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| 630 | Cbl FX 74516 MAF 1059 | 23 Jan 47 | AGWAR | Civilian supply VG/Udine |

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| 617 | Ltr CC1008 | 6 Dec 46 | Franzioni | Ack ltr re violences committed in VG Encls |
| 618 | Cbl 5768 | 10 Dec 46 | Food Officer Udine | Subsistence for VG encl |
| 619 | Cbl F 73808 SACM | 17 Dec 46 | Econ Sec | Indigenous Supplies ex Udine Prov |
| 620 | Cbl C 67765 AFHQ | 18 Dec 46 | RAAC for AFPWC | Econ coordinating problems Italy Method of handling |
| 621 | Cbl 5889 | 22 Dec 46 | AMG | Rescinding of decrees restricting flow of food to VG |
| 622 | Cbl C 68135 | 29 Dec 46 | AMG VG | Re visit of CFM commission to Trieste |
| 623 | Cbl C 66145 EMAT 1054 | 29 Dec 46 | AGWAR | Full assistence will be given to commission |
| 624 | Cbl 8/13 | 4 Jan 47 | Econ Sect | Re health of troops and civ menace by water shortage |
| 625 | Cbl 5986 | 7 Jan 47 | SCAO | Re shortage of water supply Trieste |
| 626 | Cbl 6000 | 8 Jan 47 | AMG Udine | Re restrictions limiting food suppl for VG |
| 627 | Cbl FX 74232 | 10 Jan 47 | AGWAR | Re future maintenance of present AMG territory 1503 |
| 628 | Cbl 8/240 | 13 Jan 47 | AFHQ | Re questions asked by comm of inq of counc of for ministers |
| 629 | Cbl 6040 | 14 Jan 47 | AFHQ | Re electricity for Trieste |

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| 607 | Cbl WAR X 82410 CAL 1566 | 5 Oct 46 | AFHQ | Billing fr supplies furnished to VG & Udine |
| 608 | Ltr Stone | 90ct 46 | Br.& Am. Embassy | Frwd memo by Signor Pecorari |
| 609 | Ltr Key | 11 Oct 46 | Adm Stone | Re frwd of memo by Pecorari |
| 610 | Ltr 62/47/46 | 16 Oct 46 | Adm Stone | Ack of ltr of 9 Oct 46 |
| 611 | Ltr 35427/97 | 24 Oct 46 | Adm Stone | Re dismissal of teachers in B zone VG |
| 612 | Ltr Stone | 28 Oct 46 | Prunas | Ack of ltr of 24 Oct 46 |
| 613 | Ltr AC/4014/13/L | 7 Nov 46 | SCAO VG | Adequacy of Sentences |
| 614 | Ltr Stone | 8 Nov 46 | Prunas | Removal of goods fm Zone "B" VG |
| 615 | Ltr 9008/192/EC | 16 Nov 46 | Prunas | War Prizes in VG |
| 616 | Ltr 2811/105/EC | 22 Nov 46 | Pres of CC | It Gvt Communications to VG |

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| 596 | Cbl 4600 Econ Sec | 15 Aug 46 | AMG 13 Cps; AFHQ G-5 | Tires fr VG Police & AMG vehicle pool |
| 597 | Cbl 23/42 13 Corps | 21 Aug 46 | Econ Sec | Tires fr VG Police & AMG vehicle Pool |
| + 598 | Ltr 4022/341/EC | 24 Aug 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Parcels fm US to Jugoslavia - Jug request fr Jug Post Off. in Trieste |
| 599 | Ltr Trounson | 4 Sep 46 | Lush | Frwdng of correspondence re Civil Adm in VG; Encl ltr Lee to Assist Sec of War, NAF 1023, NAF 1062, FAN 611 |
| 600 | Cbl FX 71615 SACM | 9 Sep 46 | Econ Sec | Tires & tubes fr VG Police & AMG vehicle pool |
| 601 | Cbl 4906 EC | 9 Sep 46 | AMG 13 Corps | Query re Boundery Commission-Pola |
| 601a | Cbl 4943 EC | 13 Sep 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Jug War Booty in Ven Giu |
| + 602 | Ltr 2619/EC Stone | 14 Sep 46 | VPCA Sec | AMG Courts - Trieste |
| + 603 | Ltr 2201/87/EC | 14 Sep 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Evacuation of refugees from Pola |
| + 604 | Cbl FX 71893 SACM MAT 1041 | 15 Sep 46 | CCS | Billing fr Supplies furnished to Venezia Giulia & Udine |
| 605 | Cbl 4975 EC | 17 Sep 46 | AMG 13 Corps | Request reply to cbl 4906 of 9 Sep |
| 606 | Cbl FX 72441 MAT 1044 | 1 Oct 46 | A.S.A.A. | Re billingof supplies for Udine and Venezia Giulia |

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| 586 | Ltr AC/14602/17/PS | 12 Jul 46 | EC thru VP CA Sec | Situation in Trieste |
| 587 | Ltr Byington | 13 Jul 46 | Chf Stf MTOUSA | Evacuation of Its and prop fm Pola |
| 588 | Ltr Byington | 15 Jul 46 | Chf Stf MTOUSA | Question of Repres to It PM re Activities of Its in Ven Giu |
| 589 | Cbl FX 69479 SACM | 21 Jul 46 | EC | Assist US Sec of War request why chng in VG Jug Govt by Allies |
| 590 | Cbl 4283 EC | 22 Jul 46 | AMG R 13 Cps; AFHQ | Request fr report re Allied chng in Jug int Govt in Ven Giu |
| 591 | Cbl 8/72 HQ AMG 13 Corps | 26 Jul 46 | EC | Report on Allied change in Jug ... interim govt in Ven Giu |
| 592 | Memo Carr | 29 Jul 46 | CC | Action re Allied change in govt in Ven Giu |
| 593 | Memo Stone | 29 Jul 46 | Carr | Arrest of Pres of Jewish Women's Club |
| 594 | Ltr Stone | 30 Jul 46 | Mrs. N. Senatti | Ack of Cbl & no evidence to support statement made in Cbl |
| 595 | Cbl FX 70421 SACM FAN 686 | 12 Aug 46 | 13 Corps | Removal of plant machinery fm Pola - No statement to be issued |

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| 574 | Ltr Stone | 17 Jun 46 | De Gasperi | Views of PM receiving consideration- re Use of It Troops in case of hostilities in V.G. |
| 575 | Cbl 3713 Stone | 17 Jun 46 | AFHQ,13 Corps | Request fr info regarding use of It Troops in case of hostlts in VG |
| 576 | Ltr 591/468/EC | 17 Jun 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Report on Trieste by It Amb to USSR |
| + 577 | Cbl FX 67917 SACM | 18 Jun 46 | CC | Possible Operations in N.E. Italy |
| + 578 | Cbl FX 67918 SACM | 18 Jun 46 | CC | Possible Operations in N.E. Italy |
| 579 | Cbl FX 67868 SACM NAF 1160 | 19 Jun 46 | Agwar | Use of It Army in event of hostilities in N.E. Italy |
| 580 | Cbl FX 67967 SACM | 19 Jun 46 | CC | Reply to cbl 3713 re Use of It troops in case of hostilities in N.E. Italy |
| 580a | Cbl FX 68001 SACM NAF 1159 | 20 Jun 46 | CCS | Italo-Franco Frontier dispute |
| 581 | Cbl FX 68138 SACM | 22 Jun 46 | 13 Corps | Refutation of change of Morgan Line |
| 582 | Cbl 3863 EC | 26 Jun 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Status of V.G. & Uline Mil Supply |
| 583 | Ltr 1.47/C Lush | 27 Jun 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Status of V.G. & Uline Mil Supply |
| 584 | Ltr Miller | 28 Jun 46 | CC | Loss of TS Doc "Possible Operations in V.G." |
| 584a | Cbl 3985 I & U | 2 Jul 46 | AMG 13 Corps | Cnstrct Autostrada NW Udine, V.G. |
| 585 | Ltr Rively | 3 Jul 46 | AC of S G-1 MTOUSA | Loss of TS Doc "Possible Operation in Ven Giu" |
| 585a | Ltr AC/45/19/LG | 11 Jul 46 | CA Section | Ven Giu - Preperation of electoral Lists - Memo on pres situat & pol. |

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| 566 | Ltr ES/147/C Stone | 16 May 46 | De Gasperi | Employment of Repatriates of Ven Giu |
| 567 | Cbl UDI/F/17 | 18 May 46 | Food | Wheat for Udine |
| 568 | Cbl Q2829 Rear 13 Corps | 21 May 46 | AFHQ, P Safety | Kd Shirts fr Police Authorities in Venezia Area |
| 569 | Ltr 591/441/EC | 25 May 46 | Key | Dismissal of It personnel fm Municipal & Govt employment in Zone "B" Ven Giu |
| 570 | Ltr Key | 7 Jun 46 | CC | Dismissal It personnel fm Municip & Govt employ in Zone "B" Ven Giu |
| 570a | Ltr ES/1.47/0 CC | 10 Jun 46 | De Gasperi | Problems of accomendation & lack of work in Ven Giu |
| 571 | Ltr Stone | 11 Jun 46 | Key | Ack of ltr of 7 Jun 46 |
| 572 | Ltr 5908 Cattani | 12 Jun 46 | CC | Ans to ltr of 10 Jun 46 re probs of Accomendation & lack of work in Ven Giu |
| 573 | Ltr 00046 De Gasperi | 15 Jun46 | CC | Request fr info re emplmt of It Troops in event of hostilities in Ven Giu |
| 573a | Cbl FX 67781 Com- | 16 Jun 46 | Marcos | Food import reqmts Ven Giu, Udine |

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| 562 | Cbl FX 63642 SACM | 27 Mar 46 | Morgan | Statement of situation in Ven Giu |
| 562a | Ltr De Gasperi | 31 Mar 46 | CC | Economic of Ven Giu |
| 562b | Cbl 0286 13 Corps | 3 Apr 46 | Econ Sec | Rehabilitaion for Ven Giu |
| 562c | Ltr 4419 De Gasperi | 3 Apr 46 | CC | Imported goods wanted by Ven Giu |
| 562d | Ltr 591/EC Lush | 8 Apr 46 | De Gasperi | Allied Boundary Commission to Udine -Valle del Natisone |
| 563 | Ltr 601/EC | 13 Apr 46 | VP Civ Affs Sec | Reorg of AMG Udine and Ven Giu;Cbl |
| 563a | Ltr 004830 De Gasp | 13 Apr 46 | Lush | Dismissal of workman, Ven Giu |
| 563b | Ltr Lush | 16 Apr 46 | De Gasperi | Ack of ltr of 3 Apr 46 |
| 563c | Ltr ES/1.47/0 | 24 Apr 46 | De Gasperi | Ack of ltr of 13 Apr 46 |
| 564 | Ltr 43-10/FA Lush | 27 Apr 46 | SCAO 13 Corps | Sepral |
| 564a | Cbl H/2650 Kenny | 4 May 46 | EC | Amer Relief fr Ven Giu. Distribut. |
| 565 | Ltr 4022/329/EC | 6 May 46 | For Repre ARI | Relief Supplies for Ven Giu |

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| 549b | Ltr Stone | 13 Mar 46 | Key | Visit of Fr delegate fm AC to Ven Giu |
| 550 | Ltr 591/378/EC CC | 14 Mar 46 | De Gasperi | Vigilance of troops in Ven Giu |
| 551 | Ltr 3613/288/EC | 14 Mar 46 | Fr Repres to AC | Liaison wth Fr Delegtn of Comm of Experts Ven Giu |
| 551a | Cbl 8/70/1 Timmons | 14 Mar 46 | Stone | Relief Map of Ven Giu |
| 551b | Ltr 9008/120/EC | 14 Mar 46 | De Gasperi | General Statement re War-Booty Problems |
| 552 | Ltr 13260/F Lush | 15 Mar 46 | Prunas | Acknowledgement of ltr of 26 Feb |
| 552a | Cbl 1874 ALCOM | 15 Mar 46 | HQ AMG 13 CORPS | Entertainments Expenditures |
| 553 | Cbl 8/39 Greene | 16 Mar 46 | US Poland | Mosley, other membs. Bound. Comm. not away fm Trieste |
| 553a | Cbl 1 Chf Lia Off Bolzano | 16 Mar 46 | EC | Entertainment Expenditures for Allied Officials |
| 553b | Cbl FX 62935 GHQ | 16 Mar 46 | 13 Corps | Enter Ven Giu fr Mr Bostandjis |
| 554 | Ltr 13260/F Stone | 18 Mar 46 | Greene | Map Folio for Boundary Commission |
| 555 | Ltr 13260/F Stone | 18 Mar 46 | Greene | Ital Letters for Boundary Com |
| 556 | Ltr 13215/F Stone | 18 Mar 46 | De Gasperi | German State and Army Funds |
| 557 | Ltr 13 Op/F Stone | 18 Mar 46 | AFHQ G-5 | Accounts of Allied Financial Agen. |
| 558 | Cbl 5/120 13 Corps | 18 Mar 46 | AFHQ | D issue is legal tender in Jug Zn. |
| 558a | Ltr CAO/278/2 | 19 Mar 46 | CC | Possible Operations in Ven Giu |
| 558b | Ltr 386.3 Hamblen | 21 Mar 46 | CC | War Booty in Ven Giu |
| 559 | Ltr Stone | 23 Mar 46 | Ita Govt. | Aide Memoire on the cessation of investigations at Bassovizza Pit |
| 560 | Cbl 2046 Stone | 23 Mar 46 | AFHQ | Prime Minister accepts SAC view on Bassovizza Pit Decision |
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| 561 | Ltr Greene | 25 Mar 46 | Stone | Acknwldg of ltrs of 18 Mar |

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ACTION; AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS.

INFO: AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR WDSCA POINT EG. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE LONDON FOR ECS. ALCOM ROME.

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reference TAM 804. THIS IS MAT 1059.

SUBJECT IS CIVILIAN SUPPLY VENEZIA GIULIA / UDINE.

PARA 1. ITEMS OF CIVILIAN SUPPLY EXPECTED TO BE REQUIRED FOR PERIOD I NOVEMBER 1946 TO JUNE 1947 HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO YOU UNDER LAC AIRGRAMS 148 AND 150 FOR 1946/1947 RESPECTIVELY BUT WILL BE REVIEWED FOR SUBMISSION WITH ITEMS IN PARAS TWO AND THREE BELOW.

PARA 2. ITEMS RECEIVED IN NOV/DEC/JAN ARE BEING COLLECTED AND WILL BE ADVISED SOONEST.

PARA 3. ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS ARE BEING PREPARED FOR FY 48 TPT. WILL ADVISE SOONEST.

PARA 4. AGREED REQUIREMENTS FOR TPT WILL BE CONSIDERABLY REDUCED FROM TOTAL AMG PRESENT NEEDS. TOTAL POPULATION OF ENTIRE TPT IS ESTIMATED AT 365000.

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HQ ALCOM FOR INDUSTRY

GHQ GSF (1)

AFHQ FOR G-5 (2) AND VENEZIA GIULIA (3)

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SUBJECT IS ELECTRICITY FOR TRIESTE PD

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER FIVE SEVEN ZERO ONE SLANT GEORGE DATED EIGHT JANUARY PD

PARA ONE PD REPRESENTATIVE FROM AMG TRIESTE WAS PRESENT AT MEETING HELD VENICE ON ONE ZERO JANUARY BETWEEN ELECTRIC COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES AND ITALIAN COMMISSION ON ELECTRIC POWER PD

PARA TWO PD AGREEMENT WAS REACHED THAT ELECTRIC POWER SITUATION IN TRIESTE WOULD DEFINITELY BE IMPROVED SHORTLY PD

ROUTINE //

INDUSTRY & UTILITIES SUB-DIVISION

H.E. WALKER COLONEL GS

JOHN R.HAYES
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SCAO AMG VENEZIA GIULIA
EXEXCM ARHQ (ATTACOS G-5) INFO: GHQ CMF = ALLIED COMMISSION

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Accordance your instructions repeated today by Sacmed and C in C personally have instructed acting director economic section this HQ and other officers to answer freely all questions propounded by commission of inquiry of council of foreign Ministers now in Trieste when and only when asked in open meeting or by communication on behalf of entire commission.

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ACMAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS ,INFO: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE LONDON FOR BCS CHQ

CMF ALCOM ROME AMG VENEZIA GIULIA C IN C MED

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[redacted] N.R.

Reur cal 1580 not to all, this is NAF 1264. Subject is future maintenance of present AMG territory.

1. After "R" day no Allied machinery or authority will exist for the allocation of food and other disease and unrest supplies now being furnished by the CCS to Udine Province and zone A , Venezia Giulia it is therefore essential that all shipments designated for AMG territory shall arrive in time so that distribution can be completed by "R" day.

2. It is my view that after "R" day I have no responsibility for feeding or otherwise maintaining any civil territory. It is my opinion however that the territory now being maintained by CCS will suffer want unless a substantial supply of essentials remains in the various areas at the time sovereignty passes. This is particularly applicable to TFT. The free state has pratically no indigenous supplies, and unless provisioning is arranged for, and actually on hand, at turnover , it will get off to a very bad start. Allied Troops will be stationed in Udine Province for a considerable period after "R" day. While I have every confidence that Italy and Unrra will do their best to fill the gap it would be a bad publicity for us to leave bare larder. AMG territory has lived a hand to mouth exihtence from the begining. There is now no reserve stock of food. Coal is pratically exhausted and industries are closing down for lack thereof.

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3. I have already called forward the Jan-March requirements by FX 73824 of 18 December. I recommend that the April-June requirements be forwarded without delay, so that the 6 months supply shall arrive by 15 March 47. This will permit distribution prior to 1 April 47 which for the purpose at hand I estimate as "R" day.

4. In view of the interest I have in Trieste while UK/US Troops are stationed there and particularly during AMG period prior to assuption of office by Governor I would like assurances that food and other essential supplies including coal to prevent disease and unrest are being provided from some source.

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INFO - CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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HQ ALCOM 8 January 1947

AMG, UDINE ATTN: PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

AMG, VENEZIA GIULIA ATTN: ECONOMIC DIVISION

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BY ALLIED COMMISSION LETTER EASY SUGAR SLANT ONE POINT FOUR SEVEN SLANT ZERO OF TWO SEVEN DECEMBER ONE NINE FOUR SIX THE PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER CMA ABLE MIKE GEORGE CMA UDINE WAS DIRECTED TO RESCIND DECREES OF ONE FIVE MAY ONE NINE FOUR SIX CMA ONE EIGHT SEPTEMBER ONE NINE FOUR SIX AND ONE ZERO OCTOBER ONE NINE FOUR SIX WHICH RESTRICTED MOVEMENT INDIGENOUS SUPPLIES WITHIN ITALY AND BETWEEN ITALY AND ZONE ABLE OF VENEZIA GIULIA PD SUCH DECREES VIOLATE ESTABLISHED POLICY PD COPY OF ABOVE MENTIONED LETTER BEING FORWARDED THIS DATE SINCE WE ARE ADVISED OF NON DASH RECEIPT BY YOUR OFFICE PD EE

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Economic Div. - Food, Ag. & ANC Supplx Sub-Div.

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GILBERT M. MELLIN
Capt., Inf. (Armd)

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ACAO AIG VENEZIA GIULIA

AMIC for C-5 GHQ CHF for G/S

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REFERENCE YOUR EIGHT PLANT THIRTEEN FOUR JANUARY PERIOD AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THEY REPORT THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE ADRIATICA COMPANY ORDERING IMMEDIATE STEPS TO BE TAKEN TO RESTORE NORMAL VOLTAGE AND FREQUENCY IN POWER SUPPLY TO TRIESTE PERIOD THIS SHOULD PREVENT FAILURE OF WATER PUMPS PERIOD POWER SUPPLY MOST CRITICAL IN MONT ISH ITALY DUE TO FREEZING OF NORMAL FLOW AND ICE FORMATION IN CANALS FROM RESERVOIRS TO SPILLWAYS PERIOD ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FURTHER ASSURES US THAT WHEN PRESENT SEVERE FREEZING CONDITIONS MODERATE POWER SUPPLY WILL BE INCREASED PERIOD

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OP PRIORITY

SCAO AMG VENEZIA GIULIA
ALCOM FOR ECONOMICS SECTION INFO: AFHQ FOR G-5 GHQ FOR C/S

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Health of Troops and civilians in Trieste seriously menaced by water shortage due to failure of pumps on account low tension and frequency of electricity supply . Voltage down to 75 % normal and frequency 32 instead of 42. Without reference GHQ or this HQ Italian electricity commissioner North Italy on 27 December reduced availability electric energy to Venezia Giulia to 40 % below consumption at that date although this area is believed to be only one in theater which has made bona fide effort to meet all rationing requirements. Please insist Italian Government immediately instruct electricity commissioner to restore adequate supply with normal voltage and frequency characteristics. Goc in C after consultation with engineer strongly concurs. Confirm receipt this signal and action taken with copy to GHQ CMF.

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AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS INFO: CABINET OFFICES FOR BCS ALCOM ROME GHQ CMF AMG VENEZIA GIULIA 88TH DIVISION

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This is MAT 1D54.

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1. TAM 801 acknowledged. Full assistance will be given commission in all respects. Request earliest details as to composition of party; Eta, means travel, and personalities to permit proper reception, accomodation and intra theater travel. On receipt of questions will gather data. Best available experts will be on hand to discuss technical question.

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AMG VENEZIA GIULIA INFO ALCOM ROME CMFC CINCMED USFA DIVISION

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1. A commission of 25 or 30 members representing four powers of CFM is expected to arrive in Trieste about 5 January 47 to investigate financial posting and prospects of proposed Trieste free territory. Estimate 1 month to complete work.

Commission will make recommendation not later than 20 Feb 47 on questions involved in setting up free state including separate currency and customs unit with particular reference to initial difficulties between time peace treaty and end 1947.

Commission will start from and Belgrade and TFT outside Trieste.

2. All assistance will be given commission. Assure that AMG and ALCOM experts in subjects being investigated are available.

3. For ALCOM. Inform RAC, US/IC Embassies, ASAA and AFA. Direct colonel AMG report AMG Venezia Giulia immediately and then return CASERTA on or before 4 Jan 47.

4. Further details will issue when known.

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A M G VENEZIA GIULIA FOR ECONOMIC DIVISION

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REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL FOX SEVEN THREE EIGHT ZERO EIGHT SUBJECT INDIGENOUS SUPPLIES EX UDINE PROVINCE PD

PARA ONE PD LETTER OF ABOVE SUBJECT BEING DISPATCHED TO [illegible] PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER DIRECTING THAT DECREES RESTRICTING FREE FLOW OF FOOD INTO VENEZIA GIULIA BE RESCINDED PD

COPY OF LETTER BEING FORWARDED VENEZIA GIULIA AND YOUR HEADQUARTERS.PD

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Director

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JOHN R. HAYES
Major A.C.D. W.
Adjutant

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RAAC FOR AFPWC INFO: GHQ CMF FOR Q ALCOM ROME ACAO VENEZIA GIULIA

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Bast policy for maximum coordination for whole Italy should no be violated see our C 67708 bracket not to SACAD Venezia Giulia bracket disopproving recommendations (7 minutes AFLWC meting 29 November). If Venezia Giulia sub committee has problem so urgent it cannot await normal action it is always authorized to deal directly with AFHQ. Decisions will be based on general policy that Venezia Giulia must keep in general line with Italy proper.

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ALCOM ROME FOR ECONOMIC SECTION

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SUBJECT IS INDIGENEOUS SUPPLIES EX UDINE PROVINCIE .

PARA 1.IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT DECREES ISSUED AMG UDINE ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION YOUR HEADQUARTERS.

PARA 2.THIS HEADQUARTERS DOES NOT APPROVE ACTION TAKEN BY AMG AS IT IS CONTRARY TO AFHQ POLICY LAID DOWN IN LETTER F-OX 2 DATED 13 FEBRUARY 1946,WHICH PROVIDES FOR VENEZIA GIULIA ZONE A TO BE TREATED ECONOMICALLY AS PART OF ITALY.

PARA 3.PLEASE KEEP THIS HEADQUARTERS INFORMED.

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10 December 1946

HQ ALCOM ECONOMIC DIVISION

AMG, VENEZIA GIULIA TERU SUPPLY DIVISION FOR FOOD DIVISION and to
AMG, UDINE FOR FOOD OFFICER

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PARA ONE FD FOLLOWING IS REPEAT OF LAC ONE FOUR ZERO SIX DATED NINE DECEMBER ONE NINE FOUR SIX CLN QUOTE THIS IS LAC ONE FOUR ZERO SIX FD SUBJECT IS SUBSISTENCE FOR VENEZIA GIULIA SLANT UDINE CMA JANUARY DASH JUNE ONE NINE FOUR SEVEN FD REFER CAL ONE FIVE EIGHT ZERO FD PARA ONE FD REQUISITION FOR SUGAR AND DEHYDRATED SOUP FOR MONTHS JANUARY CMA FEBRUARY CMA MARCH CMA ONE NINE FOUR SEVEN BEING PLACED ON UNCLE KING IMMEDIATELY FD PARA TWO FD ACCEPTABILITY OF HORSEMEAT AND GRAVY AND SOYA FLOUR BEING ASCERTAINED FD WILL ADVISE YOU EARLIEST AND CALL FORWARD ITEMS EX NAN YOKE PETER EASY ACCORDINGLY FD NOTED THAT AVAILABILITY FATS CMA WHEAT AND MEAT NOT DETERMINED AT PRESENT FD UNQUOTE PARA TWO FD REQUEST REPLY TO OUR FIVE SEVEN FOUR EIGHT DATED NINE DECEMBER SOONEST FD

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Economic Div. - Food, Agr. & AMG Supply Sub-Div.

Gilbert M. Mellin
GILBERT M. MELLIN
Capt., Inf. (Arm'd)

JOHN R. HAYES
Major, AGD
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9 December 1946

HQ ALCOM ECONOMIC DIVISION

AMG, VENEZIA GIULIA THRU SUPPLY DIVISION FOR FOOD DIVISION and to
AMG, UDINE FOR FOOD OFFICER

AFHQ, G-5

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PARA ONE FD BY CAL ONE FIVE EIGHT ZERO COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF APPROVE FOOD REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST HALF ONE NINE FOUR SEVEN AND AUTHORIZE CALL FORWARD OF FIRST THREE MONTHS SUPPLY PARA TWO FD ADVISE IMMEDIATELY AMOUNT LOW FAT SOYA FLOUR ACCEPTABLE INSTEAD OF WHEAT ON BASIS ONE POINT THREE POUNDS SOYA FLOUR TO ONE POUND WHEAT FD PARA THREE FD FOR UDINE CLN IS CANNED HORSEMEAT AND GRAVY NOW READILY AVAILABLE ACCEPTABLE AS SUBSTITUTE FOR PRESERVED MEAT QUERY THIS PRODUCT NINE ZERO PERCENT MEAT CMA BONELESS CMA CURRENTLY BEING USED FOR EUROPEAN RELIEF FEEDING AND IS EQUIVALENT IN CALORIES AND NUTRITION TO OTHER CANNED MEATS FD PROCUREMENT OF OTHER MEAT MIGHT OCCASION DELAY FD

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-Director, Econ Div.
-Col. Graves

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ROUTINE

FOOD OFFICER AMG VENEZIA GIULIA

FOOD OFFICER AMG UDINE PROVINCIE REPEATED ALCOM ROME

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(1) REF S/S MELVILLE HEREWITH CONFIRMATION VERBAL AGREEMENT MYA ATT CAMMARATA.

(2) SUBSISTENCE IN PRESENT STOCKS UDINE : BREAD 17 JANUARY PASTA 1 JUANUARY :VENEZIA GIULIA : BREAD 22 DECEMBER PASTA 1 JANUARY.

(3) DAILY CONSUMPTION UDINE :BREAD 154 PASTA 66 :VENEZIA GIULIA :BREAD 128 PASTA 51.

(4) BREAD REQUIREMENTS TILL 2 JANUARY :UDINE 154 TONS BY 8 DAYS EQUAL 1232 TONS O VENEZIA GIULIA 128 TONS BY 34 DAYS EQUAL 4352 TONS/TOTAL TONS EE' 5584.

(5) BALANCE FROM MELVILLE CARGO OF 8330 TONS WILL BE 2746 TONS OF WHICH 1900 TONS WILL SUPPLY UDINE WITH PASTA FOR ALL JANUARY AND 846 TONS WILL SUPPLY VENEZIA GIULIA WITH PASTA APPROXIMATELY HALF JANUARY.

(6) TOTAL BREAKDOWN THEREFORE UDINE 3132 TONS: VENEZIA GIULIA 5198.

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CC 1008

6 December 1946

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

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I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 2nd which enclosed a copy of the letter which was addressed to the Embassies of the United States of America and Great Britain concerning new violences committed in the "B" Zone of Venezia Giulia.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Ambasciatore Francesco Franzoni
Il Segretario Generale
Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Roma

Ministero degli Affari Esteri
IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

Rough Translation

39830/123

Rome, December 2nd, 1946

Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith a copy of letter which I have addressed to the Embassies of Great Britain and of the United States of America, concerning new violences committed by Yugoslavs against Italians living in "B" zone of Venezia Giulia.

I am, Sir, with highest consideration

signed FRANZONI

Encl.

To Admiral
Ellery W. STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

COPY

NATIONAL LIBERATION COMMITTEE
POLA

Pola, 21/11/46

TO THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NENNI
ROME

The National Liberation Committee, Pola, begs to inform you of the serious persecutions which are being effected against Italians of "B" zone, inhabitants of Rovigno Fasano, Albona Gallesano Dignano. Arrests, sequester of property, plunder, are carried out on O.S.N.A.'s initiative.

Invoke action through New York Embassy for protecting innocent victims sciovinistic hatred.

Names of victims are kept at your disposal.

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CLANDESTINE COMMITTEE
OF NATIONAL LIBERATION
ISTRIA = POLA

POLA, 20/11/46

Clandestine Committee of National Liberation, Istria, in name of pain-stricken population desperately invokes Government intervention so that a new wave of terror, arrests, spoliations and sequesters, which has befallen on Italian of "B" zone, be stopped.

DRAGHESSI GIOVANNI

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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

39820/213

Rome, December 2nd, 1946

Sir,

the Clandestine Committee of National Liberation of Istria and the National Liberation Committee of Pola, with the telegrams, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, have informed invoking assistance, that a new wave of violences and spoliations is falling on the Italians of "B" zone of Venezia Giulia.

While I communicate these urging appeals to you, appeals which are expressing how serious the situation of the aforesaid Italians is, I would be obliged if you could bring the above to the knowledge of your Government for the action it might deem necessary.

I am, Sir

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David MCKENDREE KEY
U.S. Chargé d'Affaires
ROME

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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

39830/103

Roma, li 2 DIC. 1946

Signor Ammiraglio,

Le trasmetto qui unito copia di una lettera da me inviata alle Ambasciate di Gran Bretagna e degli Stati Uniti circa nuove violenze commesse dagli Jugoslavi contro gli Italiani della zona "B" della Venezia Giulia.

Con profonda considerazione

*Ellery Stone*

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Ammiraglio
Ellery V. S T O N E
Capo della Commissione Alleata
ROMA

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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

Roma, li 2-Dic-1946

Signor Incaricato d'Affari,

il Comitato clandestino di Liberazione Nazionale dell'Istria ed il Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale di Pola, con i telegrammi di cui allego copia, hanno segnalato, invocando soccorso, che una nuova ondata di violenze e di spogliazioni sta abbattendosi sugli italiani della zona "B" della Venezia Giulia.

Le comunico questi pressanti appelli, che esprimono la gravità della situazione di quegli italiani, affinchè Ella voglia renderne edotto il Suo Governo per quella azione che ritenesse del caso.

La prego, signor Incaricato d'Affari,

Al Signor
David MCKENDREE KEY

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Sigmor Incaricato d'Affari,

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Al Sigmor
David MCKENDREE KEY
Incaricato d'Affari degli Stati Uniti
d'America

ROMA

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COPIA

Comitato Clandestino
Liberazione Nazionale
Istria - Pola-

Pola 20/II/1946

Comitato clandestino Liberazione Nazionale Istria a nome popolazione angosciata invoca disperatamente intervento Governo per por fine ad una nuova ondata terrore arresti spogliazioni sequestri a danno cittadini italiani zona "B".

DRAGHESSI GIOVANNI

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Comitato Liberazione
Nazionale - POLA -

Pola 21/II/1946

AL MINISTRO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI NENNI

R O M A

Comitato Liberazione Nazionale Pola le segnala gravi persecuzioni in corso contro italiani sono B Rovigno Pesaro Albona Gallesano Dignano arresti sequestri averi spogliazioni ruberia iniziativa O.S.N.A. La scongiuriamo voler agire Nuova York nostre Ambasciata onde proteggere esseri innocenti indifesi vittime cieco odio nazionalistico. Teniamo sua disposizione colpiti.

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Comitato Liberazione
Nazionale - POLA -

Pola 21/II/1946

AL MINISTRO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI NENNI

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Originator's Reference: FX55949 Message Centre No: C/5349

Date/Time of Origin: DE 101052A Date Time Received: DEC 1110030A

FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQMG

Precedence: 'OP' PRIORITY

TO : ACTION ROME 13 CORPS

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The following message has been received from the Combined Chief's of Staff as FAN 634.
Further instructions from AFHQ will follow.

Para 1. All areas in Italy, including the Province of Bolzano and the Commune of Colle Salvetti, Livorno, Naples and Pisa, and the fortress islands of Lampedusa, Linosa, and Pantellaria, but excepting Udine Province and that portion of Venezia Giulia west of the Morgan Line, will be returned to Italian administration as soon as possible, and in any case no longer the 21 days after receipt of this directive (reference your radios NAF 1609. NAF 1071. NAF 1073. NAF 1092 and NAF 905).

Para 2. Simultaneously, in respect of any territories which may be retained under AMG, all command functions of ALCOM and AMG will be preformed by 13 Corps, reporting directly to AFHQ. Military personnel detached from duty with ALCOM will not be utilized as AFHQ Liaison to ALCOM

Para 3. At time of hand over you should inform Italian Government and make public announcement to include statements that;
(A) Udine is retained solely for military reasons and not because it is considered a disputed area.
(B) Return of Bolzano is without prejudice to final disposal of province under peace treaty at which Italian rights will receive full consideration.

Para 4. As regards Lampedusa, Linosa, and Pantelleria, handback of these Provinces should be made at the same time, subject to your obtaining agreement of Italian Government to;
(A) Their demilitarization.
(B) Your retaining right of inspection to insure that demilitarization is maintained. You should provide, if you think it necessary, for Allied Officers to be stationed there, as in other parts of Italy administered by Italian Government, to ensure that Allied Military interests are safeguarded.

Para 5. You are completely relieved of Italian supply responsibility except for Venezia Giulia, and Province of Udine. Supplies will be the concern of the civilian departments of the United States and United Kingdom Governments of the Italian Government programs. Pending further instruction, you should, as President of the Allied Commission, continue to advise and assist the Italian Government in the preparation of program of supplies for the areas covered by its programs and, when such programs have been established by the Italian Governments review and transit them with appropiate comments and recommendations to the Combined Chiefs of Affairs Committee which will transit them to the Combined Liberated Areas Committee for action by the appropriate civilian agencies of the United States and British Governments.
You may also give assistance to the Italian Covertment in connection with the preparation of bids for transportation for the supplies when received in Italy.
In addition as Military Commander, you will have right to communicate with the

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Para 6. Your channel of communication to the United States and United Kingdom Governments, both with respect to Allied Force Headquarters and Allied Commission matters will continue throughtthe Combined Chiefs of Staff and the Combined Civil Affairs Committee in appropriate cable series. It is contemplated that necessary Italian civil supply arrangements will be handled between Allied Commission and Combined Liberation Areas admitted and use of COMMZDC cable series has been authorized for this purpose. However, you may submit any matters you deem appropriate the Combined Civil Affairs Committee through existing channels. Combined Chiefs of Staff or Combined Civil Affairs Committee will, there appropriate, communicate with responsible civilian agencies of the United States and United Kingdom Governments.

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MAIN 13 CORPS FOR CHIEF OF STAFF FROM GEN HARDING

ACTION: AFHQ INFO: ALCOM

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Ref your FX 55949. I have discussed with Mr. (Cleveland) Economic Adviser to Alcom question of method of continuing supe to Udine and Venezia Giulia and other related matters. As a result I consider arrangements made must provide for following.

1. Res of two months civil sups for Venezia Giulia to be held locally.

2. Scale of civil sups for Venezia Giulia to be at least equal to that for remainder of Italy which I understand will be raised when UNRRA assume responsibility.

3. Res of one months civil sups for Udine to be held locally and to be at my disposal for use in emergency. AMG Udine to retain machinery for distribution in emergency.

4. Supply of commodities and materials essential to industry for which Venezia Giulia is dependent on rest of Italy to be maintained on scale proportionate to needs and availability. In other words all possible steps to be taken to prevent public or private commercial discrimination to the disadvantage of Venezia Giulia.

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INFO ACTION: ECON SECTION (2)

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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CC 1008 6 December 1946

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Ambasciatore Francesco Franzoni
Il Segretario Generale
Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Roma

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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AFHQ, SIGNED SACMED CITE FWDSC
ALCOM ROME

ROUTINE

SECRET

Reur 7594 of 23rd October.

The decision that no liaison officers would be sent to the Western Coast of ISTRIA as set forth by F 47627 of 6 October was made by SACMED with full knowledge of the factors involved. The only grounds on which SACMED should be approached to reverse any decision is the appearance of factors not considered at the time the decision was made. Your 7594 dated 3rd October reveals no new factors.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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Ref: 2811/105/MO

22 November, 1946.

SUBJECT: Italian Government communications to Venezia Giulia.

TO : The Presidency of the Council of Ministers.

1. The Allied Military Government of Venezia Giulia has again drawn the attention of this Commission to the fact that direct communications have been received during the last few days by Area President TRIESTE - one from the Ministry of the Interior and another from the Ministry of Food.

2. The Italian Government is aware of the provision whereby communications between it and the legal authorities in Venezia Giulia are suspended.

3. It would be appreciated if action with all Italian Government Departments is taken to ensure that letters or any other type of correspondence for the Prefectures of Trieste, Gorizia, and Pola, are addressed to this Commission for onward transmission.

FOR THE OTHER COMMISSIONER:

/s/ H. CARR.
H. CARR, Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 9008/192/20 16 November 1946

Dear dott. Prunas,

The Chief Commissioner has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter no. 36538/104 dated 2 Nov. regarding War-Prizes in Venezia Giulia.

The question is being investigated and a reply will be sent to you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ M. CARR.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Doctor Renato Prunas,
Secretary General,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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8 November 1946

My dear Dr. Prunas:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 5th which enclosed a copy of your letter to the Embassies of the United States and of Great Britain concerning further cases of removal of goods from the "pp" Zone of Venezia Giulia.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Renato Prunas
Secretary General
Ministry for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
Rome

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8 November 1946

My dear Dr. Prunas:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of ~~November~~ 15th which enclosed a copy of your letter to the Embassies of the United States and of Great Britain concerning further cases of removal of goods from the "B" Zone of Venezia Giulia.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
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Dr. Renato Prunas
Secretary General
Ministry for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
Rome

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AC/AGLA/13/2. 7 November 1946.

SUBJECT : Adequacy of Sentences.

TO : Senior Civil Affairs Officer,
VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. Reference is made to your letter AC/AGLA/52 of 27 August 1946.

2. There are forwarded herewith copy of report dated 10 October 1946 of the Chief Legal Adviser, Allied Commission, covering investigation made by his regarding Court procedure and delay in the Venezia Giulia area, and of letter G-5 : 334.49 of 29 October 1946 from Allied Force Headquarters, containing comments on the subject matter of that report, as directed in paragraph 1 of the latter. Will you please take action accordingly.

3. Attention is invited especially to paragraph 3 of G-5 letter of 29 October 1946. In this connection it is considered that the interests of legal administration in Venezia Giulia may be served best by preliminary coordination of matters affecting such administration in Venezia Giulia with this headquarters. It is also believed that important advantage may be gained through the suggested closer working relationship between your headquarters and the Legal Division of this headquarters. The Chief Legal Adviser will continue to make periodic trips to your headquarters to assist in any way he can.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Vice Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner.

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AC/4014/13/1. 7 November 1946.

SUBJECT : Adequacy of Sentences.

TO : Senior Civil Affairs Officer,
VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. Reference is made to your letter 13C/A G/95 of 27 August 1946.

2. There are forwarded herewith copy of report dated 10 October 1946 of the Chief Legal Advisor, Allied Commission, covering investigation made by him regarding Court Procedure and Policy in the Venezia Giulia area, and of letter G-5 : 934.45 of 29 October 1946 from Allied Force Headquarters, containing comments on the subject matter of that report, as directed in paragraph 1 of the latter. Will you please take action accordingly.

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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28 October 1946

My dear Dr. Prunas:

I wish to thank you for your letter of 24 October 1946 with its enclosure concerning the dismissal of teachers in the "B" zone of Venezia Giulia.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

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

Dr. Renato Prunas,
Ministero degli Affari Esteri,
ROME.

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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

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ROUGH TRANSLATION

Rome, 24 October, 1945.

Dear Admiral Stone,

I forward herewith enclosed, for your attention, the copy of a letter which I have addressed to the Embassies of Great Britain and of the United States of America in Rome concerning the dismissal of teachers in "B" zone of Venezia Giulia.

Very sincerely yours,

Signed PRUNAS

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To Admiral Ellery W. STONE

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To Admiral Ellery W. STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission

ROME

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Rome,

Dear Chargé d'Affaires,

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Very sincerely yours

(sgd) R. PRUNAS

To
DAVID MCKENDREE KEY Esq.
Chargé d'Affaires
of the United States of America
ROME

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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

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Roma, lì 24 OTT. 1946

Caro Ammiraglio,

Le invio qui unito, per Sua conoscenza, copia di una lettera da me indirizzata alle Ambasciate di Gran Bretagna e degli Stati Uniti in Roma circa il licenziamento di insegnanti della zona "B" della Venezia Giulia.

Molti cordiali saluti

P. Pansa

All'Ammiraglio Ellery W.STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata

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Caro Incaricato d'Affari,

Ci è stato comunicato dal Presidente del Comitato Nazionale di Liberazione istriano che gli insegnanti del Distretto di Capodistria: Dolce, Apollonio, Lugnani, Pitacco, Divo, Venturini, Viedner, Viezzoli, Gerin, Forturello, Menis, Fioravanti, Bussani, Milossi, Porro, Toumasi e Konza, sono stati dispensati dal servizio e privati dello stipendio da parte delle Autorità jugoslave. Unica ragione di tale provvedimento sarebbe il sospetto che essi svolgano attività filo-italiana: essi sarebbero infatti già stati giudicati lo scorso anno dalla Commissione di epurazione e mantenuti in servizio.

Nel comunicarLe quanto precede per quelle segnalazioni che Ella credesse di fare al Suo Governo, Le faccio presente l'opportunità che eventuali passi in favore dei predetti insegnanti siano compiuti in modo da non esporli a rappresaglie jugoslave.

Molto cordialmente

F.to R. Prunas

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Al Signor
DAVID MCKENDREE KEY
Incaricato d'Affari degli Stati Uniti
d'America

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19 November 1945

SUBJECT : Public Works in Venezia Giulia.

TO : Col. Alfred C. Bowman,
S.C.A.O., AMG Venezia Giulia.

1. I attach hereto a translation of a letter dated 20 October from the President of the Council of Ministers, proposing that a public works program in Venezia Giulia be financed by the Italian Government.

2. This Headquarters is sympathetic to the Italian request and I have discussed the proposal in principle with G-5, AFHQ, stating that, on the analogy of the Category "A" and "B" supplies, the AMG public works program could be considered as a preventive against disease and unrest and the supplemental Italian program, financed by an Italian budget appropriation, considered as a reconstruction measure. The planning and execution of such a supplemental program would of course be carried out under AMG supervision.

3. AFHQ's present view of the Italian proposal is not one of opposition, and I should like to present an agreed proposal for a final decision. Accordingly, I should be grateful for an early expression of your views, particularly as to the amount of funds that could usefully be spent during the next six months or a year in a supplemental program of public works, and a breakdown of the major types of works projects that could be undertaken.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

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

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Rome, 20 October 194

The President of the Council
of Ministers.

Dear Admiral,

The growing unemployment of workers in Trieste has certainly come to your notice, and it has been pointed out to me with great insistence under both social and humanitarian aspects in this particularly difficult moment. The feeling between Trieste and the Italian Government, one of growing discomfort owing to the fact that what has become to us impossible because of the abnormal conditions of military occupation is put down as indifference on our part; that is to retain communications with Venezia Giulia region, to keep a representative there, even though in the form of a simple observer, and to carry out any moral and material help towards our fellow countrymen very much tried during Tito's occupation at first, and by the Jugoslav agents now, who seem to have complete liberty of movement on the other side of the Morgan Line, liberty completely ignored until now by the Italian Government.

We now intend to help the working population of Trieste by financing, even at the cost of great sacrifice on our part, public works, necessary to the city, so as to enable the unemployed to work. This will be under the care of the Technical Office of the Comune di Trieste and under the supervision of the Genio Civile.

I am certain that you will appreciate the exceptional importance of this project, and I beg you to inform the local Allied command, so that the financing on the part of the Italian Government may be facilitated.

I beg you, my dear Admiral, to accept my highest regards.

sd/ Ferruccio Parri

Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission, Rome.

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
ROME.

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16th October, 1946.

My Dear Admiral,

In the absence of Sir Noel Charles, I write to thank you for your letter of October 9th in which you enclosed a translation of a memorandum left with you by Sig. Pecorari on behalf of the Association of Relatives of Deportees to Yugoslavia.

Although I fear it may be too late to affect the situation, I am gladly forwarding copies of the memorandum to the Foreign Office.

Yours sincerely,

J G Ward

J. G. Ward.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R., K.B.E.,
Chief Commissioner,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
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AMERICAN EMBASSY
THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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Rome, October 11, 1946

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My dear Admiral Stone,

I have received your communication of October 9 enclosing a translation of a memorandum left with you by Signor Pecorari.

We have sent a copy of this memorandum to the Department of State and to the Embassy at Belgrade, but not to the Delegation in Paris as this will be leaving Paris within the next few days and therefore there is no time for the memorandum to arrive before the Delegation's departure.

Very truly yours,

David McK. Key

David McK. Key
Charge d'Affaires ad interim

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Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome

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9 October 1946

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/s/ Ellery W. Stone

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THE DEPORTEES OF VENEZIA GIULIA IN JUGOSLAVIA

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Who were the arrested? Italians in absolute majority, and also Slavs who were against the Tito regime. Men, women, children, equally victims of the same ferocious persecution, without any discrimination, without any procedure. The arrestations were carried out by night and by day, in the houses and in the streets, according to prescription lists which had been previously prepared or just improvised following revengeful indications by the supporters of the Tito regime.

17 months have now passed since May 1945 and ever since the day of their arrestation nothing has been heard about the fate of the unlucky ones. And nothing is known yet! Are they alive? Are they dead? Are they still languishing in some Jugoslav concentration camp or have they died from starvation or illness or under the machine-gun or the club of the jailmen? Terrible mystery!

The agreement of June 1945 between Gen Alexander and Marshal Tito foresaw the return of the people deported from Venezia Giulia to Jugoslavia. The conditions were not maintained and the Jugoslavs repeatedly stated that there were no political internees or deportees from Venezia Giulia in Jugoslavia, while hints from the Jugoslav press gave to understand that eventually there were some war criminals against whom Tito's authorities had full right to proceed.

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The Julian deportees ought to be liberated if they are alive, and if they are dead, at least the place of their burial ought to be indicated. As to the guilty ones, they should be judged by an impartial court and their sentence should be made known. This is what is being asked in the name of the most elementary sense of justice and humanity!

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ASSOCIATION OF RELATIVES OF DEPORTEES
TO JUGOSLAVIA

TRIESTE - GORIZIA - POLA

September 1946.

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ASSEMBLEA COSTITUENTE

IL VICE PRESIDENTE
on.Pecorari

Ill.mo Signor Ammiraglio
Ellery STONE

Quale reduce dal campo nazista di Buchenwald,sento tutta la solidarietà umana con tutti coloro che languono ancora in campi di concentramento bestiali e mi permetto perciò di presentarLe l'acclusa domanda dei famigliari dei deportati in Jugoslavja,aggiungendo alle loro raccomandazioni le mie più pressanti e più comprensive.

Distintamente

on Pecorari

Roma,li 23-IX-1946.

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September 1946.

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# I DEPORTATI DELLA VENEZIA GIULIA IN JUGOSLAVIA

Durante l'occupazione militare jugoslava della Zona A della Venezia Giulia, ossia dal 1 maggio al 12 giugno del 1945, sono state arrestate a Trieste, Gorizia e Pola oltre 4,500 persone; tale è il numero delle denuncie assunte a verbale dall'apposito Ufficio che il Governo Militare Alleato di Trieste si vide indotto a istituire di fronte ad un problema la cui tragicità appariva pari alla sua vastità. Il fatto stesso dell'interessamento del Governo Militare Alleato dimostra ch'esso si rendeva conto di una situazione assolutamente anormale e fuor di ogni legge umana, della quale non intendeva nè assumere nè condividere la responsabilità.

Chi erano gli arrestati? Nell'assoluta maggioranza, italiani, e altresì elementi slavi, contrari al regime di Tito. Uomini, donne e ragazzi, vittime egualmente della stessa persecuzione feroce, senza discriminazione, senza ombra di procedura. Gli arresti si eseguivano di notte e di giorno, nelle case e lungo le vie, su liste di proscrizione antecedentemente preparate o improvvisate su indicazioni vendicative da parte di fautori del regime di Tito.

Sono ormai passati 17 mesi dal lontano maggio 1945 e dal giorno degli arresti nulla più si è saputo sulla sorte di quei disgraziati. E nulla si sa ancora! Sono vivi? Sono morti? Languono tuttora in qualche campo di concentramento della Jugoslavia o sono periti di stenti, di malattia o sotto il nitra o le bastonature dei carcerieri? Mistero angoscioso!

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L'accordo del giugno 1945 fra il Gen. Alexander ed il Maresciallo Tito prevedeva la restituzione dei deportati della Venezia Giulia in Jugoslavia. I patti non vennero mantenuti e da parte jugoslava venne ripetutamente dichiarato che in Jugoslavia non c'erano internati o deportati politici della Venezia Giulia mentre larvati cenni della stampa jugoslava lasciavano capire che, se mai, si trattava di criminali di guerra contro i quali le autorità di Tito avevano diritto di procedere.

Se fra le migliaia di deportati può esserci qualcuno sospetto di aver svolto attività fascista, per gli altri, per la maggioranza, non esiste alcun elemento per la formulazione di un'accusa del genere.

Basti dire che tra i deportati figurano uomini che hanno apertamente combattuto il fascismo, che hanno lavorato nel movimento di cospirazione e, addirittura, membri di Comitati di Liberazione Nazionale.

La loro colpa è quindi una sola, quella di essere italiani.

Delle migliaia di deportati soltanto poco più di 200 sono ritornati, e il racconto delle loro sofferenze ricorda, se non supera, gli episodi dei campi di concentramento nazisti.

I familiari dei deportati ricorsero ripetutamente ai Governi Alleati, al Governo italiano, a quello jugoslavo, al Vaticano, alla Croce Rossa Internazionale, alla Croce Rossa slovena, e sempre invano. 140

Richieste ai Quattro Grandi, ai Ministri degli Esteri, alla Commissione degli Esperti venuta nella Venezia Giulia, sono rimaste senza risposta.

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Un ultimo supremo appello lanciano i familiari perchè almeno nel trattato di pace con l'Italia questo tragico problema venga risolto, e il mistero che avvolge la sorte di tanti innocenti italiani e slavi venga alla fine svelato alle famiglie in angosciosa attesa da un anno e mezzo.

I deportati giuliani, se vivi, vengano liberati, se morti, sia indicato il luogo della sepoltura, se colpevoli, siano giudicati da un tribunale imparziale e sia resa nota la condanna. Questo si domanda in nome del più elementare senso di giustizia e di umanità!

Le Grandi Nazioni che hanno combattuto per la libertà ricordino che oggi ancora in Jugoslavia esistono campi di concentramento dei quali da oltre un anno e mezzo non si fa sentire una voce.

Si dica alla Jugoslavia una parola che la faccia desistere da questi sistemi, se ne avvantaggerà sopratutto la civiltà e si porterà un grande contributo alla pacificazione fra due popoli in questa Zona tanto contesa.

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Associazione Combattenti Deportati Jugoslavia

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## ASSOCIAZIONE CONGIUNTI DEPORTATI IN JUGOSLAVIA

**SEZIONE DI TRIESTE**

N°73

*Trieste* 6 settembre 1946

Ill.mo Signore
Ammiraglio Ellery STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata
per l'Italia

R O M A

E' questa la prima volta che a nome dei congiunti dei deportati in Jugoslavia, e dopo diciassette mesi di loro esilio, ci rivolgiamo a Lei, Capo della Commissione Alleata per l'Italia.

Ella, Signor Ammiraglio, conosce il problema che tanto dolore ha seminato nella Venezia Giulia.

Nell'unito memoriale, che siamo certi avrà la Sua cordiale considerazione, abbiamo riepilogato i fatti, chiedendo un intervento delle Grandi Potenze presso la Jugoslavia affinchè i campi di concentramento vengano a cessare ed i deportati siano restituiti alle loro famiglie.

I congiunti dei deportati, tanto ingiustamente colpiti, attendono che anche per loro sia spesa una parola autorevole ed energica.

Con devota riconoscenza.

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This is CAL 1566 subject billing for supplies furnished to VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE. Reference CAL 1044 for your information clearance received for billing Italian Government for supplies furnished VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE to date on United States side only.

You have authorization to prepare accounts of issues provided from United States. Preparation of combined bill on basis similar to Italian "A" program bills should not be proceeded with pending united kingdom decision.

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AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS FOR CCAC INFO: CABINET OFFICES
WHITEHALL FOR BCS ALCOM ROME FOR ALLIED SUPPLY ACCOUNTING
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Your TAM 789 refers. This is MAT 1044.

1. Understanding here all supplies for Udine and Venezia Giulia remain combined responsibility. Reference para one to " United States Billing Only" not understood.

2. In the manner of the original 'A' programme accounts are being kept to show country of provision of items but to be billed (without ref to source of supply ) to Italian Government as one combined bill.

3. Will you please inform whether this is correct procedure. Accounts will be submitted as directed your paragraph two following confirmation of procedure.

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Executive Commissioner

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Asst Adjt

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Executive Communicator

PAUL COX
1st Lt AAF Corps
Asst Adjt

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Executive Commissioner

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PAUL COLE
1st Lt. AGr Corps
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Reur 4709 dated 22 August 1946 and 13 Corps AMG 23/42 of 21 August 1946. 597

Subject is tires and tubes for Venezia Giulia Police and AMG vehicle pool.

1. Authority granted for procurement from PERELLI manufactured stocks of tires and tubes requested in your 4226 of 18 August 1946.
2. Please approach appropriate Ministry of Italian Government and obtain from them a priority release for subject tires and tubes.
3. Payment for these items will be made by AMG 13 Corps through normal channels.

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Chief Commissioner.

Attached is submitted for your ~~approval~~ signature
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Seems satisfactory

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Major A.D. Trounson,
G-5 Section,
AFHQ,
CMF.

4 September 1946

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Yours sincerely

Brig. M.S. Lush, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.,
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HQ Allied Commission,
Rome.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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August 1946

G-5: 902.12

SUBJECT: Civil Administration of Venezia Giulia.

TO : Assistant Secretary of War, War Department, Washington, D. C., Attention: Honorable Stuart Symington.

1. The question has been asked as to the reason it was necessary for the Allies to change the type of government introduced in Venezia Giulia by the Yugoslavs during the period of their interim control.

2. Article 43 of the Hague Convention provides that the occupying power shall restore and ensure public order "respecting at the same time, unless absolutely prevented, the laws in force in the country". Throughout the advance up Italy the Allies have observed this and governed and administered Italy according to Italian laws and customs.

3. AMG on moving into Venezia Giulia, however, on 12 June 1945, were confronted with a system of civil administration based on the Russian model, differing in all essential respects from the Italian model, in the treatment of which the AMG Staff had become thoroughly familiar:

(a) The original local governing bodies had been abolished and the territory was being administered by the "organs of the people" which, the Yugoslavs claimed, had been set up as the result of "popular" elections. Briefly, these consisted of a network of Committees of Liberation established in every town and village, responsible to the PNOO (Pokrajinski Narodno Osvobodilni Odbor or Regional Committee of National Liberation) in Trieste, which in turn was responsible to the seat of the Slovene Government at LJUBLJANA.

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(b) The courts of the land had been abolished and new ones (the Peoples Courts) set up, operating under Yugoslav laws. New crimes had been defined.

(c) The National Militia had replaced the Carabinieri.

4. Although the Yugoslav administration had not reached a state of maturity, it was the expressed hope of the Yugoslav Government that they would be able to present it to AMG as a

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felt accepted, obviously, with the intention that it should remain after the Yugoslav withdrawal as a "stay behind" organization to further Yugoslav interests.

5. It was characterized by a lack of impartiality in its dealings with the civilian population. The so called "popular" elections were largely prearranged rather than spontaneous affairs and numerous examples of acts of intimidation were reported.

6. The officials of the Yugoslav administration continued to owe their allegiance to [illegible] and refused to recognize the authority of AMG. In fact, every effort was made to discredit the authority of AMG by subversive activities and propaganda.

7. The administration itself was inefficient and showed an ineptitude for foreign policy on coming into contact with more cultured races and more liberal principles. Methods which were effective and not so widely unpopular in Yugoslavia, were used in Venezia Giulia in an attempt to impose Yugoslav rule on reluctant non-Slav minorities. The area suffered as a result of inexperienced tampering with economic matters, especially banking, and at the hands of partly pro-Slav and partly untrained administrative, judicial, cultural, and educational committees. Decrees had been published which were contrary to Allied policy and which caused considerable embarrassment and inconvenience, particularly in the commercial field.

8. Even had the administration been loyal and acceptable from the point of view of fair dealing and as a result of its willingness to co-operate, it would still have been necessary for AMG to have trained their staff in entirely new principles of administration and to have rewritten many of the decrees and proclamations which had been evolved over a long period as being suitable for the administration of Italian territory and which were ready for immediate application in the new area. Such a course was considered neither practicable nor desirable. AMG, however, were ready to work with those officials of Yugoslav nation who were amenable to their authority and considered suitable.

9. Before, the People Courts, the National Militia, the Liberation Committees as executive police were eliminated

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one by one. Basic Italian civil law, as obtained on the 8th of September 1943, was reinstated by AMG Proclamation No. 1 and subsequently elaborated by General Order No. 11 of 11 August 1945. The action taken by AMG is covered in NAF 1023 dated 25 June 1945, (Appendix 'A') and NAF 1062 dated 25 August 1945, (Appendix 'B'). The Yugoslavs were informed of SACMED's interpretation of Article 3 of the Belgrade Agreement in General Morgan's Aide Memoire dated 16 June. The policy adopted was approved by the Combined Chiefs of Staff in their FAN 661 dated 30 August 1945, (Appendix 'C'). This policy has not been deviated from.

10. Three final points: During the negotiations for the Belgrade Agreement our representatives, who had no information to the contrary, were entitled to assume that the Yugoslav administration of Venezia Giulia would be in accord with the Hague Convention and follow in form the existing law with the substitution of reliable for implicated personnel.

It cannot have been the intention of the Allied representatives to bind the Allies to sustain open illegalities.

All the Allies have done is to abolish the illegalities and bring the administration within the terms of Article 43 of the Hague Convention.

JOHN C. H. LEE
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
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Appendix 'A'
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OUTGOING MESSAGE

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TO FOR ACTION : ACMAR WASHINGTON FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF
AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF

FOR INFO : SHAEF MAIN; ALCOM ROME

REF NO : FX-12507

SIGNED : ALEXANDER CITE : FWD

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 as 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, Sopral 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. 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".

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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 bu t 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 ex 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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TO FOR ACTION : AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF : AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF

REF NO : FX - 38472

SIGNED : ALEXANDER CITE : FHG60

This is NAF 1062

Subject is Mil Govt in VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. Reference is to following papers, paraphrases of which have reached this Hqs through Political Advisers:

A. Jugoslav governments note of 18 July to US government protesting against Allied failure to observe para 3 of BELGRADE Agreement and in particular at reinstatement of Italian laws and administrative system in effect on 8 September 43, at elimination of civil administration set up by National Committees, Peoples Courts and National Militia, and at restraints placed on departmental National Liberation Committees and its agencies:

B. Letters of 26 July from Marshal TITO and Dr SUBASIC to President TRUMAN and Mr CHURCHILL, proposing that the population of Allied occupied VENEZIA GIULIA should be permitted to elect a national administration of its own choosing which would function in close collaboration with AMG.

2. SACMED's interpretation of para 3 of BELGRADE Agreement was set out in NAF 1023.

3. Following is interpretation of paragraph 4 of NAF 1023:

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A. Even prior to the withdrawals of Jugoslav troops considerable experience was gained of the so-called Jugoslav administrative machinery as Allied troops. After establishment of AMG the Peoples Courts, the National Militia, Slovene civil agencies and departmental Liberation Committees or Councils were eliminated one by one as incapable of functioning in practice. It is emphasised that no other course was possible if the area was to be administered impartially. Use has however been made where possible of Slovene and other officials appointed by the Jugoslavs. Liberation Committees and Councils still exist but are regarded as advisory only and not a part of the government.

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B. VENEZIA GIULIA was part of metropolitan ITALY from 1918-1943. Adoption of basic Italian civil law, with provision for elimination of Fascist elements and other changes required by military necessity, was therefore considered to be in accordance with international law and normal military government functions. Regardless of any other considerations, it was and is necessary to make use of Allied Comission machinery and personnel for expert advice and to conduct the day to day functions of military government in the area. It is unworkable and impracticable to operate a system of government which is quite different from that which is being operated in the remainder of ITALY.

4. Reinstatement of basic Italian civil law was accordingly propulgated in AMG proclamation number 1, which is criticised in Jugoslav note of 18 July. Proclamation specifically provided for elimination of Fascist agencies and doctrines.

5. Jugoslav note of 26 July contains suggestion that Area occupied by Allied forces should be regarded as having been "liberated" from both German and Italian authority and that national elections should be held to choose governments which will "collaborate" with AMG. This might well result in a lack of control incompatible with Allied military responsibility.

6. It is emphasized that AMG administration has now been set up in accordance with terms of MAT 1023, so that any change at this stage would cause serious dislocation.

AUTH: H R THOMPSON, MAJOR

COORD WIT H : BRIT RES MIN
US POLAD

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FROM : ACWAR (BOOK MESSAGE)

TO : ALEXANDER FOR ACTION, TO AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF
FOR INFORMATION

REF NO THIS MESSAGE : WX 56650, 29 August 1945

This message is FAN 611 to ALEXANDER from the Combined CHIEFS OF STAFF.

1. Position expressed in NAF 1023 of 25 June 1945 and your Aide Memoire to Jugoslavs of 16 June 1945 is approved.

You should continue to press home with the Jugoslavs the position that Allied Military Government will take NO action which will prejudice the position of either of the disputing parties and that during Allied period of trusteeship, the laws applicable in the territory will be Italian laws purged of all Fascist measures and supplemented by Allied Military Government proclamations and orders.

2. You should as far as possible administer the area, on following lines, Jugoslav system of National Committees should in general be discontinued in whole area, and Italian system reinstalled. In predominantly Jugoslav towns and villages, token Jugoslav administration might be retained and national committee used in advisory capacity.

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13 CORPS AMG
HQ ALCOM ECONOMIC SECTION INFO: AFHQ FOR G-5

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CONFIDENTIAL. (596) Es ?
Subject is Tyres for Venezia Giulia Police and AMG vehicle pool.
Your signal 4600 of 15 August 46 and letter 147/0/FS dated 14 August 46 refer.
As previously stated our tyre position is desperate no procedure appears to have been laid down this procurement. Essential solution be found immediately otherwise Public Safety and other essential services in danger of breaking down.
Urge immediate action.

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EAGLE Fx 70421. dated 12 Aug 46.

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Dear Madam:

Replying to your telegram of the 27th, inquiries had already been made on behalf of your daughter and your son-in-law by the Unione delle Comunita Israelitiche Italiane.

Upon receipt of your telegram I caused inquiries to be made from which it appears that they were arrested in Trieste for illegal entry into Zone "A" and not being correctly documented. They were removed to Gorizia for a short time for interrogation and have now been returned to Trieste where they are still detained pending completion of inquiries.

There is no evidence to support the supposition stated in your telegram that the cause of their arrest was other than that which is stated above.

I shall be glad to communicate with you further the outcome of their case.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

Mrs. Natalia Senatti,
Vitruvio 40,
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29 July 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: Brigadier Carr.

With reference to the attached telegram, will you please get on to Trieste and see what this is about.

Based on our unfortunate experience at La Spezia, when I was in the States, I trust, if these people have been arrested, that their offense was some violation of local AMG rules and not because of cooperation with a potential violation of regulations in Palestine.

I have had considerable doubt as to our rights to take action in Italy (including Zone "A") because of conspiracy to violate the laws of another country unless such conspiracy is in fact illegal under local Italian laws or their equivalent AMG regulations.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDA.

29th July, 1946

To: Chief Commissioner.

With reference to the reasonably comprehensive report which was expected from AMG XIII Corps, on the subject of the change in type of Government introduced in Venezia Giulia, as directed, I spoke to Colonel Hamblen on the telephone to-day.

He stated he was uncertain whether the wire received was AMG's full report. He had intended waiting a week or two and then taking some action if nothing further arrived. He agreed with me that it would be better to take action now and I said that we would needle AMG Venezia Giulia for a fuller report.

I am taking action on the relevant file on which I have also made a note about the special points you wish included, and which we discussed this morning.

Since your further message I have arranged to discuss with Lush on return.

M Carr Brigadier

M. CARR, Brigadier.
A/C Executive Commissioner.

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Assistande us Sec War has requested that he be informed as to reason it was neceasary for Allies to change type Government introduced in Venezia Giulia by Yugoslavs during their interim control.
Destre that AMG produce original paper, send it to you for editting and augmentation if desirable, and that you submit paper to G5.
Paper should be reasonably comprehensive.

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JUL 22 REC'D

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July 15, 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: Chief of Staff, USFOUSA

SUBJECT : Question of Representations to Italian Prime Minister Regarding Activities of Italians in Venezia Giulia

1. In view of the comments made concerning the above subject at the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference on Friday, July 5, 1946, I requested the Department of State for a further expression of its views in this matter.

2. I have now been informed by the Department of State that is is of the opinion that any approach to the Italian Government at present regarding Italian elements in Venezia Giulia would be misunderstood and might therefore aggravate the situation rather than alleviate it.

Homer M. Byington, Jr.
Deputy U.S. Political Adviser

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CC: Deputy Chief of Staff
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SECRET July 13, 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: Chief of Staff, USFOR/A

SUBJECT : Evacuation of Italians and their property from Pola.

1. Reference the discussion at the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference on July 5, regarding the above subject.

2. In compliance with the Supreme Allied Commander's request, I have referred this question to the Department of State, and have now been informed that the Department feels that Italians should be permitted to leave Pola if they so desire. It is presumed that property removals in such instances will be limited to personal belongings.

3. The Department of State also takes the view that the Italian Government may be informed that Italians may leave Pola if they so desire.

4. I have also been informed that the Department of State anticipates that the Combined Chiefs of Staff in their reply to NAF 1159 will authorize the Supreme Allied Commander to permit the transfer of Italians with their plant and machinery from Pola so long as such property is not taken out of Zone A.

Homer M. Byington, Jr.,
Deputy U.S. Political Adviser

cc: Deputy Chief of Staff
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JUL 13 1946

HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 794

Tel : 470427

12 July 1946

AC/11502/17/25

SUBJECT : Situation in Trieste.

TO : Executive Commissioner,
thru VP. CA. Section.

1. With reference to the report in the Rome American newspaper of 12 July regarding disturbances in Venezia Giulia. I contacted Lt. Col. Richardson by phone who gave the following information as shown on sitreps submitted to 13 Corps on 11 and 12 July:-

Sitrep to 0700 hrs. 11 July 1946

1800 hrs. 10 July — Monfalcone to Udine railway line - Reports of explosive on railway line. Damage and interruption caused. No casualties. Railway crossing keepers houses burned by armed band. No arrests.

0210 hrs 11 July — At Via Regina Elena Trieste, an explosive charge was placed at base of Conduit Standards. Slight damage. No casualties. No arrests.

0330 hrs 11 July — Attempt to place explosive charge in San Luigi water-supply control near Trieste. Attempt frustrated by Venezia Giulia Police.

0400 hrs 11 July — At Via Carducci, Trieste, near Piazza Goldoni, an explosion took place in the roadway. No casualties or damage.

Sitrep for the 11 July from 0700 hrs

0615 hrs 11 July — Crowds of 300 to 400 walking into Trieste from Muggia.

0820 hrs 11 July — Crowds walking into Trieste from Villa Opicina.

0830 hrs 11 July — Groups entering Trieste from Raso Vizza.

0835 hrs 11 July — Crowds entering Trieste from Trieste suburbs.

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0925 hrs 11 July — Reports from all parts of city that numerous small groups of Slav Communists were forcibly closing shops. Disposition of Slav Communists were much dispersed and difficult to identify.

1030 hrs 11 July — Most shops closed. Trams stationary in depot.

1430 hrs 11 July — Civil and military foot patrol in shopping areas.

1700 hrs 11 July — Shops reopening.

1800 hrs 11 July — Situation normal.

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Markets kept open, guarded by Police.

2. No reports of shots being fired by Police or casualties caused. Damage to shops caused by forcible closing. Military Police in normal dress. Number of arrests not yet complete.

3. Nothing known of alleged blowing up of railway at Lucinico, on the Gorizia - Trieste railway line. Further inquiry in hand.

4. It would appear that the newspaper report is an exaggeration of the facts.

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E. T. BYE, Colonel
Acting Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

AC/45/19/LG

11 July 1946

SUBJECT: VENEZIA GIULIA - Preparation of Electoral Lists - Memorandum on present Situation and Policy.

TO : CA Section.

Policy.

1. Policy is laid down in AFHQ letter G-5:000.1-1 dated 28 September 1945, (folio 16) which approves this HQ letter AC/45/19/LG dated 19 September 1945,(folio) 14/A: copies of both were sent to SCAO. The policy so defined is:

a. No actual elections would be held in Venezia Giulia at the present moment, i.e. autumn of 1945;
b. In any event no elections can be held until the electoral lists have been prepared;
c. The electoral lists should be prepared as soon as possible;
d. The preparation of the electoral lists should be based as closely as possible on the Italian system.

Present Situation.

2. A General Order has been prepared by AMG laying down the procedure for preparing the electoral lists. This Order is based upon the Italian Decrees and circulars in the matter. At the end of May the Order had been approved by AMG Legal Department. It then remain to be translated into Italian and Slovene. After this it will be signed and published.

New factors.

3. The decisions of the Paris Council of Foreign Ministers are so far known only from the press. For the purpose of this Memorandum they are assumed to be:

a. Venezia Giulia will be assigned to Jugoslavia, except the portion mentioned in the next sub-paragraph;
b. A part of Venezia Giulia equivalent to the Trieste and Gorizia Areas will be internationalized. The present Pola Area is included in the assignment to Jugoslavia.
c. The Constitution of the International Territory will be drafted by a special Commission of the "Big Four" - settled by the Peace Conference - and approved by UN Security Council;
d. The basic principles of the Constitution will be:
   i) the Governor to be appointed by the Security Council, after consulting Italy and Jugoslavia;
   ii) the laws of the Territory to be based on democratic principles, including universal suffrage;
   iii) the rights of the citizens and the fundamental freedoms to be protected.

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4. The Peace Conference has been summoned for 29 July. It is doubtful if any appreciable practical steps towards the actual compilation of the electoral lists will have been taken by the time the Constitution of the International Territory comes into force.

Points for consideration.

5. The new factors summarized above raise the following considerations:

a. the principal reason for modelling the Venezia Giulia Electoral Lists procedure upon the Italian system is that Zone A is juridically part of Italy. The decision to internationalize the major portion of Zone A abolishes this reson. There will be no more reason to base the procedure

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on the Italian precedents than on the Jugoslav ones.

b. The use of Italian precedents may raise strong objections from certain states, e.g. Jugoslavia, concerned in the government of the internationalized territory;

c. In any event the AMG General Order will immediately cease to apply to Pola which goes to Jugoslavia;

d. We have no idea what will happen to AMG General Orders when the international status of the territory takes effect. It may be decided that they shall all cease to have validity.

e. The General Order may also cease to apply in other parts of Zone A as we do not know how far the boundaries of the internationalized territory will coincide with those of the Trieste and Gorizia Areas of Zone A.

f. The Order directing the preparation of electoral lists necessarily envisages the holding of elections at some time or other and the terms of the Order must necessarily govern to some extent the nature of such elections, e.g. the limits of the suffrage have to be defined in order to prepare the lists and thus the right to vote at any election has to be fixed. Assuming that the General Order will continue valid under the international regime, it may be charged against the Allies that they have prejudicially attempted to fix the limits of the suffrage beforehand.

6. A further point must be made which is not related to the decisions of the "Big Four" but to the time factor. Apart from the general principle that the Allied should encourage democratic institutions, one of the reasons for urging the speedy compilation of the electoral lists in Venezia-Giulia was the possibility of Jugoslavia holding elections in Zone B. This point was taken quite early - see para 3 of signal of 27 June 1945 at folio 1. In other words, the initiation of the electoral lists was looked upon as a stroke of political importance.

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8. From this point of view, therefore, we have been outstripped by the march of events and "missed the bus".

C.G.B. WILLIAMS
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3 July 1946

SUBJECT: Loss of Top Secret Document

TO : AC of S, G-1, MTOUSA, APO 512

1. Ref. your letter of 26 June 1946, subject as above, negative report is submitted in connection with paras 1 and 2 thereof.

2. This office is retaining copy number 32 of document in question.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J. C. RIVELY
Major, Inf.
Staff Officer to CC

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26 June 1946

SUBJECT: Loss of Top Secret Document.

TO: See Distribution.

1. Top Secret document "Possible Operations - Venezia Giulia," File No. P/350 (1st draft), copy No. 24, has been lost or mislaid by this section.

2. Request all addressees make a thorough search of Top Secret files for this document. Please submit negative reports.

3. For the Chief Signal Officer: please take such cryptographic security measures as you deem necessary to insure that any enciphered messages sent as a result of this or future drafts are paraphrased.

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JUN 27 1946

Ref. 1.47/0

27. June 1946

SUBJECT: Status of Venezia Giulia and Udine Military Supply

TO : AFHQ, G-5 Section

1. Review of the status of the civilian supplies for Venezia Giulia and Udine imported by the military under the disease and unrest formula reveals definite short-comings in the functioning of the supply line to these areas. These can be summarised as follows: a) late and irregular shipments, b) failure to ship full requirements, c) lack of forward information on status of procurement and status of shipments.

2. The history of procurement and arrivals of the main items of food and coal illustrates these short-comings.

a. The status of wheat/flour procurement is as follows:

(i) (Figures in long tons)

| | Requisition | Approval | Arrivals | Deficiency | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat | 72,870 | 72,731 | 33,132 | 39,649 | (.) |

(.) These figures include the wheat equivalent of approved reserves. ( 2 months for Venezia Giulia, 1 month for Udine).

(ii) Approximately 55% of the approved requirements have arrived to date. Four ships carried this tonnage. The first arriving in the last week of March; the last on the 19th of April. (See Appendix "A" listing food ships, tonnages carried, their dates of arrival and the monthly requisitions met. Also included is an outline of other categories of supplies and the status thereof.)

(iii) No further cereal ships have arrived, although notification has recently been received of an arrival late in June against February and May requirements. There is no set up for shipment against June requirements of wheat for the areas.

b. Policy and procurement of coal for Venezia Giulia and Udine has been marked by similar deficiencies.

(i) The following is the present status of supply of

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of this item through military requisitioning:

| Requisitions | Months | Approval | Arrival | Deficiency |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 44,000 | Jan-Feb. | 42,500 | 16,301 | 26,199 |
| 88,000 | Mar-June | 88,000 | - | 88,000 |
| 132,000 | | | | 114,199 |

(11) Approximately 12% of requirements of coal has been met through the military program.

5. The effects of such deficiencies in the supply lines to the areas are of a serious nature. The history of supply procurement for the areas has been one of continual borrowing, without either the assurances of firm military shipments from which repayment could be made or by which immediate needs of the areas could be met. The supply position and procurement possibilities have thereby seriously deteriorated.

a. In the case of food, the population of the areas was fed on a reduced basis for the first 2½ months by loans from UNRRA and military stocks and by economical use of carry-overs of YB loans made in 1945. As a result of the present gap in arrivals, stocks in Udine are reported to be practically exhausted at this date. By suspension of pasta manufacture, reduction of basic bread ration and with the aid of a last minute loan from military stocks, both areas are managing to extend their supplies through June.

b. Coal requirements have been met on a reduced scale through diversion of YB shipments. These total some 44,500 tons. These cargoes, procured for Italy proper under the unilateral financing of FBA, are subject to repayment in kind. A loan of a UNRRA cargo to fill the gap during June has been procured by this HQs. This loan is subject to repayment from the first military arrival. Unless a precedent of prompt repayment can be established, UNRRA, who are fully aware of the non-repayment of FBA cargo, are likely to refuse further advances of coal or other materials for the areas. Further the CMQ representative of S & T at this HQs has received notification that no further British military stocks of coal will be lent, unless clearance is had from CMQ itself.

4. In view of these discrepancies and the effects resulting therefrom, it is recommended that this matter be taken up directly with the CMQ with a view of gaining from them:

a. review of the total requirements for the program of the first half;

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b. clarification of their procurement action thereon;

c. establishment of a definite schedule of shipment for these categories of materials approved by them but not, as yet, set up for shipment, and

d. approval as soon as possible of the requirements for the second half of the year, so that definitive action for orderly and timely notification and shipment to the areas to be supplied can be taken.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:-

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

cc.:- AMG XIII Corps
PC AMG Udine Province
Acting Vice President, Ec Sec.
Food And Agriculture Branch
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APPENDIX "A"

## VENEZIA GIULIA AND UDINE SUPPLY SITUATION

### I. ARRIVALS AND NOTIFICATIONS OF FOOD SHIPS AND FUEL CARGOES:

| Name of the ship | Item | Date of arrival | Total Cargo | Allocation | Requisition | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SS. JOHN HENRY | Wheat | 22 March 46 | 8,026 Long Tons | Venezia G. Udine | January | |
| SS. ANDREW FURUSETH | " | 26 March 46 | 6,009 " " | " " | " | |
| SS. OLIVER LOVING | " | 13 April 46 | 8,000 " " | Udine | February | |
| SS. MC QUIGG | " | 16 April 46 | 8,574 " " | Venezia Giulia | " | |
| SS. ANDREW FURUSETH | Flour | 26 March 46 | (.) 2,075 " " | Venezia G. Udine | January | (.) equal to 2441 m.t. of wheat. |
| SS. A.P. HILL | Misc. | 14 March 46 | | " " | | |
| SS. E.E. MERRIOT | " | 16 May 46 | | " " | | |
| SS. W.D. MOSELY | " | 9 April 46 | | " " | | |
| SS. CALEB STRONG | " | 19 April 46 | 7,364.3" " | " " | January-June | |
| SS. W.T. BARRY | " | 30 May 46 | | " " | | |
| SS. ESKADALESGATE | " | 21 April 46 | | " " | | |

### II. OTHER REQUIREMENTS AND APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGES OF ARRIVALS:

| Category | Percentage | Remarks |
|---|---|---|
| P.O.L. | 57% | - For Venezia Giulia from military stocks, for Udine from items ex PLM and UNRRA stocks through C.I.P. allocations. The percentage is combined and represents military procurement only. |
| Public Health | 75% | - ex US, UK Theatre stocks. No notification of imported shipments. |
| Telecommunications | 35% | - ex theatre stocks. No notification of imported shipments, with the exception of one consignment ex Mid-East. |
| Textile and shoes | c. 50% | - No raw materials (woollen or leather) received. Of 15,000 bales of cotton, 1 ship with 3891 bales have arrived. Misc. items of clothing received ex theatre stocks. |

(i) It is to be noted that, with the exception of the 3891 bales of cotton, some telecom. equipment from the Mid-East and blankets from Germany, no other imports have been notified or received.

(ii) The initial shipment of cotton arriving on the SS. SAM BROWN in April was originally called forward as an initial shipment for January.

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AFHQ G-5

AMG XIII CORPS AND TO PG UDINE PROVINCE

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SUBJECT IS STATES OF VENEZIA GIULIA AND UDINE MILITARY SUPPLY PD

PARA ONE PD REVIEW OF MILITARY IMPORTS FOR THE ABLE NINE GEORGE AREAS OF VENEZIA GIULIA AND UDINE FOR FIRST HALF YEAR REVEALS THE FOLLOWING SHORTCOMINGS COLON LATE AND IRREGULAR SHIPMENTS CMA FAILURE TO SHIP FULL REQUIREMENTS AND LACK OF FORWARD INFORMATION ON PROCUREMENT STATUS AND SHIPMENTS PD

PARA TWO PD HISTORY OF PROCUREMENT OF THE ITEMS OF FOOD AND COAL FULLY ILLUSTRATES THIS PD ONLY SOME FIVE FIVE PERCENT OF APPROVED WHEAT REQUIREMENTS HAVE ARRIVED TODATE THROUGH MILITARY REQUISITIONS PD THESE HAVE BEEN SPORADIC AND LATE PD NO CEREAL SHIPMENTS FOR REQUIREMENTS SUBSEQUENT TO FEBRUARY HAVE ACTUALLY ARRIVED PD ALSO ONLY ONE TWO PERCENT OF COAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST HALF HAVE BEEN PROCURED THROUGH THE MILITARY SUPPLY LINE PD REQUIREMENTS OF COAL ON A REDUCED SCALE ONLY HAVE BEEN MET BY LOANS SUBJECT TO REPAYMENT PD PARA THREE PD THE RESULTS OF THESE DISCREPANCIES IN PROCUREMENT AND SHIPMENT ARE SERIOUS PD PARA FOUR PD TO AVOID REPETITION OF THIS SITUATION FOR THE SECOND HALF YEAR CMA IT IS RECOMMENDED STRONGLY THAT COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF BE APPROACHED AND BE REQUESTED TO REVISE TOTAL APPROVED REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST HALF AND SET UP A DEFINITE SCHEDULE OF SHIPMENTS FOR THOSE REQUIREMENTS CMA APPROVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE REQUISITIONS FOR SECOND HALF AND

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INSURE CMA THROUGH NECESSARY PRIORITIES CMA ORDERLY AND TIMELY PROCUREMENT AND SHIPMENT THEREOF PD

PARA FIVE PD LETTER OF THIS SUBJECT FOLLOWS PD

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Acting Vice President
Civil Affairs Section
Food & Agriculture Branch
Industry & Utilities Branch
Public Health S/C
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Executive Commissioner

NICHOLAS PISANO
CWO, USA
Asst. Adjutant

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Sacmed Hereby issues the fellowing statement. You are requested to give it the widest publicity at the earliest possible moment.

"Statements have been circulated recently to the effect that the line of demarcation between zone "A" and zone "B" in Venezia Giulia is being moved 9 kilometers twamrds the east.Also that a large number of cetnik and ustasi troops in american uniforms have been observed among the anglo-american units in zone "A".These statements are untrue.The policy of the american and british governments is as laid down in my statement of last March.It is their firm intention to maintain their present position in Venezia Giulia until an agreed settlement about the future of the territory has been reached and put into effect."

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INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS

INFO: CABINET OFFICES WHITEHALL LONDON FOR BOS.

AICOM ROME, MAIN 13 CORPS, C IN C MED.

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THIS IS NAF 1159.

1. UNEASINESS AMOUNTING TO GRAVE ANXIETY HAS BECOME APPARENT AMONG ITALIAN POPULATION OF POLA ENCLAVE SINCE BRITISH AND US GOVERNMENTS INDICATED THAT THEY WERE PREPARED TO ACCEPT FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR ITALO-JUGOSLAV FRONTIER AND PERTICULARLY SINCE BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARIES STATEMENT IN COMMONS ON 5 FEBRUARY.

2. THIS STATE OF MIND, WHICH MATERIALLY INCREASES DIFFICULTY OF ADMINISTERING ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT AND MAINTAINING MILITARY SECURITY, IS CHIEFLY DUE TO UNCERTAINTY OF EXTENT TO WHICH INTEREST AND PROPERTY OF ITALIAN POPULATION WILL BE SAFE-GUARDED.

3. I THEREFORE RECOMMEND FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION THAT AN EARLY STATEMENT SHOULD BE MADE BY ALL ALLIED GOVERNMENTS TO THE EFFECT THAT BEFORE SOVERIGN RIGHTS OVER TERRITORY IN VENEZIA GUILIA ARE ASSURED BY EITHER ITALY OR JUGOSLAVIA, ALL GUARANTEES WILL BE GIVEN OF FAIR TREATMENT FOR RESIDENTS THEREIN, INCLUDING FACILITIES FOR THE EVACUATION OF THEMSELVES AND THEIR PROPERTY PRIOR TO THE AREA BEING HANDED OVER TO JUGOSLAVIA OF ITALY.

4. ON THE BASIS OF PAST EXPERIENCE WITH THE JUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT AND THE FAILURE OF THE GOVERNMENT TO CARRY OUT PROVISIONS OF THE BELGRADE AGREEMENT SUCH AS THE RETURN OF ITALIANS DEPORTED FROM VENEZIA GUILIA, I CONSIDER THAT ANY DECLARATION IS THE ABOVE SENSE WOULD NOT BE EFFECTIVE IN PRESERVING PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN POLA UNLESS IT PROVIDES FOR EVACUATION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY PRIOR TO ACTUAL HANDOVER OF TERRITORY.

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5. I ANTICIPATE THAT NUMEROUS APPLICATIONS WILL SHORTLY BE MADE TO THE AMG AUTHORITIES FOR PERMISSION TO MOVE INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES FROM ONE PART OF VENEZIA GUILIA TO ANOTHER PART IN ANTICIPATION OF PARTITION OF TERRITORY, WHILE NOT CONTRARY TO MORGAN JOVANOVIC AGREE-

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MENT, MIGHT BE INTERPRETED AS CONTRARY TO THE SPIRIT OF THAT AGREEMENT. ON THE OTHER HAND, BY REFUSING SUCH PERMISSION WE MAY IN ACTUAL FACT WITHOUT LEGAL RIGHT BE OBSTRUCTING ITALIANS IN POLA FROM LAWFULLY PROTECTING THEIR PROPERTY PARTICULARLY IF GUARANTEE IN PARA 9 IS NOT GIVEN. YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AS TO POLICY TO BE FOLLOWED IN DEALING WITH THESE APPLICATIONS ARE REQUESTED. IN THE MEANTIME I HAVE ORDERED THAT PERMISSION WILL NOT BE GRANTED.

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INFO ACTION: EXEC COMMISSIONER 2

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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# INCOMING MESSAGE

**HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION**

Originator's Reference: FX 67967
Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 191908B

Message Centre No: H/4054
Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 201230
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FAGCT
TO : AICOM FOR ADMIRAL STONE
INFO: MAIN 13 CORPS

TOP SECRET.

REF YOUR 3713 OF 17 JUNE.

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1. THE MATTER HAS BEEN REFERRED TO COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF IN NAF 1160.

2. UNTIL A DIRECTION IS RECEIVED FROM THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF YOU SHOULD INFORM DE GASPERI THAT THE MATTER IS UNDER CONSIDERATION AT AFHQ.

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ACTION: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
INFO: EXEC COMMISSIONER
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AFHQ,

AGWAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF, CABINET OFFICES WHITEHALL FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF. INFO: AIGOM, MAIN 13 CORPS, C IN C MED, AGWAR.

TOP SECRET. THIS IS NAF 1169.

SUBJECT IS USE OF ITALIAN ARMY IN EVENT OF HOSTILITIES IN NORTH-EAST ITALY.

1. FOLLOWING REINFORCEMENT OF ZONE (B) BY THE JUGOSLAVS IN FEBRUARY, THE ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER PROVED VERY STRONGLY THAT IN THE EVENT OF HOSTILITIES INVOLVING VIOLATION OF ITALIAN FRONTIERS, UNITS OF THE ITALIAN ARMY SHOULD BE EMPLOYED UNDER MY COMMAND AND THAT FAILURE TO EMPLOY ITALIAN UNITS WOULD BE DAMAGING TO ITALIAN PRESTIGE AND MILITARY AND CIVIL MORALE.

2. AFTER TAKING UNITED STATES AND BRITISH POLITICAL AID I MADE A NON-COMMITTAL REPLY TO THE PRIME MINISTER TO THE EFFECT THAT I WOULD GIVE FULL CONSIDERATION TO HIS VIEWS IN ANY ACTION WHICH I MIGHT HAVE TO TAKE IN VENEZIA GIULIA.

3. NOW BECAUSE OF THE PRESENT STATE OF TENSION IN VENEZIA GUILIA THE ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER HAS MADE A FRESH INQUIRY IN THE ABOVE SUBJECT AND HAS ASKED FOR PRECISE INFORMATION ABOUT HOW AND WHEN THE INTERVENTION OF ITALIAN FORCES COULD BE FORESEEN.

4. POSITION HERE IS THAT I SHOULD BE UNABLE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN VENEZIA GUILIA WITHOUT UTILIZING THE ITALIAN ARMY TO TAKE OVER PRESENT GUARDS ON ALLIED LINES OF COMMUNICATION AND ON COMMITMENTS SUCH AS CERTAIN AIRFIELDS AND VULNERABLE POINTS AT PRESENT UNGUARDED. FURTHERMORE, I CONSIDER THAT IT WOULD BE A PSYCHOLOGICAL MISTAKE NOT TO EMPLOY THE ITALIAN ARMY IN SOME CAPACITY IN THE EVENT OF ANY INVASION OF ITALIAN TERRITORY. MOREOVER I CONSIDER THAT SOME PART OF THE ITALIAN ARMY, EVEN IF ONLY A TOKEN FORCE WOULD HAVE TO BE ACTIVLY ENGAGED.

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5. I THEREFORE SUGGEST, THAT IN ORDER TO ALLAY THE PRESENT ITALIAN ANXIETY, AND AT THE SAME TIME ENSURE THEIR WILLING COOPERATION IN THE EVENT OF HOSTILITIES, I SHOULD REPLY TO THE ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER ON THE FOLLOWING LINES: THAT IN THE EVENT OF INVASION OF ITALIAN TERRITORY, I WOULD OF COURSE CALL UPON THE ITALIAN ARMY TO ASSIST ALLIED TROOPS. SUCH

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ASSISTANCE, HOWEVER, WOULD BE DEPENDENT ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES EXISTING AT THE TIME, AND THEREFORE DISCUSSION OF DETAILS WOULD HAVE TO BE LEFT UNTIL SUCH AN EMERGENCY PRESENTED ITSELF.

6. I UNDERSTAND, HOWEVER, THAT THERE HAVE BEEN IN THE PAST POLITICAL OBJECTIONS TO ANY DISCUSSION OF SUCH MATTERS WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT. REQUEST, THEREFORE, THAT I MAY BE GIVEN GUIDANCE WITHOUT DELAY AS TO WHAT REPLY I SHOULD MAKE.

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INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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SUBJECT: Possible Operations N.W. Italy

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FROM : SACMED

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 591/263/20. 17 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Trieste.

TO : G-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

I enclose for your information a copy of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs letter No. 15/13903/35 dated June 6 and a copy of the report from the Italian Ambassador in Moscow.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Kisely.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to:- American Embassy,
British Embassy.

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Allied Translation

Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
The Secretary General

15/18903/35

Rome, June 6th, 1946.

Dear Admiral Stone,

With reference to the letter No. 5/241 which the Prime Minister De Gasperi has addressed to you on February 26th 1946, concerning Yugoslav military installations in Venezia Giulia, and to your reply No. 591/367/RO dated March 14th 1946, I believe that a recent report of our Ambassador in Moscow which I beg to enclose herewith may interest you.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

Very sincerely yours

(s.d) R. PRUNAS

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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ITALIAN EMBASSY

MOSCOW

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Moscow, May 12th, 1946

Mr Minister,

rumours about an eventual coup de main on Trieste, either to put at once the three Governments in front of a fait accompli or to hamper the solution in favour of Italy for this city, have spread also here. The purpose of this report is, indeed, intended to draw your attention on some aspects of the problem being connected with the danger of an unfavourable outcome of it.

The first point to be ascertained seems to me to be the following: "Will Tito, before the performing of such an action ask for Moscow's approval, or will he act on his own initiative and request only afterwards the protection of his powerful Ally?"

Tito knows only too well that he and his regime are entirely relying on the Soviet's support. Tito is aware also that such a move would determine a very deep impression among the Italians as well as among the British and the Americans. He also knows that he alone could not face an eventual reaction, and that the only way to overcome it, or even better, to have some chances that no one would dare to come actually to a reaction, lies in the full and open support of U.S.S.R.! That is the reason why I am of the opinion that Tito, in principle, will never perform such a move, should it not have been first approved by the Soviet. I do not exclude, however, that Tito, taking advantage of the bonds which link him to the U.S.S.R. and above all of the fact that the Soviet could not turn their backs to the "man of Moscow" in Yugoslavia, could profit of such a delicate situation and put the Russians themselves in front of the accomplished fact. It would be then very difficult for the Russians to deny support to their restless Ally!

Political blackmails such as this are only too frequent in history!

Should the Yugoslavs be left alone to deal with such a question, I believe that they would not hesitate to put into effect the "coup de main". In some degree because, as all small states, they are irresponsible; in some other measures because being the most balcanic of the balcanic states; they are the most inclined to adventure no matter what it may lead to, and, finally, because they have always shown a high degree of animosity not only, I dare say, against a fascist, republican or monarchist Italy. Hereditary antipathy is at the bottom of their actions, a rich soil indeed for hostile manifestations against [illegible]

There is, however, something operating as a brake in this development, and this is the U.S.S.R.'s policy.

In Moscow every step is carefully studied. Daring coups de main, hysterical adventures, sudden aggressions, are, I do not know whether luckily or not, ignored at the Kremlin. Everything here is done after careful reasoning and accurate study.

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It has to be seen whether Russia, after having weighed the pros and cons, and fearing the loss of Trieste for Yugoslavia (and indirectly for herself) would decide a course of action so ominous vis-a-vis the Anglo-Americans. I am not suggesting that the Soviet would by such an action provoke a "casus belli". But on the contrary the preparation of a coup de main would be planned so carefully as to avoid a military reaction on the part of the Anglo-Americans, reducing its consequences to a press campaign of a few days, to a possible discussion at the UNO and, altogether, to obtain a fait accompli, appeasing Italy's remonstrations with the granting to her of some other advantage.

There is no doubt, however, that the Russians are carrying on through the press a campaign in order to support politically such an event.

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The fact that the Soviet press, since the opening of the Paris Conference, is backing decidedly the Yugoslavs and is supporting Belgrade claims on Trieste has already been the subject of several telegraphic messages to you.

I have also pointed out that the local press is watching carefully everything concerning General Anders' Army in Italy. It gives news about its demobilisation, its strenght, its movements especially towards North and Udine, speaks of its manoeuvres etc. In short, it is preparing public opinion so as to denounce any day serious threats against Trieste or provocations from reactionary forces.

On the other hand, the a/s press underlines that Tito's Army's demobilisation is under way. Nobody knows however how much truth there is in this last statement.

At the same time the press here emphasises Tito's order of the day dated May 9th, V.E. day, where he said Yugoslavia will never renounce to those territories which were injustly taken from her after World War I.

Summing up all these considerations it is clear that we are confronted with a skilful and widespread preparation of public opinion aiming at justifying any day the political, and later on military, support that U.S.S.R. could possibly give to Tito in the case of a sudden attack on Trieste.

This eventuality is certainly no news for you, who addressed already on February 26th a Note to Admiral Stone in order to draw the attention of the Allied Commission on the military installations under way in Venezia Giulia for possible attacks, and who have deemed it necessary to take a step on the matter with the British, American, French and U.S.S.R. Ambassadors in Rome.

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/s/ MACMILLAN

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/s/ [illegible]

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YOUR FOX XRAY SIX TWO FOUR ONE THREE OF NINE MARCH AND MY ONE SEVEN ZERO THREE OF EIGHT MARCH REFER FD

PARA ONE FD ON EVENING OF FIFTEEN JUNE AT LEAST ONE ITALIAN PAPERIN ROME REPORTED INCREASING ALLIED ACTIVITY IN ZONE ABLE AND THAT QUOTE LINE OF DEMARCATION HAD BEEN MOVED EASTWARD NINE KILOMETERS UNQUOTE FD PROBABLY AS RESULT OF THIS AND INTELLIGENCE REPORTS OF ITALIAN ARMY CMA PRIME MINISTER SENT FOLLOWING LETTER TO ME DATED FIFTEEN JUNE COLON QUOTE WITH REFERENCE TO OUR CONVERSATIONS IN THE BEGINNING OF MARCH AND CONSIDERING THAT THE THREAT IS BEING RENEWED CMA IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE TO OBTAIN A PRECISE INFORMATION ABOUT HOW AND WHEN THE INTERVENTION OF OUR FORCES COULD BE FORESEEN FD I SHALL BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WILL TRANSMIT TO ME CMA QUITE CONFIDENTIALLY CMA ALL THE INFORMATION YOU CAN OBTAIN FD UNQUOTE

PARA TWO FD MAY I BE INSTRUCTED AS TO WHAT REPLY SHOULD BE GIVEN QUERY

PARA THREE FD COMMENT COLON AFTER DISCUSSION WITH POLITICAL ADVISORS RECOMMEND THAT IN ORDER NOT TO WEAKEN DEGASPERIS POSITION AS HEAD OF THE GOVERNMENT ANY REPLY SHOULD RECOGNIZE THE PROBABLE USE OF AT LEAST SOME ITALIAN TROOPS IF HOSTILITIES OCCUR CMA ADVISING THAT DETAILS WOULD BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN GENERAL THORE CMA LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA AND CHIEF OF STAFF OF ITALIAN ARMY

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/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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17 June 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have received your letter of 15 June 1946. In the meantime, may I inform you that in reply to my transmittal on March 8th of the original request made by you, I was informed on the following day that I should inform you that the Supreme Allied Commander received your request and directed me to assure you that your views would receive full consideration in any action which the Supreme Allied Commander might have to take in Venezia Giulia.

I will endeavor to see if it is possible to obtain the information requested in your letter of 15 June.

Very truly yours,

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

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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Estimated Food import requirements, Venezia Giulia and Udine province, period July 1947 through June 1948.

1. Following items and quantities are estimated being required by import for subject period, in metric tons: wheat 150000, fats 5000, sugar 4000, meat 500, soup 500, dried vegetables 10000, evaporated milk 5000.

2. Estimated average now self supplier population for Venezia Giulia 500000, and Udine province 650000.

3. Tentative feeding plan envisaged is based on normal consumer ration of 2000 calories per person per day made up upon availabilities of above mentioned totals by import plus the assumption that estimated local production of indigenous supplies will be available through subject period.

4. It has been impossible to obtain a reasonable estimate of individual production of listed commodities during the subject period. Present estimate is based on the assumption that approximately 900 calories per person per day can be obtained from local or italian resources. Matter is being further investigated. Confirmation or amendment will follow urgently.

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

No. 00046

Rome, 15 June 1946.

Dear Admiral,

with reference to our conversations in the beginning of March and considering that the threat is being renewed, it seems to me that it would be advisable to obtain a precise information about how and when the intervention of our forces could be foreseen.

I shall be grateful if you will transmit to me, quite confidentially, all the information you can obtain.

Sincerely yours

/s/ De Gasperi

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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*Il Presidente*
*del Consiglio dei Ministri*

Roma, 15 - 6 - 1946

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Caro Ammiraglio,

con riferimento alle nostre conversazioni dei primi di marzo e visto il rinnovarsi della minaccia, mi parrebbe opportuno ottenere una precisazione sul come e quando l'intervento di nostre forze potrebbe essere previsto.

Le sarò grato se vorrà trasmettermi, sia pure con carattere estremamente confidenziale, le precisazioni che Ella potrà ottenere.

Cordiali saluti

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Ammiraglio ELLERY W. STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata

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TRANSLATION

THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Rome, 12 June 1946.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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With reference to your letter of 10 June, SX/1470/I wish to thank you sincerely for your kind communications regarding the problems of accomodation and of lack of work in Venezia Giulia and to assure you of my appreciation for the job AMG XIII Corps is doing in said territory in order to solve these serious problems. Besides, I want to confirm herewith that this Ministry is always ready to give any technical or financial collaboration that might be requested.

I am sure that my feelings of gratefulness and appreciation are shared by the whole Italian people which watches with affection and anxiety the vicissitudes of the Italians of Venezia Giulia.

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Believe me, dear Admiral,

very respectfully yours,

/s/ Leone Cattani

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*Il Ministro*
*dei Lavori Pubblici*

Roma, li 12 GIU. 1946

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Rear Admiral
ELLERY W. STONE
Chief Commissioner
AC. Headquarters

Con riferimento alla lettera della S.V. On.le in data 10 c.m. n. ES/1.47/O, tengo a ringraziarLa vivamente per le cortesi comunicazioni relative ai problemi delle abitazioni e della disoccupazione nella Venezia Giulia, e ad assicurarLe tutto l'apprezzamento per l'opera che il Governo Militare Alleato - XIII Corpo sta compiendo in detto territorio per fronteggiare tali gravi problemi. Desidero inoltre confermarLe che questo Ministero è sempre pronto a dare ogni collaborazione sia tecnica che finanziaria, che gli fosse richiesta.

Sono sicuro che i miei sentimenti di gratitudine e di apprezzamento sono condivisi da tutto il popolo italiano che segue con affetto e trepidazione le vicende degli italiani della Venezia Giulia.

Voglia gradire, On.le Ammiraglio, i sensi della mia distinta considerazione.

Leone Cattani 1236

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Allied Commission
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11 June 1946

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Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
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Mr. David McK. Key
Charge d'Affaires ad interim
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Rome

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Ref: EG/1.47/0

10 June 1946

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Further reference is made to your letter dated 13 April on the matter of housing in Venezia Giulia.

The problem has been carefully considered by XIII Corps, Allied Military Government, and surveys have been started by them on the question of providing additional housing for the territory. The Labor and Public Works Divisions are now engaged in locating the number of skilled laborers available for this type of construction. When this figure is determined the Public Works Division of the Allied Military Government, XIII Corps, is prepared to let contracts for the housing projects that can be built and the Finance Division has expressed its readiness to finance the projects without any difficulty. As a result, they expect to employ as many skilled laborers as are available in the Venezia Giulia area in order that the maximum number of unskilled workers can be given employment. The importation of skilled laborers from other parts of Italy, in order to increase the employment of unskilled laborers, will be considered only if absolutely necessary. Allied Military Government, XIII Corps, has decided, therefore, that everything possible is being done to provide employment in the housing field at the present time.

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Yours very truly,

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

Doctor Alcide De Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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KELLEY F. SPORE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Avv. Leone Cattani
Minister of Public Works
Italian Government
Rome

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Doctor Alcide De Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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10 June 1946

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY

ROME, June 7, 1946

My dear Admiral:

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Referring to Brigadier Lush's letter of May 26 (Ref: 591/441/EC) concerning the dismissal of Italian personnel from Municipal and Governmental employment in Zone B of Venezia Giulia, I take pleasure in advising you that I have asked the American Embassy in Belgrade to make representations to the Yugoslav Government along the lines of the suggestion contained in the letter under reference.

Sincerely yours,

David McK. Key

David McK. Key
Charge d'Affaires ad interim

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

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Ref. : 591/441/EC

25 May 1946.

The Prime Minister has brought to my notice certain abuses to which Italian citizens in Zone "B" of Venezia Giulia are subjected.

It appears that Italian personal are being dismissed from municipal and governmental employment in ever increasing numbers.

In the final peregraph of a letter from City Popular Committee of Abbazia (copy enclosed) it is stated that all rights acquired by these employees by virture of their services with the Commune of Abbazia will be settled "after the final settlement of all questions now pending between the Italian State and its successor".

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Such an assertion is contrary to the conditions governing the occupation of Zone "B" as stated by article 7 of the Belgrade Agreement dated June 9, 45, and the Chief Commissioner would be grateful if you would ask your Embassy in Belgrade to take up this matter.

E. S. LUSH

Mr. David McK. Key,
Charge d'Affairs ad Interim,
American Embassy,
Via Vittorio Veneto 119
Rome

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CABLE Q 2829 dated 21 May 46

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PROV FOOD OFFICER HQ AMG UDINE
ALCOM CITE ACFOD INFO: HQ AMG 13 CORPS FOR CHIEF FOOD DIVISION

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1. Subject is wheat.

2. As of 16 May wheat in warehouse and in transit totals 3926 tons.

3. Onthe basis of 220 grams bread and 500 grams pasta Udine will supplied up to 14 June for bread and for months of May and June for pasta. 130 tons wheat daily needed for 200 grams bread.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

Ref: ES/147/0.

16 May 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

563C

You wrote to Brigadier Lush on 24th April 1946 (ref. 5011) regarding the possibilities of employment of the repatriates of Venezia Giulia, and I have pleasure in informing you that the attention of the Allied Military Authorities in that area has been drawn to the provisions made in this respect by Italian Government Decree in Italy.

It is hoped that it will be possible to apply similar provisions in Venezia Giulia.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Dott. Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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Ref. : 4022/329/80 6 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Relief Supplies Venezia Giulia.

TO : Foreign Representative
American Relief for Italy Inc.

1. Reference telephone conversation (McMaster - Col: McSweeney's secretary) regarding relief supplies for Venezia Giulia.

2. The attached is a copy of a signal received from the Welfare Division ANC XIII Corps.

For the Chief Commissioner

G. McMaster

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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PRIORITY

WELFARE DIVISION AMG 13 CORPS SIGNED RAIMONDI KENNY LT COLONEL ARMY OF US CHIEF WELFARE OFFICER

ALCOM FOR ACMIS

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Ref your signal 2841 of 3 May 46 we recommend approval of proposal american relief Italy INC to distribute food and soap free in Venezia Giulia. However consensus local committee appointed by representative Food Ministry is that distribution should be limited to needy persons and families. Polazzo Food Ministry representative advised of this and returned here for new instructions. Invite Hdqrs army Foreign representative AFI Caso Trieste to approve distribution plan before commodities are shipped.

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APR 27 RECD

27. April 1946

Ref. 43-10/FA

SUBJECT : Sepral

TO : S.C.A.O. 13 Corps

1. By Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers dated 31 January 45 (copy attached), certain new rules and regulations for the administration and control of the Seprals throughout Italian Government territory were enacted. This Decree has been extended to cover all A.M.G. territory. The only Seprals now working under the old and obsolete regulations are those in Venezia Giulia.

2. It is suggested therefore that the decree should be examined with a view to putting its provisions into force in Venezia Giulia by General Order, as it is obviously desirable for all Seprals to have uniformity in their administration and control.

M S. LUSH

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner

Copy to: G. 6 Gen
G. 6 Gen

Approved :

V.R.A. COWPER
Lt. Colonel
Director, Food & Agriculture Branch

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EO/1.47/0

24 April 1946.

My dear Prime Minister,

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With reference to your letter dated 13 April 1946 and subsequent discussion with Minister Cattani, I wish to inform you that the matter of your Government's offer of assistance in the relief of unemployment and the housing situation in Venezia Giulia has been presented to the 13th Corps, Allied Military Government, for consideration and recommendations.

As soon as information is received from Allied Military Authorities in Venezia Giulia, you will be advised as to the possibility of carrying out a plan placing in effect your Government's recommendations to implement the Allied Military Government's works program in that area.

Very truly yours,

M S LOSA

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

Doctor Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome.

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APR 16 RECD

Ref:

16. April 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

I am in receipt of your letter, reference 4419, dated 5 April 1946, reference distribution of imported goods made by UNRRA in favour of Italy. 562 c

It is suggested that your appeal on this subject be sent to Chief of Italian Mission, UNRRA, in as much as their willingness or ability to so aid Venezia Giulia is a decision which the Allied Commission is not in the position to make.

Yours very truly,

M S. LUSH

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Acting Chief Commissioner.

Doctor Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
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Acting Chief Commissioner.

Doctor Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
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APR 16 47

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Ref: 642/Ec.

13 April 1946.

SUBJECT: Reorganisation of ATS WREN and VERMIA GIRLS.

TO : VP, Civil affairs Section.
VP, Economic Section.
Executive Officer (A)
Executive Officer (B)

Reference AFHQ signal No. FX 61632 dated 12 April 46, copy attached.

1. The Acting Chief Commissioner directs me to say that he wishes you to submit a memorandum showing what services Allied WRENS give to ATS and your proposals for the future.

2. This matter will be discussed at the Executive Commissioner's meeting on Tuesday next, 16 April 46, and your memorandum should be submitted to this office before that meeting.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

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INCOMING MESSAGE
DECLASSIFICATION AND CODIFICATION

Orig. Ref. FX 64632 M/C. No. M/1932

Date/Time of Origin: APR 121258 M Date Time Recd Apr 121500

PRIORITY

FROM: ARMY [illegible] RADIO [illegible] PACAF

TO : XXII [illegible] RAIN XXII [illegible] AGAN [illegible] ALCOM [illegible]

CONFIDENTIAL.

Representatives from CINCPAC AFPAC and Alcom will hold conference on board train at UDINE on 24 April to discuss problems connected with reorganization of ANC UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA.

Proposal is that all ANC activities shall come under 13 Corps by reporting direct to AFPAC. Will discuss how services now performed by Alcom for ANC will be furnished after reorganization. Appears desirable to attach ANC detachment (US) consisting of all US ANC personnel in UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA to 13 Div for administration. Will 88 Div please send representative. Desirable that NCAD UDINE and NCAOs 13 Corps be present. Each NCAD should bring advisor familiar with military supply programming. Advisors to be held to essential minimum. Details later date

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IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

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No. 004830

Rome, 13 April ~~April~~ 1946.

Dear Brigadier General,

I am informed that the A.M.G. of the Venezia Giulia, by your orders, had extended to the Region A the unblocking of the dismissal of the workmen.

The order isin force since 10th April 1946.

I am troubled on account of the consequences of these dismissals which will have on the economical situation which is already very serious for the working-class of the Giuliane. I beg you to interest the G.M.A. ofthe Venezia Giulia, so that a programme of public works be established, which would partly absorb the dismissed workers.

I must inform you that I am aware that the Comune of Trieste has obtained a loan of 600 millions of Lire from a Syndicate of financial institutions, for public works, and I call your attention upon the expediency for the G.M.A. to immediately initiate these works.

I shall be most grateful if you will oblige.

Yours Cordially

/s/ De Gasperi

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To : Brigadier General M.S. LUSH
Allied Commission
ROME

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To : brigadier General W.D. LUCH
Allied Commission
ROME

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APR 15 REC'D C/File

CONFIDENTIAL

13 April 1946

Ref: EXA/NO.

SUBJECT: Reorganization of ASC Units and Vehicle Units.

TO : VI, Civil Affairs Section.
VI, Counsels Section.
Executive Officer (A)
Executive Officer (B)

Reference memo signed No. VX 66632 dated 12 April 46, subj as above.

1. The Acting Chief Commissioner directs me to say that he wishes you to submit a memorandum showing what services Alsos now give to ASC and your proposals for the future.

2. This matter will be discussed at the Executive Commissioner's meeting on Tuesday next, 16 April 46, and your memoranda should be submitted to this office before that meeting.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

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FROM: ARMY [illegible]

TO : XIII CORPS MAIN XIII CORPS REAR HQRS DIV ALGAR HQRS

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Representatives from G-5 AMG and Aloon will hold conference on board train at UDINE on 24 April to discuss problems connected with reorganization of AMG UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA.

Proposal is that all AMG activities shall come under 13 Corps by reporting direct to APW. Will discuss how services now performed by Aloon for AMG will be furnished after reorganization. Appears desirable to attach AMG detachment (DS) consisting of all Up AMG personnel in UDINE and VENEZIA GIULIA to G5 Div for administration. Will GS Div please send representative. Desirable that AMG UDINE and Comd 13 Corps be present. Each AMG should bring advisor familiar with Military supply programming. Advisors to be held to essential minimum. Details later date

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To Comm

Ref: 591/HG.

8. April 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I thank you for your letter no. 5/426 of 23rd March regarding the visit of the Allied Boundary Commission to the Province of UDINE. It is my understanding that this visit is in fact taking place in order that the Commission may obtain a complete picture of the whole area. Attached

The reason for the maintenance of Allied Military Government in the Province of UDINE is as stated in the communication made by the Allied Commission to the President of the Council of Ministers on 1st January.

Yours very truly,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

Dr. Alcide de Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
ROME.

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THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

5/426

Rome, 23 March, 1946.

Dear Admiral,

It has just been signalled me that recent gestures make us suppose that the Allied Commission of Experts intends extending its enquiries into the provence of Udine in relation to the existence of a small Slav infiltration in the Valle del Natisone.

It is a small group of around 30.000 Slavs scattered in the Alta Valle del Natisone and along its tributaries, who were loyal subjects of the Venetian Republic for many centuries, and who after the long Austrian rule, became part of the Italian State in 1866, and who, though living up to their old traditions, speak both Italian and Friulano fluently. These people of Slav origin always proved to be excellent Italian citizens, and many of them fought during the last war in Alpine Battalions and showed great attachment to Italy. And recently, too, when my predecessor, President Parri made a trip to Friuli, the Mayors of the Communes of the Valli del Natisone handed him requests in which the people affirmed their wish to be united to Italy, and their desire to sacrifice everything to this end.

But the news which has just reached me is surprising, more-especially as you, my dear Admiral, in our conversation of 12 December 1945, assured me that when on the 1 January, 1946, the North of Italy was turned over to the Italian Government, the Allies would keep on the Military administration of the province of Udine, only for military necessity and not because this territory was in any way contestable. In fact this was communicated by the Allied Commission and by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers on January 1, 1946.

I have no doubt that the province of Udine is not contestable and therefore not included in the zones which are submitted to inquiry by the Commission of Experts.

I hope you will take an interest in the matter, and thank you.

Yours truly,

(s) De Gasperi

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission

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**Translation**

IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

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Prot. 4419

Rome, 3 April 1946.

Dear Admiral,

The industrialists of Trieste have asked me to intervene and to beg your help as regards the inconvenience caused to the Venezia Giulia by the difference made to that region, respecting to the rest of Italy, in the distribution of imported goods made by the U.N.R.R.A. in favour of Italy.

In view of the benefit to the economy of the region, increasing the industrial activity, and the assessing of workmen (which are so abundant) the industrialists beg that the Venezia Giulia be included, as the other regions of Italy, in the distribution of the material furnished by the U.N.R.R.A.

This question, depends on the Resolution No. 1 of the Consiglio of the U.N.R.R.A. and competence of the Amministrazione fiduciaria of the G.M.A. of the the Venezia Giulia, therefore I pray you, dear Admiral, to kindly notify the Military Government in order to obtain a favourable solution to this matter.

Cordially yours

/s/ De Gasperi

Admiral Ellery W. STONE
Chief Commissioner, A.C.
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SUBJECT IS REHABILITATION FOR VENEZIA GIULIA.

1. CURRENT DIRECTIVES FROM CCS PROHIBIT REHABILITATION OF INDUSTRY IN VENEZIA GIULIA AND LIMIT ALL REQUEST FOR SUPPLIES TO THOSE FOR THE PREVENTION OF [illegible] DISEASE AND UNREST" .

2. IN VENEZIA GIULIA WESTERN BOUNDARY ITALIAN INDUSTRIES ARE BEING REHABILITATED THROUGH UNRRA PROGRAMME AND ON THE EASTERN BOUNDARY JUGOSLAV INDUSTRIES ARE ALSO REHAVITIATED THROUGH UNRRA PROGRAMME. THIS HAS RESULTED IN AN INDUSTRIAL STAGNATION FOR VENEZIA GIULIA AND HAS REACHED SUCH STAGGERING HEIGHTS THAT WORKERS HAVE BEEN FORCED ON THE ROLLS OF PUBLIC WORKS AND UNEMPLOYMENT. IN SPITE OF ALL EFFORTS POSSIBLE UNDER THE "DISEASE AND UNREST" CLAUSE IT HAS BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO KEEP INDUSTRIES OPERATION. THE CONTINUED STAGNATION OF INDUSTRIES UNDER THE "DISEASE AND UNREST" FORMULA WILL DEFINITIVELY PRODUCE AN ACUTE SITUATION IN THIS TERRITORY DURING THE COMING MONTHS.

3. PRESENT EMPLOYMENT SITUATION IS AS FOLLOWS.

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OF THOSE EMPLOYED 7000 ARE ENGAGED BY UNITS OF 13 CORPS. 7000 ON PUBLIC WORKS AND 14000 IN SHIPYARDS PRINCIPALLY ENGAGED ON REPAIR BRITISH SHIPS UNDER DIRECTION MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT.

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OF 34000 EMPLOYED 26000 ARE DEPENDENT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ON BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS AND THERE IS VIRTUALLY NO OTHER BUSINESS. INFORMATION IN THIS OFFICE INDICATES THAT 6000 TO 8000 INDUSTRIAL WORKERS NOW ON ROLLS ARE IN FACT SURPLUS AND WITH THE PROSPECT OF THE MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT CEASING ITS ACTIVITY IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION MAY BE THOUGHT EXTREMELY GRAVE. FOR THE MOMENT ANGLO IS PLANNING A LARGE NUMBER OF PUBLIC WORKS, MOSTLY OF THE SPADE AND SHOVEL TYPE, TO KEEP THESE PEOPLE OFF THE STREET. SUCH MESH MEASURES ARE ONLY PALLIATIVES AT BEST AND THE UNREST PROBLEM CANNOT BE SOLVED BY SUCH MEASURES.

4. IN HIGHER ORDER TO PREVENT THE ACUTE SITUATION FROM DEVELOPING AND ACTUALLY BECOMING A "DISEASE AND UNREST" PROBLEM LATER TO BE COPED WITH, I CONSIDER IT ESSENTIAL THAT A REHABILITATION PROGRAMME BE PUT IN HAND FORTHWITH AND I HAVE ORDERED ANGLO VENEZIA GIULIA TO PREPARE 1. THIS PROGRAMME WILL BE SUBMITTED EARLIEST POSSIBLE FOR APPROVAL IN DETAILS MEANTIME I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE FOR THIS CHANGE OF POLICY COULD BE SOUGHT WITHOUT DELAY ALLIED.

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IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

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Rome, 31 March 1946.

Dear Admiral,

Referring to your letters dated 18 Jan. and 23 Feb. last, 89/1.47/Q regarding the economic treatment for the zone of the Venezia Giulia. The opportune instructions have been given to the competent Ministries who have given assurence that action will immediately be taken so as to establish a normal supply of Italian goods to the Venezia Giulia, in the same proportion as is supplied to the other Provinces of Italy

With cordial greetings

/s/ De Gasperi

(AB)

To : Admiral ELLERY STONE
Chief Commissioner, A.C.
ROME

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# INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO FOR ACTION: XIII CORPS
FOR INFO : CINC MED TROOPERS FOR GENERAL MORGAN
RKT NO : FX 63642
SIGNED : SACMED CITE: FHCCT

Reference MAP 1118.

1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff have authorized SACMED to issue the following statement on the situation in VENEZIA GIULIA. You are requested to give it the widest publicity including transmission to the Jugoslav Military Mission.

2. Text :

" Recent troop movements have occurred in the area of VENEZIA GUILIA under Jugoslav Military administration. At the same time there has been renewed and unwarranted criticism from abroad of Allied Military Government (AMG) in Zone "A". Attempts have been made to create incidents detrimental to public order in Allied Military Government Territory, and to undermine the authority of public security agencies in VENEZIA GIULIA. There should be NO question as to what attitude the Allies will take in the circumstances. The Allied Military Government Authorities will continue as in the past to administer the territory in Zone "A" in the interests of peace and security and to uphold the authority of the Civil Police. The troop reinforcements in the Jugoslav Zone have been described as defensive in character. But the only claimant to this Area with armed forces in Zone "A" is JUGOSLAVIA itself. Defensive measures are obviously NOT necessary against the only other forces in Zone "A" - the British and American Forces - stationed there to maintain order pending the Peace Settlement. The Representatives of the SOVIET UNION, FRANCE, The UNITED STATES and GREAT BRITAIN are now at work preparing a just and fair Peace Settlement. Until this Settlement is achieved, our obligations and our responsibilities are clear.

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Public order will be enforced with justice, and in our zone we shall tolerate NO attempt to prejudge in any way the final disposition of the Territory. To this end, the American and British Governments have authorised me to declare that it is their firm intention to maintain their present position in VENEZIA GIULIA until an agreed settlement of the territorial dispute has been reached and put into effect."

3. Action is being taken by Allied Force Headquarters to ensure publicity throughout the remainder of ITALY.

ORIGINATOR: G-3 (AFHQ) AUTH: D PEEL YATES, Brigadier.

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POLITICAL ADVISER
to the
ALLIED COMMANDER IN CHIEF
Mediterranean Theater

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HQ AFC 13 Corps
Trieste, Italy
March 25, 1946

My dear Admiral Stone:

I have received your letters of March 18 (file No. 1560/R) and their enclosures. I have handed to my British colleague one copy of the revised edition of the map folio prepared by the Italian government and a copy of the Prime Ministers letter with its enclosures regarding Fiume; he will hand them informally to the British Commissioner. I shall deliver to Mr. Mosely copies of the same documents as soon as I have an opportunity. The Commission just returned from a hectic week in Zone A last evening, and I have not yet seen Mr. Mosely.

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Sincerely yours,

Joseph D. Greene, Jr.

Joseph D. Greene, Jr.
Representative of the
U. S. Political Adviser

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, USN
Chief Commissioner
Headquarters Allied Commission
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TO (FOR ACTION) GEORGE OBOE CHARLIE XIII CORPS

TO (INFORMATION) G-5 AFHQ SCAO AMG XIII Corps

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

Ref: 591/EC

March 1946

SUBJECT: VENEZIA GIULIA.

TO : G.O.C.,
XIII Corps.

With the agreement of the U.S. and U.K. Ambassadors, I am forwarding a letter with enclosure ( 10 copies ) received from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, which I recommend should be handed to the four Delegates on their forthcoming visit to VENEZIA GIULIA.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Copy to: U.S. Embassy. (2) ( Copies of letter and enclosure referred
British Embassy (2) to have been sent to you by the Minister of Foreign Affairs )
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23 March 1946.

AIDE MEMOIRE FOR COMMUNICATION TO THE
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BY THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ON THE CESSATION OF INVESTIGATIONS
AT BASSOVIZZA PIT

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I am directed, however, to inform you that the cessation of the investigations of the BASSOVIZZA Pit is due solely to the lack of adequate machinery and the physical difficulties involved and that this cessation does not imply that the allegations made by Italian sources have been proved to be without foundation.

It is understood that, for reasons which were discussed yesterday, no public announcement will be made of the foregoing without the prior approval of the Supreme Allied Commander.

To/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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21 March 1946

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 9008/127/SC.

28 March 1946

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TO : Political Adviser (A)
Political Adviser (B)

The attached copy of G-5, AFHQ letter G-5: 336.2 VEX dated 21 March 46, addressed to the Chief Commissioner, is passed to you for information.

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Brigadier,
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TO : His Excellency the British Ambassador, BEMF.
G.O.C. XIII Corps
The Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission. (2 Copies)
C-in-C , B.T.A.

SUBJECT : Possible Operations in VENEZIA GIULIA

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D.H. Stapleton

D.H.STAPLETON,
Lt-Col.
for C.A.O.

16 Mar 46
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CAO/278/2.

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OPERATION "F A G G O T"

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b. Two U.S. Regts ex USSET.

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d II Polish Corps.

e. Up to two Italian Divisions.

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IMPLICATIONS OF AIR ATTACK.

3. This paper is based on the assumption that the PO bridges and VENICE port and installations will not be seriously damaged by enemy air attack. If these are damaged, serious administrative complications will result.

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CLOSING DOWN OF SOUTHERN ITALY.

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AMMUNITION.

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d. Supplies for the Italian Army are an Italian Government responsibility and British stocks could not cover their requirements. Similarly, the manpower position is such that the requirements of the Italian Army, even if provided from Italian sources, could not be handled through the British supply system.

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16. a. REME Workshops in XIII Corps, 6 Armd Div and II Polish Corps can meet requirements forward of 4th Echelon.

b. No 4th Echelon repairs will be undertaken in NAPLES after 1 April 1946. After that date 'B' vehicle repairs will be carried out at GRAZ for BTA. Other 4th Echelon repairs will be carried out under the CAPRONI Contract at MILAN, but this is a fixed programme for two types of 'B' Vehicles only.

c. There will be no 4th Echelon repairs facilities for COMETS or CHURCHILLS, since vehicles are either new or re-conditioned as Class 1 and should not require base overhaul for a considerable period. In the event of operations 4th Echelon repairs for COMETS would have to be undertaken in Middle East and for CHURCHILLS in U.K.

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d. No RAMC repairs could be undertaken by British Army Workshops for the Italian Army, and any vehicles which could not be repaired within Italian Army resources would have to be replaced from Ordnance stocks.

MEDICAL.

17. a. Medical stores in the area are adequate, and existing hospitals in XIII Corps area could be supplemented by a further British hospital and two Polish hospitals, which would be adequate to meet the requirements of XIII Corps of 56 Div, 6 Armd Div, reinforcing British Regts and the Polish Corps.

b. Evacuation would be by hospital-train from MESTRE to MILAN, and limited air evacuation by "ANSON" would be possible for special cases from forward landing grounds in VENEZIA GIULIA.

TRANSPORT

18. a. Provided rail communications up to and forward of VENICE are not dislocated, there is adequate road transport in the theatre to support any formations which could be deployed in VENEZIA GIULIA, but to make this available all other tasks would have to be abandoned.

b. No pack transport is available and planning in the forward area should be based accordingly.

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19. a. 1 CRU is already established at TREVISO and up to 2,000 reinforcements could be quickly established there.

b. There are no Polish reinforcements and reinforcement of this Corps could only be effected by progressive disbandment of units, or from Polish reinforcements from outside the theatre.

c. Administrative arrangements will have to be made quickly to receive reinforcements and reinforcing units from M.O.R. These would possibly be received in [redacted].

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20. a. Existing P.W. Camps in [redacted] can be concentrated and will then be able to accommodate a further 5,000 P.W.

b. If the 14,000 disarmed at JUGOSLAVS are released, the camp staff from the CHETNIK Camp will be available for other camps.

c. The production of further camps and camp staffs in the [redacted] would [redacted] for 10,000 P.W. in

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P.W.

20. a. Existing P.W. Camps in ITALY can be concentrated and will then be able to accommodate a further 5,000 P.W.

b. If the 14,000 dissident JUGOSLAVS are released, the camp staff from the CHETNIK Camp will be available for other camps.

c. The production of further huts and camp staffs in the RIMINI area would provide accommodation for 10,000 P.W. in one month. or, if another location were chosen, similar accommodation would be available, subject to a preliminary recce by an R.E. officer, and a suitable water supply being readily available.

d. P.W. and S.E.F. at present arranged [illegible] are VITAL to the administrative machine.

CIVIL AND UNRRA SUPPLIES.

21. In the event of hostilities with the JUGOSLAVS, UNRRA supplies for that country at present imported through TRIESTE would cease. These supplies are in dry cash carried in Allied ships, which would be required for military purposes, and for this reason these supplies should be discharged as quickly as possible in Italian ports other than VENICE.

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Civil supplies for AUSTRIA and VENEZIA GIULIA would be imported wholly through VENICE, until it became possible to open an alternative route through N.W. EUROPE. It would be desirable for the bulk of the civil supplies for Northern ITALY to be switched to GENOA.

P.O.L.

22. a. Bulk storage at VENICE is adequate to meet all military and other requirements envisaged, including the Italian Army and requirements for AUSTRIA.

b. A build-up of approximately 100,000 Jerry-cans would, however, be required to give reasonable packed reserves in the event of II Polish Corps or the Italian Army being moved to XIII Corps area.

MOVEMENTS ASPECTS.

23. a. Railways in ITALY are now operated and maintained by the Italian State Railways. In the event of JUGOSLAV aggression the remaining British railway construction and operating troops would be required in XIII Corps area. The efficiency of railways will therefore depend on the reliability of ISR under operational conditions, particularly in dealing with emergency traffic and rail breaks due to sabotage. For sustained operations it would almost certainly be necessary to reinforce from outside the theatre with a Railway Operating Group and Railway Construction Group.

b. There are now sufficient British Port Operating Coys to handle military tonnages at VENICE required for D.A, XIII Corps and reinforcing divs (including Italian divs). By mid-Summer owing to disbandments there will only be sufficient personnel to supervise the discharge of cargoes at VENICE and therefore the handling of military tonnages at ports will also depend on the reliability of the Italians.

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d. The military would assume control of priorities for all rail traffic moving, at least on the main L of C. It will be necessary to restrict civil rail services to the movement of essential civil supplies and personnel, to ensure both rapid through movement of military stores and personnel and availability of adequate wagon supply for military traffic. This will require the closest co-ordination with and co-operation from the Italian Governmental authorities as the Allied Commission is no longer able to function on transport matters and the Military Railway Service staff available for supervision is increasingly limited.

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e. As the TARVISIO route is likely to be closed to movement in the event of operations the only practicable rail route ex ITALY for maintaining BTA will be via BRENNER, and thence probably through French and U.S. Zones of AUSTRIA. This route will also be required for personnel movement between GERMANY/AUSTRIA and ITALY, particularly the move of U.S. reinforcements from GERMANY. The capacity of the BRENNER route is about 3,000 tons per day in each direction, which should be adequate to meet the above requirements subject to the requirements of U.S. and French Zones.

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g. The cargo shipping now allocated for military purposes in the MEDITERRANEAN would be inadequate to meet requirements and it would be necessary to obtain Combined Chiefs of Staff approval to take up other Allied shipping in the MEDITERRANEAN to lift additional tonnage and vehicle requirements.

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24. a. There are several areas both in VENEZIA GIULIA and in N.E. ITALY which have predominantly SLOVENE and potentially pro-YUGOSLAV populations, which are likely to pursue a policy of non-co-operation with AMG. The Government of these areas is therefore likely to present a special problem, which may be beyond the capacity of the existing AMG organisations in VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE at their present strengths. It should, however, be possible in an emergency to reinforce AMG in the affected areas from the resources of Headquarters, Allied Commission and A.C. Liaison Groups in Italian territory. These resources are however limited.

b. There is likely to be a refugee problem of some magnitude. A large part of the Italian population of VENEZIA GIULIA may be expected to attempt to fly westward at the first sign of a YUGOSLAV advance. As at present constituted, the Displaced Persons organisation in N.E. ITALY is not

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equipped to deal with such a problem. The resources at the disposal of the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, depleted although they now are, should however be sufficient to build up an adequate organisation for the evacuation and care of refugees, provided that plans are made in advance.

CONCLUSIONS.

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CONCURRENCE: [redacted] (No comments)

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R. P. MANGLES, Major,
CAO and Logistical Plans Section.

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13 March 1946

Dear Mr. Key:

Thank you for your letter of 11 March 548 OE concerning the proposed visit of the French Representative of AC to Venezia Giulia to get in touch with the French Delegation of the Commission of Experts.

Captain Moullec will be advised accordingly.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Mr. David McK. Key
Charge d'Affaires a.i.
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13005/F

18 March 46

SUBJECT : Disposition of Accounts of Allied Financial Agency

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5 Section, AFHQ.

1. I refer to our 13005/F of 2 October, 1945, and your G-5/130 of 10 October, 1945, regarding the forwarding to CCS of certain recommendations on the disposition of the accounts of the Allied Financial Agency. To date no decision on the question has been received from CCS.

2. Item 9 of our memorandum 13003/F of 3 October dealt with the problem of sequestrated enemy State and Army funds, which has now again been raised by the Italian Government. I attach hereto three copies of a translation of letter No. 44/07020/18 of 4 March, 1946, from the President of the Council of Ministers and Minister of Foreign Affairs, setting forth the Italian arguments for the return to the Italian Government of the funds in question. I would suggest that a copy of this letter be forwarded to CCS for consideration in connection with the decision on the final disposition of the sequestrated funds. The Allied Commission maintains its recommendation that such funds should be returned to the Italian Government in the final settlement.

3. In this connection I have seen a copy of your telegram F/58471, transmitting to ANG 13 Corps the text of FAN 639.+ Paragraph 2 of FAN 639 states that the German fire accounts sequestrated by AMG in Venezia Giulia should be

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returned to the Italian State. I should be grateful to learn whether this statement constitutes a ruling on the question of the sequestrated German funds now held by AFA.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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13215/F

18 March 1946

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

I write with reference to your letter 14/07020/18 (556a) of 4 March, 1946, regarding the sequestrated German State and Army funds which were seized by AC/AMG and are presently in the custody of the Allied Financial Agency.

As you know, these funds were sequestrated upon direction of the Combined Chiefs of Staff and Allied Force Headquarters, and no disposition of such funds may be made by the Allied Commission except pursuant to a specific directive from higher authority. The question of the final disposition of the German funds has already been referred by us to the Combined Chiefs of Staff for decision and we are awaiting their reply. I have forwarded a copy of your letter for the consideration of the Combined Chiefs of Staff in connection with their final decision.

Very truly yours,

For Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Doctor Alcide de Gasperi
President of the Council
of Ministers,
Italian Government.

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18 March 1946

My dear Mr. Greene,

I attach hereto two copies of a translation of a letter I have received from the Italian Government.

I should be grateful if copies of this letter could be made available informally to the U.S. and British Delegations on the Boundary Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Mr. J.N. Greene, Jr.
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18 March 1946

My dear Mr. Greene,

I enclose herewith two copies of a revised edition of the map folio prepared by the Italian Government on the ethnic, geographic, and economic situation in Venezia Giulia.

All of the tables and charts have been improved in their method of presentation and several new tables added (notably III, V(3), VII, VIII, and XXI). I would suggest that a copy of the map folio be handed informally to both the U.S. and British Delegations on the Commission. Copies of the folio are being sent formally to the Council of Foreign Ministers in London.

Also enclosed is a copy of a letter from the President of the Council of Ministers, bearing on the ethnic question, and I should be grateful if this could also be informally shown to the U.S. and British Delegations.

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15 March 1946.

My dear Dr. Prunas,

This is to thank you for your letter of 26 February 1946, addressed to the Chief Commissioner informing him of the steps that the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has taken with the United States and British Embassies to improve the banking situation in Venezia Giulia, and to assure you that your points and suggestions will be borne in mind should our views be sought by the Embassies. (528) a

Yours sincerely

(Sgd) L. S. Lush

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Dr. Renato Prunas
Segretario Generale
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Ref: 9008/120/EC. 14 March 1946.

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Reference your letter 43/01431/2 of 15 January 1946 and my 9008/99/EC of 13 February 1946 to Dr. Renato Prunas.

I have been instructed to give a general statement on the development of war booty problems leading to the position as it is at present. The War Booty Committee was established in September 1945 in accordance with the terms of Appendix F of the Morgan - Jovanovic Agreement. It has so far held ten meetings, and is now preparing its final report. 23 October 1945 was fixed as the final date for the submission of claims by the Jugoslavs, and although the delegation protested that this date allowed insufficient time for the completion of lists, no claims submitted after that date have been admitted. Lire and lire accounts, warships and merchant ships were expressly excluded from discussion by the Committtee, the latter since, as you know, the question of shipping in general is to be decided on a governmental level. The setback to industry caused by the delay in the salvage and repairs of shipping is, however, gradually being overcome and Allied Military Government is already taking action to ensure the development of a programme for salvage and repair and the completion of ships already in contruction.

Some of the stocks at the Ilva plant are subject to a war booty claim which was rejected by the Anglo-American members of the Committee. These stocks are as a result still blocked. For the time being orders have been issued that no items in relation to which any question of ownership by your State can possibly arise will be removed. While those lists were under discussion it was naturally necessary for the movement for consumption of certain industrial and other materials and facilities to be blocked. Blocking is, however, no longer necessary except in the case of the few items still under dispute and free movement of the remainder is being restored.

Yours very truly,

cc: American Embassy, Rome.
British Embassy, Rome.
G-5, AFHQ.
Political Adviser (A), AC.
Political Adviser (B), AC.
Economic Section, AC.
SCAO, AMG Venezia Giulia

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 3613/288/EC

14 March 1946.

SUBJECT: Liaison with French Delegation of the Commission of Experts Venezia Giulia.

TO : French Representative to Allied Commission.

Reference is made to your inquiry regarding the proposed visit of an assistant of your office to contact the French Delegation of the Commission of Experts in Venezia Giulia.

The matter was referred to the Council of Foreign Ministers, London, who have replied to the effect that no arrangements have been made to permit any visit of officials except the Commission of Experts themselves, and state that authority should be sought direct from the Council of Foreign Ministers, should any members of the Allied Commission desire to contact the commission in Venezia Giulia.

For the Chief Commissioner

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
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Ref. : 591/378/RC

14 March 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

Reference your letters 5/241 of 26 Feb 46 and 5/272 of 4 March 1946, the contents of which I have forwarded to the appropriate authorities, I can inform you that I have heard from the Supreme Allied Commander who requests me to assure you that he is fully alive to the present situation and the recent developments in Venezia Giulia and that Allied troops will continue to exercise all vigilance to preserve the balance at present existing there.

Yours very truly

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
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13 March 1946

Dear Mr. Key:

Thank you for your letter of 11 March concerning the proposed visit of the French Representative of AG to Venezia Giulia to get in touch with the French Delegation of the Commission of Experts. (548)

Captain Moullec will be advised accordingly.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Mr. David McK. Key
Charge d'Affaires a.i.
American Embassy
Rome

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