices and appointments be filled. You may also, if for administrative reasons it appears expedient to do so, make adjustments and modifications in the foregoing ~~administration~~ system, so long as its essential structure is not changed. You will administer the area as a separate region, under your command ~~of G.H.Q.~~, ~~Eighth Army and~~ but subject to the technical control of the Allied Commission. Such control will be exercised only where legally or administratively required, in accordance with the policy of emphasizing the autonomous character of the administration. No civilian local official will be permitted to refer to or obtain instruction from authorities outside the area.

VI. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS:

a. The appointment of prefects and all officials will be vested in Allied Military Government. You will utilize whatever civil authorities you deem best in any particular place and administrative personnel will be changed at your discretion. Subject to the above, use will be made of any Jugoslav civil administration which you find on entry to be already set up and which in your view is working satisfactorily. Same as final.

b. If you decide that it is impracticable to administer through local authorities you will resort to direct administration, calling for advice from local committees to be selected by you.

VII. LEGAL:

a. The laws of the territory as established and in effect on 8 September 1943 will remain in force. All Republican Fascist legislation as well as any Jugoslav ~~military~~ civil legislation will be abrogated. Italian Decrees promulgated since 8 September 1943 will not be implemented. When necessary

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b. You will suspend the right of appeal to Rome from decisions of the Court of Appeals in Trieste.

c. In particular, the Peoples' Court now functioning will not be permitted to continue. Active Fascists, Nazis, their supporters and collaborationists will be interned pending further instructions. Local boards may be employed to advise you in this connection.

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VIII. POLICE:

You will maintain and strengthen whatever police force is found to be functioning satisfactorily on your arrival. Carabinieri will not be introduced but may be used where found. If existing police organisations are inadequate you may in your discretion establish new organisations for the purpose. Patriots may be temporarily employed as auxiliary police at your discretion but you will effect complete disarmament as soon as practicable. The Questore system will be reinstated after the separation of Fascist elements.

IX. FINANCE:

a. Allied Military Lire and the metropolitan lire will be the only officially currencies accorded the status of legal tender. No other currencies will be recognised although such as are in circulation (other than yellow seal dollars and British military authority pounds) should be allowed tacitly to continue. You will use Allied Military Lire in preference to metropolitan lire wherever possible.

b. No exchange rate will be decreed other than that for the lire in relation to the dollar and pound sterling.

c. The existing banks, ~~including the Bank of Italy~~, will be used on an autocosmous provincial basis and advances will be made to them by Allied Military Government as needed to strengthen their cash reserves.

d. Police and other civil services will be financed on a provincial basis, all existing taxation will be assessed and collected and existing pensions will be paid in accordance with current directives.

e. The debt of the Royal Italian Government will be serviced in the usual manner and sale of postal savings bonds and acceptance of postal savings deposits may be permitted; the issue of other Italian Government securities for sale to the public will be suspended until further notice.

f. Deficits in the provincial and communal accounts will be met as

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f. Deficits in the provincial and communal accounts will be met as necessary by advances from the ~~branch~~ head branch of the Bank of Italy and only in emergency by advances by AMG.

g. Imported civilian supplies will be sold for lire at appropriate local prices to appropriate local agencies and the proceeds of sale will be held in accounts of AMG.

h. Italian ~~Non-specific~~ postage or revenue stamps will be ~~issued~~ used until further instructions are received.

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X. COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY:

Normal economic movement across the line of demarcation is to continue subject to control sufficient to ensure that AMG supplies for the area west of the line of demarcation are not removed across the line by unauthorized buying, by black market operation, or otherwise. You will so far as possible ensure, in agreement with the representatives of the Jugoslav Government;

(1) That rural Consorzii Agrarii (Farmers Unions) are not cut off from their directing center in the provincial capitals of Trieste, Gorizia and Pola, and that assessing is encouraged to continue.

(2) That rail communication within the area as a whole shall not be discontinued. Arrangements for traffic and control of operation will be made through the Joint Railway Committee to be established in accordance with Appendix "I" to the supplementary agreement.

(3) That the resources of the area as a whole will be utilized to the maximum through the inter-change of power, industrial mineral, and agricultural products. Arrangements for these purposes will be worked out through the Joint Economic Committee to be established in accordance with Appendix "I" to the supplementary agreement.

XI. MOVEMENTS:

Civilians will be permitted to enter Venezia Giulia and to cross the line of demarcation subject to the controls provided in Appendix "H" to the supplementary agreement.

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XII. RESTORATION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

a. You will ensure that all facilities are given for the implementation of the undertaking of the Jugoslav Government given in paragraph 6 of the agreement annexed hereto as Inclosure No. 1. ~~at Appendix "A".~~

b. Cases of non-observance which may be brought to your attention will

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(1)c. That rural cooperative agencies [illegible] from their directing center in the provincial capitals of Trieste, Gorizia and Pola, and that assessing is encouraged to continue.

(2)c. That rail communication within the area as a whole shall not be discontinued. Arrangements for traffic and control of operation will be made through the Joint Railway Committee to be established in accordance with Appendix "I" to the supplementary agreement.

(3)c. That the resources of the area as a whole will be utilized to the maximum through the inter-change of power, industrial mineral, and agricultural products. Arrangements for these purposes will be worked out through the Joint Economic Committee to be established in accordance with Appendix "I" to the supplementary agreement.

XI. MOVEMENTS:

Civilians will be permitted to enter Venezia Giulia and to cross the line of demarcation subject to the controls provided in Appendix "H" to the supplementary agreement.

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XII. RESTORATION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

a. You will ensure that all facilities are given for the implementation of the undertaking of the Jugoslav Government given in paragraph 6 of the agreement annexed hereto as Inclosure No. 1. ~~at Appendix "A".~~

b. Cases of non-observance which may be brought to your attention will be taken up in the first place with the High Commissioner ~~through the Jugoslav mission attached to~~ in accordance with the procedure provided in Appendix "B" of the Supplementary Agreement. ~~Headquarters 6th Army.~~ If prompt satisfaction is not received reference will be made to this Headquarters and Allied Commission

XIII. POSTAL FACILITIES:

a. Passage of civilian mail across the line of demarcation will not be discontinued.

b. Telegraph and telephone facilities will initially be suspended but the period of suspension will be reduced to the minimum.

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XIV. FLYING OF FLAGS:

a. On official buildings which are in any way controlled by, or a part of, the Allied Military Government machine the only display of flags permitted will be that of the U.S. and British flags flown jointly. This applies to police stations whether manned by local Slovene or Italian police or by Carabinieri.

b. Concentrations of troops in barracks or camps may fly their own national flags in these areas. Thus, the Jugoslavs troop detachment contemplated by para 2 of agreement ~~at Appendix "A"~~ (Inclosure No 1) may fly the Jugoslav flag, and the Italian flag may be flown over Carabinieri or Police barracks (as opposed to police stations).

c. No restrictions will be imposed upon the display of flags on private residences and buildings.

XV. GENERALLY:

a. The agreement and supplementary agreement are deemed to be a part of this directive and you will be guided by the provisions thereof.

b. The directions herein contained supersede any instructions inconsistent herewith. In the event that problems of policy arise not covered by this or other existing applicable directives for Allied Military Government, this HQ or Allied Commission will be consulted ~~wherever appropriate~~ as appropriate. In all cases in which matters are referred to this HQ directly, copies of communications will be furnished to Allied Commission for information.

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b. Concentrations of troops in barracks or camps may fly their own national flags in these areas. Thus, the Jugoslavs troop detachment contemplated by para 2 of agreement ~~at Appendix "A"~~ (Inclosure No 1) may fly the Jugoslav flag, and the Italian flag may be flown over Carabinieri or Police barracks (as opposed to police stations).

c. No restrictions will be imposed upon the display of flags on private residences and buildings.

IV. GENERALLY:

a. The agreement and supplementary agreement are deemed to be a part of this directive and you will be guided by the provisions thereof.

b. The directions herein contained supersede any instructions inconsistent herewith. In the event that problems of policy arise not covered by this or other existing applicable directives for Allied Military Government, this HQ or Allied Commission will be consulted ~~by correspondence~~ as appropriate. In all cases in which matters are referred to this HQ directly, copies of communications will be furnished to Allied Commission for information.

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Guidance is requested as to bank transactions between this territory and ITALY. Sub para (B) of Section 1 of Article 7 of AMG VENEZIE GIULIA Proclamation Number 2 would appear to suggest that all normal banking transactions can be freely effected. Please refer however to penultimate sub para of paragraph 9 letter VG/FI/3667 of 1 June 45 which contemplated complete cessation of such transactions. Guidance and directions required urgently as problems already coming up in all fields of economic activity between this area and rest of ITALY.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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13 CORPS RPTD 8 ARMY, AFHQ G-5

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PARA ONE FD REF MESSN IS PROCLAMATIONS IN VENEZIA GIULIA FD

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PARA TWO FD DELETE THROUGHOUT ALL REFERENCE TO ALLIED COMMISSION AND CHIEF COMMISSIONER FD SUBSTITUTE CHIEF CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER FD SPECIFIC REFERENCES ARE PROCLAMATION TWO ARTICLES ONE AND FIVE ONE PROCLAMATION FOUR ARTICLES ONE AND TWO PARAS ONE PARAS

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

21 June 1945.

Chief Commissioner.

1. The best US officer to send to VENEZIA GIULIA in place of Colonel BOWMAN is undoubtedly Colonel HAMILTON WALKER. The difficulties are that:

(a) General CRITTENBERGER will be loathe to release him;

(b) that the last time I saw him he was ill with a bad back and expressed a desire for leave in the US.

2. I try to overcome these difficulties in the attached draft telegram to General CRITTENBERGER.

3. Quite apart from his qualities, this move would entail no change in the Regional set up in the North which should be maintained if possible.

4. If this cannot be arranged then the second choice is Colonel BOWMAN. Again, in order to maintain continuity in the administration, the best relief for him would be Colonel SUTHERLAND from 5 Army AMG. Extraction from 5 Army would again be difficult. I try to overcome this in the attached draft telegram.

5. If Colonel SUTHERLAND cannot be moved to EMILIA I recommend, faute de mieux, the following plan:

VENEZIA GIULIA:	Regional Commissioner	- Col.Bowman (A)
	Deputy " "	- Col.Robertson (B)
LOMBARDIA:	Regional Commissioner	- Col.Poletti (A)
	Deputy " "	- Col.Hancock (B)
PIEDMONT:	Regional Commissioner	- Col.Marshall (A)
	Deputy " "	- Col.Selby (B)
	(If Col.Marshall obtains his release:	
	Regional Commissioner	- Col.Selby (B)
	Deputy " "	- Lt.Col.Warren (A) (from NAPLES Commune).
EMILIA:	Regional Commissioner	- Brig.Carr (B)
	Deputy " "	- Col.Schultz (A)
	(with Lt.Col.Hartley remaining as Deputy until he is released).	

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LIGURIA:	Regional Commissioner	-	~~[redacted]~~ Rathbone
	Deputy " "	-	Col.Jordan (A)
VENEZIE.	Regional Commissioner	-	Brigadier Dunlop (B)
	Deputy "		Lt.Col.Page (A) or
			Colonel Cevera (A)

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TO : IV CORPS FOR GENERAL CRITTENBERGER PERSONAL FROM
ADMIRAL STONE
repeated FIVE ARMY PERSONAL FOR GENERAL SALTZMAN AND GENERAL HUME.

I am compelled to find a relief for Colonel [redacted] now SCAC, 13 Corps and Regional Commissioner, VENEZIA GIULIA. The job is probably the toughest in all AMG and I am looking for the best US officer in AMG to fulfil it. My choice without hesitation is Colonel HAMILTON WALKER. I appreciate the great work he has done for you and your natural desire to retain him in IV Corps. I appreciate his need for rest. But in view of our heavy responsibilities in VENEZIA GIULIA I earnestly request you to release him from IV Corps to take up this most important assignment.

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TO : IV CORPS FOR GENERAL CRITTENBERGER PERSONAL FROM
ADMIRAL STONE
repeated FIVE ARMY PERSONAL FOR GENERAL SALTZMAN AND GENERAL HUME.

I am compelled to find a relief for Colonel MONFORT now SCAC, 13 Corps and Regional Commissioner, VENEZIA GIULIA. The job is probably the toughest in all AMG and I am looking for the best US officer in AMG to fulfil it. My choice without hesitation is Colonel HAMILTON WALKER. I appreciate the great work he has done for you and your natural desire to retain him in IV Corps. I appreciate his need for rest. But in view of our heavy responsibilities in VENEZIA GIULIA I earnestly request you to release him from IV Corps to take up this most important assignment.

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TO : FIVE ARMY PERSONAL FOR GENERAL SALTZMAN AND GENERAL HUSE FROM ADMIRAL STONE

Please see my telegram No. of to General CRITTENBERGER. If I fail to obtain Colonel HAMILTON WALKER for VENEZIA GIULIA I shall be compelled to send Colonel BOWMAN, Regional Commissioner EMILIA, to relieve Colonel MONSORNO. In this event I would ask you to release Colonel SUTHERLAND to replace Colonel BOWMAN as Regional Commissioner, EMILIA. You will agree, I think, that with the early approach of Phase II Colonel SUTHERLAND's qualities and experience should be used in EMILIA Region and I hope that you will be able to accede to my request.

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Reference your 136 of 20.

There are no restrictions on postal services in VENEZIA GIULIA. Italian Government stamps will be used. It would be appreciated if supply could be sent.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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PARA ONE FD PETROC WITH ALCOM APPROVAL IS PREPARING TO SET UP SEPARATE CIVIL PETROLEUM ORGANIZATION IN TRIESTE FOR VENEZIA GIULIA AMG FD

PAREN TO AMG THIRTEEN CORPS FROM ALCOM CITE ACAIC PAREN

PARA TWO FD ALCOM PAREN CCAO PAREN WILL FINANCE FD

PARA THREE FD PETROC WILL SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO SET UP THIS ORGANIZATION WHEN CALLED FORWARD FD

PARA FOUR FD SIGNAL WHEN YOU WANT THEM FD

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NICHOLAS FIORENO
C/O. USA
ASST. ADJUTANT

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FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF SITREP FROM FIFTH CORPS UP TO TWO ZERO HRS HERO HOURS

EIGHTEEN JUNE FD

PARAS TO APPEAR FOR GENERAL PUBLIC IN PLACES CITE ACMIO PARIS

FD GUARDIA DEL POPOLO ARRESTED BY GENERAL MIKE FOSTER IN EXCESS RECENT UNLAWFULLY

EXERCISE CIVILIAN FLAT FD LIST CONTAINING THIRTY NAMES AND PARTICULARS OF PERSONS

APPARENTLY TO BE ARRESTED AS HOSTAGES FOUND IN THEIR POSSESSION FD SENIOR ANSALDO AND

GENERAL GIGLI OF ITALIAN RED CROSS TWO ONLY OTHER ARRESTED EIGHTEENTH JUNE FD PUBLICITY

SLOVENE CHARGE LOVE HAS ORDERED BY ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT TO RELEASE ALL THOSE FD

EIGHTEEN JUNE ONE EXCEPTED ANSALDO AND GIGLI AT PRESENT NOT TO BE FOUND BUT MAY SHORTLY

HAVE BEEN RELEASED FD TWO PERSONS VISITED PETER WILLIAM BAKER TO FIND OUT NAMES OF

CIVILIANS DETAINED IN PROTECTION OF PETER WILLIAM BAKER PAPERS FD THIS WAS FORWARDED

WITH A VIEW TO INTIMIDATION FD PETER WILLIAM BAKER ITALIAN NEWSPAPER MAN TAKEN OVER

OUT ALL COPIES WITHIN FIFTEEN MINUTES COPIES HAVE BEEN MADE AT THREE LIES FD M.

LATORATORE GIVES DETAILS OF MANNER WHICH PERSONS SUSPECTED PROTESTED AGAINST QUOTE

ATTENTION OF ALLIED HEADQUARTERS SEVERAL TIMES DURING CLOSING HOURS AND ALLIED

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OCCUPATION OF CASA DEL LATORATORE FD COMPLAINTS OF BLOCKING UP

QUOTE'S PARA 2.

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AVAILABLE FUEL SUPPLIES BY ALLIES TO ADVISE ALLIED OFFICER IN CHARGE OF DEMANDING REALIZATION OF CAPITAL LEVY PLAN AND PROPOSING OIL EXPERT MOVE TO TAKE OVER.

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Office of Iraq Commissioner

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CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

AFHQ SACMED's Secretariat

Paper (in folder) 20 June 1945

AGREEMENT WITH YUGOSLAVS

Containing: Copy of agreement, & large map showing boundary.

Note on civil admin of VENEZIA GIULIA, along with copies of documents referred to therein.

DOCUMENT FILED IN SPECIAL FOLDER:

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TOP SECRET.

For G2 and GSI. Intrep number 43 up to 2000 hrs 20 June 45.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. AM 20 June general movement to concentration area in progress including 20 STEWART tanks and 4 75 MM guns from TRIESTE. Reports of scattered armed elements continue including sentries bridge H889912 and on road H886720 stopping and searching civilians. Latter post fired shot over head of civilians who failed to stop.

2. MOVEMENTS. Mixed party of 40 including Italians and 12 CRs from 4 ARMY on leave for TRIESTE stopped at SESANA railway station. Held there pending decision.

3. TRIESTE. IACSEVITCH late Vice Commandant of TRIESTE under General KVEDER reported by IL LAVORATORE as attending formal opening of Communist Party premises Via Caprin PM 19 June. Comment presumably an overt stay behind soldier with political task. Peoples court invites written denunciations of MIANI leader of TRIESTE Action Party and one time candidate for presidency GIULIAN CLN who took prominent part in rising against Germans in April. Press Sub Committee Slovene CLN granting permission for new publication without reference PWB. Comment. Another example of present attitude liberation council to act independently of AMG. Copies of clandestine paper APELLO DELLE GIULIE printed by Italian CLN MILAN circulating in town. Guardia del Popole overnight decided to be called simply Difesa Popolare.

4. PRESS. LAVORATORE announces despatch of telegrams to CHURCHILL and TRUMAN

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demanding retention of Liberation Council of TRIESTE CITY and region and Guardia del Popolo and urging acceleration of purge of Fascists. CORRIERE DI TRIESTE announces move of war criminal General ESPOSITO from CAOL To hospital and suggests and suggests similarity to ROATTA case. Comment. ESPOSITO arrested by FSS not by Jugoslavs and now guarded jointly by NEW ZEALAND troops and Guardia del Popolo in hospital. Article urges CLN to expel DOL ZANO recently appointed commissioner for SEPRAL.

5. POLA. Indication Communists Party adopting methods similar to MONFALCONE and TRIESTE. Cases of Italian flags torn down demonstrations arrests but no anti Allied speeches only pro Communist pro Italo Croat alliance under TITO. Spontaneous welcome given by Italian element to reconnaissance party counter demonstration by workers. Latter carried some Allied flags but emphasise was on TITO. Local paper IL NOSTRO GIORNALE thrice weekly circulation. 10000 stress Italo Croat friendship Jugoslav respect for church attacks Italian imperialism. Some requisitioning in factories etc. 300 Guardia del Popolo in town. All informed.

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1. The purpose of this agreement is to determine certain details of matters arising out of the agreement signed by the Supreme Foreign Ministers and the United States and British Representatives, in [redacted] on 3 June 1943.

2. The term [redacted] will be considered throughout this agreement to mean the [redacted] Italian provinces of [redacted].

3. The areas of the territory of [redacted] which will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander and the Supreme High Command respectively will conform to the boundaries now agreed upon for the purpose of operations A and B.

4. The Supreme detachment, remaining in the area under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander, will forthwith concentrate in accordance with the instructions attached at Appendix C.

5. For [redacted] duty in connection with Supreme troops a Supreme mission will be attached to Headquarters, Allied Army, or to the most appropriate Allied Headquarters. The detailed composition and functions of this mission will be as set out at Appendix D.

6. The Supreme authorities will facilitate the completion of the area control FSU by troops of the Supreme Allied Commander in accordance with details set out at Appendix E.

7. Supreme rights regarding war booty will be as set out at Appendix F.

8. Arrangements in respect of command and control of submarines on the west coast of [redacted] will be as set out at Appendix G.

9. Control of movement in [redacted] will be in accordance with Appendix H.

10. Arrangements will be made for the control of railway traffic between the Allied and Supreme-occupied areas of [redacted] Italy and for the settlement of matters affecting trade and economic matters [illegible] in accordance with [illegible]

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7. The town TRIESTE (pop: [illegible]) will be purchased independent Unit Districts to meet the [illegible] territory of TRIESTE, TRIESTE, PIRANO (POLA-RO) and POLA (POLA).

3. The areas of the territory of TRIESTE (POLA) which will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander and the Superior High Command respectively will conform to the boundaries now existing generally on the maps at Appendices A and B.

4. The Superior detachment, remaining in the area under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander, will faithfully concentrate in accordance with the instructions annexed at Appendix C.

5. For liaison duty in connection with regular troops a Superior mission will be attached to Headquarters, Eighth Army, as to the most appropriate Allied Headquarters. The established composition and functions of this mission will be as set out at Appendix D.

6. The Superior authorities will facilitate the occupation of the area [illegible] by troops of the Supreme Allied Commander in accordance with details set out at Appendix E.

7. Superior rights regarding war booty will be as set out at Appendix F.

8. Arrangements in respect of control and control of customs on the west coast of ISTRIA will be as set out at Appendix G.

9. Control of movement in TRIESTE (POLA) will be in accordance with Appendix H.

10. Arrangements will be made for the control of railway traffic between the Allied and Superior-occupied zones of TRIESTE (POLA) and for the settlement of matters affecting trade and customs between these zones in accordance with Appendix I.

11. The Superiors will have the right to use the ports of TRIESTE and POLA in accordance with Appendix J.

12. This agreement enters into force on being signed. [illegible] signed at TRIESTE on 9 June 1945, is in no way prejudiced or affected by the [illegible] disposal of any part of TRIESTE (POLA).

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS AND THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE JUGOSLAV ARMY

1. The purpose of this agreement is to determine certain detailed matters arising out of the agreement signed by the Jugoslav Foreign Minister and the United States and British Ambassadors, in BELGRADE on 9 June 1945.

2. The term VENEZIA GIULIA will be considered throughout this agreement to mean the 1939 Italian provinces of GORIZIA, TRIESTE, UDINE (CARNARO) and POLA (ISTRIA).

3. The areas of the territory of VENEZIA GIULIA which will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander and the Jugoslav High Command respectively will conform to the boundaries now marked accurately on the maps at Appendices A and B.

4. The Jugoslav detachment, remaining in the area under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander, will initially concentrate in accordance with the instructions attached at Appendix C.

5. For liaison duty in connection with Jugoslav troops a Jugoslav mission will be attached to Headquarters, Eighth Army, or to the most appropriate Allied Headquarters. The detailed composition and functions of this mission will be as set out at Appendix D.

6. The Jugoslav authorities will facilitate the occupation of the area around POLA by troops of the Supreme Allied Commander in accordance with details set out at Appendix E.

7. Jugoslav rights regarding war booty will be as set out at Appendix F.

8. Arrangements in respect of command and control of anchorages on the west coast of ISTRIA will be as set out at Appendix G.

9. Control of movement in VENEZIA GIULIA will be in accordance with Appendix H.

10. Arrangements will be made for the control of railway traffic between the Allied and Jugoslav-occupied zones of VENEZIA GIULIA

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3. The areas of the territory of VENEZIA GIULIA which will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander and the Jugoslav High Command respectively will conform to the boundaries now marked accurately on the maps at Appendices A and B.

4. The Jugoslav detachment, remaining in the area under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander, will faithfully concentrate in accordance with the instructions attached at Appendix C.

5. For liaison duty in connection with Jugoslav troops a Jugoslav mission will be attached to Headquarters, Eighth Army, or to the most appropriate Allied Headquarters. The detailed composition and functions of this mission will be as set out at Appendix D.

6. The Jugoslav authorities will facilitate the occupation of the area around POLA by troops of the Supreme Allied Commander in accordance with details set out at Appendix E.

7. Jugoslav rights regarding war booty will be as set out at Appendix F.

8. Arrangements in respect of command and control of anchorages on the west coast of ISTRIA will be as set out at Appendix G.

9. Control of movement in VENEZIA GIULIA will be in accordance with Appendix H.

10. Arrangements will be made for the control of railway traffic between the Allied and Jugoslav-occupied zones of VENEZIA GIULIA and for the settlement of matters affecting trade and commerce between these zones in accordance with Appendix I.

11. The Jugoslavs will have the right to use the ports of TRIESTE and POLA in accordance with Appendix J.

12. This agreement enters into force on being signed. Like that signed at BELGRADE on 9 June 1945, it is in no way prejudicial or affects the ultimate disposal of any part of VENEZIA GIULIA.

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SECRET

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER
MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS
AND
THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE JUGOSLAV ARMY

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1. The purpose of this agreement is to determine certain detailed matters arising out of the agreement signed by the Jugoslav Foreign Ministers and the United States and British Ambassadors, in BELGRADE on 9 June 1945.

2. The term VENEZIA GIULIA will be considered throughout this agreement to mean the 1939 Italian provinces of GORIZIA, TRIESTE, FIUME (CARNARO) and POLA (ISTRIA).

3. The areas of the territory of VENEZIA GIULIA which will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander/~~and the Jugoslav High Command respectively~~ will conform to the boundaries now marked accurately on the maps at Appendices A and B.

4. The Jugoslav detachments, remaining in the area under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander, will initially concentrate in accordance with the instructions attached at Appendix C.

5. For liaison duty in connection with Jugoslav troops a Jugoslav mission will be attached to Headquarters, Eighth Army, or to the most appropriate Allied Headquarters. The detailed composition and functions of this mission will be as set out at Appendix D.

6. The Jugoslav authorities will facilitate the evacuation of the area around POLA by troops of the Supreme Allied Commander in accordance with details set out at Appendix E.

7. Jugoslav rights regarding war booty will be as set out at Appendix F.

8. Arrangements in respect of command and control of anchorages on the west coast of ISTRIA will be as set out at Appendix G.

9. Control of movement in VENEZIA GIULIA will be in accordance with Appendix H.

10. Arrangements will be made for the control of railway traffic

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British Ambassadors, in BELGRADE on 9 June 1945.

2. The term VENEZIA GIULIA will be considered throughout this agreement to mean the 1939 Italian provinces of GORIZIA, TRIESTE, FIUME (CARNARO) and POLA (ISTRIA).

3. The areas of the territory of VENEZIA GIULIA which will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander and the Jugoslav High Command respectively will conform to the boundaries now marked accurately on the maps at Appendices A and B.

4. The Jugoslav detachment, remaining in the area under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander, will initially concentrate in accordance with the instructions attached at Appendix C.

5. For liaison duty in connection with Jugoslav troops a Jugoslav mission will be attached to Headquarters, Eighth Army, or to the most appropriate Allied Headquarters. The detailed composition and functions of this mission will be as set out at Appendix D.

6. The Jugoslav authorities will facilitate the occupation of the area around POLA by troops of the Supreme Allied Commander in accordance with details set out at Appendix E.

7. Jugoslav rights regarding war booty will be as set out at Appendix F.

8. Arrangements in respect of command and control of anchorages on the west coast of ISTRIA will be as set out at Appendix G.

9. Control of movement in VENEZIA GIULIA will be in accordance with Appendix H.

10. Arrangements will be made for the control of railway traffic between the Allied and Jugoslav-occupied zones of VENEZIA GIULIA and for the settlement of matters affecting trade and commerce between those zones in accordance with Appendix I.

11. The Jugoslavs will have the right to use the ports of TRIESTE and POLA in accordance with Appendix J.

12. This agreement enters into force on being signed. Like that signed at BELGRADE on 9 June 1945, it in no way prejudices or affects the ultimate disposal of any part of VENEZIA GIULIA.

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APPENDIX 'C'

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CONCENTRATION OF THE JUGOSLAV DETACHMENT
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1. The JUGOSLAV detachment will not exceed 2,000 all ranks including headquarters and administration troops.

2. The area designated for concentration of this force is the area bounded by the summit of M TERSTEL, (770964), exclusive RUTTA (7796), all inclusive VOIBSILLA (7692), MUTA VILLA (6794), SPROCHIABELLA (6795), OGLIO SMARDE (7094) - M TERSTEL.

3. As the detachment is now split into several groups dispersed, mainly West of the ADRIAN line, action will be taken as follows to concentrate for:-

(a) The JUGOSLAV High Command will arrange

(1) to concentrate troops now NORTH of GORIZIA with the group at GORIZIA as soon as possible, intervals [illegible] Anglo-American troops move in advance of the slow groups will move.

(2) to ensure that the Detachment Commander, and group commanders at GORIZIA, MONFALCONE and TRIESTE understand that they are now under command EIGHTH ARMY and are instructed to accept orders from local commanders for movement to the concentration area.

(3) to concentrate any additional troops, including administration units, required to complete the detachment at a convenient area NEAR of the ADRIAN line, and to notify Headquarters EIGHTH ARMY so that a route and time can be given for this group to move across the line to join the detachment.

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(b) EIGHTH ARMY through appropriate subordinate Headquarters will make all arrangements and issue instructions to Groups after they have concentrated under JUGOSLAV orders under sub para (a).

4. The JUGOSLAV Command will ensure that the force has been provided with a scale of transport sufficient to distribute its daily requirements within a radius of five miles of a maintenance point.

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2. The area available for concentration of [illegible] Corps is the area bounded by the coast at [illegible] (7795), excluding SUSAK (7992), all inhabited buildings (5972), MOTA VELKA (6796), DRAGOBRATSKA (6795), GREEN ORANGE (7096) - [illegible].

3. As the detachment is now split into several groups dispersed, mainly EAST of the MORAVA line, action will be taken as follows to concentrate it:-

(a) The JUGOSLAV High Command will arrange

(1) to concentrate groups now NORTH of OSIJEK with the group at OSIJEK as soon as possible, informing local commanders in advance of the time groups will arrive.

(2) to ensure that the Detachment Commander, and group commanders at OSIJEK, SOMBOR and VINKOVCI understand that they are now under command EIGHTH ARMY and are instructed to accept orders from local commanders for movement to the concentration area.

(3) to concentrate any additional troops, including administration units, required to complete the detachment at a concentration area EAST of the MORAVA line, and to notify Headquarters EIGHTH ARMY so that a route and time can be given for this group to move across the line to join the detachment.

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(b) EIGHTH ARMY through appropriate subordinate Headquarters will make all arrangements and issue instructions to troops after they have concentrated under JUGOSLAV orders under sub para (a).

4. The JUGOSLAV Command will ensure that the force has been provided with a scale of transport sufficient to distribute its daily requirements within a radius of five miles of a maintenance point.

5. The Anglo-American forces will provide rations, forage, petrol and other supplies or expendable material in issue in the British Army. Provision of clothing, equipment, arms and munitions and vehicles is a JUGOSLAV responsibility.

6. The JUGOSLAV detachment will communicate by wireless with the JUGOSLAV Command or any other [illegible] of the MORAVA line. Communication on administrative matters will be by mail or by officers on liaison visits as may be authorised by EIGHTH ARMY from time to time. No other official communications will be made except through the Headquarters of the Anglo-American Commander under whose command the force is placed.

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[redacted] MISSION TO [redacted]

1. The strength of the [redacted] Mission with [redacted] will be one Colonel and six less senior officers, including one expert in administration. They may bring such clerks, wireless personnel and servants as are agreed by Commander [redacted] to be necessary for the efficient performance of their duties. The personnel must be acceptable to the Supreme Allied Commander. Their names will be submitted to Allied Force Headquarters as soon as possible. Motor transport and wireless equipment for the Mission will be provided by [redacted] sources.

2. The Mission will be attached to the headquarters of Commander [redacted], who may at his discretion, require one or more officers to be detached to an appropriate subordinate Headquarters.

3. The functions of the Mission will be:-

(a) To advise the Commander [redacted] and his staff, or a subordinate commander, on all matters pertaining to the [redacted] detachment under command.

(b) To act as a channel of communication between [redacted] [redacted], or the appropriate subordinate Headquarters and the [redacted] detachment.

(c) To transmit messages, including messages in [redacted] between the Mission, [redacted] and the [redacted] High Command.

4. Communications:

(a) The Mission may use wireless communication between its headquarters and the [redacted] High Command, in addition to telephone or other ordinary means available.

(b) Communication with the [redacted] detachment will be by liaison officer or any available [redacted] signals channels.

5. Officers of the Mission may circulate freely, in the course of their duties, between Headquarters [redacted], appropriate Corps Headquarters, the [redacted] detachment and [redacted] - controlled territory.

They will however obtain permission from Headquarters [redacted] before entering any subordinate [redacted] and serving of

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[illegible] of the Mission by [illegible] appropriate performance of their duties. The personnel must be acceptable to the Chinese Allied Commander. Their names will be submitted to Allied Force Headquarters as soon as possible. Motor transport and wireless equipment for the Mission will be provided by JEDBURGH sources.

2. The Mission will be attached to the headquarters of Commander FOURTH ARMY, who may at his discretion, require one or more officers to be detached to an appropriate subordinate Headquarters.

3. The functions of the Mission will be:-

(a) To advise the Commander FOURTH ARMY and his staff, or a subordinate commander, on all matters pertaining to the JEDBURGH detachment under command.

(b) To act as a channel of communication between FOURTH ARMY, or the appropriate subordinate Headquarters and the JEDBURGH detachment.

(c) To transmit messages, including messages on SOE matters, in either direction between [illegible] and the Allied JEDBURGH High Command.

4. Communications:

(a) The Mission may use wireless communication between its headquarters and the JEDBURGH High Command, in addition to telephone or other ordinary means available.

(b) Communication with the JEDBURGH detachment will be by liaison officer or any available FOURTH ARMY signals channels.

5. Officers of the Mission may circulate freely, in the course of their duties, between Headquarters FOURTH ARMY, appropriate Corps Headquarters, the JEDBURGH detachment and JEDBURGH - controlled territory.

They will however obtain permission from Headquarters FOURTH ARMY before visiting any subordinate [illegible] Headquarters or unit, subordinate SOE headquarters or any office or establishment of the civil administration.

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APPENDIX 'E'

OCCUPATION OF POLA BY ANGLO-AMERICAN FORCES

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1. A combined road reconnaissance and advance party, including a detachment from the Royal Navy, troops of 13 CORPS and ANC representatives will move by road from TRIESTE to POLA on Saturday 14 June. The strength of the convoy will not exceed 50 motor vehicles.

2. The party will proceed by Route 15, taking such diversions as are necessary to by-pass demolitions. The road reconnaissance party will inspect such demolitions with a view to estimating the military bridging commitments.

The road reconnaissance party will return on 17 June by an alternative route via PISINO.

3. The JUGOSLAV Command will arrange for a small escort under an English speaking military officer to meet the party at 0730 B hours 15 June, at the JUGOSLAV road post on Route 15 and to accompany the party with written authority to ensure its safe passage to its destination without hold up by road blocks. In addition the JUGOSLAV Command will ensure that JUGOSLAV Commanders and road posts concerned are warned in advance.

In event of a vehicle breakdown the JUGOSLAV escort will leave a detachment to accompany the damaged vehicle on or back as necessary.

4. The JUGOSLAV military commander in POLA will be warned in advance of the arrival of the 13 CORPS force and its mission. He will arrange to facilitate the reconnaissance and installation of the force in every way, and will be authorised to complete local arrangements for the handover with the commander of the advance party. He will complete the movement of all JUGOSLAV troops out of the demarcated area by the time the main body of the occupying force is due to arrive, namely, 1100 B hours Monday 18 June.

5. The main body of the occupying force will move in two echelons, by the route selected as a result of the road reconnaissance, on Monday 18 June and Tuesday 19 June. It is notified for information of the JUGOSLAV Command that each column will consist of approximately 150 vehicles. The leading troops will pass the road post on the DEMARCATION LINE on the selected route (provisionally route 15) at 0730 B hours on each day.

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6. Returning convoys, each of 170 empty vehicles, will move from POLA to TRIESTE on Tuesday 19 June and Wednesday 20 June, passing the road post at the demarcation line on the selected route (provisionally

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16 June. The strength of the convoy will not exceed 30 motor vehicles.

2. The party will proceed by Route 15, taking such diversions as are necessary to by-pass demolitions. The road reconnaissance party will inspect such demolitions with a view to estimating the military bridging commitments.

The road reconnaissance party will return on 17 June by an alternative route via PISINO.

3. The JUGOSLAV Command will arrange for a small escort under an English speaking military officer to meet the party at 0730 B hours 18 June, at the DEMARCATION road post on Route 15 and to accompany the party with written authority to ensure its safe passage to its destination without hold up by road blocks. In addition the JUGOSLAV Command will ensure that JUGOSLAV detachments and road posts concerned are warned in advance.

In event of a vehicle breakdown the JUGOSLAV escort will leave a detachment to accompany the damaged vehicle on or back as necessary.

4. The JUGOSLAV military commander in POLA will be warned in advance of the arrival of the 13 CORPS force and its mission. He will arrange to facilitate the reconnaissance and installation of the force in every way, and will be authorized to complete local arrangements for the handover with the commander of the advance party. He will complete the movement of all JUGOSLAV troops out of the demarcated area by the time the main body of the occupying force is due to arrive, namely, 1100 B hours Sunday 18 June.

5. The main body of the occupying force will move in two echelons, by the route selected as a result of the road reconnaissance, on Sunday 18 June and Tuesday 19 June. It is notified for information of the JUGOSLAV Command that each column will consist of approximately 450 vehicles. The leading troops will pass the road post on the DEMARCATION line on the selected route (provisionally route 15) at 0730 B hours on each day.

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6. Returning convoys, each of 170 empty vehicles, will move from POLA to TRIESTE on Tuesday 19 June and Wednesday 20 June, passing the road post at the demarcation line on the selected route (provisionally route 15) at 0800 B hours.

7. The JUGOSLAV commander will arrange for an officer with the necessary authority to escort each of the convoys mentioned in paragraph 5 and 6 to ensure that the road is open throughout the JUGOSLAV controlled area, as described for the advance party. (See paragraph 3).

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8. At all times after the installation of the occupational forces as described above, the JUGOSLAV Command will accord to the Anglo-American forces unrestricted running rights over the selected route between TRIESTE and [illegible] SHAEF/G

9. A staging area will be fixed mid-way between TRIESTE and POLA, at which convoys will be permitted to make short halts. During the movement of large convoys the Anglo-American forces may establish small vehicle recovery parts, traffic control parts and medical first aid parts at intervals along the route as necessary.

10. Anglo-American vehicles of the Navy, Army, Air Force and ANG will be exempt from search or check of cargo while in transit across JUGOSLAV occupied territory between TRIESTE and POLA.

11. The JUGOSLAV command will maintain the [illegible] road routes specified in para 8 (provisionally route 15) in a good state of repair. Should it be necessary to construct military bridges quickly to open or improve the best road, the Anglo-American Army Engineers will build any bridges beyond the capacity of the JUGOSLAV authorities, and will be given a protective detachment and all possible assistance.

12. The JUGOSLAV authorities will ensure that an adequate supply of electric power and of water to POLA over power lines and from wells in [illegible] controlled territory is maintained at all times.

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10. Anglo-American vehicles of the Navy, Army, Air Forces and AMG will be exempt from search or check of cargo while in transit across JUGOSLAV occupied territory between TRIEST and PULA.

11. The JUGOSLAV command will maintain the ~~selected~~ motor routes specified in para 8 ~~(secondarily route 15)~~ in a good state of repair. Should it be necessary to construct military bridges quickly to open or improve the best road, the anglo-american Army Engineers will build any bridges beyond the capacity of the JUGOSLAV authorities, and will be given a protective detachment and all possible assistance.

12. The JUGOSLAV authorities will ensure that ~~the~~ an adequate supply of electric power and of water to PULA over power lines and from wells in ~~occupied~~ controlled territory is maintained at all times.

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ANNEX "F"

WAR BOOTY

1. It is agreed that enemy war material, captured by the Yugoslav forces in the area now coming under Allied military control, may be considered Yugoslav war booty, in accordance with the normal provisions of international law.

2. A joint military commission under a chairman to be appointed by Commander Eighth Army, will be set up to decide doubtful cases arising from para 1. In the event of disagreement among the members of this commission the ruling of the Supreme Allied Commander will be final.

3. Arrangements to set up the joint military commission will be made direct between Eighth Army and the Yugoslav Military Mission to be attached to that headquarters.

4. British and U.S. commanders will have the right to forbid the removal of equipment, the classification of which as war booty appears to them to be doubtful, until a ruling has been given by the joint commission.

5. The Allied forces agree not to evacuate any war material and equipment which is claimed by the Yugoslav Army as war booty, until a decision has been taken by the joint commission.

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1. It is agreed that enemy war material, captured by the Jugoslav forces in the area now coming under Allied military control, may be considered Jugoslav war booty, in accordance with the normal provisions of international law.

2. A ~~joint~~ military commission under a chairman to be appointed by Commander Eighth Army, will be set up to decide doubtful cases arising from para 1. In the event of disagreement among the members of this commission the ruling of the Supreme Allied Commander will be final.

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3. Arrangements to set up the ~~joint~~ military commission will be made direct between Eighth Army and the Jugoslav Military Mission to be attached to that headquarters.

4. British and U.S. commanders will have the right to forbid the removal of equipment, the classification of which as war booty appears to them to be doubtful, until a ruling has been given by the joint commission.

5. The Allied forces agree not to evacuate any war material and equipment which is claimed by the Jugoslav Army as war booty, until a decision has been taken by the joint commission.

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APPENDIX "G"

ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL OF ANCHORAGES

1. As regards the command and control of the anchorages on the West coast of ISTRIA (other than POLA and TRIESTE) it is agreed that the Supreme Allied Commander will not assume administrative control of the ports in question by occupation provided:-

(a) That unrestricted use of the ports and anchorages is afforded to Allied shipping.

(b) That seaborne traffic is subject to control by Allied patrol vessels.

(c) That the ports, anchorages and navigational aids referred to in paragraph 2 (a) are organised, maintained and operated at their cost by the Jugoslav Command to the requirements of the Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean.

2. The navigational aids required will be:

(a) The existing lighthouses, lights, light buoys, beacons, signal and look-out stations, radar and radio stations.

(b) Any additional establishments and equipment of this description that the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean, may from time to time deem to be necessary.

3. The representatives of the Capitaneria, TRIESTE and POLA respectively, or of the British and U.S. Navies, will have the right to inspect ports and anchorages on the West coast within the borders of the Jugoslav held area.

4. All normal information in respect of vessels and their crews visiting ports in Jugoslav occupied territory on the West coast of ISTRIA and all statistics relating to such ports obtained by the Captains of the ports in question in the course of their duties shall be equally at the disposal of the Jugoslav Command and the Allied Military Government.

5. In the event that the Jugoslav authorities are unable to obtain any of the materials necessary for the maintenance and upkeep of the navigational aids now existing in Jugoslav occupied territory, the Allied Military Government will provide such materials. Any additional navigational aids which Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean may require to be installed (vide para 2 (b)) will be erected and maintained by Allied Military Government and operated by personnel appointed by that Government.

6. The Jugoslav Command will exempt from right of search and check of cargoes and accord free and unrestricted running rights within Jugoslav occupied territory to the vehicles, personnel, stores and materials required for the operation, upkeep and administration of the navigational aids re-

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(a) That unrestricted use of the ports and anchorages is afforded to Allied shipping.

(b) That seaborne traffic is subject to control by Allied patrol vessels.

(c) That the ports, anchorages and navigational aids referred to in paragraph 2 (a) are organised, maintained and operated at their cost by the Jugoslav Command to the requirements of the Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean.

2. The navigational aids required will be:

(a) The existing lighthouses, lights, light buoys, beacons, signal and look-out stations, radar and radio stations.

(b) Any additional establishments and equipment of this description that the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean, may from time to time deem to be necessary.

3. The representatives of the Capitaneria, TRIESTE and POLA respectively, or of the British and U.S. Navies, will have the right to inspect ports and anchorages on the West coast within the borders of the Jugoslav held area.

4. All normal information in respect of vessels and their crews visiting ports in Jugoslav occupied territory on the West coast of ISTRIA and all statistics relating to such ports obtained by the Captains of the ports in question in the course of their duties shall be equally at the disposal of the Jugoslav Command and the Allied Military Government.

5. In the event that the Jugoslav authorities are unable to obtain any of the materials necessary for the maintenance and upkeep of the navigational aids now existing in Jugoslav occupied territory, the Allied Military Government will provide such materials. Any additional navigational aids which Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean may require to be installed (vide para 2 (b)) will be erected and maintained by Allied Military Government and operated by personnel appointed by that Government.

6. The Jugoslav Command will exempt from right of search and check of cargoes and accord free and unrestricted running rights within Jugoslav occupied territory to the vehicles, personnel, stores and materials required for the operation, upkeep and administration of the navigational aids referred to in paragraph 2. The Jugoslav Command will also provide and maintain and permit the unrestricted use of such telephone, telegraph and postal facilities within Jugoslav occupied territory as may be necessary for communication between the above mentioned establishment and TRIESTE and POLA.

7. No restrictions upon the use by Jugoslav vessels of the ports and anchorages in Jugoslav occupied territory on the West coast of ISTRIA or upon vessels fishing in waters off such territory shall be imposed by the Allied Military Government.

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8. In the event of failure by the Jugoslav Command to fulfil the provisions of this Appendix, the Supreme Allied Commander reserves the right to occupy the relative port or anchorage on the West coast of ISTRIA, but before exercising this right shall endeavour by discussion with the Jugoslav Command to reach an agreed solution.

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CONTROL OF MOVEMENT

1. A uniform system of movement control will be applied to both the Eastern and Western limits of the area to be held in Allied trusteeship pending:-

(a) In the East, the [redacted] Line.
(b) In the West, the Western boundaries of the Provinces of [redacted] and [redacted], or subsequently any other Eastern limit to the Allied held area which the Allied Governments may decree.

2. There will be no restriction on the movement of persons of either Italian or Slavonic origin normally resident in the pre-1939 Italian Provinces of [redacted] (either Jugoslav or Allied occupied) within the Allied held area nor on the passage of such persons to and fro across either the [redacted] limits of this area or of such increased area as the Allied Governments may subsequently decree.

3. Mobility cards will be issued by A.M.G. in three different styles, distinguishing:-

(a) Residents of VENEZIA GIULIA.
(b) Jugoslav citizens.
(c) Italian citizens who are not residents of VENEZIA GIULIA.

The Jugoslav Military Government authorities will issue for the Jugoslav a similar form of mobility card similar types of identity documents.

4. The movement of authorised Jugoslav citizens and of Italian citizens not resident in VENEZIA GIULIA within the Allied occupied area will not be restricted. Neither of these categories of persons will however be permitted to come into the Allied occupied area unless their entry is approved by the Jugoslav and Allied authorities by reason of their connection with A.M.G. or other official business. Approval for such entry will normally be sought through the Jugoslav and Allied Liaison in the counties areas of VENEZIA GIULIA.

5. There will be no passage of arms, nor of armed or uniformed personnel, across either the Eastern or [redacted] limits of the Allied held area with the exception of:-

(a) [redacted] of Allied arms and personnel.
(b) In the case of the Allied and Jugoslav military liaisons and of such Allied and Jugoslav military personnel whose entry is sanctioned by the Allied Military authorities in connection with the administration of the Jugoslav forces stationed West of the Morgan line, or with the maintenance of the Allied garrisons stationed in the [redacted] Peninsula.

6. The passage of arms, armed personnel or personnel in uniform from the territory under Allied control into the area controlled by the Jugoslav Army will be allowed only to such Allied or Jugoslav military personnel whose entry

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...liable of this area or of such increased area as the Allied Commanders may subsequently decree.

3. Identity cards will be issued by A.M.G. in three different styles, distinguishing:-

(a) Residents of VENEZIA GIULIA.
(b) Jugoslav citizens.
(c) Italian citizens who are not residents of VENEZIA GIULIA.

The Jugoslav Military Government authorities will issue for the Jugoslav occupied area of VENEZIA GIULIA similar types of identity documents.

4. The movement of authorised Jugoslav citizens and of Italian citizens not residents of VENEZIA GIULIA within the Allied occupied area will not be restricted. Neither of these categories of persons will however be permitted to come into the Allied occupied area unless their entry is approved by the Jugoslav and Allied authorities by reason of their connection with A.M.G. or other official business. Approval for such entry will normally be sought through the Jugoslav and Allied Missions in the occupied areas of VENEZIA GIULIA.

5. There will be no passage of arms, nor of armed or uniformed personnel, across either the Eastern ~~or Western lines~~ of the Allied held area with the exception of:

~~(a) In the case of Allied arms and personnel.~~
(b) In the case of the Allied and Jugoslav Military Missions and of such Allied and Jugoslav military personnel whose entry is sanctioned by the Allied Military authorities in connection with the administration of the Jugoslav force stationed West of the MORGAN line, or with the maintenance of the Allied garrisons stationed in the ISTRIAN Peninsula.

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6. The passage of arms, armed personnel or personnel in uniform from the territory under Allied control into the area controlled by the Jugoslav Army will be allowed only to such Allied or Jugoslav military personnel whose entry is sanctioned by the Jugoslav military authorities. This does not apply to movement ~~of Allied troops~~ as may which is covered by the terms of Appendix "B".

7. The movement of Jugoslav military personnel belonging to the Jugoslav forces stationed within the Allied held area will be subject to the same limitations as are normally imposed upon the movements of United States and British troops in any area.

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APPENDIX 'I'

ESTABLISHMENT OF ~~ZONAL~~ ECONOMIC AND TRAFFIC BOARDS

1. Since the line of demarcation cuts across existing areas of civil administration and economic activity, it is agreed that mutual arrangements should be arrived at which will ensure a minimum interference with the normal life of VENEZIA GIULIA as a whole. The specific arrangements will have to be the subject of study and negotiation between experts of AMG and of the Jugoslav authorities. The more important subjects to be covered and the principles which it is proposed should govern these discussions are as follows :

(a) Communications - Telephone and telegraph communications will be unscrutinized between the two areas. Mail facilities will be continued.

(b) Transportation - Rail communication will be continued. In order to regulate traffic and ensure equitable utilization of equipment, a ~~joint~~ operating ~~control~~ agency will be established.

(c) Commerce and Industry - Normal economic movement across the line of demarcation is to continue subject only to control sufficient to prevent uncontrolled movement of supplies. In order to work out the detailed arrangements for the interchange of power and of industrial, mineral and agricultural resources of both areas, a ~~joint economic survey~~ Representative Board will be established.

All questions arising under the arrangements now existing between the regular authorities and industries in the one area, including question of the continuance of such arrangements and the terms thereof, will be brought before this agency for determination.

It will be the policy to continue all such arrangements as do not prejudice the interests of the territory for which and is responsible and to utilize all industrial facilities in the area to the fullest extent in order to meet the needs of Jugoslav and other elements of these territories.

No plant or industrial machinery will be moved out of ~~the 4th area~~ during the period of this agreement.

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2. To bring into effect the arrangements made in paragraph (b) and (c) above, it is agreed that the necessary technical personnel from both sides shall meet in VENICE at a time and date to be mutually agreed, but not later than one week after the signing of the agreement. Within three days of the signing, there will be exchanged information as to the numbers and functions of such experts.

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(a) Communications - Telephone and telegraph communication will be maintained between the two areas. Mail facilities will be continued.

(b) Transportation - Mail communication will be continued. In order to regulate traffic and ensure equitable utilization of equipment, a ~~joint~~ operating ~~control~~ agency will be established.

(c) Commerce and Industry - Normal economic movement across the line of demarcation is to continue subject only to control sufficient to prevent unauthorized movement of supplies. In order to work out the detailed arrangements for the interchange of power and of industrial, mineral and agricultural resources of both areas, a ~~joint~~ economic agency, (representing ~~all~~ and the ~~three~~ ~~nine~~ ~~nationalities~~) will be established.

All questions arising under the arrangements now existing between the Yugoslav authorities and Trieste in the AMG area, including question of the continuance of such arrangements and the terms thereof, will be brought before this agency for determination.

It will be the policy to continue all such arrangements as do not prejudice the interests of the territory for which ~~AMG~~ is responsible and to utilize all industrial facilities in the area to the fullest extent in order to meet the needs of Yugoslav and other claimants on these facilities.

No plant or industrial facility will be moved out of ~~the AMG area~~ during the period of this agreement.

3. To bring into effect the arrangements made in paragraph (b) and (c) above, it is agreed that the necessary technical personnel from both sides shall meet in Trieste at a time and date to be mutually agreed, but not later than one week after the signing of the agreement. Within three days of the signing, there will be exchanged information as to the numbers and functions of such experts.

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ANNEX "F"

USE OF THE PORTS OF TRIEST AND POLA

1. Handling of Supplies Overseas

There is no objection to use of port capacity at TRIEST in excess of that required by the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre, but user must be subject to the Joint Logistic Committee approval. Cargoes would be handled as for any other importer, whether possessed of private title by the Yugoslav Government, using the three labour organizations which they are under contract to employ exclusively for all work in the port.

Stocks would be held by the agents appointed by the Yugoslav authorities in warehouses inside the port and forwarded by the agents as and when called forward. Civilian representatives of the Yugoslav authorities would be free to arrange with the agents for examination by civilian tally clerks of the discharge of cargo for which the agent would be financially responsible while it was in his custody, the dock police and watchmen being additional physical safeguard.

2. Dry docking and repair of Merchant Ships

There is no objection to the Yugoslav authorities entering into freely negotiated contracts for the [redacted] supply of merchant ships with the shipbuilding and ship repairing firms in the area under Allied Military Government, subject to the fulfilment of the requirements of the Supreme Allied Commander in these respects and to the approval of such contracts by the Joint Logistic Committee.

3. Supplies of Bunkers, etc.

Supplies of bunkers and ship chandlers stores must be arranged by [redacted] Logistic Committee.

4. POLA

The principles applicable to TRIEST also apply generally to POLA, but as POLA is not a commercial port detailed arrangements must be worked out on the spot subject to agreement by the Joint Logistic Committee.

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[redacted] theatre, but some part of control to the [redacted] Commander-in-Chief. Control would be exercised through [redacted] Liaison Officer, whether presence of [redacted] in the country [redacted] Zagreb, using the three labour organizations which they are under contract to employ exclusively for all work in the port.

Stocks would be held by the agents appointed by the Jugoslav authorities in warehouse inside the port and forwarded by the agents as and when called forward. Civilian representatives of the Jugoslav authorities would be free to arrange with the agents for supervision by civilian duty clerks of the discharge of cargo for which the agent would be financially responsible while it was in his custody, the dock police and watchmen being additional physical safeguard.

2. [redacted] and repair of merchant ships

There is no objection to the Jugoslav authorities entering into freely negotiated contracts for the [redacted] repair of merchant ships with the shipbuilding and ship repairing firms in the area under Allied Military Government, subject to the fulfilment of the requirements of the Supreme Allied Commander in these respects and to the approval of such contracts by the Joint economic committee.

3. Supplies of bunkers, [redacted]

Supplies of bunkers and ship chandlers stores must be arranged by [redacted] Economic [redacted]

4. [redacted]

The principles applicable to TRIESTE also apply generally to FIUME, but as FIUME is not a commercial port detailed arrangements must be worked out on the spot subject to agreement by the Joint Economic Committee.

(Not yet finally agreed by Jugoslavs and Allied Chiefs of Staff but agreed between the two naval representatives.)

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AVAILABLE FROM SUPPLIES BY ALLIES TO ADVISORS ALLIED OFFICERS IN ORDERS OF
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ACTION TO ALL MAT ADDRESSES INFO ALCOM ROME

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Refer MAT 744. This is MAT 772.

Remittances to VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. Not clear what currency situation will develop in VENEZIA GIULIA as whole. If JUGOSLAVS introduce DINAR and withdraw lire east of line of demarcation, we consider remittances in that area would be matter for arrangement between JUGOSLAV Government and US/UK Governments. In AMG area west of line remittances could be reopened.

2. If JUGOSLAVS agree lire continues in entire area as only legal tender. Remittances could be reopened, with AMG providing lire to banks against dollar/sterling balancer same as AFA formerly did in ITALY. Records could be kept by all paying banks dividing payments as between two zones, to facilitate final disposition dollar/sterling balances.

3. In either case, appears essential for US/UK banks to set up separate accounts in which to deposit dollar/sterling arising out of remittances to VENEZIA GIULIA.

4. In view of above complications, we recommend remittances not be opened to VENEZIA GIULIA for time being. Please advise.

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20 June 1945.

Ref: 522/50.

SUBJECT: Communications with VENEZIA GIULIA.

TO : The Presidency of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
R O M E.

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1. You will be aware that a certain latitude has been allowed concerning the issuance of orders by the Italian Government to Italian officials in AMG territory, a policy which the Commission has been glad to support.

2. However, I want to draw your attention to the special circumstances obtaining in Venezia Giulia, where it is particularly important that instructions should be issued only by the Allied Military Government.

3. Consequently, I should be glad if you would instruct your Ministries that until further notice no direct communication can be sent to their officials in Venezia Giulia.

[s] Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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FOR ACTION AMD XIXX CORPS

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PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR SUGAR CHARLIE ABLE OBOE SLANT EIGHT OF ONE SIX JUNE ED

PARA TWO PD COLONEL FISKE LEAVING BY AIR TOMORROW AND WILL BRING LISTS OF XXX PERSONNEL WHO CAN BE IMMEDIATELY ASSIGNED PD

PARA THREE PD ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE HERE PD

PARA FOUR PD YOUR REQUESTS CAN BE MET IN GREAT PART

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NICHOLAS PIGGINO
CWO USA
ASST ADJUTANT

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OP PRIORITY

MAIN 13 CORPS
ACTION: MAIN 8 ARMY. INFO: AC ROME, 5 ARMY, 5 CORPS, 2 US CORPS

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For G2 and GSI. Intrep No 42 up to 2000 hours 19 June 45.

1. Yugoslav Army. Following protest by own Bde Commander to Commander 8 Dalmation Bde at Hq in SENOSECCHIA JO381 the garrison at S DANIELE H 8793 moved out PM 18 June. 9 STEWART tanks observed in TRIESTE in parade ground of infantry barracks 838726. Yugoslav garrison POLA estimated 300.

2. Dispositions. By observation new? battalion 8 Dalmatian Bde CODRETTO H 9191 and 111 Battalion either at RAUNE H9089 or DOLEGNA H 9282.

3. TRIESTE. Guardia del Popolo still active. Two arrested by CMP whilst unlawfully entering civilian flat found in possession of undated list containing 20 names and particulars of persons to be arrested apparently as Fascists. 18 June General GIGLI and Signore ANSALDO of Italian Red Cross and another arrested. AMC ordered President Slovene CLN to release all three. One released AM 19 June. GIGLI and ANSALDO probably already released but at present not to be found. PWB visited by two persons endeavouring to find out names of civilians employed in production of PWB papers. Comment. Presumably with a view to intimidation.

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Significant lack of applause for 4 Nz Armd Bde band playing in main square 18 June indicates population fear of showing pro-Allied sentiments.

4. Press. All copies of PWB Italian newspaper in TRIESTE sold within 15 minutes. Copies being resold at 20 lire. Il Lavoratore. Complaints of blocking of available petrol supplies by Allies. Gives details of a meeting of the workers Committees who protested against "attitude of Allied Hq towards TRIESTE working classes" and the occupation by AMG of the Casa dei Lavoratori. Accuses an Allied officer of demanding resignation of CLN in CORMONS C 5807 and proposing an old fascist mayor to take over.

5. Food. AMG food rationing arrangements working well. Full scope given to civilian private enterprise in bringing food to TRIESTE.

All informed.

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AFHQ THIRTEEN CORPS & INFO EIGHT ARMY

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WHAT POSTAL SERVICES ARE NOW OPERATING IN VENEZIA GIULIA FD

PAREN TO AFHQ THIRTEEN CORPS AFTO FOR INFO TO EIGHT ARMY FROM

HQ ALCOA DATE ACCEN PAREN

WHAT KIND OF POSTAGE STAMPS ARE IN USE FD

IF ONLY REPUBLICAN FASCIST STAMPS AVAILABLE OUR RECOMMENDATION IS THAT

ITALIAN GAVERNMENT STAMPS BE INTRODUCED IN YOUR TERRITORY FD PAREN AMLG / PAREN

DO YOU AGREE QUERY PAREN BAKER PAREN WILL YUGOSLAVS ALSO ALLOW THESE

TO BE USED IN THEIR AREA FD

WOULD APPRECIATE PROMPT REPLY SO THAT ITALIAN GOVERNMENT STAMPS MAY

BE SENT YOU

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MAIN 13 CORPS HQ

ACTION MAIN 8TH ARMY INFO: AC ROME, V CORPS, CG 5 ARMY, II US CORPS, FOR G2 and GSI.

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Intrep No 41 up to 2300 hours 18 June 45.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. 100 troops moved out of each POVERIO H9487 CORGNALE H9374 and CARESANA H873658 which are now clear except for a few who state they are natives of these villages. Garrison presserie H833979 estimated 70. S DANIELE garrison relieved 17 June. New garrison approx 300 strong established 3 road posts south of village preventing Allied movement into it. Mutual agreement reached on dividing line in sector south of TRIESTE. Information received from JUGOSLAV authorities that troops new west of blue line will come under command 13 CORPS. Total of armed JUGOSLAVS in Corps Area complicated by existance of SLOVENE Partisans employed as police by Local Administrations particularly in HINTERLAND. JUGOSLAV request for transport to move 1200 troops into CONC Area includes garrison of POLA.

2. TRIESTE. 3 cases of beating? of civilians 17 June. Generally such incidents have decreased since 16 June but intimidation continues and state of uncertainty and fear hamstrings AMG3 efforts to obtain cooperation. Some daily incidents of arrests by Guardia Del Popolo continue. Personnel of latter reported to CMP 17 June (A) broken Allied signal cable (B) drunken Allied soldier. Civilian truck driver of PWB warned by unidentified individuals not to deliver first issue of Allied newspapers due 19 June in SVGIACOMO District.

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3. FOOD. Civilians from suburbs buying bread in centre of TRIESTE where shortage thus created.

4. PARTISANS. 2 OSOPPINI in TRIESTE en route for ROMA to initiate propaganda there. 1 PLSOPINO of DOMENICO RHSSETTI Brigade in TRIESTE to establish intelligence contacts. Ammunition dump found at AQUILEIA H 5296 (?H 5396). Report from NATISONE DIVISION of contact on 8 June with representatives of ITALIA Brigade 2500 strong located at LJUBLJANA and wishing to move into Allied occupied territory. Presume GARIBALDI. All infm.

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HQ VENELIE REGION
ALCOM, AMG 13 CORPS, AMG 8 ARMY

IN CLEAR.

Reference your number 4 of 161816 and number 5 of 161705 regret report both these telegrams arrived after Colonel JONES departure from this headquarters. In any case could not supply from VENELIE any specialist officers and understand from conversation with SCAO 8 ARMY that forecast supply of provincial officers to 13 CORPS is adequate.

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JUNE 19/1210
URGENT

MAIN 13 CORPS FROM MORGAN

AFHQ FOR GENERAL LEMNITZER INFO: BRITISH AND US AMBASSADORS

IN BELGRADE THROUGH AFHQ LINK ALCOM

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From our previous discussions with Jugoslavs it appears that principle questions on which we have not yet arrived at under-standing are those which they have raised regarding our attitude towards civil administration. This is confirmed by announcement radio BELGRADE this morning regarding suspension negotiations. Among other things there is involved question of interpretation of BELGRADE agreement. I wish to state the position I am taking and facts developed thus far. Paragraph 3 of BELGRADE agreement provides that use will be made "of any Jugoslav civil administration which is already set up and which in the view of SAC is working satisfactorily". Present status of civil administration in our area is generally as follows. Italian administration is functioning in part but has in part been suspended by Jugoslav action during the period of their occupation. The Prefectura staff is still on the pay roll but has been relieved of any executive responsibility. Organisations such as Genio Civile, Consral and the Consorzia are still functioning executively with Yugoslav appointed chiefs. In place of the Prefectura staff the Yugoslavs have set up committees of Liberation with Sub Committees having

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jurisdiction in various administrative fields which up to the present have been exercising executive powers. This pattern has been followed down through the districts and communal level with a Regional Committee exercising executive control over the whole area. Obviously this Yugoslav Committee administration is not completely or finally organised but it is the existing administration at the moment. The Yugoslavs are taking the position that the BELGRADE agreement commits us to adopt this committee structure as the "existing administration" if it is found to be functioning satisfactorily. I am maintaining that in as much as the basic law of this area is and must continue to be Italian, the Italian administrative system must in its essentials be continued, that it was the intention of the agreement that our commitments to continue existing administration related to personnel rather than the system of administration itself, and that the Committee system as an executive instrument of Local Government must be abolished but committees where useful, will be employed in an advisory capacity as in other parts of ITALY. I am convinced that the above position is the only one we can take. I am going into the matter at this length however, because colour may be given to the Yugoslave claims by the wording of para 3 and also by discussions which may have occurred at BELGRADE at the time of signing the agreement. As to the wording, you will recall that the draft which AFHQ proposed to CCS read administrators repeat term in place of

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administration repeat tion. Had this wording appeared in the final agreement the position would have been made perfectly clear. I have no detailed reports on the BELGRADE discussions except I am informed that the ambassadors may have given the impression in a general way that the existing set up would not be disturbed. I of course have in mind the qualification that any administration must in the view of SAC be "working satisfactorily". I do not think we should rely on this however, as we might then have the wholly anomalous situation of a committee form of government in one commune and the Italian system functioning in another. This would obviously be unworkable in practice. I am not proposing to go into the above detail or to argue these legal refinements with the Yugoslavs. I hope to be able to rest the matter on the paper which General SPOFFORD read to General OBENITZER at the Conference of Saturday night. If you have any further guidance to give me on this point I request that it be given immediately.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

18 June 1945

Dear Ellery:

I have discussed the situation in VENEZIA GIULIA in full with "Chuck", Brigadier Upjohn, and "Con" Benson, and as a result I am submitting the enclosed report.

I certainly found a mess on my arrival here and as both the Corps Commander and "Con" realized only at the last minute how things really were, it is quite clear now why I am here.

The situation is not rosy. I was able to accomplish something in the way of organization in the nick of time. In my opinion, we are over the highest hurdle and I have every confidence that from now on things will improve daily. Within a week I hope to present you with a going concern.

I feel that I have now fulfilled my part of our agreement and I am hopeful that you will find it possible to relieve me before the end of June. As you know, I want to get out of military service just as quickly as possible and "Chuck" has agreed to support my application to go home as soon as I am relieved of this job.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Nelson

NELSON W. MONFORT

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Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Headquarters, Allied Commission.

cc: Ex. Comm'r.

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PARA ONE FD REFERENCE YOUR SCAC/8 DATED 16 JUNE CMA PARA SIX FD

FAILED TO SCAC AMS XIII CORPS FROM ALGOA CITY ACOLIA PARISH

COL MERRILEY AVAILABLE FOR REASSIGNMENT TO GONZALA PROVIDED AC PROVINCIAL

COMMISSIONER FD DO YOU WANT HIM?

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N. P. THOMAS

NICHOLAS PYNCHON
CPO. USA

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HQ ALCOM FOR RUSH

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Conference with Jugoslavs now fixed for tomorrow afternoon. I hope to return ROME tomorrow evening by air.

NEW SUBJECT

The expected strike did not materialise in TRIESTE today but the dock labour situation is very confused and MONFORT would appreciate visit from BRAINE soonest.

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Labour SO
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Supreme Allied Commander's Secretariat

SAC (F) (45) 15th Meeting
18th June 1945

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
(POLITICAL)

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5. OCCUPATION OF POLA

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(Previous reference SAC (F) (45) 14th Meeting, Minute 5)

"A"

MAJOR GENERAL LEMNITZER reported that in accordance with the agreement signed by Marshal Tito in BELGRADE on 9 June 1945, occupational forces under the command of the Supreme Allied Commander had arrived in POLA on Saturday, 16 June. These forces had traveled to POLA by overland route.

ADMIRAL CUNNINGHAM expressed concern over the approved final boundary of the POLA enclave inasmuch as the only suitable beach which was immediately useable for landing craft to insure delivery of supplies by sea without mine-sweeping had been excluded from AMG territory.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Took note of the above report.

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6. POLICY IN REGARD TO VENEZIA GIULIA

(Previous reference SAC (F) (45) 14th Meeting, Minute 6)

"B"

MAJOR GENERAL LEMNITZER outlined the developments which had taken place during the past week. He stated that information had just been received indicating that negotiations for the signing of an agreement between the Chief of Staff to the Supreme Allied Commander and the Chief of Staff to Marshal Tito had recently broken down owing to differences in regard to civil administration. It was indicated, however, that negotiations would reopen within a day or two. In accordance with the Belgrade agreement almost all Yugoslav forces with the exception of a few detachments had moved to the East side of the MORGAN LINE.

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REAR ADMIRAL STONE reported that a serious labor situation had recently developed in TRIESTE as a result of Yugoslav failure to pay laborers an agreed wage of 400 lire per day. It was likely that a politically-inspired strike would take place in TRIESTE in the near future. He considered that the fee was too high and would require revision by AMG authorities. He stated he had sent representatives to TRIESTE to look into the situation.

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THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:
Took note of the above report.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

JUN 19 RECD
CC 0937

Originator's Reference: F 94918
Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 181353B

Message Centre No: E/5591
Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 191830B
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGEG
TO : ACTION: ALCOM ROME FOR ADMIRAL STONE

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Reur ALCOM - 9870

Any directive which may in any way alter your position as Chief Civil Affairs Officer will of course, be carefully considered by this Hq and you will be invited to consider and comment on such a directive before it is issued. In the meantime, it is confirmed that you should continue to follow the procedure indicated in paragraph 3 of your AICOM 9870 of 15 June.

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FOR ACTION AMD VENEZIE REGION RPTD AMD XXII CORPS

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PAREN TO FOR ACTION AMD VENEZIE REGION RPTD AMD XIII CORPS FROM ALOON CITE AGAIN PAREN

PARA ONE FD FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF AELE MIKE GEORGE ONE THREE CORPS SIGNAL SUGAR CHARLIE AELE OMOE SLANT EIGHT DATED ONE SIX JUNE FD PARA TWO FD BEGINS FD BRIGADIER GENERAL STAFFORD CMA BRIGADIER UNJOIN CMA AIR COMMODORE EDISON AND COLONEL MONFORT HELD PERSONNEL CONFERENCE HERE TODAY CMA FOLLOWING PERSONNEL REQUIRED FOR AELE MIKE GEORGE ONE THREE CORPS IN ADDITION TO THOSE ALREADY ASSIGNED CMA MEDICAL CMA ONE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER TO REPLACE MAJOR BROOK UNSUITABLE CMA PUBLIC SAFETY CMA CAPTAIN HOBBS NOW IN NAPLES AND TEN OTHER POLICE OFFICERS CMA ONE PRISON OFFICER CMA SUPPLY CMA ONE PROVINCIAL SUPPLY OFFICER CMA ALLIED AND YUGOSLAV TRADE AND INDUSTRY JOINT COMMISSIONS TWO RAILWAYS OFFICERS CMA ONE ELECTRICAL OFFICER CMA ONE COAL OFFICER CMA TWO INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE OFFICERS CMA ONE POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH OFFICER CMA CLERKS CMA CORPORAL CLERKS PAREN TYPISTS PAREN TWELVE CMA CLERKS GENERAL OFFICE NINE FD AELE MIKE GEORGE EIGHTARMY WILL SUPPLY FURTHER NINE OFFICERS CMA TWO AS GEORGE DASH THREE ADMINISTRATION CMA SEVEN AS CHARLIE AELE OMOE

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PARA THREE 2D PLEASE CONSULT WITH COLONEL JONES AS TO WHETHER OFFICERS CAN BE RELEASED TO VENEZIA GIULIA TO FULFIL THIS REQUISITION FD URGENT

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NICHOLAS PIGNERINO
CWO USA
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FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF SITREP FROM THIRTEEN CORPS UP TO TWO TWO ZERO ZERO HOURS

EE SEVENTEENJUNE FD

PARAS TO ANSO FOR CORPS FIVE FIVE TO ALSOM SITE ACHZO PARAS

PARA ONE FD CONSIDERAT DEMONSTRATION FIFTEEN JUNE AT TRIESTE SIX MEMBS ACCUSED

CHIS CARRIED SLAVISH DOCUMENTS SHOWING THAT HE WAS COLLECTING MILITARY PARA ON ALLIED

TROOPS AND POLITICAL INFORMATION AND HAD BEEN ENGAGED GROUPS ELSEWHERE FIFTEEN JUNE FD

RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTS IN TRIESTE AT PRESENT THERE THOUSAND YUGOSLAV TROOPS OF WHOM TWO

BATTALIONS ARE OCCUPATION TROOPS FD B/LANDS COMMUNIST POLITICAL ELEMENTS TOUGH AND

ACTIVES FD GHARELA DEL FUOCO HAS BEEN ORDERED BY LIBERATION COMMITTEE THAT TEN

STRENGTH IS TO BE THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FOREMEN TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FD

NOW CONSIDERED TO BE ITALIAN YUGOSLAV FD STRENGTH OF VEDILI DI FUOCO IN CHI TRIESTE

AND IS INFILTRATED AND CONTROLLED BY YUGOSLAVS FD SIX YUGOSLAV MILITARY IN CIVILIAN

CLOTHES USED AS CIVIL ADMINISTRATORS NOW OVER ONE THOUSAND FD

PARA TWO FD SMALL RED STARS BEING PAINTED BY CLANDESTINE YUGOSLOVES TO BE

CHRISTMAS TREES TO MORROW FD SOME CROWDS MARCHING WITH ALMOST FD

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FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MESSAGE FROM TRIESTEN DATED UP TO TWO TWO ZERO ZERO HOURS

ED BEGINNING JUNE FD

PARENS 2D AMEB FOR CARUSO FIVE FROM ED ALDEN SMITH AGENT PARENS

PARA ONE FD (MARXIST) DEMONSTRATION FIFTEEN JUNE AT TRIESTE SIX PERSONS ARRESTED

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TROOPS AND POLITICAL INFORMATION AND HAD INFILTRATED ANTI-FD ELEMENTS FOURTEEN JUNE FD

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AND IS INFILTRATED AND CONTROLLED BY YUGOSLAVS FD AN YUGOSLAV MILITARY IN ITALIAN

CLOTHING USED AS CIVIL AIRCRAFT TRAINED NOW OVER ONE THOUSAND FD

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PARA TWO FD SMALL RED STAR BUTTONS PROCURED BY SOLDIERS AND NOTABLE CHANGE IN MORALE

COMPULSORY RETURN TO WORKERS FD SOME OBJECTED WHICH THEM ABROAD FD

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PARA THREE PD READING ARTICLE IN LAVOISIER RADIO COMPLAINT OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION SAYS PARTIES REFUSED CONSENT IN AND CAMPOMA REPRESENTATIVE PLACED ON LIBERIAN COUNCIL AND WORKERS UNION PD ALSO SUBMISSION PEOPLES COURT PD SIMILAR ALLEGATIONS MADE AT MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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For G2 and GSI. Sitrep No 40 up to 2200 hrs 17 June 45.

1. Jugoslav Army. No movement reported. Garrison at S DANIELE H8793 estimated 300 plus. Troops have taken over coastal gun sites at 774668 770668 769667 770666 although not in CORPS area this move probably precaution against disabling of guns by US.

2. TRIESTE. Of 6 people arrested at communist demonstration PM 15 June one carried arms another carried Slovene documents revealing that he was collecting political information and military data on Allied troops and had interrogated CROWCO elements in TRIESTE on 14 June. Reliably reported 3,000 Jugoslav troops at present in TRIESTE. Of these 2 Battalions are acknowledged occupation troops. Remainder consist of toughs natives and political elements. Liberation Council have ordered that Guardia del Popolo should number 3500. Was formerly 2500. Considered to be now largely Jugoslav. Vigili di Fuoco number 1000. Well penetrated and controlled by Jugoslavs. Over 1000 civil administrators are ex Jugoslav military in civilian clothes. Rumours of strike to take place 18 June denied by head of Slovene CLN.

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3. MONFALCONE. Shipbuilding yard has been producing small red stars. Workers told these will be compulsory issue. Few persons already seen wearing them.

4. Press. Laveratore. Leading article complains of present food distribution stating that Fascist methods creeping in objects to suppression of peoples court and restraints placed on functions of workers union and Liberation Council. Both papers report on meeting of Municipal Council at which similar allegations made.

5. Arrests. Another Fascist formerly employed by Yugoslavs in radio station arrested by FS 16 June. All informed.

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Yugoslavs did not appear today and unless we hear something definite tomorrow I propose ask General MORGAN to release me and return Tuesday.

NEW SUBJECT

Labour situation in TRIESTE critical. Dock labourers are demanding back payment which Yugoslavs have not paid at impossible rates of 400 lire per day and more. Total back payments they demand are now 10,000,000 lire. They also demand extra rations. A strike is threatened for tomorrow and the situation is very grave. It is probably organised for political purposes. AMG 8 ARMY would appreciate immediate visit from BRAINE. Add I agree this most necessary.

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Banks have been closed since 12 June and it is desirable reopen earliest. Total cash held by TRIESTE banks is 100 millions against sight liabilities to public of 2983 millions. In addition bank checks outstanding total 1100 millions. Essential that at least 100 millions of AM lire and 100 millions of Metropolitan lire be sent here by air immediately as banks cannot reopen until adequate reserves of currency assured. Money should reach here Monday or Tuesday.

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REF ENCL PARA SIX OF THE DRAFT VENEZIA GIULIA AGREEMENT FD A REPORT FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IS REQUIRED AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE CMA GIVING FULL INFORMATION ABOUT DEPORTATION BY YUGOSLAVS OF ITALIANS FROM VENEZIA GIULIA FD

PARENT AND VILLAGE CHIEFS REPEATED GEORGE STYE AMGOT FROM HEADQUARTERS ALCOM.

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REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE INCLUDING NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS CMA ALSO CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THEY WERE DEPORTED AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR THEIR REPATRIATION FD ALSO DETAILS OF ANY PROPERTY CONFISCATED OR REMOVED FD

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IL PRESIDENTE

Rome, 16th June 1945

To His Excellency Admiral STONE

Rome

Excellency,

I take the liberty of enclosing herewith a memo on the Venezia Giulia that I have been asked by some friend to respectfully submit to your kind consideration. I sincerely think that it honestly reflects the serious situation of our countrymen.

Specially so the unfortunate situation of our adored Island of Lussino where I was born and which requires prompt assistance.

Many thanks and kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Capt. A. F. Copulich)

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THE "VENEZIA GIULIA" AFTER THE 12th OF JUNE.

Trieste and the Venezia Giulia.

On the 12th of June 1945 Trieste, Gorizia, Pola and the towns on the west coast of Histria have been put under Allied control. The rest of Venezia Giulia, including the towns and districts of Fiume, Pisino, Albona, Abbazia, Cherso, Lussinpiccolo and Lussingrande, with a total population of about 230.000, together with the Province of Zara (20.000), remain under Marshal's Tito control. While a Yougoslav Mission and Yougoslav troops will be left in the Allied area, no Allied control of any kind is contemplated for the rest of the region.

This decision will disappoint both Italians and Slavs of the territory east of the new border, as any unbiassed observer could easily ascertain on the spot. After so many years of struggles, of murders, of enlistments and famine, everybody wants to go back to his home and his work under the protection of a regular Power, postponing the settlement of political disputes for quieter times.

Tito's Partisans in Histria, Fiume and the Islands.

After the 8th of September 1943 the Italian Army in Yougoslavia evaporated in a few days. So the Slav Patriots found themselves in possession of enormous stocks of modern arms and ammunition, of uniforms and other equipment, and suddenly thought they had become a great Army. As a matter of fact, those Slavs that had been excellent guerilla fighters only succeeded in creating a heavy and bureaucratic machinery of little military efficiency. The chiefs were utterly devoid of practical spirit and of higher military training; they were naïve and unprepared in matters economic and social, and very nationalistic. They talked of social reforms instead of solving the problem of feeding their men and the populations; they busied themselves with vendettas and propaganda instead of organising defence and communications. Among other things they brought with them a complicated organisation of commissaries, secret police, propaganda etc., whose principal aim seemed to be the destruction of the remnants of liberty that had survived Fascism. In some places the first Partisan regime lasted for few days, in others for many weeks. A large part of Venezia Giulia, including the islands of Lussino and Cherso, was then taken by the Germans, who killed Partisans and innocent peasants, burnt houses, deported men and robbed cattle. Those (like the people in Lussino) who had tasted a bit of everything - Italian Militia, Cetnici of King Peter, Tito's Partisans, Germans - hoped they would get at last a regular master v.z. the Allied troops. Things went a different way.
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Everywhere the Croatian Partisans have requisitioned, without paying or giving a receipt, motor-boats, carts, bicycles, typewriters, makintoshes, etc. But what brought the people to despair, and made Tito unpopular even among the hottest Croatians, was the enlistment of all men from 17 to 45 after hostilities had ceased everywhere. On the island of Lussino the mobilisation took place on the 28th, 29th and 30th of May. All those who reported to the Board were taken, locked in the School and transported overseas within 24 hours.

The juridical issue.

According to international law, the inhabitants of the Provinces of Trieste, Gorizia, Pola, Fiume and Zara are still Italian subjects; they will remain Italian subjects till the day when the Treaty of peace or an accord between Italy and Yougoslavia, having been approved by the Parliaments of both nations, will become a law for all parts concerned and decide the ultimate destiny of every citizen. For the time being the laws of Yougoslavia (admitting that Marshal Tito's deeds can be identified with Yougoslav legislation) cannot be applied to Italian citizens, whatever their racial origin. Therefore the enlistment of men, the seizure of property, etc. are illegal.

The ethnic problem.

Only those that are living far from the real struggle are apt to exaggerate the difficulties. The mistakes and the crimes of the Fascists have shown to most Italians that the Slavs were after all human beings unjustly persecuted; and the Slavs are seeing now that to torment a person on account of his racial origin is a cruel, un-Christian and un-economic thing. All are sick of Fascist-Nazi methods and phraseology, whatever the flag that covers them.

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The position of the Slavs-Croatians and Slovenians in the Venezia Giulia territory not yet under Allied control, is at least as bad as that of the Italians. Like the latter, they have no legal status before Tito's troops and commissaries; but while the Italians are backed at least by public opinion and a free press (in Italy), the Slavs are considered by Tito's men potential traitors, being "poisoned with Fascism", which means that they do not hate Italy enough. Anything they say in favour of Italy or of Italian-speaking friends or even of America and Great Britain, is tantamount to treason. Many of them, while speaking at home a Slav dialect, use Italian only in business, and are connected with Italy through marriages and trade to such an extent that they could not say definitely whether they are Slavs or Italians. Since this applies to many thousands, it is obvious that the ethnical problem of Venezia Giulia cannot be reduced

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security, and know they will not get them so long as law is made and unmade every day by soldiers and petty officers.

The immediate future.

Any solution of the Trieste and Venezia Giulia problems, resting on sound geographic and economic foundations, will eventually prove successful. But it is premature to speak now of the ultimate destiny of this bit of land, while the future of so many millions of Europeans has still to be discussed. In any case things must be left to settle under the control of the Allied, the only that can guarantee security to the individual and get the economic machinery going. And the first thing to do is to say plainly to Tito and to his henchmen in every town and village, that they are trustees and not masters, and that illegal mobilization, confiscations and arrests will not be tolerated by the Allied.

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PARA ONE FD INDICATIONS FROM SARAJEVO THAT MISMANAGEMENT OF PARTISANS WILL ONLY RESULT IN HARDSHIPS IN FUTURE HOSTILITIES OF ARMS REMAINING CONCEALED IN MOUNTAINS FD

PARA TWO FD VIOLENCE AND INTIMIDATION INCREASED IN TRIESTE CAUSED FREELY BY BANDS OF CIVILIANS PROBABLY INCLUDING YUGOSLAV MILITARY IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND PARTLY BY GUARDIA DEL POPOLO FD FIFTY PERSONS WHO CLAIMED TO BE GUARDIA DEL POPOLO WRECKED SAVINGS BANK BUT LEFT MONEY INTACT FD DURING NIGHT FOURTEEN SLAVE FIFTEEN GUARDIA DEL POPOLO ARRESTED NEUTRAL CIVILIANS FD ONE PATROL POSSESSED NEW ARMBAND WARRANTS FROM PROVISIONAL REPRESENTATIVE PEOPLES COURTS DATED FOURTEEN JUNE FD WHEN ARRESTED COMMANDER OF GUARDIA DEL POPOLO SAID HE HAD LOST CONTROL OF HIS MEN CMA UNDER INSTRUCTION ORDERED HIS FORCE TO CEASE ACTIVITIES AND ABLE MUCH FIFTEEN JUNE WAS RELEASED FD OF APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN JUNE DEMONSTRATION BY COMMUNISTS ESTIMATED TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PERSONS IN PIAZZA UNITA FD SPEAKERS PROCLAIMED LOCAL ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT RATHER THAN YUGOSLAVIA BUT GENERALLY CHIEFLY FD FACTORIES APPARENTLY RELEASED WORKERS TO PARTICIPATE BUT

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For G2 and GSI. Intrep number 38 up to 2359 hours 15 June.

1. Yugoslav Army. No appreciable evacuation last 24 hours. Noticeable tendency for armed troops to remain behind in scattered villages and towns recently officially evacuated including MESANA MONTESPINO and in area C668014. Excuse given that they are acting as civil police or that they live there. Local disagreements on dividing line continue particularly areas S DANIELE H8793 and south and SE of TRIESTE. In latter area approx 6 Jugoslav road blocks operating behind own forward troops preventing vehicle movement. 1600 hours report of entry of 500 troops H9169. Order from local Jugoslav commander to commander of own troops to withdraw from area by 2000 hours. Probably reaction to similar order given by US to Jugoslav garrison at DOLICO H8968 and Jugoslav interpretation of agreement reached at high level conference.

2. Partisans. Further indications from SACRADO C5998 that organised disarmament will only bring forward token numbers of arms. Remainder to be hidden in mountain caches.

3. TRIESTE. Incidents of intimidation and violence increased. Culprits partly Guardia Del Popolo partly organised bands of civilians probably including Jugoslav military in civilian clothes using anti FASCISM as excuse. Savings bank smashed up by 50 persons claiming to be Guardia Del Popolo but no money taken. Night 14/15

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several civilian arrests by Guardia Del Popolo 1 patrol of which found with 9 arrest warrants signed by Representatives Peoples Courts dated 14 June. Commander of Guardia Del Popolo arrested and stated he had lost control of his men. Ordered his forces under pressure to cease activities and released AM 15 June. Large Communist demonstration this afternoon estimated 25000 ending in Piazza UNITA. Generally orderly some fisticuffs and a few arrests by CMP. Banners and cries acclaimed Communism and local administration rather than JUGOSLAVIA. Workers apparently released from factories to participate but some appeared apathetic. Groups of women and children took part but possibly in return for extra food as reported in previous demonstration 8 June.

4. Press. (?) of 3 existing papers reserved but complying PWB requests. Circulation of Corriere Di TRIESTE declined 15000 since June 12 probably due to improved news service on radio now under Allied control. Some criticism 15 June of suspension of peoples court. Requests to start 2 new papers (A) Christian Democratic which considered possible organ for GIULIANA CLN and (B) Liberation Council newsheet unofficial feeler only.

5. Radio. Jugoslav staff includes Co-directors BUGARELLI just returned from 15 years in RUSSIA and TERZEH Jugoslav Lieutenant in civilian cloths. Both nominees of Liberation Council. Also 3 FASCISTS and collaborators employed by Jugoslavs but now sought by armed civilians.

6. Gen ESPOSITO commander in TRIESTE under Germans and 3 of his staff arrested by PSB.

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7. General. Appreciate Jugoslav activities concentrated on (A) impeding administration by AMG (B) discrediting efficiency of AMG (C) arranging demonstrations of popular support for existing civil administration. Much propaganda stressing latters election by popular vote. Todays demonstration coincided with Jugoslav pressure for Allied recognition of civil administration.

All informed

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16 June 1945.

Dear Dr. De Gasperi:

Replying to your letter of 11 June, the enclosed is a copy of the agreement as I understand it was signed at Belgrade on behalf of the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean, and Marshal Tito. If there were any last minute changes in the text, I am informed that they were of a minor nature.

There is also returned herewith your map with a rough indication of the military line so far as it is possible to reproduce it on your map. This, too, may be subject to minor adjustments. In addition, there is an area of four or five miles around Pola (a semi-circle of four or five mile radius with the center at Pola) which is also under the command of the Supreme Allied Commander.

As soon as I receive an official copy of the agreement as signed I shall be glad to forward it to you.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
Rome.

cc: Exec. Comm R.

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1. The Portion of the territory of Venezia Giulia west of the line on the attached map which includes Trieste, the railways and roads from there to Austria via Gorizia, Caporetto and Tarvisio, Pola and anchorages on the west coast of Istria will be under the command and control of the Supreme Allied Commander.

2. All naval, military and air forces west of the line on the attached map will be placed under his command from the moment at which this agreement comes into force. Jugoslav forces in the area must be limited to a detachment of regular troops not exceeding 2,000 of all ranks. These troops will be maintained by the Supreme Allied Commander's administrative services. They will occupy a district selected by the Supreme Allied Commander west of the dividing line and will not be allowed access to the rest of the area.

3. Using an Allied Military Government, the Supreme Allied Commander will govern areas west of the line on the attached map, Pola and much other areas on the west coast of Istria as he may deem necessary. A small Jugoslav mission may be attached to the Headquarters of the 8th Army as observers. Use will be made of any Jugoslav civil administration which is already set up and which in the view of the Supreme Allied Commander is working satisfactorily. The Allied Military Government will however be empowered to use whatever civil authorities they deem best in any particular place and to change administrative personnel at their discretion.

4. Marshal Tito will withdraw Jugoslav regular forces now in the portion of Venezia Giulia west of the line on the attached map by (date to be inserted) 1945. Arrangements for retention of Jugoslav detachment referred to in paragraph 2 will be worked out between the Supreme Allied Commander and the Jugoslav High Command.

5. Any irregular forces in this area will, according to decision of the Supreme Allied Commander in each case, either hand in their arms to the Allied Military Authorities and disband, or withdraw from the area.

6. The Jugoslav Government will return the residents of the area which they have arrested or deported with the exception of persons who possessed Jugoslav nationality in 1939, and make restitution of property they have confiscated or removed.

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7. This agreement in no way prejudices or affects the ultimate disposal of parts of Venezia Giulia west of the line. Similarly the military occupation and administration by Jugoslavia of parts of Venezia Giulia east of the line in no way prejudices or affects the ultimate disposal of that area.

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For G2 and GSI. Intrep number 39 up to 2200 hours 16 June.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. Little change in Corps Area. 200 at DORLIGO H8867 very near line moved out P.M. 15 2 road blocks dismantled area S DANIELE H8793 but troops still in town.

2. PARTISANS. Estimated to 4000 between TAGLIAMENTO and ISONZA (ISONZA) within Corps Area. These include recently arrived NATISONE DIV. Civilian report GARIBALDINI PALAZZOLO H2891 have threatened to shave girls heads who associate with British.

3. TRIESTE. CLN (CPN) ? SLOVENE have assured AMG that no more arrest warrants will be issued by people BAG? courts. Numerous cases of southern Italians resident in TRIESTE being attacked by bands up to 15 strong as Fascists. Intention probably to cause ill feeling between Triestens and other Italians. 90 Guardia Del Popolo left Villa MARIA H814754 0900 hours but later returned saying movement order cancelled.

4. IN FALCONE. Demonstration mainly of dock workers P.M. 15 during which reported that houses entered and civilians treatened. Approx 500 people took part. Ref GAP. From fairly reliable source GAP became SLOVENE controlled soon after its formation and has always been more anti Fascist than Anti German. On the occupation VENEZIA GIULIA by Allies and YUGOSLAVS GAP dissolved but reformed shortly prior to JUGOSLAV evacuation and has since grown. Main activities anti Italianito and Anti Allied control.

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5. Demonstrations took place 15 June in MUGGIA H8268 and SESANA H 9079. Similar in aims to those of MONFA CONO and TRIESTE.

6. PROPAGANDA. Strong rumours being circulated amongst civilians that Russians will shortly be in TRIESTE.

7. ARRESTS. 2 Fascists formerly employed by YUGOSLAVS in radio station arrested by FS. All informed.

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PARA ONE NO CHANGE FD WORDEN IN PIAZZA VENTA ON THIRTEEN JUNE REPORTED VERY FEMALE VISITING ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT WAS ARRESTED TWO FD NEW POLICE FORCE VOLUNTEERS ACCOMPANYING PATROLS CHARGED WITH MINOR INFRACTIONS OF CIVILIANS FD ONE PAPER, STILL IN CHARGE DEL FORNO BUT WILL DEMATED FD REPORTS INDICATED THAT TWO THOUSAND IS THE NUMBER OF YUGOSLAV MILITARY REMAINING IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING FD REPORTED ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED CIVILIAN INTERNEES RELEASED IN SMALL GROUPS PRIOR TWELVE JUNE FD ORIGINAL PLANS CALLED BUT NOT YET FOR SQUARE POLITICAL IN QUESTION RESERVED BY YUGOSLAVS FD PARA TWO FD NO CHANGE FD LIBERATION COUNCIL NOW IS NORMALLY IN CONTROL GARRISONS WITH REGULA POPOLARE AND GUARDIA ARIA MUTED FD LATTER REMOVED AFFAIRS TO BE IN CONTROL FD LEADERS OF ANTI PARTISAN YOUTH IS ARMED FD ANY ALLIED ACTIVITY BY THESE ORGANIZATIONS UNDESIRABLE CAN INCLUDED TERMS TO CIVILIANS REPORTING SAFETY FD AS A CONDITION COOPERATE WITH ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT FD BELIEF IS BEING SPREAD THAT YUGOSLAVS WILL REMAIN IN TWO MONTHS FD

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PARA TEXT FD FOREIGN COORDINATION WITH ALLIED AUTHORITIES POPULAR CRIMINAL IS SUSPENDED BY PUBLISHED ORDERS BUT STILL AVAILABLE TO DEFEAT TREASONABLE ACTS FD STATED THAT BESIDE MYTHS BEHIND OF IL MORTO ARTICLES NOW DEPUTOT IS ON TRIAL FOR FASCIST COLLABORATION FD

PARA FOUR FD ORGANIZED CIVILIAN BANDS OFFER GREATEST GREEK OPPOSITION TO ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN THRACE FD UNFOUNDED AND OFFICIAL BODIES ARE CERTAINLY CORRECT FD FROM EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE SUGGEST ANEK ALLIED ACTIVITY WILL BE STRONGEST IN PREDOMINANTLY ITALIAN AREAS DUE TO AGENTS PROVOCATEURS AND RETRIBUTIVE LAW BY YUGOSLAVS WHO IN AREAS OF SLOVENE MAJORITY HAVE LITTLE TO FEAR

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PARA ONE FD SUGAR CHARLIE ABLE OBOE EIGHT AFHQ HAS ISSUED TO TWO AND ONE THREE CORPS AMG AN UNSIGNED INTERIM DIRECTIVE PURPORTING TO EMANATE FROM ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN DATED ONE ONE JUNE CMA PARAGRAPH FIVE OF WHICH CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING COLON QUOTE YOU WILL ADMINISTER THE AREA AS A SEPERATE REGION CMA UNDER COMMAND OF GEORGE OBOE CHARLIE EIGHT ARMY AND SUBJECT TO THE TECHNICAL CONTROL OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION FD SUCH CONTROL WILL BE EXERCISED ONLY WHERE LEGALLY OR ADMINISTRATIVELY REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY OF EMPHASIZING THE AUTONOMOUS CHARACTER OF THE ADMINIS-TRATION FD END QUOTES

TO ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN FOR CHIEF OF STAFF FIRST TO QUERCE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCOM SIGNED ENABLE CITE [redacted] ACSCC FD

PARA TWO FD I HAVE RECEIVED NO COPY OF THIS DIRECTIVE FROM ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN ALTHOUGH I WAS CONSULTED BY GEORGE DASH FIVE ON A DRAFT DIRECTIVE WHICH DID NOT CONTAIN ANY SUCH CLAUSE FD SEE YOUR FOX XRAY EIGHT THREE ONE EIGHT TWO OF TWO SEVEN MAY FD

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PARA THREE PD I SHALL THEREFORE CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE FUNDAMENTAL PROCEDURE RELATING TO AMG APPOINTMENT SIGNAR OF ARMIES LAID DOWN IN ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER THREE EIGHT OF EIGHT SEPT FOUR FOUR THAT ONE THREE CORPS AMG CMA THROUGH EIGHT ARMY CMA OPERATE UNDER COMMAND GEORGE OBOE CHARLIE EIGHT ARMY AND UNDER TECHNICAL CONTROL OF ALLIED COMMISSION WITHOUT QUALIFICATION PD

PARA FOUR PD PLEASE CONFIRM THAT THIS IS CORRECT PD

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Advise all concerned correct title Col MONFORT is SCAO 13 CORPS not Regional Commissioner. Advise Italian Govt no orders or official instructions whatsoever are to be sent to any official in AMG 13 CORPS Area.

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PARA ONE FD NEGATIVE FD INCIDENTS OF MINOR CHARACTER TWELVE SLASH THIRTEEN JUNE INCLUDE BURNING OF ITALIAN FLAGS BY GUARDIA DEL POPOLO BY GARIBALDINI AND CIVILIANS FD TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED GUARDIA OPERATING UNDER LIBERATION CO UNCIL INCLUDES SEVERAL HUNDRED EX GARIBALDINI FD ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDERED THEM CEASE ACTIVITIES FD A TAILOR IN TRIESTE HANDED REPRESENTATIVE OF LIBERATION COUNCIL SEVENTY THREE NAMES OF YUGOSLAV OFFICERS WHO ORDERED CIVILIAN SUITS CMA FOR SUGAR SUGAR HAVE DUPLICATE FD PARTICIPATION IN DEMONSTRATIONS AND INCIDENTS BY ALLIED SOLDIERS CONTINUE TO BE REPORTED FD INCLUDES ALLEGED REMOVAL OF YUGOSLAV ITEMS CONFISCATED CAR BY NEW ZEALAND OFFICER RANKS FD LATER RETURNED AND RECOVED BY TWO BRITISH SAILORS FD GENERAL NUMBER REPORTED FOLLOWING THIS INCIDENT FD LOOTING AND ARSENIC BY WITHDRAWING YUGOSLAVS DISCARDED FD YUGOSLAV STAFFS SOME OF WHOM EX MILITARY PERSONNEL IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES IN VARIOUS OFFICES INCLUDING PRESS OUTWARDLY COOPERATIVE BUT IN PRACTICE CONSIDERABLE NUISANCE VALUE FD TARGUS PERSONNEL FOUND IN OCCUPATION OF

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STEFANI AGENCY FD RADIO STATION CONTROLLING STAFF AND PROPAGANDA PERSONNEL OF YUGOSLAVS CONTINUE OCCUPY TWO HOTELS FD GUARDIA DEL POPOLO SLAV SPONSORED POLICE FORCE THREATENED AND ARRESTED BEARERS OF ITALIAN FLAG FD FIVE FIVE AREA COMMANDER NIGHT ELEVEN SLANT TWELVE JUNE RECEIVED VISIT PRESIDENT POGASKI WITH TWO YUGOSLAV AND TWO ITALIAN MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OF LIBERATION WHO EXPRESSED DESIRE TO COOPERATE AND FEAR OF FASCIST DISTURBANCES FD DECREE WAS PUBLISHED BY THE COUNCIL IN PRESS URGING CALMNESS OF THE POPULATION FD NUMEROUS PROCESSIONS FOLLOWED TWO HOUR RED ITALIAN DEMONSTRATION APPARENTLY ORGANISED BY GIULIA CHARLIE LOVE NAN FD CROWD MAINLY COMMERCIAL CLASSES AND STUDENT STATE EMPLOYEES WITH SOME INDIVIDUAL ALLIED TROOPS AND GARIBALDINI FD AT REQUEST OF GENERAL KYNDER NEW ZEALAND GUARD PLACED ON HIS HEADQUARTERS TO AVOID INCIDENTS FD

PARA TWO FD PRESS FD IL CORRIERE DI TRIESTE PUBLISHED WARM WELCOME TO ALLIED FORCES FD SLOVENE AND ITALIAN PAPERS BOTH CARRY FULL ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT PROCLAMATIONS FD CALM AND DIGNITY URGED IN LEADING ARTICLES FD SURPRISE CAUSED TO CONTROLLING STAFFS AT CONTINUANCE OF PUBLICATION SUBJECT BE ONLY TO MILITARY CENSORSHIP FD

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PARA THREE PD DISPLACED PERSONS PD TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED ITALIAN EX INTER WILLIA AT TRIESTE STATION ON MORNING TWELVE JUNE PD ITALIAN REFUGEES BILLETTED IN TRIESTE IN PLACES VACATED BY YUGOSLAVS PD

PARA FOUR PD YUGOSLAV ARMY PD NON RECEIPT OF ORDERS BY YUGOSLAV COMMANDERS AND DISAGREEMENT OVER WHERE LINE RUNS IS DELAYING EVACUATION PD

PARA FIVE PD MONFALCONE PD INHABITANTS THREATENED BY ARMED CIVILIANS FOR HOISTING SAVOIA FLAGS ON TWELVE JUNE PD ANTI ALLIED PROPAGANDA THOUGHT TO BE SPREAD BY WORKS COMMITTEES PD

PARA FIVE PD MONCHI PD FORTY THREE CUARDIA DEL POPOLO ONLY ARMED FORCE HAS BEEN DISBANDED BY ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT PD

PARA SIX PD FOOD PD DISTRIBUTION ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES COMMENCED ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS TWELVE JUNE BY RAIL PD ANNOUNCEMENT MADE IN STORES OF INCREASED DAILY BREAD RATION FROM ONE FIVE ZERO TO TWO HUNDRED GRAMS WITH EFFECT FROM FOURTEEN JUNE PD TRAIN ALLEGED TO CONTAIN PROPERTY OF FOUR YUGOSLAV ARMY DETAINED AT SESANA FOR INVESTIGATION PD TWENTY TRUCKS CONTAINED FOOD AND OIL

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TO FOR ACTION: XIII CORPS PERSONAL FOR GENERAL MORGAN

FOR INFO : 15TH ARMY GROUP PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GRUENTHER ; EIGHTH ARMY PERSONAL FOR GENERAL MCCREERY

FROM : GENERAL LEMNITZER

REF NO : FX-92779

SIGNED : SACMED CITE: FHISC

1. Reference our telephone conversation this evening I have discussed points mentioned with Supreme Allied Commander. Following are his views:

A. He concurs your recommendation and rejects Jugoslav proposal to increase detachment west of MORGAN line from 2 to 5000. 2000 only are acceptable - not 1 man more.

B. He rejects Jugoslav proposal that groups comprising detachment of the 2000 referred to in subpara A above be stationed in GORIZIA, MONFALCONE, TRIESTE and other locations. In accordance with basic agreement signed in BELGRADE these troops are entirely under Supreme Allied Commanders command. Accordingly he reserves to himself the right completely to determine where they will be stationed and how large the various detachments will be. He will in no way limit himself by a written agreement or otherwise in this respect. He is prepared, subject to recommendations of General MCCREERY and the Corps Commanders, to consider Jugoslav wishes sympathetically and his decisions as to where Jugoslavs are to be stationed and size of their detachments will depend entirely on situation in the area and on conduct and attitude of these Jugoslav forces. He desires that it be made clear to Jugoslavs that he retains complete freedom of action in this matter.

C. As for Jugoslav proposals to adjust position of MORGAN line:

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4. Supreme Allied Commander desires that you and your staff be very firm with Jugoslavs in all your dealings with them whether it be in Allied Military Government, economic or purely military matters. You should not give way on anything likely to weaken our position in any respect. You are on firm and safe ground if you hold Jugoslavs strictly to provisions of agreement signed in BELGRADE. Supreme Allied Commander desires that in case of doubt on any point you refer it to him for decision. In your dealings with Jugoslavs you may rest assured you will be acting correctly and in accordance with Supreme Allied Commanders policy if you always lean toward firm (tough) side.

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For G2 and GSI. Intrep no 37 up to 2000 hrs 14 June.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. Evacuation of troops continues. During last 24 hours over 2000 troops left from BASSOVIZZA H8970 POVERIO H9478 and COPRNALE H9374. Excluding TRIESTE approximately 1175 remain in Corps area.

2. GARIBALDINI. 1200 of NATISONE Division arrived PALMANOVA C4602. Individual GARIBALDINI remain in TRIESTE and Corps area including 40 in MONFALCONE.

3. TRIESTE. Quiet day with few incidents. 13 June workmen in PIAZZA UNITA interfered with people visiting AMG. 2 arrests by AMG. Volunteers for new police force accompanying CMP patrols followed and threatened by civilians. Guardia del Popolo still on streets but well behaved. Number of Jugoslav military remaining in civilian clothes reliably estimated at 2000. Approx 1500 civil internees believed released in small groups prior to 12 June. 70 of these lodged in CORONEO prison. All files of Squadra Political in QUESTURA removed by Jugoslavs but criminal files intact.

4. MONFALCONE. GARIBALDINI DIFESA POPOLARE and GAP all nominally under control liberation council. GAP however appears to be controlling. Anti Fascist Youth league also armed. These organisations increasing anti Allied activities including menacing civilians attempting to cooperate with AMG or displaying SAVOIA Flag. Also spreading belief Jugoslavs will be back in 2 months.

5. PRESS. Decree published that popular tribunal is suspending functions pending

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coordination with Allied authorities. Still open to receive denunciations. States BRUNO MOTTA editor of defunct Il Nostro Avvenire is standing for trial for Fascist collaboration.

6. ARRESTS. Stay behind ABWEHR 1 agent arrested in TRIESTE by FS.

7. GENERAL. In TRIESTE opposition to AMG predominates amongst organised civilian bands more elusive than uniformed or official bodies which are outwardly correct. Elsewhere experience suggests that anti Allied activity will be strongest in areas predominantly Italian where extremists and agents provocateurs have been installed by Jugoslavs who have little to fear in the areas of Slovene majority.

All informed.

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522/EC. 14 June 1945.

VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. Those parts of VENEZIA GIULIA in which AMG has been set up are to be known as AMG XIII Corps and are under the operational command of the Commanding General of that Corps. They are not part of VENEZIA Region.

2. Colonel Nelson W. MONFORT (A) has been appointed SCAO XIII Corps and Lt.Colonel H.P.P. ROBERTSON (B) has been appointed his deputy.

3. All correspondence for VENEZIA GIULIA will be addressed to AMG XIII Corps with a copy, when the correspondence deals with matters of high policy, to AMG Eighth Army.

S. Talbot Hilder
/A Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SPOFFORD. For your information following G-5 points arising today reported as promised conversation General MORGAN - General LEMNITZER. Consider no action required by you on these matters at present.

1. General IVANOVIC raised question of western boundary of AMG area. Referring to predominantly Slovene population in eastern FRIULI and acts of terrorism under the Italian administration he stated for these reasons and because JUGOSLAVIA would make additional claims at Peace Conference it was desired that the special AMG regime established for VENEZIA GIULIA should extend westward to a line commencing at the south with the boundary of VENEZIA GIULIA and including CIVIDALE ATTIMIS FAEDI TARCENTO GEMONA CHIUSAFORTE PONTEBBA INF thence continuing north to the Austrian frontier. This area would thus include TARVISIO. This proposal contemplated that AMG would remain in this area until the Peace Conference. We made it clear that we were wholly without instrs as to any special arrangements with respect to this area and could only put the matter to higher authority. Authorization from the governments would certainly be required for any commitment to keep AMG in the area until the peace. As to special measure to protect the Slovene minority we stated the usual AMG policies were adequate protection.

(107) 2. As a basis for working out economic and administrative questions we presented a 5-point memorandum suggesting mutual arrangements which would ensure that demarcation line resulted in minimum of interference with normal life of

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VENEZIA GIULIA as a whole. The points are as follows:

A. Telephone and telegram communications to be continued uncontrolled between the 2 areas. Mail facilities to be continued.

B. Rail communications to be continued. A joint operating control agency to be set up to regulate traffic and ensure an equitable utilization of equipment.

C. Commerce and industry. Normal movement across line to be continued subject to control preventing unauthorized movement of supplies. Joint economic agency proposed to work out arrangements for interchange of power and industrial mineral and agricultural resources of both areas.

D. Principal banks west of line to provide funds to communes post offices and branch banks east of line subject to normal financial pensions to continue throughout area.

E. Administrative records. Representative of government departments public and private enterprises would have access to records both sides of line. Jugoslavs accepted A B and C. Stated after discussion D and E would be referred to BELGRADE. In addition they raised following economic points:

F. They desire contracts which they have entered into with TRIESTE industries to be carried out. We stated this could come before proposed economic agency. They agreed.

G. They wished commitment that factoni as now in NG area would be permitted to move west. We agreed.

3. General IVANOVIC finally raised question of disposal of booty. In his view booty consists of all military equipment including fixed installation such as

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coast defence artillery also all industrial plants which have been owned or operated by "The Fascists" and have furnished supplies used against JUGOSLAVIA. He indicated this might include textile factories. On question of warlike stores and movable military equipment we agreed that they were entittled to material which they had captured. Question of removal of fixed equipment would have to be given further study. We also reserved for consideration disposition of factories and equipment suggesting that he was confusing reperations with booty. We will propose a joint military committee to examine specific cases presented by Jugoslavs provided that matters remaining in dispute shall be subjet to final decision by S.C.

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Intrep No 36 up 2300 hrs 13 June.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. Local disagreement over where line runs and non receipt of orders by JUGOSLAV Commanders is delaying evacuation. Troops in S DANIELE H8793 RASOVIZZA H8973 S DORLIGO H8967 BAGNOLI 8969 show no intention of moving. 100 moved into ALBARO H8364 today. In BARCOLA K8176 area 140 still remain but not certain whether part of authorised garrison. Road blocks moved by JUGOSLAV troops at 855698 892728 889723 824973.. Only appreciable evacuation today was of 500 troops from the SESANA Area. Following this SLOVENE inhabitents of SESANA demonstrated for 2 hours in protest.

2. PARTISANS. NATISONE DIV moving from TRIESTE MONFALCONE and GORIZIA to west of ISONZO in area PALMANOAC A 04502 (7302) ? GRADISCA C6101. OSOPPO intend sending elements to TRIESTE either permantly or for demonstration 17 June. Have been discourage.

3. TRIESTE. Some minor incidents include burning of Italian flags night 12/13 June by Guardia Del Popolo with some civilians and GARIBALDINI. Guardia reported 2500 strong operating under liberation ocuncil included several hundred late GARIBALDINI. Ordered to cease activities and keep off streets by AMG. 121500B hours disturbances involving 300 civilians dispersed by PWB. TRIESTE tailor returned to representative of Liberation Council list of 73 names of YUGOSLAV officers who ordered civilian suits. Duplicate list to PSB. Individual Allied soldiers continue to participate in demonstrations and incidents

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include alleged removal by N Z ORS of JUGOSLAV Press Correspondents car which was later returned and removed by 2 British sailors with Italians. This incident subject of protest by General KVEDER.

4. MONFALCONE. P.M. 12 June armed civilians reported to be gap threatened locals for hoisting SAVOIA flags. Works committee thought to be spreading anti-Allied propaganda.

5. RONCHI. Only armed force is band of 43 Guardia Del Popolo. AMG disbanding it.

6. FOOD. Sepral commenced distribution AMG supplies 1800 hours. Press announces daily bread ration increased from 150 to 200 grs w.e.f. 14 June. Potatoes unloaded by 4 schooners in TRIESTE sold on market without queues. Train of 20 trucks of food and oil alleged property of 4 YUGOSLAV ARMY detained at SESANA pending investigation.

7. PRESS. Both Italian and SLOVENE papers carry AMG proclamation in full. Leading articles moderate urging calm and dignity. Controlling staffs surprised at being allowed to continue publication subject only to military censorship. PRIMORSKI NIK (?) staff complained its delivery truck to GORIZIA was turned back by Allies east of town this A.M.

All informed.

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1. Jugoslav Army. 4 Army intends to dispose the authorised garrison of 2000 troops in Corps area as follows.

TRIESTE 1000 POLA 300 MONFALCONE 200 GORIZIA 400 CAPORETTO 50 TOLMIO 50. These troops under command of Colonel BELOCID Chief of Staff 9 Division who conferred with Allied commanders 1500 hours agreeing to remove his guards still remaining today on several public buildings in TRIESTE. Jugoslav guards evacuated 3 such buildings this PM. Small number troops in MD FALCOGA (?) ref remainder Jugoslav forces. Elements still west of line after 1000 hours 12 June some moving road blocks. At 860842 835643 835976. and near (?) S DA IELE 8793 our forward movement was temporarily impeded. Check post which had been withdrawn 11 June was reestablished VILLA OPICIA. Some Jugoslav officers said our troops had pushed beyond line in several places. At CARISANA R8766 local Yugoslav commander states will send 200 troops back across line AM 13 June as protest. PM June 12 Yugoslav troop elements reported still at BANCOLA R8178 REPENENCO 835962 and sentries found in several formerly occupied billets near TRIESTE. A brigade at BASOVIZZA R8972 and a batallion at 8867 stated that they were obliged to remain until AM 13 June through lack of transport but did not apply to own troops for help.

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2. Identifications. Elements 31 Division identified moving north through CAPORETTO to C6650.

3. GARIBALDINI. Early PM SAGRADO H6098 some GARIBALDINI threatened locals who hoisted Italian flags. In TRIESTE they are orderly and numbers seen on streets without arms.

4. Displaced personnel. 2100 Italian ex PW arrived TRIESTE railway station this AM. Numerous Italian refugees placed in billets in TRIESTE vacated by Yugoslavs in last 24 hrs.

5. TRIESTE. No serious incidents. Increase of last minute looting and arrests by withdrawing Yugoslavs. Yugoslavs staffs some of whom ex military personnel in civilian clothes in various offices including press ostensibly cooperative but in practice considerable nuisance value. TANJUG. Personnel found in occupation of STEFANI Agency. Jugoslav

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Controlling staff at radio station and propaganda personnel still occupy 2 hotels. Of 5 prisons one still guarded by Jugoslavs 3 empty and one contains 145 prisoners. Guardia del Popolo Slav sponsored police force patrolling streets threatened and arrested some bearers of Italian flag. President BONOMI with 2 Italian and 2 Jugoslav members of Council of Liberation visited 55 AREA Commander night 11/12 June expressing desire to co-operate and fear of Fascist disturbances. Council published decree in todays press urging population to remain calm. Two hour pro-Italian demonstration this apparently originated by GIULIA CLN ended in numerous processions. Crowd mostly student state employees and commercial classes also many young women. Some individual participation by Allied troops and GARIBALDI. Several minor processions at last light. No guard placed on General KEYES HQ at latters request to prevent incidents.

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6. Press. Il Corriere di Trieste published warm welcome to Allied Forces. Prints decree urging all industrial commercial firms and individuals possessing crude oils fuels lubricants to submit today detail stocks to commercial office of Liberation Council.

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TO DIRECT COMMAND AFHQ WHEN ONE THREE CORPS SO PASSES PD

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TO CHARLIE GEORGE SUGAR SLANT FOUR FIVE NINE OF TWO EIGHT OCTOBER ONE

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Nine More Provinces Turned Back to Italy

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ROME, May 10—Approximately three-fifths of Italy's territory, with a population of more than 24,000,000, now is under the direct administration of the Bonomi Government as the result of the transfer today of nine provinces by the Allied Command.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Chief Allied Commissioner for Italy, said the step, which marks the fifth time a portion of the country has been turned back to Italian jurisdiction, was taken with the approval of Field Marshal Sir Harold R. L. G. Alexander, Allied Supreme Commander in the Mediterranean.

The provinces in the most recent transfer are situated in the regions of Tuscany, Umbria and the Marche.

The turning back of the nine provinces shows, according to Admiral Stone, "the trust and confidence the Allies have in the efficiency and capacity of the Italian Government to resume free and full direction of its internal affairs."

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Grew Hits 'Sudden Unilateral Action in Flush of Victory'— Cites Pact for AMG Rule

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, May 12—Yugoslav claims to occupy and control the administration of Trieste and the surrounding region were opposed by Acting Secretary of State Joseph C. Grew in a statement today. According to reports, the Yugoslavs are setting up a government there.

[Premier Ivanoe Bonomi of Italy renewed his plea that the Allies formally occupy Trieste during a conference Saturday with Field Marshal Sir Harold F. L. G. Alexander, Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean theatre, and Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Chief Allied Commissioner for Italy.]

The disposition of Venezia Giulia, Mr. Grew declared, should not be "through sudden unilateral action taken in the flush of victory." Moreover, it runs counter to the program agreed upon at Yalta for reaching just and equitable solutions of territorial questions after the war. There are thirty or more of these que[illegible] pointed out.

Mr. Gre[illegible]

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ed I told him that Winston Churchill said to someone in our Government in London: 'Why do you always send Ribbentrop to deal with me? Why don't you send a good fellow like Goering?' Rudolf Hess was eccentric but was undoubtedly a man of tremendous energy."

General Dahlquist asked Goering whether he had ever read Sir Neville Henderson's book on his Berlin mission. "I read only what he said about me," Goering replied.

During the luncheon he kept dwelling on the terrific American capacity for production. Through all Goering's talk, General Dahlquist noted a fear of the Russians.

Field Marshal Gen. Robert Ritter von Greim, Goering's successor as comander of the German Air Forces, is a prisoner in Kitzbuehel. He was found wounded in a hospital last night. He had been wounded in the foot by anti-aircraft fire. As he identified himself he said: "I am head of the air force, but I have no air force."

Goering was still in the custody of Seventh Army officers today and was reported to be fretting at the casual treatment he received at headquarters. He thought that he should have been sent to meet Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. His wife and child are still under guard in Zeller Zee Castle.

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Fight Goes on on Heights

Fighting is continuing in the heights six miles west of Hsihsiakow.

Conferences are under way here between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Lieut. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, deputy supreme commander of the southeast Asia Command, and Lieut. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, commander in chief of United States Army forces in China.

General Wheeler's presence here follows the recent visit of Lieut. Gen. Daniel C. Suitan, United States Army commander in the India-Burma theater, who, with General Wedemeyer, spent last week-end with General Chiang at his country residence. It is presumed the talks center around cooperation between the China and southeast Asia theatres.

U. S. Fliers Attack in China

CHUNGKING, China, May 12 (AP)—United States Fourteenth Air Force fighters today blasted Japanese troop concentrations east of Chihkiang. Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's fighters caught an estimated 1,000 Japanese troops around Tungkow and hit them with bombs and gunfire. Japanese gun positions were bombed in the Paimashan area, north of Tungkow.

The Fourteenth Air Force reported that bombers attacked railroads in the Yellow River railway network, which supplies enemy forces west of the Peiping-Hankow north-south railroad. Japanese lake and river boats were strafed near Yiyang, at the southern end of Tungting Lake.

Reports reaching here today said that a vigorous underground movement was keeping the spirit of Chinese resistance alive in Japanese-occupied Shanghai. More than 5,000 copies of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's book, "China's Destiny," which is banned by the [illegible]

TRIESTE PEACEFUL DESPITE DISPUTE

No Friction Reported Between Yugoslavs and British—Italy Urges Allied Occupation

By MILTON BRACKER

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As a complication of potentially the gravest kind, there is a rash of complaints in local papers that religious persecution has been starting under the Yugoslavs at the head of the Adriatic. Allied sources have offered no confirmation of these stories, but they naturally have an effect on thousands of Italian Catholics.

Archbishop Expelled

Msgr. Carlo Margotti, Archbishop of Gorizia, which is north of Trieste, arrived here last night, after having been arrested by Marshal Tito's men in his arch-episcopal residence on May 2, according to his own story. He said a pistol was brandished, to get him to come along, but he later was released.

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GREW SEES HOPE ON POLISH ISSUE

Acting Secretary of State Voices Confidence That Great Powers Can Cooperate

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The deadlock is understood to have resulted in the termination of the Polish conversations and the elimination of the issue from the San Francisco Conference. If and when the negotiations are resumed, according to advices here, they are expected to be conducted directly by the three powers, the United States, Great Britain and the Soviet Union.

Whether a Polish settlement ever will be possible now in view of Marshal Stalin's position was a question that could not be answered here. Officials do not minimize the difficulties but they remain hopeful.

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The Italian protest now is taken about as strong a form as ... and it would appear to be up to the highest Allied authorities—possibly outside this theatre—to step in. The statement of Richard K. Law, Minister of State in the British Foreign Office, that it was a matter for the peace conference, was taken as indicating the Allies intend to adjudicate the matter legally sooner or later—but the obvious time interval that must elapse does nothing to alleviate Italian fears that all the conference will be able to do is turn "de facto injustice" into one recognized de jure.

Aggression Is Indicated

Moreover, the Italians are asking several questions:

First, since the Italy that surrendered in September, 1943, still was a geographical entity taking in Trieste, how can a Yugoslav leader take a city within that entity on what is plainly intended as a permanent political basis without answering to the charge of aggression?

Second, if the reply is made—as Marshal Tito is reported to have said in Moscow—that he is sure the Triestini want to go with Yugoslavia, how does that argu-

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The area is an Anglo-American theatre of operations, Mr. Grew recalled. Anglo-American troops forced the surrender of the Germans at Trieste, and Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia agreed last February to Allied military control there because of its importance on the communication and supply line to Central Europe, he declared.

The issue, Mr. Grew maintained, is far more than local, for "it raises the issue of the settlement of international disputes by orderly process rather than unilateral action."

"One of the most difficult problems to be solved in coming months," he said in his statement, "will be the just and equitable solution of the many territorial questions that have for so many years plagued Europe. It is the firm policy of the United States, as its Allies have been officially informed, that territorial changes should be made only after thorough study and after full consultation and deliberation between the various governments concerned. Only on this basis can adequate consideration be given to the human, economic and political elements involved and a just and stable solution be found.

"There are thirty or more territorial questions in Europe that require careful study before satisfactory decisions can be reached.

"Among these is the question of the much disputed northeastern frontiers of Italy. Many months ago it was decided that the best way to avoid hasty and precarious territorial solutions in the Anglo-American theatre of operations would be to establish and maintain an Allied Military Government in the disputed areas pending settlement by the orderly processes to which the United Nations are pledged.

"Apart from the fact that this is an Anglo-American theatre of operations and Anglo-American troops forced the surrender of the German garrison at Trieste, the disputed areas are temporarily of prime importance from a military point of view. Since the Allied occupation forces require a zone of administration to include adequate port facilities and lines of communication and supply leading to Central Europe it was deemed particularly essential to establish Allied military control in this part of Italy.

"Aware of Yugoslav interest in the Venezia Giulia area, proposals along the above lines were presented to, and accepted by, Marshal Tito last February. Notwithstanding this agreement, claims have now been advanced that by virtue of conquest Yugoslav forces are entitled forthwith to occupy and control the administration of this region.

"The present problem is far more than a mere frontier controversy between two claimants. It raises the issue of the settlement of international disputes by orderly process rather than unilateral action. The disposition of Venezia Giulia as of other disputed territories, must therefore await a definite peace settlement in which the claims of both sides and the peoples concerned will receive a full and fair hearing or be made a matter of direct negotiations freely entered into between the parties involved.

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Britain Awaits Peace Parley

LONDON, May 12 (U.P.)—Nothing can be done "immediately" toward ending the state of co-belligerency between Italy and the Allies, a source close to the British Foreign Office said today. Dispatches stating that the British Government now sees the possibility of concluding a peace treaty are "without foundation," he said.

Britain has taken the attitude that any question over the future of Trieste must await peace negotiations.

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Will Aid Philippines Inquiry

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—William Y. Elliott of Nashville, vice chairman of the War Production Board in charge of civilian requirements, was added today to President Truman's special commission to investigate conditions in the Philippines. Mr. Elliott was formerly head of the Department of Government at Harvard University.

Painter Aids Spanish Refugees

PARIS, May 12 (AP)—Pablo Picasso, Spanish surrealist painter, was reported tonight to be acting as a one-man relief bureau for Spanish refugees and orphans of the Spanish Civil War.

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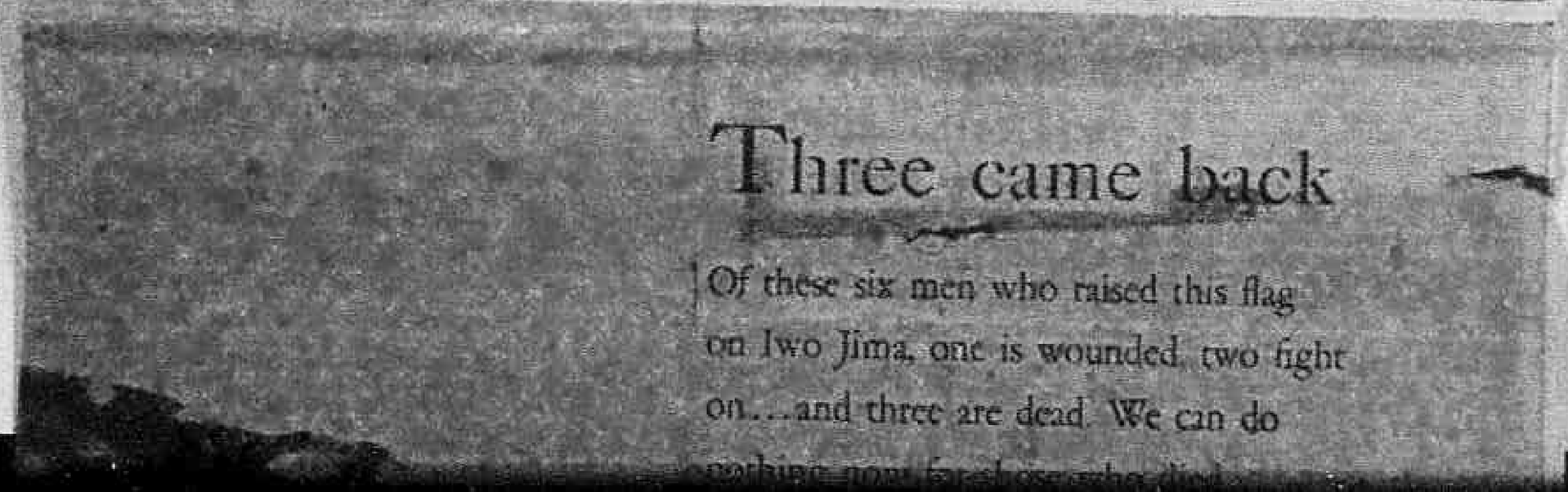
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Will Aid Philippines Inquiry

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—William Y. Elliott of Nashville, vice chairman of the War Production Board in charge of civilian requirements, was added today to President Truman's special commission to investigate conditions in the Philippines. Mr. Elliott was formerly head of the Department of Government at Harvard University.

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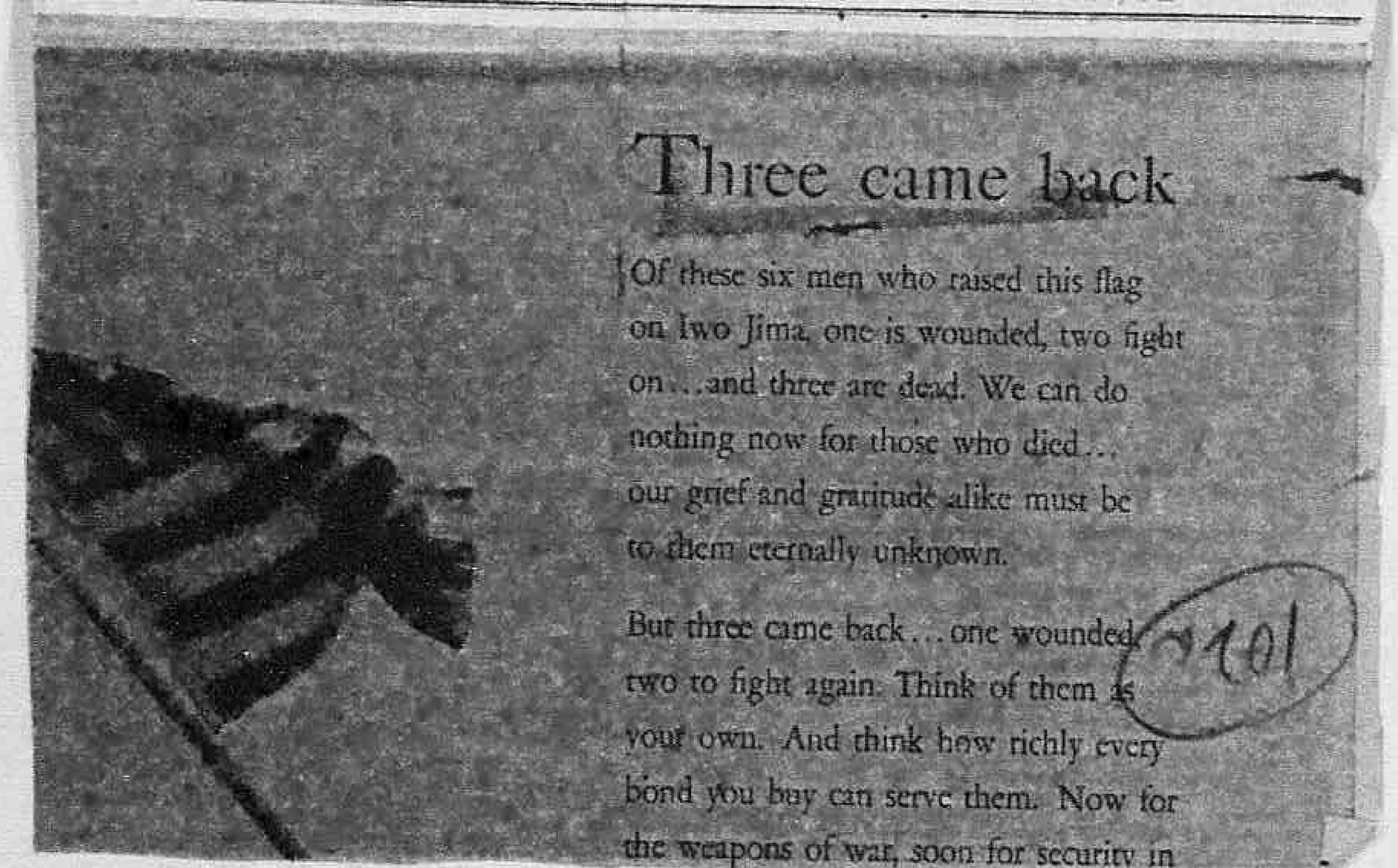
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Three came back

Of these six men who raised this flag on Iwo Jima, one is wounded, two fight on...and three are dead. We can do nothing now for those who died... our grief and gratitude alike must be to them eternally unknown.

But three came back... one wounded, two to fight again. Think of them as your own. And think how richly every bond you buy can serve them. Now for the weapons of war, soon for security in

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FROM: MAIN AMG EIGHTH ARMY FROM UPJOHN

TO : HQ ALCOM FOR LUSH INFORMATION AFHQ FOR G-5 SECTION

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HQ AFCOM FOR LUSH

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Under present arrangements we meet with Yugoslavs Wednesday morning work out details of agreement. Probably discussions will not conclude in time for me to attend BOLZANO meeting Thursday. Unless you instruct me contrary propose if necessary to remain here.

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TEXT OF YUGOSLAV LETTER TO U.S. AMBASSADOR

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Intrep number 34 up to 2000 hours 11 June.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. Since early this morning large scale moves throughout corps area beginning with towns immediately east of ISONZO later heavy traffic observed in central area on all roads east from ISONZO and N.E. and S.E. of TRIESTE. Consisted of MT horse tpt and Infantry. Air OP. This A.M. saw a total of 16000 troops 1000 horses 28 guns and 400 MT moving east between TRIESTE and FIUME. Operation on the whole carried out in orderly manner no overt reaction by civilian population noticed except some minor complaints of looting of private property. JUGOSLAV military commander MONFALCONE sent letter to say that by 0900 hours the town would be free of JUGOSLAV Troops and ready for AMG.

2. GARIBALDINI. Leader ANDREA officially told British LO that NATISONE Div from MONFALCONE - GORIZIA - TRIESTE will be moved west across ISONZO when we can accept it.

3. TRIESTE. JUGOSLAV Troops this A.M. evacuated dockyards area and guards were withdrawn from STEFANI Agency Banks Legal buildings and 1 Arty Barracks. CLN (CLANDESTINE ITALIAN) originally intended to hold a demonstration in town 12 June have cancelled arrangements in order to avoid clash with reported Communist and PRO JUGOSLAV demonstration planned for 1000 hours 12 June Piazza UNITA. CLN have issued instructions that their demonstration should be limited solely to

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4. FOOD. Eye witness report train 20 wagons loaded with grain and cased food left TRIESTE 2200 hours 10 June moving east. All informed.

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Ref your secret cipher message to HQ VENEZIA Region.

Position reposting of proclamations and general orders is

(a) Proclamations number 1 to 4 inclusive and general orders number 1 and 2 posted Cormons on 11 May

(b) Proclamation number 1 to 4 only posted Gradisca on 15 May

(c) Proclamation number 1 only posted Cologna on 30 May

All areas mentioned are West of ISONZO River. Posting of proclamations and general orders in other parts of VENEZIA GIULIA will be reported as soon as occupied.

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Re SACMED F 90684 dated 09 June and AFHQ F 90877 dated 10 June (to 5th ARMY only) subject BOLZANO conference.

Conference will start 14 June. Accomodations will be ready for all representatives who will arrive on 13 June. Upon arrival in BOLZANO representatives can follow 5th ARMY military police and signs that are posted directing them to billeting office. General officers will be billeted in WOLFF Villa. Officer in charge of billeting and accomodeticus is Lt Colonel DUFFIN. Notify 5th ARMY HQS Rte BOLZANO airport. Conferees will be met and conducted to quarters.

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Il Ministro degli Affari Esteri

Rome, June 12th 1945

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Our brothers in Venezia Giulia will not be forgotten and the whole nation must show a unanimous solidarity which does not mean that the rights of other people will fail to receive due con-

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Our brothers in Venezia Giulia will not be forgotten and the whole nation must show a unanimous solidarity which does not mean that the rights of other people will fail to receive just consideration.

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AMG entering TRIESTE Tuesday 12th. Appreciate orders assignment to AMG 13th CORPS under AFHQ with proceed instructions.

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SUBJECT: Venezia Giulia Proclamations Nos. 2, 3, and 4

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission

There are transmitted herewith the originals signed by Field Marshal Sir Harold R. Alexander of Proclamations Nos. 2, 3, and 4, for the Compartimento of Venezia Giulia. Please acknowledge receipt on the attached form.

CHARLES M. STOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

OF VENEZIA GIULIA

PROCLAMATION NO.2

PROPERTY CONTROL

CURRENCY AND EXCHANGE - RATIONING PRICE FIXING WAGES AND AGRICULTURE

I, HAROLD R. L. G. ALEXANDER, G.C.B., C.S.I., D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C., Field Marshal, Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theater of Operations, and Military Governor, hereby proclaim as follows:

ARTICLE I

APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PROPERTY CONTROL

The Director of Property Control is the officer appointed by the Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission (hereinafter called the Chief Commissioner) to carry out the powers and duties hereunder or hereafter conferred upon him.

He shall have the power to take into his control any and all property of all forms and of every kind and description as directed by the Chief Commissioner.

ARTICLE II

ALLIED PROPERTY

SECTION 1. Cancellation of measures affecting Allied property.--All laws, decrees, orders or other measures taken or purported to have been taken by any authority to sequestrate, block, confiscate or otherwise discriminate against property situated in the Occupied Territory, including obligations of debtors within the Occupied Territory, owned by any government of the United Nations, or by the nationals of such stated or governments or in which any such government or state or nationals have any interest are hereby abrogated.

SECTION 2. Declaration of Property.--All public officials and all other persons in the Occupied Territory who have under their control or administration or in their possession or custody any property of the nature referred to in Section I shall:

a) Forthwith declare such property by delivering to the Director of Property Control a schedule or list describing the same;

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b) Upon demand of the Director of Property Control turn over such property or the control, possession, or custody thereof to the Director or such person as may be designated by him;

c) Upon demand of the Director of Property Control turn over all books, accounts and records of the administration of such property during the [illegible] control to the Director or to such person as

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SECTION 3. Maintenance and Care of Property pending Restitution.-- Until such a time as they are ordered to turn over any property which is the subject of this proclamation, all persons who are charged with the administration, custody or control thereof shall be fully responsible for the maintenance thereof and for taking all necessary measures for safeguarding and preserving the same.

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All such persons shall, as demanded by the Director of Property Control, render regular reports as to the operations, custody and administration of the properties.

SECTION 4. Consent as to Certain Action.--No person so charged with the administration, custody or control of such property shall take or suffer to be taken any action which shall materially affect the value or the income therefrom without the consent of the Director of Property Control.

ARTICLE III

PROTECTION OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

The Allied Military Government and its officers shall be under no responsibility to the owner of any property taken into control under this proclamation, or to any person interested therein, to make good any loss of or damage to such property, however caused, or to compensate any such owner or other person for any loss suffered directly or indirectly by reason of the taking of control of such property.

ARTICLE IV

PENALTIES

No one shall knowingly and without authority:

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c) Interfere with, remove, damage, conceal or make away with any property with intent to defeat, evade or avoid any responsibility, fine or punishment;

d) Withhold any information or any document which the Director of Property Control is entitled to receive, or make any false statement, or use or refer to any false document in order to mislead the Director of Property Control as to any of the matters which he requires to know for the purposes of this Proclamation.

ARTICLE V

POWER TO VOID TRANSACTIONS

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ARTICLE VI

CURRENCY

SECTION 1. Allied Military Lira Notes.--Lira currency in the forms of Allied military notes of the denominations, one, two, five, ten, fifty, one hundred, five hundred, and one thousand lire is hereby constituted and made legal tender for the payment of any amount in the Military Government Territory and no person shall refuse to accept such legal tender for the payment of any amount.

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SECTION 2. United States Currency and British Military Authority Notes.--All United States currency bearing a yellow seal on the right face of the bill and known as United States yellow seal currency, and all notes bearing the inscription "British Military Authority" in sterling denominations are hereby declared NOT to be legal tender in the Military Government Territory and no person shall offer or accept any such currency for the payment of any amount.

SECTION 3. It is forbidden for any person to hold or possess any of the currency mentioned in Section 2 of this article. Any person who is at the effective date of this Proclamation in possession of any such currency shall within 30 days of such date exchange the same through such agencies as the Allied Military Government may direct for lire notes at the following rates of exchange free of any commission or fee:

One dollar in United States yellow seal currency equals 100 lire;
One pound sterling in British Military Authority notes equals 400 lire.

ARTICLE VII

REGULATIONS, EXCHANGE AND FOREIGN TRADE

SECTION 1. Transactions Prohibited.--From the effective date of this Proclamation, except as authorised by the Allied Military Government from time to time:

a) All transactions in foreign exchange, and the import and export of any coins, currency, securities, and gold and silver bullion are prohibited.

b) All financial, commercial or other transactions involving trade or communication of any kind with any person outside the Military Government Territory are prohibited.

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ARTICLE VIII

RATIONING

The present system of rationing will remain in force until further order of the Allied Military Government.

ARTICLE IX

LIMITATIONS ON WAGES AND MAXIMUM PRICES

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All rates of wages for labor prevailing and all maximum prices for foodstuffs and goods officially in force in any locality on the day of the first publication of this Proclamation therein shall remain unaltered until further order of the Allied Military Government, and no person shall demand, receive or pay any sum for labor or purchases in excess of such rates or maximum prices.

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MARKING OF PRICES

All persons engaged in the business of selling foodstuffs by retail to the public shall plainly mark the same with the price thereof.

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ARTICLE XI

AGRICULTURE REGULATIONS

All laws, decrees and regulations relating to Agriculture which were in force and effect on 8 September 1943 will be strictly enforced and observed subject to any further order of the Allied Military Government.

ARTICLE XII

PENALTIES

Any person violating any provision of this proclamation shall, upon conviction by an Allied Military Court, be liable to punishment by imprisonment or fine, or both, as the Court may determine.

ARTICLE XIII

EFFECTIVE DATE

This proclamation will become operative in each province or part thereof within the Occupied Territory on the date of its first publication therein.

Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean
Theater of Operations, and Military
Governor.

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Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
OF VENEZIA GIULIA

PROCLAMATION NO. 4

CLOSING OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF MORATORIUM

I, HAROLD R.L.G. ALEXANDER, G.C.B., C.S.I., D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C., Field Marshal, Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theater of Operations, and Military Governor, hereby proclaim as follows:

ARTICLE I

CLOSING OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

SECTION 1. CLOSING OF INSTITUTIONS.--Except as provided in Sections 2 and 3 hereof, every company, institution, corporation, body or person within the Military Government Territory engaged in the business of receiving and paying out deposits, making loans, selling or purchasing securities, exchanging money, dealing in foreign exchange, maintaining safe deposit facilities, transacting insurance, or engaging in any other forms of financial business shall forthwith suspend any and all such business and the premises shall be closed, except as in this article otherwise provided. The reopening of all such business shall be upon such terms and conditions and the transacting of further financial business shall be subject to such restrictions as the Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission (hereinafter called the Chief Commissioner) or any officer empowered by him may from time to time prescribe by order. Such orders may be of general or specific application and may be notified by public announcement or by written communication addressed to any company, institution, corporation, body or person concerned.

SECTION 2. BANKING INSTITUTIONS.--Banking Institutions are authorized to engage in the following transactions:

a) Accept payments of amount due to such banking institutions.

b) Permit withdrawals in cash for payment of imposts, taxes and social insurance contributions.

c) Permit withdrawals in cash, when authorized by local representatives of the Allied Military Government, from the accounts of the following:

(1) Official governmental accounts of the State, Provinces and Communes.
(2) Social Insurance and Social Welfare Institutions.
(3) Consorzii.
(4) Such parastatal agencies as may be authorized by the Allied Military Government.

d) Receive amounts and otherwise conduct new business with respect to persons and institutions described in sub-section (c) hereof.

SECTION 3. [illegible] INSTITUTIONS.--Every

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SECTION 3. COMMERCIAL INSURANCE COMPANIES AND INSTITUTIONS.--Every company, mutual or other institution, corporation, body or person engaged in Life or General Insurance business may continue to receive and collect such premiums and other payments as are due and payable to them in respect of life or general risks and in a currency which is legal tender in the occupied territory.

SECTION 4. SOCIAL INSURANCE AND WELFARE INSTITUTIONS.--Every company, institution, corporation, body and person engaged in the administration of

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any Social Insurance or Social Welfare Scheme shall continue to receive and collect all contributions payable under any such Scheme, and to make all benefit, indemnity and other payments due or payable under any such Scheme, provided the same was legally in force prior to 8th September 1943, or is hereafter brought into force by order of the Allied Military Government.

ARTICLE II

MORATORIUM

SECTION 1. OBLIGATIONS AFFECTED.--A moratorium is hereby proclaimed in respect of all debts, claims, deposits and all other obligations for the payment of money. The Chief Commissioner or any officer empowered by him may by general or specific order suspend or terminate the above moratorium in respect of any obligation or class of obligation or in any part of the territory.

SECTION 2. OBLIGATIONS NOT AFFECTED.--The moratorium herein imposed shall not apply to:

a) Any obligation affected by said moratorium, when the total amount due and to become due, under such obligation does not exceed 5000 lire, excepting obligations of financial business as defined in Article I of this Proclamation.

b) Any payment required or permitted to be made by Section 2, Section 3 or Section 4 of Article I of this Proclamation.

SECTION 3. EFFECT OF MORATORIUM.--During the period of the moratorium, obligations affected by this proclamation are suspended and extended for the said period. No rights or powers shall be exercised at any time with respect to such obligations solely by reason of their non performance as a result of this Proclamation. Subject to the extension hereby granted, all such obligations shall be of full force and effect upon termination of such moratorium.

The moratorium shall not apply to obligations entered into in any place within the Military Government Territory after the date on which this Proclamation shall come into force in such place.

ARTICLE III

PENALTIES

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This Proclamation will become operative in each province or part thereof within the said territory of VENEZIA GIULIA on the date of its publication therein.

Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theater of Operations,
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522/ /EC. 10th June 1945.

To: A.M.G.
8th Army.

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Headquarters Staff, 13th Corps, A.M.G.

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Major Ponder of Venezie Region will cover Venezia Giulia as well as Venezie Region.
A Purchasing and Contracting Officer is not necessary.

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(e) Transportation.
Major Marks is assigned from Venezie Region.

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In order to help you in this task, he is sending Lt.Colonel Sir James Ritchie with authority to make necessary adjustments with your concurrence. Lt.Colonel Ritchie will report directly to the Executive Commissioner for any further assistance that is needed.

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M. S. LUSH
Brigadier,
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Venezie Region
SCAO 13th Corps
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FROM: Brigadier T. R. Henn

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
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10 June 1945

My dear

In accordance with our conversation this morning, I enclose a copy of the agreement between SACMED and TITO. I understand that this was signed unaltered.

I also enclose a marked copy of a map showing the "Morgan line".

Yours

TKH

Incls:
as above

Brigadier Maurice S. Lush, CB, OBE, MC
Executive Commissioner
Headquarters, Allied Commission
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Supreme Allied Commander's Secretariat

MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

Subject: Proposed Agreement between Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean and Marshal Tito

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2. All naval, military and air forces west of the line on the attached map will be placed under his command from the moment at which this agreement comes into force. Jugoslav forces in the area must be limited to a detachment of regular troops not exceeding 2,000 of all ranks. These troops will be maintained by the Supreme Allied Commander's administrative services. They will occupy a district selected by the Supreme Allied Commander west of the dividing line and will not be allowed access to the rest of the area.

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4. Marshal Tito will withdraw Jugoslav regular forces now in the portion of Venezia Giulia west of the line on the attached map by (date to be inserted) 1945. Arrangements for retention of Jugoslav detachment referred to in paragraph 2 will be worked out between the Supreme Allied Commander and the Jugoslav High Command.

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6. The Jugoslav Government will return the residents of the area whom they have arrested or deported with the exception of persons who possessed Jugoslav nationality in 1939, and make restitution of property they have confiscated or removed.

7. This agreement in no way prejudices or effects the ultimate disposal

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7. This agreement in no way prejudices or affects the ultimate disposal of parts of Venezia Giulia west of the line. Similarly the military occupation and administration by Jugoslavia of parts of Venezia Giulia east of the line in no way prejudices or affects the ultimate disposal of that area.

/s/ J. E. B.
J. E. BASTION, Jr.,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Secretary to Supreme Allied Commander.

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Sitrep number 33 up to 1700 hours 10 June.

1. Jugoslav Army. Approx 1000 Jugoslav troops in full marching order seen in TRIESTE moving East within town night 9/10. One honey moved toward central railway station. No other large scale troop movements reported as yet but loading of stores on transport proceeding. Reliable reports of some looting of machinery tools hospital equipment and schools continue to be received from TRISTE. Normal Yugoslav guards still on main installations TRIESTE. Only one application for transport received so far. This in 10 Ind Div sector.

2. Identifications. Previous report 14 Brigade 23 Div in MONTESPINO area confirmed by local Yugoslav Battalion Commander. Comment new identification.

3. Council of Liberation published decrees ordering confiscation of property and suspension of all activities of editorial offices of Piccolo. National Italian Radio Corporation TRIESTE printing works. STEFANI agency. This on grounds of collaboration with Fascists and Germans. Not known whether this property will remain in TRIESTE

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or will be appropriated by Jugoslav Army.

4. Arrests. Several arrests by Jugoslavs reported including two directors of shipbuilding yards early 9 June.

5. Food. Report in Il Corriere di TRIESTE of gift of 10 tons of food from Arty barracks 4 Jugoslav Army.

6. Security. Reliable civilian report large tailor shop TRIESTE has had to supply 500 new civilian suits for Jugoslav officials. Presume these are for Jugoslav Army personnel transferred to civil employment. All informed.

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For G-2 and GSI.

Sitrep number 32 up to 1800 hrs 9 June.

1. Jugoslav Army. No large scale moves observed. In TRIESTE vehicles being loaded with equipment including motor car parts machinery and hospital stores. Similar loading reported in MONFALCONE. Fewer Mt noted in Jugoslav vehicle car park at BARCOLA M8176. Work on vehs being done night and day. Four 105 MM guns parked and camouflaged 742999.

2. TRIESTE. Demonstration 0818303 took place no incidents. Ten speeches in Italian 1 in Slovene expressing determination to carry on fighting against Fascism and international reactionaries. Emotional reference made to internees and deportees not allowed to return to the city and being held in prison camps. Attendance approx 6,000. None of these speeches anti-Allied and little reference made to status of TRIESTE.

3. Press. First copy of Il Corriere di TRIESTE appeared this morning. Has taken over old premises of Il Nostro Avvenire. Tone very moderate announces its programme as peace liberty work and honesty no indication of open anti Allied sentiment. [illegible](?) PRIMORSKI DNEVNIK in article "in the name of democracy" describing conditions west of ISONZO states OSOPPINI are fascist brigands terrorising population.

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5. Security. Reliable civilian report that several hundred Jugoslav troops in TRIESTE area have been issued with civilian clothing. On withdrawal of Jugoslav troops they will hand in uniforms and remain behind retaining arms. They will remain subject to military discipline. Female Partisans to be similarly employed but difficulties being experienced in recruting them for this role. All informed.

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Personal for STONE from MONFORT.

Subject is personnel for AMG 13 CORPS. Request immediate assignment two experienced Patriot officers to report at once Rear? Hq AMG 13 CORPS. This is additional to staff requirements listed in my letter of 3 June to BENSON copy to you and signals AMG 8 ARMY M1069 and M1075. Please signal names and Eta.

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The following is the text of a letter which was addressed to the American Ambassador at Belgrade on June 9 by Dr. Ivan Subasic, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Provisional Yugoslav Government:

"Excellency,

"On the occasion of the conclusion of the military agreement between the Government of Democratic Federative Yugoslavia and the Governments of the U. S. and Great Britain concerning the occupation and the administration of Venezia Giulia, I have the honor to communicate to you the following declaration of the Yugoslav Government with the request to bring it to the knowledge of the Government of the U. S. of America.

"The Government of Democratic Federative Yugoslavia have decided to conclude with the Governments of the United States of America and Great Britain the military agreement as proposed by the note of June the second 1945.

"The Yugoslav Government are full aware how much the feelings and interests of the Yugoslav population in Istria, in Trieste, and in the Slovene Littoral, as well as those of all the Yugoslav peoples are hurt by the fact that a greater part of the Yugoslav Army on the request of our Allies has to withdraw from the territories which it had liberated from the enemy yoke at the cost of so many sacrifices, and especially as almost all the places with the exception of Trieste are inhabited by compact Yugoslav population.

"The Yugoslav Government, however, took this decision in order to prevent on their part every possible cause which might lead to an eventual conflict, to preserve the friendship of the Allied Armies achieved in the fierce fighting, and in order also to promote and fortify good relations with their Allies securing and reinforcing by that the peace in Europe.

"The Yugoslav Government are confident that their decision will in no way prejudice the justified national claims of Yugoslavia as well as the claims of the population of Istria, Trieste, and the Slovene Littoral, who in the course of this war have risen in the fight against the common enemies, the Fascist Italy and the Nazi Germany,

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and have made enormous sacrifices for the Allied cause, proving by that in a most manifest way their desire to be included in Democratic Federative Yugoslavia.

"At the same time, the Yugoslav Government hope that in the working out of the detailed arrangements involved in the military agreement favourable provisions will be made in order to secure the interests of the local Slav population and Yugoslavia.

"The Yugoslav Government avail themselves of this opporutnity to state that in the area concerned no confiscation of properties or deportations, and no arrests were made by the Yugoslav authorities except on the ground of military security and this only when persons known as prominent Fascists or war criminal were in question.

"In communicating the foregoing, I beg Your Excellency, to accept the assurance of my highest consideration."

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In view settlement in VENEZIA GIULIA (GIULIA) likely at early (date?); absolutely imperitive that MONFORT (MONFORT) be supplied with fully qualified personnel as requested in our signals M1069 of 4 and M1073 of 5 June within the next 72 hours.

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For G-2 and GSI. Intrep No 31 up to 1700 hrs 8 June.

1. JUGOSLAV ARMY. During night movement of vehicles and personnel towards railway station MB20742 including 12 vehs loaded with SA 2 ambulances loaded with sick and hat loaded with hospital equipment. 0720108 500 JUGOSLAV troops moved through SAN [illegible] going west to a village 700 yards north west. Ref intrep No 29. The 2 Battalions STAZIE BDE reported vicinity of SANBASSO not contacted on ground by II US CORPS but some 60 ex TODT workers found.

2. GARIBALDINI. Ref some voluntary handing in of arms by GARIBALDINI previously reported it is believed that only small portion of arms are being surrendered and all automatic weapons hidden.

3. TRIESTE. Works committees ordered by JUSO syndicalist organization to release workers to attend a demonstration in PIA UNITA 0818000B to express popular favour of present administration and wish for its continuation.

4. PRESS. Today IL NOSTRO AVVENIRE announces intention to cease publication. No concrete reasons given. BIJA weekly IL LAVORATORE will apparently continue. Further orders published suspending activities of firms convicted of collaboration with Fascists and Germans. All informed.

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Personal for STONE from HUMPORT.

Corps commander again insists best personnel in ALLIED COMMISSION be assigned to me for this job. HUMPHR has passed me authority communicate you direct. Ref my letter of 3 June to HUMPHR, copy to you and signals AMB 8 ARMY M1069 and M1073 of 5 June referring, no reply yet received. Request immediate reply and full information when personnel requested will arrive this Hq MYCHIE requested by HUMPHR without consultation with me not acceptable.

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PARA ONE FD COMMODORE BENSON IN CONFERENCE WITH COLONEL MONTGOMERY HAS REQUESTED THAT LIEUT COLONEL NICHOLS BE ASSIGNED TO VENEZIA GIULIA AS EXECUTIVE TO COL MONTGOMERY FD

PARA TWO FIVEARMY FOR AND FOR GENERAL HUSE FROM ALLIED CAIC ACCLA PARAPHRASE OFFICER WOULD REPLACE LIEUT COLONEL SCHOLZ WHO HAS URGENT COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS FOR RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES FD REQUEST MATTER BE TREATED AS URGENT FD

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N. W. DRAGNEFF
Lt Col, AGD,
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NICHOLAS PISCHINO
Cpt, USA,
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Intrep number 30. Up to 1700 hours 7 June.

1. Jug Army. Small parties of Yugoslavs at H816955 have prevented our movement east toward point (581 H8195 ?). THIRTY night 6/7 June. Much movement at railway station Hotel METROPOLE evacuated by 150 (190 ?) troops. No other signs of movement and Jugoslavs continue to requisition more flats.

2. Repatriates. 1220 Italian and 180 (120 ?) French ex PW arrived by ship at MUGGIA H 86 6 June reputedly from GREECE and evacuated to Corps refugee camp 7 June. Jugoslavs state total of 3700 arriving including 1600 6 June.

3. TRIESTE. Approximately 400 civilians believed Slovene arrived railway station PM 6 June and conducted into town in small batches. Further reports of pressure brought to bear on factory workers to sign declaration desiring incorporation in JUGOSLAVIA. PRIMORSKI DNEVIK states Jugoslav Army signals completed repairs of all outgoing telephone lines within 20 days of liberation of TRIESTE which now has communications with FIUME PARINA LJUBLJANA ZAGREB and BELGRADE.

4. Press. Priest DON GANGLANI active member of liberation council quoted by Il Nostro Avvenire 6 June as stating at meeting he personally ascertained at UDINE that 320 assembled TRIESTINI were dissuaded from returning home and that mass shooting took place at UD INE. Il Nostro Avvenire 7 June quotes BELGRADE article demanding return of Jugoslav war criminals now in Allied concentration camps in ITALY

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and expressing confidence Allies will assist. Also reports meeting of TITO and delegates of Catholic clergy in CROATIA.

5. Propaganda. Anti Italian leaflets distributed 6 June by a civilian GARRIA H67791.

6. Security. New Zealand telephone line cut with stones at SOCNICO H805829 7th June line at H670955 also cut each night between 2nd and 5th June. Notebook showing sketches New Zealand unit signs dispositions headquarters and numbers of motor transport tanks and personnel in area 9 New Zealand infantry brigade taken from Slovene girl seen making notes. All informed.

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1. Recent references in speeches by TITO. Official representations by the Jugoslav Govt (VLE Vice Premier) when proposed agreement was delivered, TANJUG broadcasts, Jugoslav and Russian press all stress propaganda portraying deplorable conditions for Slovenians in CARINTHIA under and resulting from AMG administration in that area. Specific instances of these are as follows.

2. (A) 26 May. All Jugoslav press reported units of Allied police and those of former Carinthian Hitlerite Govt were arresting Slovenians in KLAGENFURT. TANJUG announced that on 23 Allied Military police surrounded the Hq of the Carinthian Regional National Liberation Committee, searched it in an "extraordinary and cruel" manner and arrested several people, including VLADIMIR KRIPACH. At the same time a Slovenian anti Fascist printing press was taken over by force and sealed. Alleged other arrests of Slovenes carried out; that local police were former Ustape.

(B) 26 May. TITO made a speech in LJULANA in which he said "already we hear the cries of our Carinthian Brethren and their shouts for help".

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(C) 29 May. Jugoslav daily paper Borba referred to the "Nazi Govt of KLAGENFURT" and accused Allies of closing their eyes while Nazis persecuted the Jugoslavian fighters for National Liberty.

(D) 2 June. PRAVDA published an article from a TASS correspondent referring to the delegation from the Regional National Liberation Committee of Carinthia to see TITO in LJUBLJANA. They complained that persons prominent under Nazism were given full freedom of action, including ROTHIG and Bishop ROJMAN. Many SS men, Nedich gangsters and white guards had been enlisted by AMG into police and gendarmerie, who were conducting a reign of terror, and referred to the incidents mentioned in (A) above.

(E) Vice Premier KARDELJ referred to the victimization of the Slovian population in Carinthia when notes from Govts in connection with VENEZIA GIULIA were delivered.

3. It is appreciated that most of this propaganda and that charges are baseless. You should, hoever, keep in mind when appointing local officials, and generally in connection with AMG activities, the special nature of the propaganda that is being directed against the situation in Carinthia and ensure that extra care is taken to avoid the provision of ammunition for this propaganda campaign.

4. Desired that you report fully on relations with Slovenes and comment on any of reports which require comment as basis for counter-propaganda measures which are under urgent consideration here. Officer this Mq being dispatched to you today to assist in preparation report and collect information for you.

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5. OCCUPATION OF POLA

(JPS Study No. P/295 (Final))

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THE DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Directed that the Chief of Staff should instruct Commanding General, 15th Army Group to make preparation for the occupation of POLA by overland movement and the establishment of Allied Military Government in the area immediately around that port, and should at the same time suggest to 15th Army Group that it was considered at AFHQ that an occupational force of the order of a Brigade group should be adequate for this task.

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Minute No.6.

6. POLICY IN REGARD TO VENEZIA GIULIA.
(JPS Study No. P/236b(Final).
(Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 29).

THE CONFERENCE had before them a paper suggesting policies in regard to a number of points which had been raised by Eighth Army with regard to Allied Military Government in VENEZIA GIULIA, together with a second paper containing decisions reached in regard to these matters at a meeting which had been held by the Chief of Staff.

THE DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER referring to a recommendation that force could be used to prevent the Jugoslav Army from removing heavy plant, motor vehicles and other equipment at the time of its withdrawal from AMG territory, said that he thought this instruction was much too broadly worded. He considered that under no circumstances should Eighth Army make any general application of force without prior reference to this Headquarters. His present directive from the President of the United States made it quite clear that force could not be generally employed. An incident involving the use of force after signature of the agreement by Marshal TITO would, GENERAL McNARNEY considered, be most unfortunate.

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LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON expressed the view that it was unlikely that the Jugoslavs would begin wholesale looting at the time of their withdrawal since they would not have the transport to undertake removal of goods and equipment on any scale.

SIR DESMOND MORTON reported that he was authorised to say that the British Government did not view the use of force with alarm, although any unnecessary use of force would of course, be deplored.

ADMIRAL CUNNINGHAM stated that he was under instructions from the Supreme Allied Commander to prevent the unauthorised removal by the Jugoslavs of Naval supplies or equipment from the Port of TRIESTE by force if necessary. He had issued instructions to the Naval Commander in TRIESTE accordingly.

THE DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

2. Directed that:

1. The policy in regard to the use of force by 15 Army Group against Jugoslavs should be in accordance with the remarks at X above.

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(JPS Study No. P/296 (Final).
(Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 29).

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THE DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER referring to a recommendation that force could be used to prevent the Jugoslav Army from removing heavy plant, motor vehicles and other equipment at the time of its withdrawal from AMG territory, said that he thought this instruction was much too broadly worded. He considered that under no circumstances should Eighth Army make any general application of force without prior reference to this Headquarters. His present directive from the President of the United States made it quite clear that force could not be generally employed. An incident involving the use of force after signature of the agreement by Marshal TITO would, GENERAL McNARNEY considered, be most unfortunate.

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LIEUTENANT GENERAL ROBERTSON expressed the view that it was unlikely that the Jugoslavs would begin wholesale looting at the time of their withdrawal since they would not have the transport to undertake removal of goods and equipment on any scale.

SIR DESMOND MORTON reported that he was authorised to say that the British Government did not view the use of force with alarm, although any unnecessary use of force would of course, be deplored.

ADMIRAL CUNNINGHAM stated that he was under instructions from the Supreme Allied Commander to prevent the unauthorised removal by the Jugoslavs of Naval supplies or equipment from the Port of TRIESTE by force if necessary. He had issued instructions to the Naval Commander in TRIESTE accordingly.

THE DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

a. Directed that:

1. The policy in regard to the use of force by 15 Army Group against Jugoslavs should be in accordance with the remarks at X above.

2. The policy in this respect stated at para 2 b of Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 29 in reference to para 3 b of JPS Study No. P/296 (Final) should be regarded as cancelled.

b. Instructed the Chief of Staff to issue orders to 15 Army Group accordingly.

c. Confirmed that the existing instructions, issued to Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean, in regard to the use of force by naval forces to prevent the removal of essential port equipment from TRIESTE, remained unaltered.

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Subject is personnel for VENEZIA GIULIA.

Further to my M 1069 of 4 June. Have today discussed whole question with Colonel MONFORT and we consider that the following additional officers are urgently required.

1. 1 transportation officer.

2. 1 junior purchasing and contracting officer.

3. 1 displaced persons officer suitable for running camps.

4. A capable officer, preferably rank Lt Colonel, as executive to Colonel MONFORT. This officer would replace Lt Col SHOLTZ who has urgent compassionate grounds for returning to the UNITED STATES. Lt Col MICHIE now with 5 ARMY would be very acceptable if available.

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It was also agreed here at same conference that formation of separate administrative units should be formed to hold the personnel for the Legion. For this purpose sufficient additional American personnel are required to run a separate company of 2675 Regt and 2 experienced British NCOS to assist present camp cadre for the British detachment.

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Following policy will appy in regard to flying of flags in Allied area of VENEZIA GIULIA after JUGOSLAVS have withdrawn and AMG is established.

1. On official buildings which are in any way controlled by or part of AMG only display permitted is that of US and British flags jointly. This applies to police stations whether manned by local SLOVENE or Italian police or by carabinieri.

2. Concentrations of troops in barracks or camps may fly their own National flags in such areas eg JUGOSLAV Detachment may fly the JUGOSLAV flag and Italian flag may be flown over carabinieri barracks (as opposed to police stations referred to in para 1 above).

3. There is to be no restriction on display of flags on private residences and buildings.

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POLICY IN REGARD TO VENEZIA GIULIA

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SECRETARIES:-

Lieutenant Colonel J. G. Sweetman
Major Robert T. Hanley

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1. THE CONFERENCE had before them paper P/296 (Final) setting out the recommendations of the Joint Planning Staff concerning a number of points, which had been raised by Eighth Army, with regard to the occupation of the area of VENEZIA GIULIA to be brought under AMG in the event of agreement being reached with the Jugoslavs.

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a. Cover Note

Para 2 (a) - Recommendation agreed.
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Para 6 - Recommendation agreed. In amplification it was considered that the Jugoslavs should be informed that normal trade and movement across the boundary would be permitted, but AMG authorities reserved the right to stop unwarranted or abnormal movements. Military Security checks would be imposed but frontier control, in the accepted sense, would not be established.

Para 7 - Recommendation was agreed but it was emphasized that the period, for which telephone and telegraph facilities were suspended, should be restricted to the minimum and should not be more than a matter of hours.

Para 8 - Recommendation agreed.

Para 9 - Recommendation agreed.

Para 10 - Recommendation agreed. In addition it was noted that under the draft agreement a Jugoslav Liaison Mission would be attached to Headquarters, Eighth Army.

Para 11 - Agreed.

Para 12 - Recommendation agreed, except that the reference to Commanding General 15 Army Group should be amended to read "Commander Eighth Army". It was agreed that Carabinieri should only be employed in predominantly Italian areas, but it was considered that elsewhere, in addition to Allied troops, local Slovene police could be used if they were found to be working satisfactorily.

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4. THE CHIEF OF STAFF directed that, in the light of the policies set our above:-

a. The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 should draft for his approval an instruction to Commander Eighth Army in reply to his memorandum.

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b. The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, should immediately notify all concerned of the policy in regard to flags as set out at para 3 (a) above.

c. The Secretary should prepare for his approval an agenda and brief for the conference which, if the Jugoslavs accepted the United States and British proposals, he would have with the Jugoslav Chief of Staff.

J. G. SWEETMAN,
LIEUTENANT COLONEL,
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Subject is personnel and transport for VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. Require to know Rts of labour officer ordered from Establishment Branch by Executive Commissioner in 8 Army Signals M1056 of 30 May also of 2 additional finance officer promised by Brig GRANTHAM SMITH when on visit here.

2. After consultation with Col MONFORT consider Majors LOCKWOOD-TATHAM and REVELEY unsuitable owing to lack of experience for positions as Senior Supply and Public Safety officers and really capable substitutes are required. MONFORT requests Lt-Cols TOSCANI and BYE if 5TH ARMY are now in position to release them alternatively other officers of 1st class calibre and experience are required.

3. Shortage of RM/CMS grave handicap since in this area use of civilian clerical help not possible on scale prevailing in rest of ITALY. MONFORT request up to 30 clerks incl experienced W.O. and some trained in administrative duties.

4. Transport also short but deficiency can be made up from 15 Cwts being turned over to VENEZIA Region by MG AUSTRIA as outlined in MG AUSTRIA letter to you ref AG/1516 of 1 June. Some of these vehicles now in UDINE. Do you wish meto hand some over to VENEZIA GIULIA. If so how many. An equivalent number of drivers would have to be supplied by you as none available here.

5. Whole subject covered by memorandum from MONFORT dated 3 June copy of which is now enroute to you. Additional proposals contained therein but not dealt with in this signal are being considered by this Hq and further demands will follow. (SEE OVER)

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EIGHTH ARMY MEMORANDUM ON VENEZIA GIULIA
(Cover Note by MJPS)

1. In accordance with terms of reference received from the Deputy Chief of Staff dated 1 June the MJPS have examined the memorandum submitted by Eighth Army on VENEZIA GIULIA and have prepared the paper attached as Appendix "A" in question and answer form.

2. In addition to the specific questions presented by Eighth Army, the following points were considered during the meeting, were discussed, and recommendations are as indicated.

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b. We consider that a copy of the proposed agreement, mentioned above, should be dispatched to Eighth Army, if this has not already been done, together with the answers to their memorandum.

c. We recommend that we should offer to the Jugoslavs every assistance in carrying out their withdrawal to the east of the agreed line, including the use of Allied transport, in so far as this can be done without detriment to our own requirements. This is a matter which might suitably be discussed at the meeting between the Allied and Jugoslav Chiefs of Staff.

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APPENDIX A.

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Mediterranean Joint Planning Staff

3 June 1945.

MEMORANDUM ON VENEZIA GIULIA

This paper sets out a number of points raised by Eighth Army with the views of the MJPS added below each point.

1. The demarkation of the tactical boundary appears to be a problem which had best be settled between Commanders conversant with the ground. It is suggested that to avoid any arguments between our troops and the Jugoslavs, it would be advisable for posts and road blocks to be not less than 1 km apart.

We agree that the demarkation of the boundary should be settled on the ground, as has in fact been recommended in AFHQ signal FX 85622. It is pointed out, however, that the boundary is an administrative line based on certain military considerations, and not a "tactical boundary" as stated.

We also agree that posts and road blocks should not be less than 1 km apart. If this is accepted, arrangements may have to be made to cover residents within the 1 km belt. This point should be investigated on the ground, and is one which might suitably be discussed between the Allied and Jugoslav Chiefs of Staff at their meeting.

2. It is known that the Jugoslav system of disseminating orders is slow and uncertain. It is considered, therefore, that sufficient time should be given between the signing of the agreement and the time when Jugoslav troops must be east of the agreed boundary. To avoid any incident during the withdrawal, it would be wise to fix an interval of 24 hours between the Jugoslav evacuation and the forward movement of Allied troops.

We consider that 72 hours might be taken as a suitable period between the signing of the agreement and the time by which Jugoslav troops must be withdrawn east of the agreed demarkation line. The exact period should be settled between the Allied and Jugoslav Chiefs of Staff at their meeting, and may vary in different areas. It is desirable that it should be as short as possible (i.e. it may be less than 72 hours in some areas) in order to ensure that the Jugoslavs have the minimum time for removing property (para 3 refers), and that AMG and food supplies are introduced as early as possible.

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3. a. It is thought that once the Jugoslav Army knows that it is to withdraw, it will take the opportunity of taking with it motor vehicles, rolling stock, and such heavy plant as they can find the means to move. To keep this movement within bounds, a definite agreement is required with the Jugoslavs on this matter.

This is covered by para 6 of the proposed agreement.

b. In addition a clear directive should be issued to Eighth Army setting out what preventative measures the Army should take to prevent general clearance.

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We consider that a directive should be issued to provide that where Allied troops are already in occupation of areas from which Jugoslav forces are to withdraw, all steps including the use of force if necessary will be taken to prevent obvious breaches of the agreement.

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c. It is recommended that the agreement should stipulate that AMG should be established 24 hours after the signing of the agreement, i.e., before the Jugoslav withdrawal is complete.

We do not agree with this recommendation since AMG can only be established in the wake of occupational forces. It cannot proceed them.

4. Fixed coastal defences round, and about, TRIESTE which are now in serviceable condition should be handed over intact with their stores.

We consider that all fixed coastal defences, irrespective of their state, should be handed over intact with their stores.

5. An urgent matter will be disarmament of all Partisans west of the agreed boundary. A scheme is being worked out by Headquarters Eighth Army to deal with this problem.

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It should be confirmed that the scheme being worked out by Headquarters Eighth Army is in accordance with the policy indicated in the above mentioned AFHQ directives.

6. The governing factor in the AMG problem is whether the military boundary is to be a closed frontier or not. If it is to be closed, then it is for consideration as to what facilities shall be afforded as regards movement of goods and vehicles across the demarkation line, also whether train services and mail facilities are to be permitted. It is possible that the Jugoslavs may require to use the port of TRIESTE as a means of bringing in supplies for the hinterland. A closed boundary might seriously affect the economic life of the Jugoslavs portion of VENEZIA GIULIA. On the other hand, if it is not to be closed there are obvious disadvantages such as ability to bring in and disseminate all forms of propaganda.

We consider that the boundary should not be a closed frontier. Trade and all movement across the demarkation line, both by road and rail, including the movement of supplies through TRIESTE, should be subject to our control. This applies equally to movement in both directions. Mail facilities should be permitted as soon as circumstances allow.

The disadvantages inherent in this policy are recognised but we consider that they should be accepted.

7. A problem to be considered is the amount of facilities which can be given for telephoning and telegraphing between the two occupied areas. It is recommended that no facilities should be given for civilians telephoning and that the exchanges should be under military control.

We consider that initially all "through" telephone and telegraph facilities should be suspended. These should be reintroduced as soon as possible subject to Allied military control. When this has been established, civilians should be allowed the use of these facilities.

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We consider that political refugees now west of the demarkation line should be allowed to remain, and that those wishing to move in from Jugoslav occupied areas should be allowed to do so.

Any persons who wish to cross into the Jugoslav occupied area should also be permitted to do so.

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We consider that AMG and Metropolitan Lire should both be declared legal tender. Other currencies should be allowed to remain in circulation but should not be recognised. In particular no exchange rate should be quoted for any currencies other than AMG and Metropolitan Lire. Allied troops should be warned accordingly.

We understand that it is proposed to advance AMG lire to local paymasters for payment of the detachment of regular Jugoslav troops who will be permitted to remain west of the demarkation line in accordance with para 4 of the agreement.

10. It is clear that if negotiations are to work efficiently and smoothly, there must be a Jugoslav Headquarters both military and civil with whom these Headquarters can discuss the many matters that must arise after the agreement has been signed. It is obvious that a number of points will demand quick decision and it is thought that if all messages and discussions have to be referred to BELG ADM, too great a delay may arise. It is recommended, therefore, that the Jugoslav Government should nominate a Headquarters, such as Headquarters Slovene or Headquarters 4Army, competent to deal with all these matters.

We agree that this proposal is most desirable but we consider that it is hardly possible to attempt to enforce it. It is a matter which should be dealt with by the Chief of Staff at his meeting with the Jugoslav Chief of Staff.

11. It is possible that certain key officials of railways, banks, police services docks, may have been removed prior to the agreement being settled. It is considered that all such people should be returned under the agreement. It is also considered that political prisoners, of whatever nationality, whose homes are in our occupied area, should not be removed by the Jugoslavs when the agreement is signed.

This is already covered by para 6 of the proposed agreement.

12. The Carabinieri are part of the Italian Army and owe allegiance to the Italian Sovereign. It is considered that steps should be taken to divorce the existing Carabinieri in our occupied area from the Ministry of War, and that they should swear allegiance to Military Government and be put under command Eighth Army and carry the Eighth Army Flash.

We do not agree with the proposal that steps should be taken to alter the status and allegiance of the Carabinieri in the area west of the demarkation line, since we consider that this is impracticable.

We understand that it has already been agreed that no further Carabinieri should be imported into the area west of the demarkation line, and we consider that such Carabinieri as are already there should be allowed to continue to function at the discretion of CG, 15 Army Group. For his guidance it is suggested that

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SUBJECT : Reports.

TO : R.C. Venezia Region.

Attached is copy of report on Personalities in Friuli which has been received from a secret source.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Personalities in Friuli.

1. Personalities in the Garibaldi Division.

(a) Giovanni PADOVAN (VANNI) Political Commissioner. About 33 years old. Imprisoned for political offences in 1929, released 1932. At one time was known as LANUT CARNUNAR. Very intelligent and pro-Slav. Directed propaganda for the inclusion of Friuli with Yugoslavia and also against the Allies.

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(c) Mario LIZZERO (ANDREA). Political Commissar of the Garibaldi Friuli. Born MONTEGLIANO 28.6.13. Formerly clerk in grocery store, now living in CIVIDALE, Via Ristoria 8a. Very intelligent. Communist and Pro-Slav. Described as having great personality. Takes his orders from Yugoslav HQ. Was imprisoned for seven years by Fascists for political offences.

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Avv. Giovanni GUSATTINI	:	Socialist.
Prof. Arno VARISCO	:	Liberal
Avv. Manlio CARDI	:	Liberal
Dott. Del BIANCO	:	Action Party

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3. Personalities in the OSRPO.

(a) Professor Candido GRASSI (VERDI) : Head of the Movement. He is decided not to let Friuli pass under Yugoslav domination. Very friendly to the Allies and quite prepared to let them sove the political problem of Friuli. Intelligent and capable leader. Enjoys wide popularity. Blacklisted by "GARIBALDI".

(b) Lt. Col. Amerigo de MEDA (ALBERICO): Together with VERDI is founder of the "OSRPO". Anti Yugoslav.

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SAC (P) (45) 13th Meeting
31st May 1945

SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
(POLITICAL)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE (POLITICAL) HELD IN THE G-3 WAR ROOM AT 1030 HOURS ON THURSDAY 31ST MAY 1945

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4. RELATIONS WITH JUGOSLAVS

(Previous reference SAC (P) (45) 12th Meeting, Minute 6)

MAJOR GENERAL LEMNITZER reported that the text of the note to be handed to Marshal Tito by the British and American Ambassadors in BELGRADE regarding the occupation of VENEZIA GIULIA had been agreed upon. Information had been received from the United States Political Adviser that the port of POLA was to be included in the demands and, accordingly, marked maps had been dispatched to the embassies in BELGRADE showing the area around that Port which the Supreme Allied Commander would need to control in the event that Marshal Tito acceded to these demands.

THE DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Took note of the above report.

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Italian Division, SI, MMIS
Headquarters Detachment
2677th REGIMENT (Prov)

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are transferred from one prison to the other and finally loaded on trucks and taken to unknown destinations. Most of the arrested, often on the accusation of servants, were never interrogated nor given any explanation. There have been also several releases without explanation. Many Italian Communists have also been arrested. They are asked to serve Tito's cause with absolute devotion. If they accept, they are released and put to work for the Slavs, otherwise they are considered traitors and their fate is unknown.

2. Political Situation

- The Italian CLN is once more working underground. The new leaders, appointed by the former ones as they departed to seek the support of the Italian Government, are Ercole Miani and the Ferluga brothers, one an engineer and the other a lawyer, who live in hiding. AMG tried to persuade them to collaborate with OF (Osvoboldina Fronta - Yugoslav Liberation Front), but CLN refused because they felt that OF had betrayed them too many times.

- CLN is active in urging the people of Trieste to remain calm and in keeping them informed on international developments. It is also collecting as much evidence as possible on Yugoslav activity in the city.

- Statements by the U.S. State Department and by the BBC have had very good effect on CLN and on the population in general, who hope that AMG will soon take over the city.

- Italian Communists appear undecided as they have received no directives from Rome. Yugoslav Communists take it for granted that Italian Communists will fully support their policy, but many of the latter oppose the Yugoslav policy of annexation. Italian Communists have made two attempts to approach CLN and it is expected that they will soon collaborate with it. About two hundred Italian Communists have financially contributed to the Action Party and many have signed anti-Tito statements.

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- Anti-Tito Slavs are reportedly active but so far they have not sought to get in touch with Italian CLN.

- Dr. Stepancich, at present Chief Medical Officer for the Trieste province and also politically active, stated in a recent interview that Yugoslavs had shown much leniency and tolerance toward Triestini in an attempt to gain their cooperation. He added that cooperation has not been obtained and that Italians and some Slav minorities look at Tito's Government as if it were an enemy. Local Yugoslav leaders are now advocating stronger

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3. Propaganda

Yugoslav propaganda uses the following arguments:

- Trieste is Italian but would be better off under "victorious Yugoslavia" than under "defeated Italy;"
- Yugoslavia is a democratic nation, which would guarantee freedom to everybody whereas Italy is still dominated by Fascist influence (examples to sustain this argument: Roatta's escape, lack of energetic epuration);
- Yugoslavia is ready to guarantee autonomy for Trieste, whereas Italy has never offered autonomy;
- Yugoslavia, member of a Communist Central European bloc, can make Trieste a wealthy port, whereas Italy can offer no hinterland;
- Yugoslavia, a federation of independent nations, can accept and protect an Italian minority, to whom she can guarantee its rights and its Italian traditions.

  It is interesting to note that this propaganda is signed by persons who claim to be Italian and who try to persuade Italians by appealing to their nationalist feelings. The propaganda, however, has not the effect desired, and Italians are united in their desire to see the Yugoslavs leave their city.

- Italians spread little propaganda as they can do so only clandestinely. CLN, besides exhorting the people to be calm, counteracts Yugoslav propaganda by upholding the idea that Trieste should enjoy an autonomy guaranteed by an international agreement.

4. Food Situation

The situation is serious and becoming increasingly so. Despite Yugoslav and CEAIS promises, no supplies have arrived. The bread ration is 100 or 150 grams per day. Recently, white bread, made with flour captured from the Germans, was distributed for two days. The press played up this distribution as a sign of good will and of future welfare, but food is almost impossible to find even on the black market. Black market prices, in effect on 18 May, follow:

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5. Transportation and Industry

- Yugoslav requisitioned all automobiles, trucks, bicycles, sanitation trucks, anything on wheels. All rolling stock is being taken to Ljubljana.

- Yugoslavs are sending to Yugoslavia all the wood, mostly hard, stored by the Germans at the University. They are also shipping

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to their country 1000 items of clothing, and also blankets and uniforms, which the Germans had stored in the Via Rismondo school.

- The Lancia factory, the officine Meccaniche, the Stabilimento Tecnico, and the gas plant are in poor condition because the civilian population entered these buildings and destroyed or stole most of the equipment during the last days of the emergency.

The Cilia and Bianchi plants are in good condition.

All available plants are working for the Yugoslavs, but neither the work nor the workers are paid.

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NOTES ON A CONVERSATION 30 MAY 1945 WITH MR. JOHN FISHER, BRITISH WAR CORRESPONDENT, "DAILY MAIL," RE TRIESTE.

Fisher had just come from TRIESTE and is going back tomorrow morning.

Italian Morale.

Since the Alexander message, in the absence of any move by the Allies morale is falling rapidly and Italians are beginning to wonder whether we really mean business.

Requisitioning.

Yugoslavs are requisitioning right, left and centre, not always even giving a nominal receipt; motor cars, armchairs, radio sets, cutlery, etc. So keen are the residents to avoid property being requisitioned by the Yugoslavs that in one day no less than 750 houses were offered to the Town Major, and Fisher himself has been offered two cars. The Navy, in spite of their profession, have even been offered horses!

New Zealanders.

These troops are, on the whole, behaving well. They mix in the bars of TRIESTE with the Yugoslavs and considering the situation few clashes take place. There is little drunkenness. They are, however, markedly anti-TITO.

Navy.

H.M.S. AJAX and four destroyers are now in TRIESTE Harbour.

Port of TRIESTE.

Two channels are cleared. Last week a mine went up astern of an Allied vessel in a cleared channel. It is not known whether this was faulty clearing or attempted sabotage.

General.

The attitude of the Italians is extremely cordial towards the Allies though, as I have said, doubts are beginning to arise as the result of no action since the Alexander message.

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x According to S'Hay Sitrep just received Trieste Provincial Team has also to move in to Trieste on 28/5 - Licquito under 13 Corps order, with to Apply hastings Lit Jugs to set up Apls.

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Tel: 47821

Ref: 152/264/PC.

30 May 1945.

SUBJECT: AMG Eighth Army Sitrep as at 2359 hrs 24 May.

TO : G-5, AFHQ.

The following information has been received from AMG EIGHTH Army dated 24 May:

"1. The TRIESTE Provincial team has been concentrated today at MONFALCONE and will move into TRIESTE tomorrow, 25 May, under orders of 13 Corps. All AMG markings have been removed from their vehicles and they will remain incognito until agreement has been reached with the Jugoslavs on the setting up of AMG. The Provincial team have been attached to HQ 55 Area.

2. The GORIZIA Provincial team has been concentrated at GRADISCA under orders of L.O. 2 U.S. Corps and will be moved into GORIZIA as soon as 2 Corps require them.

3. Eight AMG officers are now concentrated at CORMONS awaiting call forward by Corps L.Os into communes in GORIZIA and TRIESTE Provinces. Two officers have also been smuggled into MONFALCONE under orders of 56 Division and will set up AMG there as soon as the situation permits.

4. Almost all JUGOSLAV forces have withdrawn East of the ISONZO River.

5. VENEZIA GIULIA Sub-Region HQ has now been concentrated at UDINE and will be moved into TRIESTE as soon as Military Government has been established there.

6. A revised proclamation has been prepared containing provisions of Part I of Proclamation No.1, but recorded to fit the conditions peculiar to VENEZIA GIULIA. Parts II and III of Proclamation No.1 and the remainder of the Proclamations normally posted on first day of entry are being redrafted with the same end in view.

7. It is reported that food conditions in TRIESTE are deteriorating but that there is no appearance of starvation yet. An application [illegible] from the Jugoslav authorities to purchase large quantities [illegible] UDINE Province has been refused. It is also reported that the Jugoslavs are removing large quantities of machinery, spare parts, leather belting, batteries etc., from TRIESTE.

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As disarmament proceeds in VENEZIA Province many groups of Partisans, particularly those with leaning towards the Jugoslavs are moving eastwards with their arms into UDINE Province.

It is reported/....

CC Chief of Staff

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It is reported from TRIESTE that the Partisans are displaying dissatisfaction in so far as their relations with the Jugoslavs are concerned, and a number of desertions have taken place. The Communists have stated that when the Jugoslavs withdraw they will join the C.L.N.

9. The Questore of UDINE has been suspended on account of his unsuitability for the appointment.

For the Chief Commissioner:

for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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For the Chief Commissioner

for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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AMG MAIN 8 ARMY FROM CLUSH

HQ ALCOM FOR ACMIC INFO FREEDOM FOR GEORGE 5 SEC FILPOT FOR GEORGE 5
SEC MAIN 8 ARMY FOR COS PADOVA FOR VENEZIE REGION FOR R. C.

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Reference this Hq signal M1407 of 28 May. This was discussed at a meeting today at 8 ARMY AMG HQ between SCAO, RC VENEZIE Region, Chief Financial Advisor, Directive Commissioner. The following answers are recorded.

1. No, frontier will be closed by military for all purposes.

2. All trade and movements of food will be controlled.

3. AMG lire will be legal currency together with Italian Metropolitan currency vide new proclamation No. 2.

4. Existing Italian taxation will be continued but revenue will accrue to autonomous fund.

5. Presume Arbitrary boundary has been fixed so that at least water supply for TRIESTE commune is assured. If power is generated in YUGOSLAVIA supply by local agreement if possible. At same time steps to be taken to deflect power from Italian sources.

6. See answer to one. Must accept political refugees in whatever numbers offered.

7. No trans frontier mail, telephones or telegraphs in the initial stages. Later a reciprocal agreement may be arrived at.

8. Any national flag may be flown.

9. No, this is not a national flag.

10. Peoples courts will be allowed to continue but immediate steps will be taken to legalise it and screen its personnel.

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EIGHTARMY MAIN FOR AMG

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SUBJECT IS VENEZIA GIULIA PD

REFERENCE YOUR MIKE ONE ZERO FOUR SEVEN OF TWO EIGHT MAY PD

PAREN TO EIGHTARMY MAIN FOR AMG. MIKE GEORGE LEFT AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE CMA ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE CMA ABLE MIKE GEORGE VENEZIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FROM HQ ALCOM SIGNED STONE PAREN ABLE PAREN REFERENCE PARA THREE PD IN TERRITORY WHERE PROCLAMATION NUMBER TWO IS POSTED ABLE MIKE LIRE WILL BE LEGAL TENDER PD NO ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE CIRCULATION OF YUGOSLAV CURRENCY OR RATE OF EXCHANGE SHOULD BE MADE FOR THE TIME BEING PD YOU ARE REQUESTED TO REPORT TO THE FIELDS SUBCOMMISSION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AS TO THE AMOUNT OF YUGOSLAV CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION IN THOSE AREAS IN WHICH AMG IS FUNCTIONING PD PAREN BAKER PAREN REFERENCE PARA FOUR PD COLLECTION OF REVENUE SHOULD CONTINUE IN THOSE AREAS IN WHICH ABLE MIKE GEORGE IS FUNCTIONING AS IN OTHER PARTS OF ITALY PD

PAREN CHARLIE PAREN THE OTHER QUESTIONS IN YOUR SIGNAL ARE BEING URGENTLY CONSIDERED AT AFHQ AND WE WILL COMMUNICATE WITH YOU AGAIN EARLIEST POSSIBLE

Lt. Dissy.
Chief Commissioner
Economic Section
Finance Sub-Commission
Civ Aff Section 1.30

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Lt. Col.
for Chief Commissioner.

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AMG MAIN EIGHTH ARMY
RPTD: AFHQ G-5, 15 ARMY GROUP G-5, MAIN EIGHT ARMY FOR CMG, (BY HAND)
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PAIROA FOR VENEZIE REGIUM FOR R.G.,(BY HAND),

TOP SECRET.

Subject VENEZIA GIULIA.

In view of likelihood of setting up AMG in certain portions of VENEZIA GIULIA at an early date, the following questions will require answering.

1. Are customs barriers to be created.
2. Is frontier control to be installed involving stoppage
   (a) of imported
   (b) of indigenous supplies,
   or, alternatively, are trade agreements to be made.
3. Is AMG lira to be made legal currency and what will be exchange in event YUGOSLAVS introducing their own currency in their occupied portion. Is their currency to be permitted to circulate.
4. What is position as regards taxation, bearing in mind largest proportion taxation for VENEZIA GIULIA comes from big cities in our occupational area.
5. Are agreements to be made regarding vital public utilities affected (?) by arbitrary geographical boundary, particularly water, source of which believed to be in YUGOSLAVIA area.
6. Is frontier zone to be created and all traffic controlled, if so, on what terms. Political refugee problem might be serious.
7. Is censorship to be imposed or is civilian mail, to be stopped or free.
8. Are YUGOSLAV flags permitted to be flown in our occupational area.

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9. Are Italian flags with the YUGOSLAV red star superimposed allowed.

10. Is peoples court now functioning TRIESTE to be allowed continue, bearing in mind its cessation might give good propaganda against us.

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VENEZIE REGION

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IN CLEAR BY ANY MEANS PD

AFTER CONSULTATION WITH ARMY COMMANDER AND AT HIS REQUEST

PARRI TO VENEZIE REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FOR DUPLOP RPT

EIGHTARMY MAIN FOR ABLE MIKE GEORGE CMA ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP CMA

AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM PQ ALCOM SIGNED STONE PARRI

COLONEL MONFORT IS TO BE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER VENEZIA GIULIA

WHICH WILL BE A SEPARATE REGION

EC DISTRIBUTION - 29 May 45

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Chief Commissioner

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Lt. Col.
For Chief Commissioner.

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SUBJECT IS FLAGS IN VENEZIA GIULIA PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCOM SIGNED STONE PAREN

WHEN ABLE MIKE GEORGE IS ESTABLISHED IN CERTAIN AREAS OF VENEZIA GIULIA PAREN ABLE PAREN IS THE ITALIAN FLAG PERMITTED TO BE FLOWN IN SUCH AREAS QUERY PAREN BAKER PAREN IS THE YUGOSLAV FLAG PERMITTED TO BE FLOWN IN SUCH AREAS QUERY PAREN CHARLIE PAREN ARE UNOFFICIAL FLAGS CMA SUCH AS ITALIAN TRICOLOUR WITH RED STAR SUBSTITUTED FOR SAVOY EMBLEM CMA PERMITTED TO BE FLOWN IN SUCH AREAS QUERY PAREN DOG PAREN ARE YUGOSLAV FLAGS NOW FLYING IN SUCH AREAS TO BE TAKEN DOWN QUERY PAREN EASY PAREN ARE AMERICAN AND BRITISH FLAGS ONLY TO BE FLOWN IN SUCH AREAS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS QUERY PD

REQUEST YOUR EARLY DECISION AS TO THE POLICY TO BE FOLLOWED

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U.K. Embassy
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ALCON ROME INFO 8 ARMY MAIN FOR SCAO, 15 ARMY GROUP VENEZIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FOR DUNLOP

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Reference your 8497 of 26 May.

Suggestions are acceptable. Should be clearly understood that directive is in draft stage and not yet approved.

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8 ARMY FROM MIL GOV STAFF AUSTRIA

ACTION ALCOM ROME FOR LEGG. INFO FREEDOM FOR G-5

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In order to reap maximum political benefit essential civ sups available in TRIESTE and GORIZIA simultaneously with setting up of mil gov. Have submitted emergency bid for 1800 tons into TRIESTE from ANCONA. Breadkown will follow when bid accepted. Sups will be handled and warehoused with mil stores until issue is authorized. Please confirm availability at ANCONA.

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FROM: WD

SUBJECT TO SECURITY REQUIRED BY BUREAU CNA INDUP AND DEST FOR ARMY USES

OUTSIDE OF WESTERN GERMANY WD

PARAS TO AFHQCAMMX MAIN ETO ROAD NET AND FOR GENERAL MAIN ETO CNA OTS ETOUSA

AND GENERAL CNA FURNISH BY EUCOM, OCMH-ADMIN FOR INFO FROM US

ALOOS SITE MEMO PER JI

FINDS RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE NOW CONSIDERED PARA SIX DRAFT DIRECTIVE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE INTERDICTION WORD QUICK SHOULD READ QUOTE DECLARATIONS UNQUOTE AND THAT THE DIRECTIVE GATE AND WILL USE MICROPHILM LINE ONLY IN CASE ALL OTHER LINES HAVE BECOME INOPERABLE DO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES SHOULD BE INCLUDED TO SUBJECT TO THESE ALTERATIONS BE CONSIDER THE PARAGRAPH IS UNDERSTOOD WD

REFERENCE PARA SEVEN SUPRA DISPLACED PERSONS PLEASE IT IS [illegible] RECOMMENDED THAT THE FIRST SENTENCE SHOULD READ QUOTE ALL DISPLACED PERSONS IN THE AREA WILL BE EVACUATED INTO OTHER PARTS OF ITALY UNQUOTE

SENTENCE

Office of Executive Coordinator

AG

Lt. Col. M. Talbot
C. M. C.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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24 May 1945

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
(POLITICAL)

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6. RELATIONS WITH JUGOSLAVS

(previous reference SAC (P) (45)11the Meeting - Minute 5)

MAJOR GENERAL LEMNITZER outlined developments in the Jugoslav situation in VENEZIA-GIULIA and Southern AUSTRIA which had taken place since the last meeting. The Jugoslav Foreign Office had forwarded a note on 21 May to the British and American Ambassadors in BELGRADE stating that the Jugoslav Government would accept in principle the establishment of Allied Military Government under the authority of the Supreme Allied Commander, on the basis of the demarkation line proposed in BELGRADE by the Chief of Staff, subject to certain minor modifications and to certain conditions. A message had been dispatched to the Combined Chiefs of Staff setting out certain details of the Supreme Allied Commander's military requirements in VENEZIA-GIULIA, which it seemed desirable to emphasize in light of recent developments. Meanwhile the forces under Eighth Army had been strengthened, and SHAEF were assisting by taking over part of Eighth Army's area of AUSTRIA. He observed that a the matter was now on a governmental level no further action could be taken by this Headquarters pending receipt of instructions from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

Took note of the above report.

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AFHQ CITE FHQEG, ALCCM

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Your FX 77867 refers. The following information received from 419 FS Section. Inquiries with reference to reports that priests in GORIZIA were called up into the Jugoslav Army were reported to be entirely without foundation. As to the Archbishop of GORIZIA, Archbishop of UDINE states that while the Archbishop of GORIZIA was not maltreated he was kept in the Villa COLOLINI, and slept on a mattress on the floor and was not allowed to receive visitors. He was conducted to GORIZIA to UDINE by a Yugoslav guard and released on the evening of 7 May 45. The Yugoslav Army in GORIZIA on the 7th of May apparently published order no 9, translation of which reads as follows:

"During the struggle for national liberation KAROL MARCOTTI, Prince Archbishop of GORIZIA, acted against the national movement by trying to start a civil war. Therefore, it is ordered that the Archbishop of GORIZIA, KAROL MARCOTTI, must leave the city of GORIZIA and go to UDINE. This decree as effective forthwith. Death to Fascism, liberty for the people. Political Commissioner, Major KUK JOZE. Commandant, Major ZUPANC AGO."

This is the only information to date.

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INFO: A/President
Chief Commissioner
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AMG 8 ARMY MAIN INFO 15 ARMY GROUP FOR G-5 SECTION CMA CHIEF OF STAFF MAIN
AMG 8 ARMY PADOVA CMA VENEZIE REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

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DE CLEAR PD

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR MIKE ONE ZERO THREE SIX TO ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP ONLY

AND YOUR MIKE ONE ZERO THREE SEVEN PD

PARA TWO AMG EIGHT ARMY MAIN INFO THE FIVE ARMY GROUP FOR GENERAL KARL BRUCKNER
CMA CHIEF OF STAFF MAIN AND EIGHT ARMY PADOVA CMA VENEZIE REGION FOR REGIONAL
COMMISSIONER FROM ALLIED CIVIL ACCAO PERTH

PARA TWO PD NEW DRAFT BEFORE BACHER TODAY PD TRANSLATIONS NOW IN HAND PD ALL
VERSIONS WILL BE SENT TO YOU BY FASTEST AND SAFEST MEANS POSSIBLE

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Chief Comm.
Exec. Comm.
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CWO, IEA
Asst Adjutant

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF VENEZIA GIULIA

PROCLAMATION NO. 1

To the people of VENEZIA GIULIA

In order to hasten the rehabilitation of areas which the Allied Forces have freed from German occupation and to ensure the proper administration thereof, to provide for the safety and welfare of yourselves and of the Allied Forces, and to preserve law and order, a Military Government must be established in this territory. This Military Government will have full control over the administration of this territory and will have power if necessary to try in its own courts and punish any persons who commit offences against any of the special laws and provisions promulgated by the Military Government.

Now, therefore, I, HAROLD R.L.G. ALEXANDER, GCB, CSI, DSO, MC, ADC, Field Marshal, Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theatre of Operations, hereby proclaim as follows :

Part I. - ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Article I. - All powers of government and jurisdiction in the territory of VENEZIA GIULIA occupied by Allied troops and over its inhabitants, and final administrative responsibility are vested in me as Military Commander and Military Governor, and Allied Military Government of such territory is hereby declared and established to exercise these powers under my direction. All administrative and judicial officials and all other government and municipal functionaries and employees and all officers and employees of state, municipal or other services (except such as may be removed by me) are required to continue in the performance of their duties, subject to my direction or [illegible] officers of the Allied Forces as I may

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Article II. - All persons in the said territory will obey promptly all orders given by me or under my authority and must refrain from all acts hostile to the troops under my command, from all acts of violence and from any act calculated to disturb law and order or public safety in any way.

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So long as you remain peaceable and comply with my orders, you will be subjected to no greater interference than may be inevitable in the course of the administrative task of the military government.

Article III.- Your existing personal and property rights will be fully respected and the established laws of the territory will remain in force and effect except insofar as it may be necessary for me in the discharge of my duties as Supreme Allied Commander and as Military Governor to change or supersede them by proclamation or other order by me or under my direction.

Part II:-OFFENCES

Article IV.- Offences Against The Allied Forces Which May Be Punished By Death

Any person who:

1) Serves the enemy as a spy or harbours or aids an enemy spy;

2) Communicates with the enemy or with any person within territory under their control in any manner or on any subject whatever or enters any territory under enemy control;

3) Sends to any person anywhere any communication giving any information whatever concerning the Allied Forces; or receives any such communication and fails promptly to report the same to the Allied Military Government;

4) Bears arms against the Allied Forces;

5) Has in his possession any fire arms, ammunition, explosives, or similar war supplies except in accordance with a permit of the Allied Military Government;

6) Has in his possession any wireless or other apparatus for transmitting signals or other messages;

7) Misleads any member of the Allied Forces in the performance of his duties;

8) Assists a prisoner of war to escape or assists or conceals any prisoner of war after escape;

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9) Assists any of the enemy armed forces to evade capture;

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10) Enters or is found within any area designated as a forbidden area either by the posting of a sign, or by the presence of sentries, without a pass specifically authorising him to be there;

11) Destroys, damages, endangers, interferes with, steals or wrongfully either receives or has in his possession any property of the Allied Forces or of any member thereof to the aggregate value of more than 10,000 lire;

12) Interferes with communication by mail, courier, telegraph, telephone, cable, radio, or otherwise, or removes or damages any telegraph, telephone or electric power wire;

13) Interferes with transportation by land, water or air;

14) Interferes with the operation of any public service or utility, including water supply, electric light and power, gas and sanitation or similar services;

15) Kills any member of the Allied Forces;

16) Assaults any member of the Allied Forces with intent to kill or inflict serious bodily harm;

17) Commits any act of looting;

18) Robs the dead or wounded;

19) Rapes any nurse or other woman serving with the Allied Forces or assaults any such nurse or other woman;

20) Forges or alters any permit, pass, identity card or other similar document or issues or has in his possession any such document, the same having been forged or altered;

21) Incites any inhabitants of the occupied territory to insurrection against military authority, or organizes or leads any public demonstration or assembly for such purpose;

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12) Interferes with communication by mail, courier, telegraph, telephone, cable, radio, or otherwise, or removes or damages any telegraph, telephone or electric power wire;

13) Interferes with transportation by land, water or air;

14) Interferes with the operation of any public service or utility, including water supply, electric light and power, gas and sanitation or similar services;

15) Kills any member of the Allied Forces;

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22) Counterfeits any coin or note made legal tender by the Allied Military Government, or has in his possession any such coin or note knowing the same to be false; or

23) Otherwise violates any of the laws of war, or does any act in aid of the enemy or hostile to or endangering the safety or security of the Allied Forces;

shall upon conviction by an Allied Military Court, be liable to punishment by death, or by imprisonment or fine or both, as the court may determine.

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Article V.- Offenses Against The Allied Forces Punishable By Fine Or Imprisonment.

Any person who:

24) Is out of doors without a permit after curfew;

25) Leaves the shore in any vessel or in any other manner except as authorised;

26) Gives false evidence before a Military Tribunal;

27) Destroys, damages, endangers, interferes with, steals, or wrongfully either receives or has in his possession any property of the Allied Forces or of any member thereof to an aggregate value of not more than 10,000 lire;

28) Fails to declare within one month of the date of the posting of this proclamation the possession of any stores, equipment or military property abandoned by the enemy or of enemy origin;

29) Submits a false, fraudulent or exaggerated claim against the Allied Forces or any member thereof;

30) Publishes or has in his possession any printed or written matter detrimental or disrespectful to the Allied Forces or any member thereof, to the Government of any of the United Nations or to the Allied Military Government;

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32) Assaults any member of the Allied Forces;

33) Takes part in any public demonstration or assembly not authorised by the Allied Military Government;

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35) Offers or accepts a bribe in connection with any official matter;

36) Obstructs any member of the Allied Forces in the performance of his duty;

37) Acquires by gift or purchase any military equipment or war material belonging to the Allied Forces;

38) Disseminates any rumour calculated to excite or alarm the people;

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40) Removes or damages any notice, proclamation, or order posted under the authority of the Allied Military Government;

41) Fails to have in his possession at all times a proper means of identification as required by existing law;

42) Disobeys any order given under the authority of the Allied Forces or the Allied Military Government where no specific punishment is prescribed;

43) Promotes or attends any meeting of the fascist party; uses or permits premises to be used for any such meeting; prints or publishes or has in his possession any printed or written matter issued by or on behalf of the fascist party; teaches or advocates any doctrine of fascism; wears or has in his possession any badge, insignia or attire of the fascist party; makes or receives any subscription to the funds of the fascist party; takes or receives any oath or undertaking to the fascist party or does any act intended or likely to promote or sustain the fascist party, the term fascist party including any organisation designed to replace it;

44) Infringes any proclamation or order or the established laws regulating or controlling the sale, purchase, distribution, allotment, rationing or transporting of any commodity or article;

45) Does any act to the prejudice of good order of the occupied territory or of the safety or security of the Allied Forces or any member thereof;

46) Until further order of the Allied Military Government travels more than 10 Km. beyond his own home without a permit; shall, upon conviction by an Allied Military Court, be liable to punishment by such fine or imprisonment, or both, as the court shall direct;

Article VI.- Other Offences.

Section 1: Conspiracy, advising or assisting violation.-Any person who (1935) conspires to do any act constituting an offense, or who advises, assists in, or procures the commission of any such act shall be punishable as a principal.

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Article VII. - Violation Of The Established Laws Of The Territory.

Any person who violates or has violated any provision of the established laws of the territory may be brought to trial before an Allied Military Court and, on conviction, may be punished as provided by such law.

Article VIII. - Arrest and Detention.

Section 1: Arrest and Search.- Any authorized member of the Allied Forces may:

a) Arrest or search any persons suspected of having committed or being about to commit offences;

b) Enter and search any place and seize and take away any property for the purpose of investigating or preventing any offence or arresting a suspected offender.

Section 2: Detention.- Any person suspected of committing or intending to commit any act hostile to the Allied Forces or the Allied Military Government or engaging in any political or other activity in the interest of the enemy or its Armed Forces or hostile to the Allied Forces or the Allied Military Government, may be detained pending further investigation for a period not exceeding three months unless the Regional Commissioner or Senior Civil Affairs Officer orders that the detention may continue for a longer period.

PART III. COURTS

Article IX. - Creation of Allied Military Courts.

Allied Military Courts are hereby established. Such courts shall consist of:

1) General Military Courts having power to impose any lawful punishment including death;

2) Superior Military Courts having power to impose any lawful punishment other than death or imprisonment for more than 10 years;

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Where a Superior or Summary Military Court imposes a term of imprisonment and a fine with a further term of imprisonment in the event of default, the aggregate of such terms shall not exceed 10 years and 1 year respectively.

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Article X. - Jurisdiction.

The jurisdiction of the Allied Military Courts extends over;

1) All persons except:

a) members of the Allied Forces and

b) prisoners of war or persons treated as such;

2) All offenses:

a) against the laws and usages of war,

b) under any proclamation, order or regulation issued under the authority of the Allied Military Government,

c) against the established laws of the territory.

Article XI. - General Powers of Courts.

1) An Allied Military Court may make such orders and do all such acts and things as may be requisite for the due administration of justice.

2) An Allied Military Court, in lieu of or in addition to any other punishment, may

a) Where any person is convicted of the wrongful use, sale, purchase or possession of any property (including money), order restitution or compensation to the owner or confiscation or forfeiture of such property to the Allied Military Government;

b) Where any person is convicted of an offence involving the improper use of any place of residence or business, order that such place be vacated or closed for a period of time to be fixed by the court;

c) Order that a convicted person shall reside in or be excluded from a particular area.

Article XII. - Review and Confirmation of Death Sentences.

Section 1: Right of Petition. - Any person convicted by An Allied Military Court may, within thirty days after the imposition of sentence,

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Section 2: Sentence of Death. - No sentence of death shall be executed unless and until confirmed in writing by me, or by a specified officer not below the rank of Brigadier General or Brigadier to whom I may have delegated such power in writing.

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Article XIII. - Effective Date.

This proclamation will become operative in each province or part thereof within the said territory of VENEZIA GIULIA on the date of its publication therein.

Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre of Operations.

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In the event of Allied Military Government being imposed East of ISONZO river in VENEZIA GIULIA and in view changed conditions due to, firstly surrender of German Army and secondly political position, proclamation number 1 no longer applicable and might cause difficulties if posted. My Legal Officer preparing emergency proclamation based only on imposition of Military Government and leaving out parts 2 and 3 of proclamation number 1. Parts 2 and 3 will be re-written and if emergency arises posted afterwards. To enable Military Government to be imposed request authority be signalled by SACMED to army commander authorising his signature on proclamation. Consider re-drafting whole proclamation should be undertaken without delay and copy flown here for us to print. Will have to translate into YUGOSLAVIAN as many parts are not Italian speaking.

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Request MACMIS inform US and British Ambassadors.

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21 May 1945

Subject: Transmittal of letter received from the Julian Committee for National Liberation

To: G-5, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a letter dated 17 May in which the Julian Committee for National Liberation points out its views on the situation in Venezia Giulia as the Committee has summarized it.

For the Chief Commissioner:

/s/ J. A. Quayle

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, F. A.
Staff Officer to CC

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All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE
della Commissione Alleata

ROMA

Il Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale di Trieste e della Venezia Giulia, pur conscio dei suoi compiti di rivendicazione e tutela delle libertà democratiche, e fiero del contributo politico e militare da esso dato alla lotta di liberazione, intende proseguire la sua attività secondo una direttiva politica, che costituisca un reale contributo all'opera della ricostruzione nazionale e internazionale.

Il dolore che lo affligge per quanto avviene nella Venezia Giulia, non gli,offusca la visione dei vasti problemi e dell'immane difficoltà che debbono essere affrontati dalle Potenze Alleate e si dichiara pertanto pronto a offrire la propria collaborazione con dedizione generosa a tutti gli sforzi che da qualsiasi parte vengono fatti, perchè anche ai confini orientali d'Italia,il trapasso dalla tirannide nazi-fascista al perfetto equilibrio ed alla normalità di vita, avvenga con le minori offese possibili al diritto delle genti, alla incolumità personale dei cittadini e alla cordialità dei rapporti tra gli italiani e le diverse stirpi slave, da secoli coabitanti sul territorio giuliano.

Con questo spirito e con questi intendimenti il Comitato Giuliano di Liberazione Nazionale fa presente quanto segue:

1°) tutti gli ambienti democratici giuliani s'attendono che, in via di massima, non vi siano ragioni per cui il territorio giuliano, comprese Fiume e le Isole, debba essere

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L'amministrazione Anglo-Americana della Venezia Giulia è la condizione indispensabile, per una equanime risoluzione dei problemi politici sorti tra l'Italia e la Jugoslavia.

2°) E' desiderio di tutti, che al disopra di ogni questione politica e nazionale, venga presa in esame con la massima urgenza la necessità di un immediato intervento Alleato a garanzia della vita e degli averi dei cittadini e rispettivamente della liberazione degli arrestati politici, dei deportati e dei richiamati alle armi dagli jugoslavi.

Il Comitato Giuliano di Liberazione Nazionale si preoccupa non solo dei cittadini di lingua italiana, ma di ogni altro giuliano ingiustamente esposto ad atti di persecuzione.

3°) Il Comitato suddetto attira l'attenzione della Commissione Alleata sulle disastrose condizioni concernenti l'alimentazione di tutta la regione Giulia, con particolare riguardo ai centri di Fiume, di Pola e sopratutto di Trieste, priva di un proprio agro alimentare e con le scorte di viveri del tutto esaurite.

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2°) Furono arrestati in massa, più che i fascisti, gli autonomisti di antica data, coloro cioè, che durante tutto il periodo fascista avevano subito le maggiori persecuzioni da parte del tramontato regime.

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4°) Tutti i tecnici (medici e farmacisti, veterinari, autisti, meccanici e radiomeccanici) furono mobilitati "nell'intento di completare l'armata jugoslava".

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Roma, 17 maggio 1945

IL COMITATO GIULIANO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE

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Translation

Admiral Hilary R. Stone
Allied Commission
R o m e

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In such a spirit and with such intentions, the Julian Committee for National Liberation points out what follows:

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Anglo American administration in Venezia Giulia is an indispensible condition for an equanimous settlement of the political problems which arose between Italy and Yugoslavia.

2) Everybody wishes that, above all political and national questions, the need of an immediate allied intervention be examined without delay, to guarantee the life and property of the citizens, and liberate the people who have been arrested for political motives, deported or called under arms by the Yugoslavs.

The Giulian Committee for National Liberation is thinking not only of the Italian speaking citizens, but of all the other Julians who are unjustly exposed to acts of persecution.

3) The above mentioned Committee draws the attention of the Allied Commission on the disastrous food conditions of all the Julian region, particularly in the centres of Fiume, Pola, and above all, Trieste, whose neighbourhood cannot supply food, and whose food supplies are exhausted.

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It therefore asks to give all possible support to the organs of GMA FRA 158 principally for what concerns transport.

POST-SCRIPTUM

We have lately received most alarming news from Fiume, which we want to sum up for your information, asking you to take action without delay to protect the safety and life of the Italian population.

1) On May 3rd, a one sided accomplished fact was created by the annexion of the town to Croatia.

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2) More than the fascists, those who had been autonomists for a long time were arrested in mass, i.e., those who during the fascist period had suffered the greatest persecutions from the past regime.

3) Dr. Mario Blasich, respected leader of the party, with Pasella, an invalid and paralyzed, was strangled in his house. A very popular leader of the party Mr. Giuseppe Sincich was shot.

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4) All technicians, (doctors, chemists, veterinary surgeons, drivers, mechanics and radio-mechanics) have been mobilized 'to complete the Yugoslav army'.

5) A general call under arms of 26 classes (1900-1926) has been ordered; the draftees must bring with them: linen, mess tin, knife, fork and spoon.

This regulation means practically the deportation of all able men.

6) All State employees, all parastatal and communal employees who do not speak Croatian are being dismissed. This regulation means unemployment for 80 or 90% of the class of the employees and their families in Fiume.

7) The workers must work in the plants; they get only their food, and no pay.

8) The banks, shops and chemist's shops have to remain closed till further orders and have give their inventory to the Committee for Liberation. A trustee of the Yugoslav Committee for Liberation has been placed in every enterprise.

9) It is possible to requisition anything whatever.

The situation of the town is getting worse and worse and the population is getting desperate for it feels it is being abandoned by all.

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